

Newsletter July 3, 2025



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A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Proverbs 31:8-9 ceb

8 Speak out on behalf of the voiceless, and for the rights of all who are vulnerable.
9 Speak out in order to judge with righteousness and to defend the needy and the poor.

Greetings, siblings in Christ!

I want to wish you all a blessed Fourth of July! As I type this, I'm sitting here acknowledging that this is the one-year mark of our work together for God's Kin-dom. Last year at this time, my family was enjoying the parade with the Kroenungs and friends. My family will miss that fun this year, as we are in Colorado over this weekend for some blessed R & R.

I don't need to remind you all of the blessing it is to be a part of this country. But even as we celebrate this holiday, I also know I don't need to remind you (because we talk about it each week in worship) how we are blessed *so that* we can be a blessing in the larger world. God's Kin-ship and Kin-dom are larger than just one nation, one culture, or one language. As we celebrate our country this weekend, let's all take some time to reflect on those other cultures who need us to be an even better nation, an even better blessing, and even better servants of Christ than we are at times. And, may God bless America, and far beyond.

yours In Christ

PASTOR GLEN

PRAYER CONCERNS

Cindy Andrews; Lettie Morse; Margo Petracek; family & friends of Bev Mesey; Janet & Ray Iggulden; Jerry Chulick (Jo Ann Claywell); Mary Schiller & family (Connie Kroenung); Peter Schüren & Mike Reilly (Debbie Lund); Randy R. (Beth Anderson); Pat Delf, Marian Rufle, and Ruth Hille (Marcia Kennon); individuals & families affected by the St. Louis tornadoes and those who are helping them; and prayers for strength and wisdom for our country's leaders and for good decisions here and around the world.



We have 11 youth and 3 leaders heading to Muskegon, Michigan 7/7-7/12 and we could use your help! We need our congregation's help to "adopt" members of our team and provide their goody bags. This year, we will have four work days so you will provide 4 goody bags or more if you adopt more than one team member. Please let me know if you are able to help!

The bags will need to be dropped off at the church by Saturday 7/5.

Thanks in advance for your support of our youth. Amanda Furbee, <u>directoryouth@websterum.org</u>

MOUNTAIN SERVICE

THIS WEEK

Group Discussion

Thursday, July 3, 2025

Guest Leader: Jon Copeland



Thursday, July 10 at 7:30pm - Fellowship Hall Worship Service with communion Guest Leader: Beth Anderson

SCHEDULE

@themountainservice

Thursday, July 17 at 7:30pm Group Discussion - Space Room

Thursday, July 24 at 7:30pm Group Discussion - Space Room

Thursday, July 31 at 7:30pm Group Discussion - Space Room Be a part of the lifesaving canse.



Community of Giving

Community Blood Drive

July 22, 2025 2 pm – 6 pm

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Help Us Save Lives We Look Forward to Seeing You

For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

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BOOK BY BOOK

This new class began this year with Ephesians. We have just moved on to Colossians, and we will continue with Paul's letters, moving through the Bible book by book. This small group reads a section of the book in many translations and versions of the Bible during the hour-long Sunday morning sessions, beginning at 9 am. Using various resources and life experiences, participants ask questions, share knowledge, and discuss the relevance of this ancient text to our modern lives.

All are welcome to join this casual atmosphere in the church library (east of the sanctuary) while sitting on the most comfortable chairs in the church. Join for one book or more than one!

> We welcome you! Contact Beth Anderson for more information.

HATS OFF TO WUM EPWORTH JUNE VOLUNTEERS



Every other month United Women in Faith with congregational support provide 5 meals that help feed at-risk and homeless youth who come to the Epworth Drop In Center on 7520 Natural Bridge Road. Lead Street Outreach worker Jenn Deaton says that during the summer the number of youth needing services increases.

The following nineteen persons made up this month's volunteer team: Joan Ballam, Sharon Vreeland, Ellen Hendrickson, Cindy Andrews, Maggie Stevens, Jennie Dent, Nancy Philips-Kuelker, Polly Williamson, Louise Thomas, Dianne Wallace, Stan Richert, Teresa Woelbling, Katie Renkins, Donna LaVoie, Tracey Richmond, Michelle Hostmeyer, Janet Iggulden, and Linda Guth Stangl: preparing, shopping, delivering or making a cash donation to cover some purchased food.

If you would like to help with a meal in August, contact Cindy Andrews at 314-277-9368.



NORTHEAST DISTRICT HYGIENE ITEM DONATION DRIVE

The Northeast District is partnering with the St. Louis Area Foodbank for a Hygiene Item Donation Drive in response to the tornado that struck St. Louis on May 16.

There will be 3 drop off sites at churches throughout the district. <u>Click Here</u> for the list of requested items. You can drop off items between June 23 – July 10 at the listed locations during their office hours.

Harmony UMC

2730 Walton Rd, St. Louis, MO 63114 Office Hours – Tuesday and Thursdays 10:00am – 4:00pm. Please ring the yellow doorbell to be let in the building.

If it is more convenient for you to bring the items to Webster UM, please bring your donations to the elevator lobby by 8 am July 8th and we will take them to Harmony UMC.

If you have any questions, please email <u>secretary@websterum.org</u> or call 314-961-4133