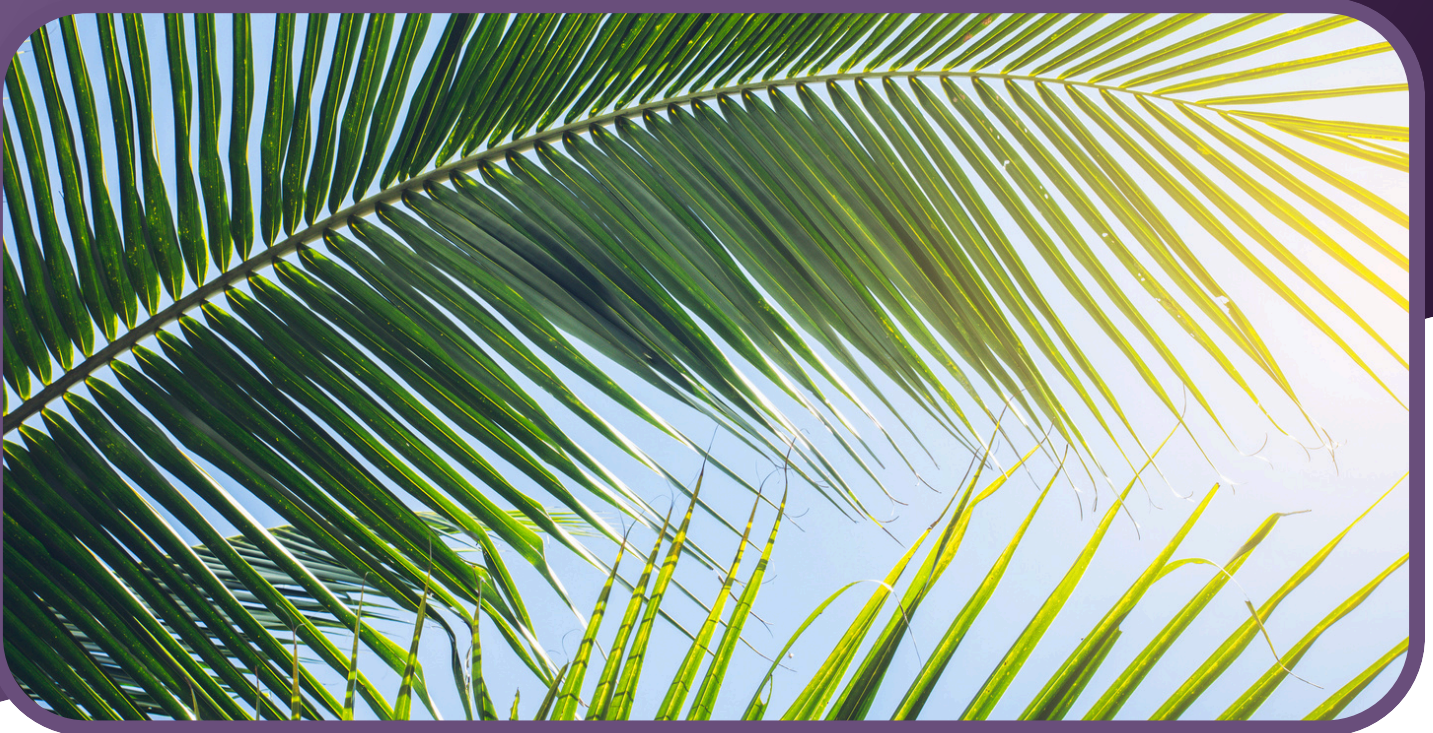




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Newsletter

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A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

John 12:13 ceb

13 *They took palm branches and went out to meet him. They shouted,
“Hosanna!*

*Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord! [c]
Blessings on the king of Israel!”*

Greetings, siblings in Christ!

This Sunday is Palm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. I spoke on this week a few weeks back in worship. I’m not saying anything even those outside the church wouldn’t realize, namely that this week is the high point of the church year. We say that every Sunday is a “little Easter,” because Jesus has risen, indeed! But Holy Week in its entirety is really what we are talking about. It is why each of us, as individuals, are Christ-followers, and why the church as a whole is Christian. I want to invite you, one more time, to consider being a part of this whole week of experience, in all of its highs and lows; in all of its ugliness and glory; in all of its sorrow and hope.

I also want to remind all of us that we will likely have visitors throughout this week. I am not worried about that. Webster UM has already shown me how great it is at making people feel welcome. But I do want to shift our focus to that. If you see someone you haven’t seen before, or haven’t seen for a long time, please make sure to give them a special welcome, and make sure that they have all that they need to leave our church wanting to know Christ more in their life—even if it’s not at Webster UM. I know you all know, Jesus is what this is all about.

With all that in mind, invite someone who might be looking for transformation, because Jesus made sure that was what this week was all about. Also, for this Sunday, chapter six of our book study will look at John’s Passion story as we wrap up. Hope to see you and a guest on Sunday!

Yours In Christ

PASTOR GLEN

PRAYER CONCERNS



Bev Mesey; Teri Samples & the Stillwell Family (Connie Kroenung); Lauren (my co-worker) & Deanna (Andrea Zepeda); Kim (friend of Woelbling Family); Patrick Akius (Julie Puckett); Tallis (friend of Tracey Richmond & Donna LaVoie); Pat Delf & Ann Shadowen (Marcia Kennon); Peter Schüren, Janice Pauken, & Mark Gudde (Debbie Lund); Margo Petracek & her friend Allison; Deanna (Andrea Zepeda); Vera Fei; Dianne Beck (Donna LaVoie's sister); Florence & Cindy (Carolyn Redmore); John Carson; the least, the last, and the lost.

