



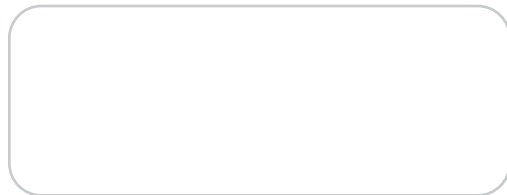
New Member Class

We are going to schedule a New Member class in the month of May. If you are not yet a member of Wyoming United Methodist and would like to consider joining the church, reach out to Pastor Jeff and let him know! When we have a clearer indication of who is interested in attending we will schedule a date and let everyone know. This is a warm and welcoming community who are dedicated to walking in the words and ways of Jesus Christ and we would love to have you become a part of it.

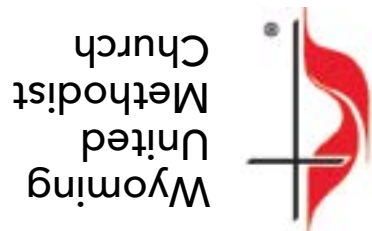
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Confirmation Sunday

We will be celebrating Confirmation Sunday on May 17th as part of our Sunday morning worship service. Our four youth have been in a two-year period of class meetings begun in the Fall of 2024 with Pastor Holly and continued by Pastor Jeff since 2025 and that time is finally coming to an end. Confirmation is a wonderful celebration in which we not only welcome these young adults as members of Wyoming United Methodist Church, but in which they are given the opportunity to confirm the promises made on their behalf at their baptism and affirm their commitment to Christ and Christ's church. We encourage everyone to come and show their support of these thoughtful youth and welcome them into church!



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April Lectionary Readings

April 3
(Good Friday)
Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25
John 18:1-19:42

April 5
(Easter Sunday)
Jeremiah 31:1-6
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-18
Matthew 28:1-10

April 12
Acts 2:14, 22-32
Psalm 16
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31

April 19
Acts 2:36-41
Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19
1 Peter 1:17-23
Luke 24:13-35

April 26
Acts 2:42-47
Psalm 23
1 Peter 2:19-25
John 10:1-10

April Mission Focus

Our Mission Focus for April is Feed My Starving Children. Hosanna Lutheran Church will host a Mobile Pack event April 15-18, and this is always a fun and meaningful experience—working side by side with friends while enjoying great fellowship as we serve together. We still have many slots left to fill, so be sure to add your name to the lists in the entryway today. Your work truly turns hunger into hope.

The funds we collect also make an impact. Just \$106 feeds a child for an entire year! Right now, 349 million people around the world are facing acute food insecurity, with current shipments reaching places like Haiti, Ukraine, Yemen, and Angola. For many, this food is nothing short of life-changing.

In 2024-2025, Feed My Starving Children provided 375 million meals. Food is the foundation for long-term change, helping build healthier communities and creating a path toward lasting stability. Together, we can make a difference!

Good Friday Worship Service

We will be having a Good Friday worship service on Friday, April 3, at 7:00 PM to celebrate the passion of our Lord. This will be a beautiful and solemn service that will provide an opportunity through music, scripture, and prayer, to meditate on the meaning of the cross of Christ and provide crucial context for the celebration of Easter Sunday.



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From the Pastor...

It is so good to be back at Wyoming UMC! Do not get me wrong – I loved every second of my time off and the ability to throw myself into a passion project while also catching up on rest – but now that I’m spiritually and physically renewed it is good to be back with my people, worshipping and learning together. We are seeing renewal all around us with the coming of spring. The cold and darkness of winter and death give way to the warmth, light, new life, and the promise of summer. The snow and ice melts and before long green will begin to sprout all around us. It’s little wonder that we see in the turning of the seasons a kind of analogue to dying and rising Christ, to the new life that emerges from the darkness of death. We see the renewal out of our windows and our front doors, and we can be reminded that we are being renewed, ever and always by the grace of our wondrous Creator.

I know for many of us it has been a hard winter. Even beyond the normal struggles that life throws at us – the challenges of our jobs and our family lives, struggles with illness and mental health – we have had more than our fair share of political instability with the violence in our state and in our country and with the dawning of yet another war. It is okay to see and feel all of this and say, “I’m not okay.” Yet as we face this world, I encourage you to look at the dawning spring around you and to remember the glory of Easter Sunday. We worship an awesome God who is capable of taking the worst that humanity has to offer and making something life-giving out of it. A God who can create life out of death. A God who can take the cross and fashion salvation for all. May this faith be a ground for hope and courage in the face of all the struggles and tribulations in this life, and may we be renewed and stored by this hope.

- Pastor Jeff



Thank You

In February, a total of \$1,346 was raised for the Family Pathways food shelf. Thank you so much for your generous contributions!



Celebrating the Season of Easter

With our celebration of the resurrection of our Lord on April 5th, we are officially leaving behind the season of Lent and entering into the celebration of the Season of Easter (sometimes called Eastertide or the Paschal Season). What a change of mood the turning of the seasons represents! Whereas Lent is a somber season of repentance and self-denial, Eastertide is a joyful celebration of resurrection and new life. The colors of purple, meant to evoke a funeral rite, are replaced with white and gold – which evoke joy, purity, and the light of God’s eternal glory. The bitter cold and snow of late winter give way to the warm sun and rains of spring (although Minnesota may have a thing or to say about that!).

