



The Redeemer

Review

Proclaiming Christ into the 21st Century

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Dear Friends in Christ,

For hundreds of years, Native Americans, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians, compelled by the gospel, have chosen to become disciples of Jesus Christ. In doing so, we have affirmed that relationship with God and our brothers and sisters is contained in the gospel of Jesus Christ. We bear witness to the mercy of God through our faith, continuing in discipleship and ministry.

Native American Ministries Sunday is a few weeks away. Celebrated on Sunday, May 1, this Special Sunday honors the gifts and contributions of Native Americans.

Last year, our brother **Doug Meneely** brought the *Word of God* for us in a compelling reflection about the contribution of Native Americans to the United Methodist Church. This year, our sister JoAnne Gregorash will

reflect on the life and ministry of Native Americans in the US.

Also, in a few more weeks we will be celebrating the resurrection of the Lord. In the Biblical Story we see that the disciples had heard of the resurrection of Jesus but those who had not seen him did not believe it. They questioned their faith. They are huddled around waiting anxiously.

I know that when I am tense, my hands tend to curl into fists. Perhaps the disciples were experiencing this as well in their fear. Maybe they were ready for a fight. Perhaps they were holding on to what little faith they had with clenched hands. But Jesus, the risen Christ, doesn't knock with a closed hand. He just appears in the room, saying "Peace be with you."

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Into their scary, lonely world, Jesus is a voice, a presence. And what does he do? He stretches out his arms and shows them his open, pierced hands. The disciples are immediately relieved. They rejoice. After sharing a meal of broiled fish with them, he opened their minds. They begin to understand the fullness of why Jesus has come. Perhaps in opening their minds, they also begin to open their hands, releasing fear, anger, and the sense of scarcity. Speaking into their disbelief, Jesus tells them that he is sending them out

into the world, just as God sent him. Jesus equips them to proclaim repentance and forgiveness of sins to all nations. Jesus gives them the tools to be the church. And so it is that we are the church today. It is we who share with open hands, with our neighbors, our families, the ministries of this church and United Methodist ministries like those in the Native American community. It is our hands here at ORUMC, working together, open to providing comfort, open to providing healing.

On Native American Ministries Sunday, we have an opportunity to strengthen the church. Our gifts extend open hands, sharing peace, justice, and hope into the ministry of the Native American communities. Without your generosity, this ministry could not be achieved! You gave \$453,155 in 2021 towards ministries funded by the Native American Ministries Special Sunday offering. Because of opening our hands and minds together with other United Methodists in our country, we are able to develop and strengthen Native American ministries in the Annual Conferences, Native American rural, urban, reservation ministries and communities relating to the General Board of Global Ministries.

Because we, ORUMC, gave, Native American students will receive scholarships to help them complete their seminary education; Native American local churches will offer vacation Bible school and after-school programs to reach children with cultural and Scriptural education. Elders will gather to

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study and learn within their own cultural community and annual conferences will conduct Native American outreach ministries.

As we prepare to celebrate this important ministry in our church, I would like to invite you to say special prayers for the Native American community and for the success of Native ministries: Pray specifically for Native American seminarians as they study to serve God effectively. Pray for the outreach ministry of annual conferences. Committee on Native American Ministries and for each local church.