Sympathy To... **Connie, Greg, and Lucy Kroenung and their extended family on the passing of Greg's uncle, Art Stillwell, on March 26th.**

The **MOUNTAIN SERVICE**

SCHEDULE
April

Thursday, April 10, 2025

Small Group @ 7:30pm - Space Room

Thursday, April 17, 2025

We are not meeting. Please join us instead for the Maundy Thursday Service at 6:30pm with dinner before at 5.

Thursday, April 24, 2025

Small Group @ 7:30pm - Space Room



HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2025

PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

APRIL 13, AT 10:30AM

**MAUNDY THURSDAY
SERIVCE
WITH UNITY UMC**

**APRIL 17
DINNER AT 5:00PM
SERVICE AT 6:30PM**

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

APRIL 18, AT 6:30PM

WEBSTER UNITED METHODIST
INVITES YOU



EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 20, 2025

SERVICE
AT 10:30AM

◆ Free Breakfast
At 9:00am

◆ Easter Egg Hunt
Following Service



Strengthen your faith with **INTENTIONAL PRAYER**



WUM has started a prayer group that will meet the second Sunday of the month. We will have our second meeting on April 13th at 6:30 p.m. in the Space Room (Education Building, sanctuary level by the elevator).

Please come for a time of being present to God as we pray in a small group setting.

Email Linda Shantz at lindawshantz@gmail.com with questions.

THE MISSIONS TEAM SENDING VOLUNTEERS TO **MIDWEST MISSION IN MAY**

We are excited to announce that our V.I.M. Team to serve at Midwest Mission May 26-30 is complete! And, this year for the first time we have a 1-day volunteer team also joining us at the facility in Chatham, IL.

The week-long team members are Joann Claywell, Ellen Hendrickson, Alison McCurley, Jan McCurley, Sandy Reesor, Linda Guth Stangl, and our first-timer, Ron Boelloeni.

In addition, 5 people will join us to serve at Midwest Mission on Th., May 29th, 8:30 - 4:00, and they are Pastor Glen, Karen Manion, Lettie Morse, Lydia Nunes, and Marcia Kennon. That day Webster U.M will be represented by 12 people!

Thanks so much for the willingness of these 12 people to serve others outside of the walls of WUM. Please keep us in your prayers, and we will keep you updated.

Blessings,
Jan McCurley, VIM Coordinator



Epworth Auxiliary

Spring Luncheon

Friday, April 25, 2025

10:00 am Doors open

11:30 am Luncheon served

110 N Elm Ave.

Webster Groves, MO 63119

Come ready to shop!

- Books
- Bake Sale
- Boutique Treasures
- Silent Auction

Reservations

\$20.00

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Dietary Restrictions?

Reserve your ticket by

Wednesday. **April 16, 2025**

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UWF Spring Luncheon

Saturday, April 26th

11:00 Fellowship
Lunch (\$10) served at 11:30
with program to follow

Sign up on the
Connection Card on
Sunday morning
or call Katie Renkins,
314-707-1699





A COMMUNITY CONCERT & CELEBRATION

Webster United Methodist
Sunday, April 27 | 2 - 4 pm

==== **FREE** ====

You are Invited to Rejoice and Attend Webster Groves' 3rd Annual **GOSPELFEST**, a Community Concert & Celebration of Joyful and Inspirational Gospel Music and Song

Webster United Methodist

600 N Bompert Avenue | Webster Groves, MO
In the Sanctuary
Saturday Afternoon, April 27
2 - 4 pm

- Open to performers of all ages, soloists, singing groups, Webster church choirs, and all other singers in our community.
- Maximum of 2 songs per performer.
- Please sign up by Saturday, April 19 by sending a text to Dave Buck at 314-952-0910 or email him at dave@buckstl.com. Please provide your name and the titles of your songs.
- Please, no food or drink in the Sanctuary

GOSPELFEST is FREE & Open to the Entire Community.

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PROGRAMS AT MERCY CONFERENCE & RETREAT CENTER

Care For The Caregiver

Saturday, May 10, 8:30am - 3:30pm

\$35 lunch included. The program provides support and plans for self-care for those caring for loved ones with dementia. A gerontologist, a licensed social worker, and a mindfulness teacher will provide information and suggestions for self-care. Ample time provided for questions and interaction with other participants. Register by noon Friday, May 2 at www.mercycenterstl.org.

Earth's Desire: A Journey from a Human-Centered to a Creation-Centered Spirituality.

May 19 - 23

This silent guided retreat is presented by the co-founders of Rockhaven Ecozoic Center, Jan Hayes, RSM and Diza Velasco. This retreat begins at 9:00 am on Monday and concludes with lunch on Friday. Cost: \$330 commuter; \$550 overnight. A few limited scholarships are available for overnight participants. Private room with private bath. Register by noon on May 12 at www.mercycenterstl.org.

Silent Summer Directed Retreat

July 12 - 17

Step away from the busyness of life and enter the deep well of stillness and silence. Group contemplative practices and individual spiritual direction daily. 6 days for \$700 (Saturday 7/12-Thursday 7/17) or 4 days for \$425 (Saturday 7/12-Tuesday 7/15). Private room with private bath. Information, a list of directors, and registration by noon on May 12 at www.mercycenterstl.org