This season begins with the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus on April 5th and will continue for an additional six Sundays before our celebration of Pentecost on May 24th. The scriptural passages in this season focus on the appearances of Jesus to his disciples from the day of his resurrection until his Ascension forty days later. The lectionary also directs us towards the preaching of the early Church in the book of Acts and to 1 Peter to help us interpret the meaning of this season.

In addition to reading the lectionary passages that are assigned with this season, I would like to warmly invite you to regular worship with us beyond Easter Sunday! This is a time of celebration and hope: come feed your soul with us every Sunday morning.

April Celebrations

Birthdays

4-2	Tricia C.
4-6	Darlene A.
4-7	Shurene E.
4-8	Nancy H.
4-9	Karen K. Elizabeth R.
4-10	Lisa I.
4-12	Heather S.
4-15	Pat R.
4-16	Ralph M.
4-19	Bea Z.
4-22	Barb L.
4-24	Cyndi T.
4-25	Craig R. Whitaker S.
4-28	Lynne C. Paul S.

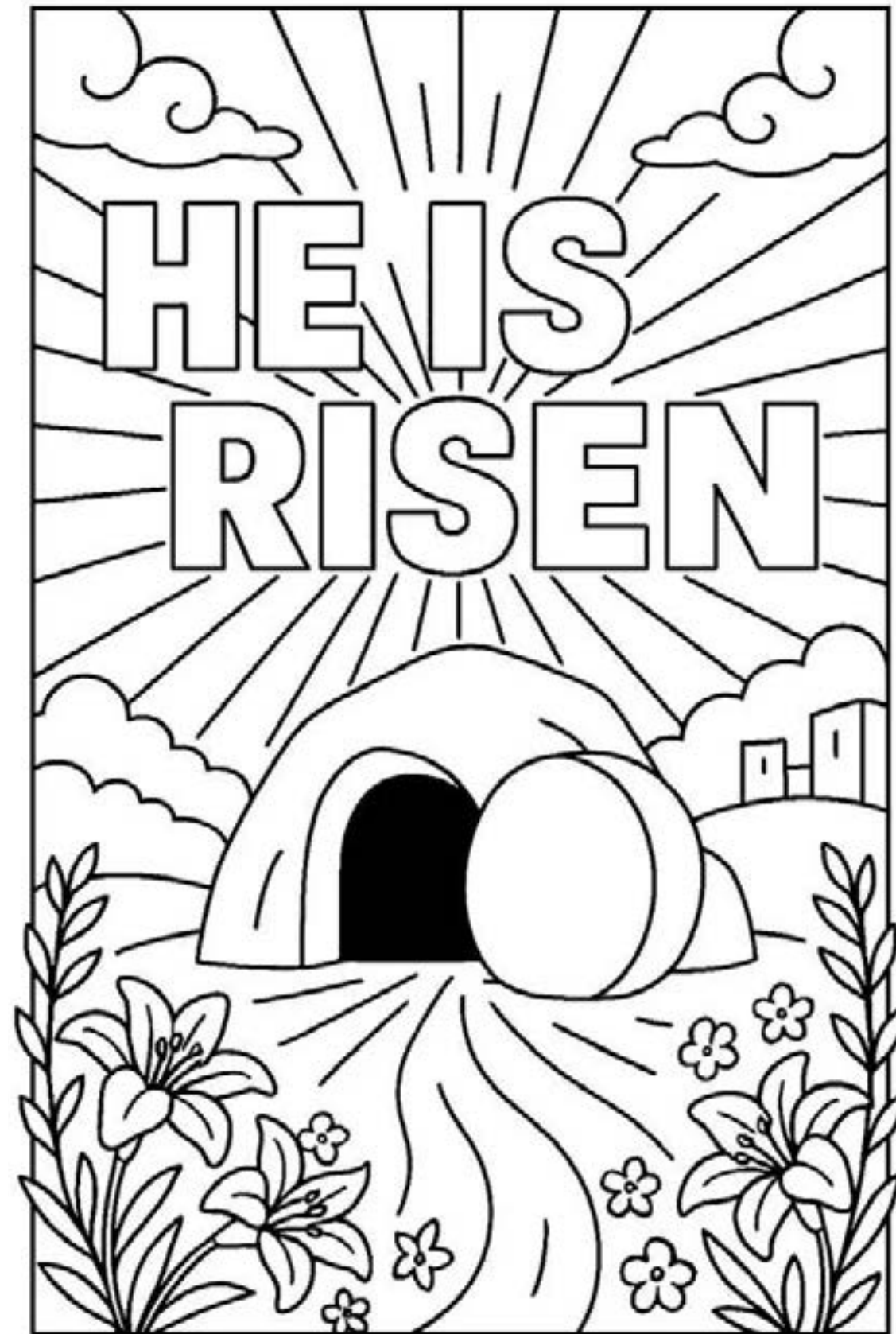
Anniversaries

4-13 Dick S. & Maggie M.

* If we don't have your special date listed, please contact the church office!

Update to Regular Programing

The regular Tuesday and Friday afternoon exercise classes and the monthly Game Day group will be temporarily suspended beginning in the month of April and will resume their regular schedule again in the Fall of 2026. Special thanks to Karen Kramer for all the hard work that she has done in organizing these groups!



For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:3-5 (NIV)