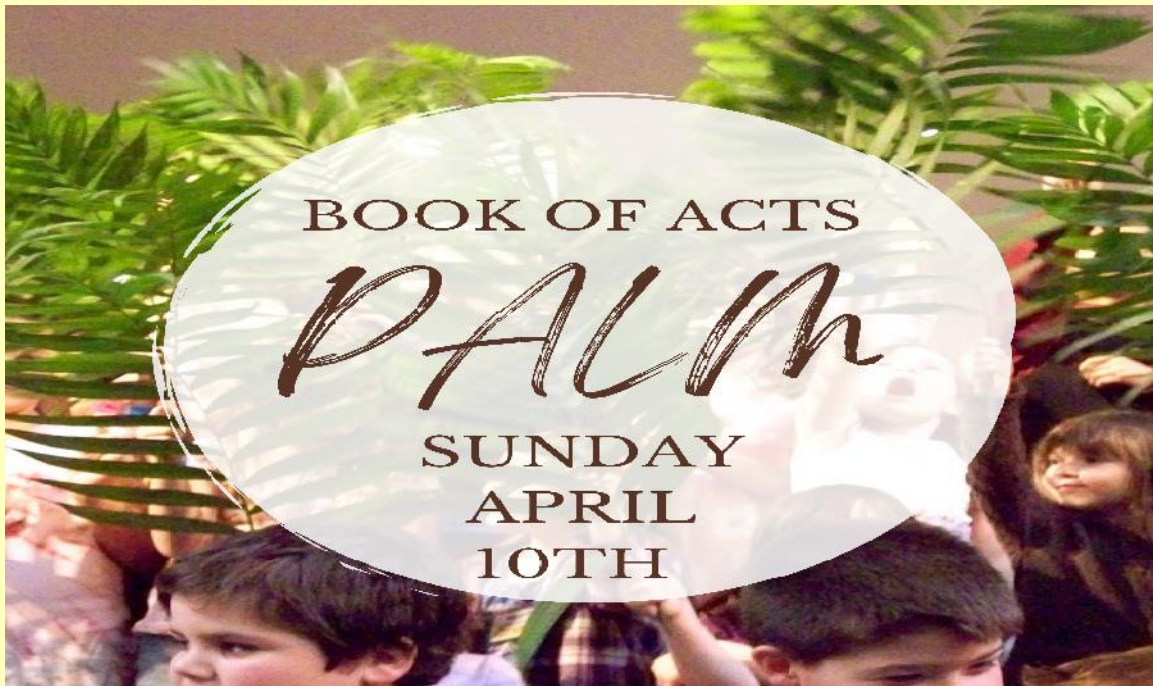
In His service and yours,
Pastor Shirley

Heifer International *Thank you for donating to Heifer this winter!*

It is truly an honor to share how your generosity will again be changing lives through Heifer International. This past holiday season, over \$2,600.00 was raised.

This is double last year's contributions. Amazing! Families in need will benefit through the gifts of cows, chickens, honeybees, and all the other animals which you contributed towards.

This year, gifts were also given in the form of stoves and education. All of these various gifts put the recipient families on a path out of poverty. Thank you for your support of this wonderful mission!





Our BIG NEWS is that the global United Methodist women's organization has had a name change and is now known as **United Women in Faith / UWIF!** As you can see above, we have a new logo and a new name (no longer UMW/ United Methodist Women). Historically, the UMW name was selected in 1972, so it's been 50 years since there's been a name change.

Now that April is upon us, we are looking forward to April showers, Easter, and colorful flowers sprouting from our gardens. We have much to be thankful for, but must continue to be mindful of the conflict in the Ukraine and the struggle that is facing their citizens. On **Friday, April 1st** the UWIF is sponsoring **Movie Night with the recorded showing of the play "JESUS" @ 6:30 p.m.** in the church Sanctuary. There will be a good will offering at the end of the event and a bag of cookies will be given to those that contribute. The offering proceeds will be sent to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) to benefit the Ukraine.

NOTE:

· We are asking our membership to **BAKE COOKIES** for Movie Night on Friday, April 1, as well as for the Memorial Service for Shirley McDaniel on Saturday, April 2. Please prepackage your cookies in Ziploc

bags (4 in each bag).

· **DROP OFF** your cookies to the Church Kitchen on **Thursday, March 31 or Friday, April 1**. You may sign up on-line, or just bring cookies.

· We need to have **HOSTESSES** handing out cookies on Friday night after the movie, as well as hostesses to help serve cookies on Saturday morning after Shirley McDaniel's Memorial Service.

