

# Feb. 25 – Mar. 4, 2018

## This Week

### Sunday, February 25

- 8:30-11:30 Nursery through Preschool, *Room 105*
- 8:30-10:00 Coffee Hour, *Fellowship Hall*
- 8:45-9:45 Sunday School for All
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 11:00 a.m. KCMR Radio Broadcast, 97.9 FM
- 11:45 a.m. Disciple IV (led by Pastor Kathy), *Rm 25*
- 2:30 p.m. UMYF Movie (Pastor Kathy), *Youth Room*
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation (led by Pastor Kathy), *Room 25*

### Monday, February 26

- 9:30 a.m. Companions in Christ: Forgiveness  
*Upper Room*

### Tuesday, February 27

*Newsletter Mailing*

*Serving Supper at Community Kitchen*

- 8:00 a.m. Hospice, *Fellowship Hall*
- 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting, *Office Conf. Room*
- 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts, *Fireside Room/Classroom*
- 6:00 p.m. SPRC, *Upper Room*
- 6:00 p.m. Pairs & Spares, *Village Court*

### Wednesday, February 28

*Serving Lunch at Community Kitchen*

- 5:15 p.m. Jubilee Bell Ringers
- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

### Thursday, March 1

- 8:00 a.m. Bible Study, *Pies & More*
- 9:30 a.m. UMW Board Meeting, *Room 25*
- 6:00 p.m. Scouts Pack 9, *Fireside Rm/Classroom*

### Friday, March 2

- 10:00 a.m. World Day of Prayer Serv., *Wesley UMC*

### Saturday, March 3

- 5:00 p.m. Worship Service, *WAYside Chapel*

### Sunday, March 4

*Communion, Hawkeye Food Bank*

- 8:30-11:30 Nursery through Preschool, *Room 105*
- 8:30-10:00 Coffee Hour, *Fellowship Hall*
- 8:45-9:45 Sunday School for All
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 11:00 a.m. KCMR Radio Broadcast, 97.9 FM
- 11:00 a.m. ASP Soup Luncheon, *Fellowship Hall*
- 11:45 a.m. Disciple IV (led by Pastor Kathy), *Rm 25*
- 2:00 p.m. Skating Party, *Roller City*
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation (led by Pastor Kathy), *Room 25*
- No UMYF (participation in skating party)

## World Day of Prayer

**Friday, March 2, 2018**

**Wesley UMC**

Please join in the World Day of Prayer service at Wesley UMC, 1405 S Pennsylvania Ave, Mason City. Coffee begins at 9:30 a.m. with service following from 10:00-11:30 a.m.

This year, the women of the World Day of Prayer Committee of Suriname call us to worship with the words: "All God's Creation is Very Good!" We are invited to learn about Suriname's history and rich cultural diversity. They remind us that we are caretakers of God's creation!

## Soup Luncheon

**Sunday, March 4, 2018**

**Immediately after Church  
Freewill Offering**

The Appalachia Service Project (ASP) will be hosting a soup luncheon with proceeds going towards their mission trip scheduled for June 30 – July 8, 2018. Come and enjoy some homemade chili, homemade chicken noodle soup, cinnamon rolls and bars!

## UMW Friends

The 2018 yearbook for the United Methodist Women is now available. If you would like a copy, stop in the church office and pick one up.

## UMW Annual Rummage Sale

**Donations Needed**

If you have started your spring cleaning and have items you no longer need, please consider helping the UMW with their mission project by donating to their rummage sale. **Donations may be placed on the stage in Fellowship Hall. No electronics please.** This includes TV's, monitors, printers, copiers, etc. Rummage sale is scheduled for April 13 & 14, 2018. Thank you!

## All Ladies Welcome . . .

### "Popping Up Spring" Luncheon

**Monday, March 5, 2018**

\$9.00

12:00-2:00 p.m.

