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Pleasant Corners



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Kasson UMC
9:00 am Worship

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11:00 am Worship

Saints, Sanctified by Jesus

1st Corinthians 1:1-4 “Paul, called as an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother, to the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, saints by calling, with all who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given you in Christ Jesus.”

April will be a busy month in our two churches. It will begin with Holy Week. Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday will encompass the first two weeks of April for us. Following this, we will have a prayer meeting regarding our denominational decision on the sixteenth, and on the thirtieth, we will vote. There is great joy in the most holy of days that we will celebrate at the end of Lent, and great anxiety regarding our future with our denominational vote. In such times it is easy to forget who we worship with, what our purpose is, and who it is that called us in the first place. To take a note from the Apostle Paul and the Corinthian church, there is much hope even in great turmoil. Hope, Beloved, that we find at the empty tomb.

First, a little background on 1st Corinthians. The Apostle Paul writes to this church where there is a ton of division. We may think our struggles with church divisions (which go across all denominational lines) are new. They are not. In fact, what the Apostle Paul is writing to the church of Corinth about is multi-faceted in nature. There were issues with authority. There were issues with sexual immorality. There were issues about scriptural interpretation. There were Christians suing other Christians in secular court. There were those who took Communion to an excess to the point of being drunk, while others wouldn't be allowed to partake in the Lord's Supper at all. Yet, in spite of all of these issues that Paul writes to the church to address, he begins the letter by calling them saints and thanking the Lord for them. This isn't a literary tactic to try and soften them up for the blow, it is an open confession that they are children of the Lord. Even with all of the struggles, all of the controversy, and all of the contention, the Corinthians church was still looked at as being filled with brothers and sisters in Christ, unified under the salvation of Jesus's death and resurrection. Paul will spend

two letters (being inspired by God of course) sharing how they can live up to this calling, but it doesn't change the fact that they are still the Lord's.

The lesson we can learn from the Corinthian church is this: we are still brothers and sisters in Christ who are called to unity. Yes, there will be some anxiety in our pews for the near future. Yes, there is the good chance that folks we love will be hurt following our denominational decision vote, no matter which way it goes. Yet, the saints of Kasson and Pleasant Corners churches will still be here on May 1st. We can't forget that we are united by Jesus's life, death, and resurrection which we celebrate during Holy Week. The things we worry about now will not follow us into eternity. You can rest easy in the fact that Jesus died on the cross, taking our sins to the grave with Him. You can rejoice in the glorious salvation revealed by His resurrection out of the empty tomb. You can, with much prayer, live at peace with your brothers and sisters in Christ because He is the ruler of us all.

Beloved, if I can give you any encouragement through the newsletter, please remember this: You are loved by your heavenly Father, by your fellow church members, and by your pastor. Take courage and be sanctified brothers and sisters in Christ.

Blessings,

-Pastor Jacob Hanson

Easter Blessings



Our hearts go out to the Spading family on the passing of Lorraine.

The month of March Kasson UMC gave 20.5 lbs of food to the Foodshelf. March was Foodshelf month.



Pillow Cleaning

United Women of Faith will be holding a pillow cleaning event on May 1st. You may drop off your pillows at the church entrance on April

30th from 6:00-8:00 pm **or** you can bring them May 1st from 2:00-6:00 pm.

Carlson Pillow Cleaning will do a chemical free cleaning and re-ticking of your pillows.

Cleaning prices are as follow:

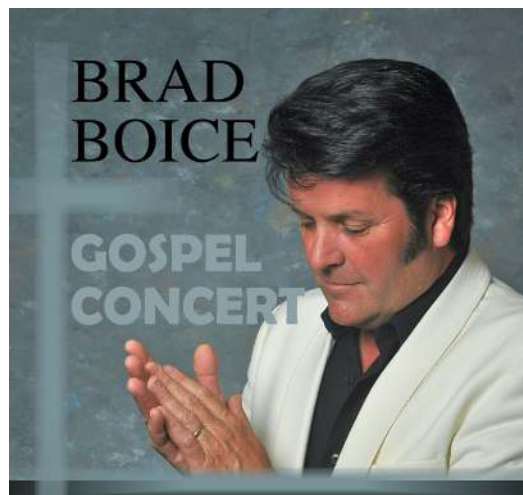
Standard pillow –14.95

Queen pillow– 16.95

King pillow– 17.95

There a special fabric and beading for 1.00 more. If you wish to purchase that.

Be sure to tell your friends and family about this special event!



Kasson UMC invites you to a Gospel Music concert on Sept. 17th at 2:00 pm. Brad Boice (aka Elvis) will be at Kasson UMC to present a Gospel Concert.

A free will offering will be taken, bars, cookies and coffee will be served afterwards.

The Public is invited.

What did Daniel tell his real estate agent?

"I'd prefer a house with no den."





Naomi Circle will not meet in April.

NOTE: The church window drawings on page 1 were drawn by Randy Wilbur.

Johnathan Root	April 2
Amy Swanson	April 11
Weston Alberts	April 12
Debbie Bock	April 12
Jody Thompkins	April 12
Aaron Duncan	April 13
Larry Berghuis	April 15
Christopher Root	April 16
Dawn Bowe	April 17
Dale Schroeder	April 18
Becky Bakkedahl	April 19
Louise Anderson	April 20
Mary Lohse	April 20
Randall Trapp	April 20
Dale Moret	April 22
Max Pappas	April 22
Joslynn VanKirk	April 22
Travis Moret	April 23
Jim Burch	April 28
Bjorn Stuhr	April 28
Jay Kruger	April 29



April 4	Sam and Michelle Wiegand
April 13	Jon and Marlene Wordelman
April 20	Bob and Lisa Kramer
April 22	Caleb and Deby Bartel

Our You Tube Channel

Another option to view the service at a later date is our You Tube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBI->

Bulletin board

KUMC do you read the bulletin boards?
 The bulletin board outside the kitchen will have a question each month.
 Plus there is other information on the board that you may want to read.