Our UWIF Quarterly Meeting on Tuesday, March 8 marked our first Potluck dinner in two years (due to the pandemic). It was wonderful to share delicious casseroles, fruit, cookies and desserts that everyone brought for the dinner. Our evening's program was entitled "Call to Prayer and Self Denial," and focused on the roles of the Deaconess and Home Missioners in our denomination. We were so fortunate to have Deaconess Catherine Inserra at our meeting to present this inspiring information and message. After her presentation she was presented with a Prayer Shawl which was especially created for her.

Due to the lingering effects of COVID, we have decided to postpone our UMW Retreat and our Annual Trivia Night. We hope to soon have details on the scheduling of our Rummage Sale for 2022. We will continue to reevaluate the COVID situation and hope to reschedule these three events later this year.

2022 List of UWIF Events (add these dates to your calendars):

o **Thursday, March 31- Drop off cook-**

ies in Church Kitchen for Friday movie night & Saturday Memorial service for Shirley McDaniel.

o Friday, April 1

o Drop off cookies in Church Kitchen for Friday movie night & Saturday Memorial service

o Family Movie Night @ 6:30 p.m.- ORUMC/ Church (in Sanctuary). Movie: ðJesusö

o Saturday, April 2 @ 10:00 a.m.- Visitation for Shirley McDaniel / **11:00 a.m. Memorial Service**

o Friday, April 8- Game Night

o Saturday, April 9- 5K Walk / contact Melinda Taylor for information

o April 22 or 26: TBD- One-Night Book study: ðThe Boy, The Mole, The Fox, & The Horseö by Charlie Makesy. If interested, contact Ronda Wilkes and let her know if you are available either April 22 or 26. (Purchase your own book on-line)

o Tuesday, June 7 @ 6:30 p.m.

UWiF Quarterly Meeting and Salad Supper. Program: Father's Day project and Outdoor Games.

o Tuesday, September 6 @ 6:30 p.m.
ó UWiF Quarterly Meeting and Potluck. Program: ðNehemiah Throws a Partyö.

o Tuesday, December 6 @ 6:30 p.m.
ó UWiF Holiday Meeting and Potluck. Program: Holiday Happenings and White Elephant gift exchange



**UMM Breakfast Meeting
April 9 - Time and Location
To Be Determined
Keep an eye on your email.**

**Butterbraid Pickup
April 4 from 1-3 pm.**

Butterbraid pickup is Monday April 4 from 1-3pm at church. If you are unable to make it at that time, please contact **Kim Maher** to arrange for a different day.

Contact Kim at kimberm@gmail.com.

Financial News

February 28, 2022 Year-To-Date

Revenues	\$45,248
Expenses	\$446,122
Net Income(Deficit)	\$874

EASTER FLOWERS



Spring is just about here, and with it comes hope and certainty to all. The hope and certainty of new birth. It is once again time to celebrate Christ's defeat of death on the cross and his glorious resurrection. Easter this year falls on April 17thst. On this day, as a sign of love and joy, we fill our church with beautiful spring flowers. These flowers will be displayed on Easter Sunday as we worship the risen Lord and join in praise. He is Risen, He is Risen Indeed!

We invite all who love to see the church decked out with beautiful flowers join with us in the celebration of the miracle of Easter. Here at Our Redeemer's the church purchases flowers that were ordered by the congregation to be displayed in the church until after Easter when they may be taken home. It is easy as we do all the work for you. We order them and arrange them for all to enjoy on Easter Sunday. Then you take them home and enjoy them there. I have been taking mine home each year and planting them in my garden. Each year come July my flower beds are full of blooming flowers and most of them Easter lilies!

To participate, you may order lilies or tulips or hyacinths. Please fill in the order form below and place with your payment in the beautifully decorated special basket located in the narthex or in the offering plate. The price of this year's flowers is \$15.00 for lilies and \$13.50 for tulips or hyacinths. ***Wednesday, April 6th is the deadline for placing your order. A little earlier than we are used to, but it is necessary to get all that are ordered. We ask that you please order early to help with this goal.***

Name _____ Phone _____

Choose Lily (\$) _____ Tulips (\$) _____ Hyacinth (\$) _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

BLOOD DRIVE THANK YOU

Thank you to all of you who participated in our virtual blood drive. And praise God for His guidance in organizing it and for the inspiration to also involve Our Saviors in the effort. In that way we were able to double our donations.

