

WEEKLY
Newsletter

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A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Luke 23:42 ceb

42 Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

Greetings, siblings in Christ!

As we've progressed through Lent, we've looked at Mark's and Matthew's gospel passion stories. Coming up, we will look a little at the overlapping scenes in Luke and John, but also consider these gospels, to the extent we can, in light of their intent. I wanted to take a moment to remind you what Matt Rawle is trying to show us in his book *The Final Days*. That is, that each gospel holds up a different lens, but all of them hold truths about Jesus and his role as Messiah.

I'll summarize Matt's thoughts this way: Mark is loud and unfiltered; Matthew re-narrates what you thought you understood; Luke expands the vision of salvation and attempts to remove the barriers [we continue to put there]; John offers a unique and profound perspective on Jesus--focusing on the "why" rather than the "who."

As we continue throughout this year to define who we are as Christians and Christ followers, the gospels' unique differences and similarities will continue to shape our conversations.

Invite someone who might be intrigued, and even transformed, by this conversation to join us. This Sunday, chapter five of our book study will look at Luke's Passion story. Hope to see you and a guest on Sunday!

Yours In Christ
PASTOR GLEN

PRAYER CONCERNS

Bev Mesey; Margo Petracek & her friend Allison; the Stillwell Family (Connie Kroenung); Pat Delf, Ann Shadowen, & Mary Ann Daniel (Marcia Kennon); Deanna (Andrea Zepeda); Peter Schüren, Janice Pauken, & Mark Gudde (Debbie Lund); Vera Fei; Dianne Beck (Donna LaVoie's sister); Florence & Cindy (Carolyn Redmore); John Carson; those who struggle with emotional connection; and world peace.

Sympathy To...

Family and friends of Patricia Hardin who died at home Monday evening, March 31, two months before her 97th birthday.

There will be a graveside service at Jefferson Barracks on May 13, 2025.



COME JOIN US!

WUM YOUTH GROUP PRESENTS

TRIVIA NIGHT

APRIL 5, 7 - 10 PM
DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM

Theme: Roadtrip

\$30 PER TICKET
\$200 FOR A TABLE OF 8

**TO BENEFIT OUR MISSION TRIP
TO MICHIGAN THIS SUMMER!**

600 N BOMPART AVE, WEBSTER GROVES, MO 63119

WUM CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
PRESENTS



Easter Extravaganza!

Wild Wednesday

APRIL 9, 5:30 - 7PM

Come join us!

As we celebrate the most important day for Christians
and work on a service project for our community!

Dinner will be provided!

Children 4 years old through 6th grade are invited to join us for dinner, games,
and learning. Please register your children or ask for more information by emailing
directorchildren@websterum.org or call 314-961-4133 and leave a message.

600 N Bompert Ave, Webster Groves, MO 63119



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.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Are you ready, willing, and able to spread mulch? If the answer is yes and you are available, come and help beautify our churchyard.

On April 8th from 8 am to Noon (or whenever the job is finished), the Tuesday Guys will be spreading mulch. If you will be coming to assist, call the church office at 314-961-4133 and let us know. If leaving a message please include your phone number.

(Note: If there is rain on the 8th, April 9th will be the backup date.)

Thank you,
Tom Pacatte



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



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





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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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