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Thinking of you

Pleasant Corners

Marlys Delzer
Wilma Jensen
Elaine Marquardt
Vera Schuck
Mae Miller
Marie Henslin

Easter Trivia

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For how many pieces of silver did Judas betray Christ?

What was the name of the man who requested Jesus' body for burial?

In what was Jesus wrapped before he was buried?

Linen clothes
Joseph
30

Thinking of You

Kasson

Rodney Beckman
Cecil Brannon
Phil DuBois
Mary Gillard
Ron and Bonnie Herrick
Joyce Redfern
Gladys Rice
Karen Sprenger
Virginia Thayer
Marlene Wordelman
Mary Mortensen
Connie Hendrickson

Choir News

“Get your voices warmed up!” Choir practice at 6:45 pm each Wednesday. Location will follow the Lenten schedule.

No choir practice March 29th nor April 5th.



Mary Mortensen 's 95th birthday party! May 7th 10:15-1:00 pm.

Come wish her happy birthday!

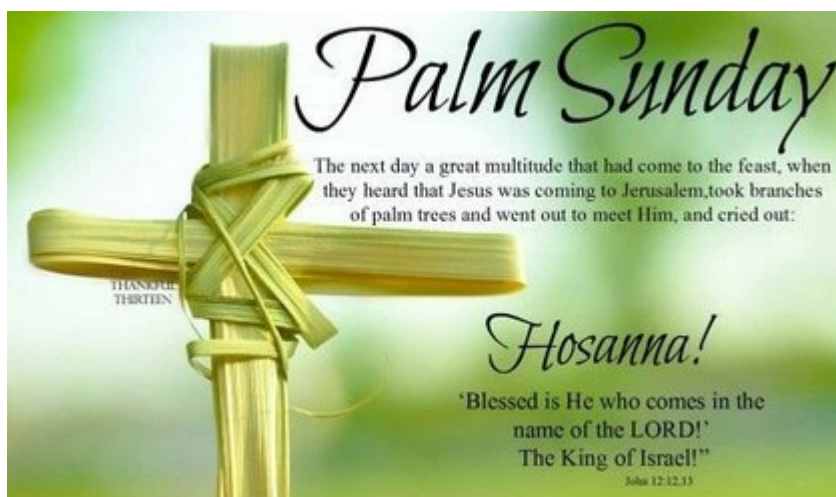


Ushers for KUMC

- April 2 Jay and Jude Kruger
- April 9 Karl and Connie Malisheske
- April 16 Chuck and Sally Coleman
- April 23 Dale and Chris Schroeder
- April 30 Curt and Malissa Alexander

SMALL GROUPS

Small groups are a great way to get to know other Christians and share our faith walk with each other. We currently have 4 Small Groups that meet. Each have a coach that helps to lead the group: Monday evenings-Marina Castner, Tuesday day-Ruth Schomburg, Wednesday evening-Chuck Coleman, and a group for those who are dealing with a cancer diagnosis or has in the past-Dawn Bowe. If you are interested in joining one of these groups or would like to know more about them. please let Pastor Jake or one of the coaches know.



Prayer Chain

KUMC offers a way to ask for prayers at any time. The prayer chain is a group of people whom will left up prayers to God when notified of a request. The prayer requests are sent out through an email or phone call. If you would like to be part of the prayer chain group, to pray for others contact Dawn Bowe at mail@bowehome.com to get on the email list or contact Ruth Schomburg to get on the phone list 507-634-7502.

To send a prayer request you can contact the church office, Dawn or Ruth.

There is POWER IN PRAYER

April 2023

Easter Sunrise Service at Evergreen Cemetery 6:00 am
 Easter Service at KUMC 9:00 am
 Easter Service at PCUMC 11:00 am

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Just for Kix	4 Just for Kix	5	6 Just for Kix Maundy Thursday @PC 6:00 pm	7 Good Friday @KUMC 6:00 pm	8
						
9	10 Just for Kix	11 Just for Kix SPRC @ 6:30 pm	12	13 Just for Kix	14 Just for Kix	15
						
16 Joint prayer meeting @KUMC 6:30-8:00 pm	17 Just for Kix	18 Just for Kix	19	20 Just for Kix	21 Just for Kix	22
23 UW Faith meets	24 Newsletter articles Due Just for Kix	25 Just for Kix	26 Administrative Professionals Day	27 Just for Kix	28 Just for Kix	29
30 Joint service at KUMC 9:00 Disaffiliation vote to follow service						
		Scouts meet Sunday eves This month Just for Kix will meet Mon, Tues, Thur and Fri.				

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

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We're on the web!
www.kassonumc.org

**Submissions for the newsletter are due
April 24th.**

Pleasant Corners UMC Mission Statement

Our church has an open door for all to enter, and they shall find within, a congregation with this mission (taken from the fourth chapter of Ephesians). "The work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ; till we all come in the unity of the faith, and the knowledge of the Son of God.....speaking the truth in love."

Kasson UMC Mission Statement

Make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.