Now for those of you who have strong competitive tendencies, I may disappoint you. I have been a Chicago Cubs fan since 1956. I personally don't have very high expectations about winning. The truth is we're really not sure who won our competition. Vitalant has a new computer system and they didn't keep accurate records of who joined our blood drive, nor did it indicate from which church.

So Mary Legg who did a wonderful job of leading the effort from Our Saviors and I decided we will call it a tie. I can assure you it was a significant number, and again it was double what it would have been without them.

Please recall we did this because our country is experiencing a severe blood shortage. Those of you who donated, remember you can donate blood as often as every 2 months. If, on the other hand, you qualify to donate, but just didn't get around to it, it's not too late! They will still welcome it they will cherish your blood.

There is a lot going on in our world. Too much of what is going on is evil. But in Romans 12 Paul says, "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good." Thank you again for your donations. You did GOOD.

Bruce Bedingfield

SPRING COLLECTIONS

Caring Ministries has some great news! Now that some of the COVID restrictions have been lifted we are able to resume our Easter collections for Kids Above All, formerly ChildServ.

This organization's mission is to protect, heal and educate children and their families so they can build better lives. They accomplish this by supporting programs such as Foster Care, Violence Prevention, Family Childcare and Healthy Lifestyle Education, just to name a few.

This year they are asking for diapers, of all sizes and wipes. Please bring your donation to the church on Easter Sunday.

Thank you as always for your support both at Christmas, Gifts from the Heart and at Easter. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Gail Bedingfield

Gail Bedingfield

FIVE

Reasons We Celebrate Native American Ministries Sunday

Native American Ministries Sunday is a very special day that United Methodist churches across the country celebrate every year. With a special offering on a designated Sunday in April, we honor and empower the Native Americans in our church community.

Native Americans — with many unique languages and cultures — honor Jesus and live as Christians led by a rotation of primarily Native American pastors. It is a joy to celebrate and embolden their congregations on this day!

Here are five reasons we believe in the importance of this Special Sunday:



1.

We celebrate in commitment to racial reconciliation.

The struggles of First Americans are often invisible. As a result of historic and ongoing institutional racism, our Native communities experience high rates of poverty and suicide. As United Methodists, we have vowed to seek reconciliation with Native Americans and are committed to represent their community in a way that befits their proud heritage. This offering specifically supports Native American seminarians, strengthens, develops and equips Native American rural, urban, and reservation congregations, ministries and communities and annual conference Native American Ministries.

2. We believe in funding justice efforts for Native Americans.



“Social justice” is more than a buzzword for United Methodist congregations. With this offering, we are saying YES to creating programs that enrich, empower and educate. So many people want to support our First Americans, but don’t know where to start. Giving generously on this Sunday is an easy way to show our support.

3.



When we give together, we do more than any individual can.

Connectionalism is a high priority for our denomination. We believe in joining together, as congregations all over the world, to celebrate together on six Special Sundays throughout the year. This particular Special Sunday provides the biggest impact we make together for Native American communities.

4. We believe in taking care of our own family.



As United Methodists, we are committed to serving and giving all over the world, but we are committed to shepherding and caring for our own community first. 1 Timothy 5:8 challenges us to take care of our own family. On Native American Ministries Sunday, we do just that.

5. We want to model generosity for our communities and future generations.



Generosity leaves a legacy. When we give as a community, we tell our local mission field that we care. When we give as a community to diverse causes, we are making sure people know that our churches are externally focused. We believe in diversity, and we believe in supporting all people. On this day, we make sure to support our First Americans.



**JOIN US TO GIVE GENEROUSLY ON
NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES SUNDAY.**

TOGETHER, WE DO MORE.

For more information, visit umcgiving.org/NAMS.