The Main Event, 112 2<sup>nd</sup> St SE, Mason City

Feature:

Todd VonEhwegen, Spring at Lime Creek Nature Center

Speaker:

Sherry Segal, Owatonna, MN

"My Journey from Hopelessness to Joy in Christ"

Reservations:

Call Jessie at 424-8314 by noon Friday, March 2

Cancellations Essential

Sponsored by Mason City Christian Women's Connection

Affiliated with Stonecroft

### Keeping in our thoughts and prayers...

Prayers for our church members who are dealing with an illness or medical issue for themselves or a loved one, those dealing with the loss of a loved one, those who are caring for a loved one, those who are dealing with issues for their self or family members and those who are serving or have served in the Armed Forces. They could use our prayers today. **Prayer Chain – Please submit prayer requests to Anne Wallace at 641-424-9255.**

### Continued Prayers & Cards

**Donna Cline**

### Congratulations

Happy Birthday to all who are celebrating their special day this week!

### Updated Address

**C. Maxine Tantow** is now residing at Heritage Care Center, 501 S Kentucky Ave Apt 14, Mason City, IA 50401-4205. Visitors are currently restricted due to flu season.



### **Roller Skating Party**

**Sunday, March 4, 2018**

**2:00 – 4:00 p.m., Roller City**

All members of First UMC are invited to a roller skating party at Roller City (600 2<sup>nd</sup> St NW, Mason City) from 2:00-4:00 p.m. **This is a FREE event and you are welcome to bring guests.** Come and have some fun!

Pray so big  
and so often that  
when God  
meets you  
at Heaven's gate,  
he says with a  
smile, "Kid,  
you kept me  
very busy."

### **Radio Supporters Making a Difference**

RADIO MINISTRY CONTRIBUTIONS

11:00 a.m. delayed broadcast on KCMR, 97.9 FM

**February 25, 2018** – No Sponsor

The radio calendar is posted on the bulletin board outside the Church Office, or you may call the office at 423-4905 and request to sponsor a special day. The cost to sponsor a Sunday is \$80. Thank you!

**Available Dates:**

**3/4, 3/18, 3/25**

### **Upcoming Dates**

- Mar 8 – UMW Unit Meeting, 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall
- Mar 11 – Daylight Saving Time Begins, UMCOR Sunday
- Mar 14 – No Jubilee Bell Ringers Rehearsal (Choir still meets)
- Mar 15 – UMW Missions Study at Eagle Grove  
All welcome! Contact Betty Chipman for details.
- Mar 16 – Newsletter Deadline (by noon)
- Mar 17 – NC District Building a Leadership Connection Event  
9:00-11:30 a.m. Webster Faith UMC
- Mar 19 – Church Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Fireside Room
- Mar 20 – Finance Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Church Office  
(Date change for month of March only)
- Mar 22 – Newsletter Mailing  
New Beginnings, 7:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall
- Mar 25 – Palm Sunday, ASP Cookie Walk
- Mar 25-31 – Holy Week
- Mar 27 – Pairs & Spares, 6:00 p.m. Village Court Restaurant
- Mar 29 – UMW Rummage Sale Mtg., 9:30 a.m. Room 25  
Seder Supper, 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall
- Mar 30 – Good Friday Service, 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary
- Apr 1 – Easter Sunrise Service, 7:00 a.m.  
Breakfast, 8:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall  
Easter Worship Service, 10:00 a.m.  
(Communion postponed to April 8)



### **2018 Bill Oleson Scholarship**

**\$1,000**

The purpose of the Bill Oleson Scholarship is to help high school graduating seniors and adults with a high school diploma pursuing post-secondary education, who are active members of Mason City First United Methodist Church and who are accepted or enrolled as a full-time student in any field. Scholarship packets (application & reference forms) are now available in the office. Please sign applicant's name on the sign-out sheet. **Scholarship application and reference letters need to be returned to the Church Office by April 1, 2018.**

### **County Cousins "Seed Sundays"**

**February 11-March 4, 2018**

The Mission Commission is once again having "Seed Sundays" during February & early March. Packets of seeds can be donated by placing them in the basket located in the Narthex. However, the Missions Commission has found a great place to buy seed in bulk at a good discount, and for this reason, **cash donations** are very much appreciated as well. These cash donations can be placed in an envelope marked "**Seeds for County Cousins**" and put in the offering plate or mailed to the Church Office. Checks should be made payable to First UMC with "seeds" written on the memo line. **Deadline to accept seed packets and/or monetary donations is Sunday, March 4.** Thank you so much for supporting this worthy cause and helping those in need!