General Conference Postponed to 2024 Statement from Bishop John L. Hopkins

The Commission on the General Conference has announced the further postponement of the 2020 General Conference of The United Methodist Church. The next General Conference will be in 2024.

In response to the decision, Bishop John L. Hopkins said:

I want to express appreciation to the Commission on General Conference that is made up of elected delegates. They were entrusted to represent General Conference and have consistently upheld the principle of having everyone at the table.

If we believe in a church with a strong democratic foundation, we need to support the decision to meet in 2024 whether we agree with it or not. God does not stop working when we cannot gather at a General Conference and neither should we.

There are many questions about a General Conference in 2024 that we cannot answer at this time. Between now and our annual conference, we will know more about the possibility of electing bishops, changing representatives on church agencies, resetting the general church budget, and how a postponed 2020 conference and a 2024 conference can be held at the same time.

Do not let the news of General Conference being postponed take your attention away from the suffering of our United Methodist churches in Ukraine. I have gathered, sung, and prayed with our United Methodists brothers and sisters in Kyiv and in Moscow who are both led by Bishop Eduard Khegay. Support them with your prayers, offerings, and actions. Your gifts can be received through your local church and designated to Ukrainian assistance.

In the meantime, keep thinking globally and acting locally to serve Jesus and his Church. Use this Lenten Season to focus on what is most important and pray for peace.

Bishop John L. Hopkins

To read the Commission on the General Conference Statement and the Council of Bishops Statement contact:

Northern Illinois Conference
77 W. Washington St., Suite 1820
Chicago, IL (312) 346-9766



Youth are hosting an Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday for our church families! If you would like to donate treats or trinkets, there is a collection in the Narthex.

Do you or a Jr.High / HS student want to get involved? Reach out to Melissa for details and upcoming schedule.



Youth and Sunday School teachers are hosting an Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday! Rain or shine! 9:30 a.m. Hopping off from Wesley Hall.

Sunday School meets every Sunday from 9:00 . 10:00 a.m. in Asbury Hall



Personal Notes



Thank You in Advance

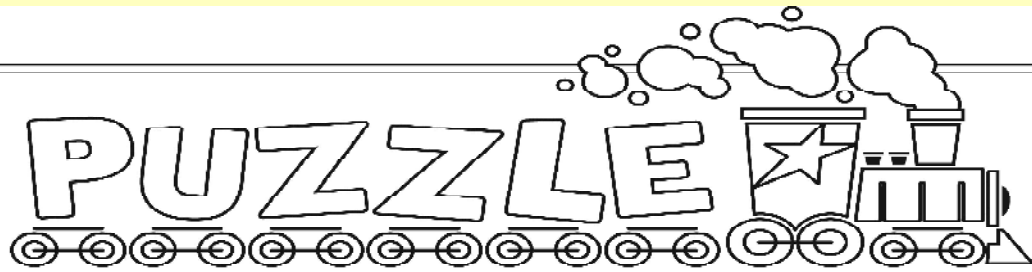
Thank you all for your kind words and assistance in preparing for Shirley's memorial service April 2.

We look forward to seeing you in person and virtually via the live-stream of the service.

We are hoping to share the service with friends and family from Colorado to Virginia and Florida with a few spots in between.

Thank you,

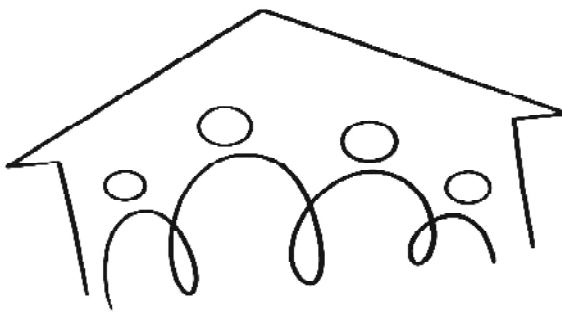
Mary and Jerry McDaniel



A VALUABLE *command*

God instructs children how to relate to their parents.

Directions: Arrange the words in alphabetical order. Then insert the circled letters in order to complete Exodus 20:12, NIV.



son	mother	father
daughter	honor	home
respect	family	obey
	love	

1. _ _ _ _ ○ _ _ ○
2. ○ _ _ _ _ ○
3. _ _ ○ _ _ ○ _ _
4. ○ _ _ _ _
5. _ _ _ ○ _
6. ○ _ _ _ _
7. _ ○ _ _ _ _
8. ○ _ _ _ _
9. ○ _ _ _ _ _
10. _ _ ○

_ _ono_ your _ _ather and _ _our mo_h_r,
 so t_at y_u may _i_e l_ng in t_e land
 the L_RD _ou_ God i_ givi_g you.

EXODUS 20:12, NIV

Answer: 1. daughter, 2. family, 3. father, 4. home, 5. honor, 6. love, 7. mother, 8. obey, 9. respect, 10. son; Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Mar 27</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School</p> <p>10:00 AM Worship in sanctuary (winter)</p> <p>11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom</p>	<p><i>Mar 28</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom</p>	<p><i>Mar 29</i></p>	<p><i>Mar 30</i></p> <p>6:15 PM Redeemer Ringers</p>	<p><i>Mar 31</i></p> <p>8:30 AM T.O.P.S in Room 4</p>	<p><i>Apr 1</i></p> <p>6:30 PM Family Movie Night</p>	<p><i>Apr 2</i></p> <p>Memorial Service - Shirley McDaniel Visitation 10:00 Service 11:00</p>
<p><i>Apr 3</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School</p> <p>9:30 AM Drive Thru Communion</p> <p>10:00 AM Worship in sanctuary (winter)</p> <p>4:30 PM Youth Group</p>	<p><i>Apr 4</i></p> <p>Butter Braid Pickukp 1:00 till 3:00 pm</p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom</p>	<p><i>Apr 5</i></p>	<p><i>Apr 6</i></p> <p>6:15 PM Redeemer Ringers</p>	<p><i>Apr 7</i></p> <p>8:30 AM T.O.P.S in Room 4</p>	<p><i>Apr 8</i></p> <p>UW i F Game Night</p>	<p><i>Apr 9</i></p> <p>UW i F 5K Walk Details Melinda Taylor</p> <p>UMM Breakfast Time & Location to be determined</p>
<p><i>Apr 10</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School</p> <p>10:00 AM Worship in sanctuary (winter)</p> <p>11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom</p>	<p><i>Apr 11</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom</p>	<p><i>Apr 12</i></p>	<p><i>Apr 13</i></p> <p>6:15 PM Redeemer Ringers</p>	<p><i>Apr 14</i></p> <p>8:30 AM T.O.P.S in Room 4</p> <p>10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry</p>	<p><i>Apr 15</i></p>	<p><i>Apr 16</i></p>
<p><i>Apr 17</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School</p> <p>10:00 AM Worship in sanctuary (winter)</p> <p>11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom</p> <p>4:30 PM Youth Group</p>	<p><i>Apr 18</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom</p>	<p><i>Apr 19</i></p>	<p><i>Apr 20</i></p> <p>6:15 PM Redeemer Ringers</p>	<p><i>Apr 21</i></p> <p>8:30 AM T.O.P.S in Room 4</p> <p>7:00 PM Ad Council</p> <p>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</p>	<p><i>Apr 22</i></p>	<p><i>Apr 23</i></p>
<p><i>Apr 24</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Sunday School</p> <p>10:00 AM Worship in sanctuary (winter)</p> <p>11:30 AM Coffee with Pastors Zoom</p>	<p><i>Apr 25</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study Zoom</p>	<p><i>Apr 26</i></p>	<p><i>Apr 27</i></p> <p>6:15 PM Redeemer Ringers</p>	<p><i>Apr 28</i></p> <p>8:30 AM T.O.P.S in Room 4</p>	<p><i>Apr 29</i></p>	<p><i>Apr 30</i></p>
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