

UPChurch

Love God. Love Others.

April 2021



Please remember for in-person worship:

Wear a mask (we will have some available if needed)

If you are ill or vulnerable, please remain at home

Practice physical distancing as much as possible

Only the South doors will be open (parking lot entrance)

Arrive slightly earlier than usual, if possible.

Church Contacts

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Office Hours

Mon, Wed, and Fridays
8am-12pm Office open

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From the Pastor...

Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Now, more than ever, we need the message of Easter. Not only do WE need it, our world needs it. It is easy to look around and see the sorrow, the suffering, the struggles, the hunger, the loneliness, the illness, and the death in our world. It is easy to be dismayed, saddened, and even crushed by all of it. Against all of it Jesus stands triumphant. Death is not the last word. Suffering and pain and sorrow, loneliness, illness, hunger, they are not the last words. Jesus Christ is risen. The final word is Jesus. He was with God in the beginning, He sacrificed himself for all humanity, and through the mighty power of God He conquered death. The worst thing is not the last thing. As we celebrate Easter, I encourage you to be uplifted by this promise, and to look around and find others who could use the reminder that Jesus has been raised from the dead.

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Blessings,
Pastor Erin

Holy Week Schedule

April 1 - Maundy Thursday

9 am - 6:30 pm: Drop in and visit the Fellowship Hall any time for an interactive Stations of the Cross experience.

6:30 pm: Interactive Stations of the Cross worship, also available as a livestream on Boxcast or Facebook.

April 4 - Easter

8 am : Sunrise Service at Sunset Park, Main Pavilion

8:45 am : Sunday School for all ages at the church

10 am : Worship with Communion (Available as a livestream on Boxcast or Facebook)

If you'd like to make an online donation to the ministry of United Presbyterian Church, go to our webpage (upcwash.org)

Checks may be sent to:
United Presbyterian Church
PO Box 32
Washington, Iowa 52353

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April Highlights

1st Mobile Food Pantry
1st Maundy Thursday
4th Easter, Communion
13th Deacon Meeting
14th PW Circle

14th Welcome Meeting
14th Worship Meeting
15th Blood Drive
19th Sewing Day
20th Finance
21st Session

The church office will be closed on April 5th in observance of Easter

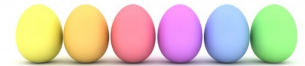


Church Family News

Our JIM LESTER, Washington Police Chief, was recently “in the pen.” Actually . . . he was participating in a Paws and More fundraiser. He allowed himself to be “penned up” in a dog kennel, with people needing to contribute toward the cause for his release. What a good sport you were, Jim!

Two, new, colorful, booster chairs have been donated for OUR YOUNGER KIDDOS to use. Won't it be wonderful when we can have a church family meal and see those bright teal boosters in use?!

This past winter some “bad” folding chairs and some “bad” tables were taken out of circulation. This has helped to create some much-needed space in the Fellowship Hall closet. THANKS TO ALL THOSE WHO HELPED with this “weeding out” process.



Our website: <http://www.upcwash.org/>

Other ways to connect if the website isn't working:

Facebook - Washington United Presbyterian Church

Smart TV - download the Boxcast app and look for UPCWash - you can watch the stream from your TV this way!

Computer- Use the following link: <https://boxcast.tv/channelaozvuoqohexe93npq2xjr> for our boxcast page

If you do not have the technology to connect in these ways; or you're having problems using the technology you have, and you'd like help, please call the church office at 319-653-6588.



2 Joe Wright

2 Anne Youngman
9 Wayne Brock
9 Erin Kaye
11 Rob Johnson
12 Payton Anderson
12 John Dillon
12 Michael Dillon

13 Carolyn Bollman
13 Ann Conklin
13 Dalton Rich
15 Tyler Alderton
16 Laurie Davison
17 Rita Phipps
19 Joyce Wilson

20 Katie Rich
20 Thelma Wagner
21 Larry Bartlett
23 Elna Tompkins
25 Brad Alderton
25 Jordan Thorius
26 Jack Strabala

Inside Out (Senior High Ministry)

April 4th: No meeting (Easter)
 April 11th: 6:30pm @ UP Church
 April 18th: 6:30pm @ UP Church
 April 25th: 6:30pm @ UP Church

CREW (Middle School Ministry)

April 11th: 3:30pm @ Up Church
 April 18th: 3:30pm @ Up Church

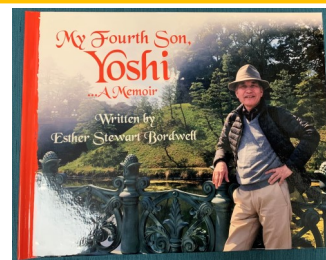
Inside Out will be having a parent meeting about the Mission Trip as soon as we are able. We will contact families in the coming weeks as we know more.



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April 4th: 8:45am Easter movie together in theater
 April 11th: 8:45am "Rise UP" Week 3
 April 18th: 8:45am "Rise UP" Week 4
 April 25th: 8:45am "Breaking News" Week 1

A book detailing the personal journey of long time church member Esther Bordwell with the family's exchange student Yoshi is now available for viewing in the church library. Look for it on the corner display table near the window. We're thankful Esther was willing to loan us a personal copy of the book for our enjoyment.



Explore a New Culture! Gain a Family Member! Make an Impact! HOST AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT!

Our students have been selected to receive a scholarship through the U.S. Department of State. They are chosen based on their leadership potential and academic success and they spend the school year living with a host family, attending the local high school and volunteering in the local community!

- Hosts can be single or married with young children, no children, teenagers or grandchildren... all types of families are needed!
- Students are selected based on their leadership qualities and academic performance.
- Out of approximately 40,000 applicants, only 900 are selected for the scholarship!
- The program provides the student's medical insurance and pays school fees and expenses and gives the student a monthly allowance for pocket money.
- The host family volunteers to offer love, a bed (the student can share a room with a host sibling) and meals and becomes the home away from home!

School deadlines are approaching fast, and more hosts are needed! Please call or email NOW!



Contact me today for more information!

Holly Beinhart

Local Coordinator

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MISSING PIPES!

While practicing on Friday, February 26, I heard a couple of sharp bangs I could not identify or trace. Saturday morning I noticed that one of the metal pipes from the Posaune (trombone) stop on the south side of the sanctuary was leaning more than usual. The next Friday, March 5, the pipe was leaning even more, so I moved the harpsichord out of the way and covered it with a blanket, just in case the pipe fell. The morning of March 6, I looked for that pipe when I stepped into the sanctuary, and it was gone! I found it—crumpled on one end, bent and jagged on the other end, and dented in the middle—in the corner by the hallway door behind the choir loft.

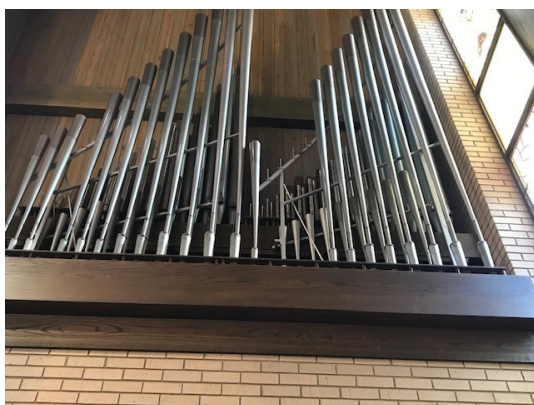
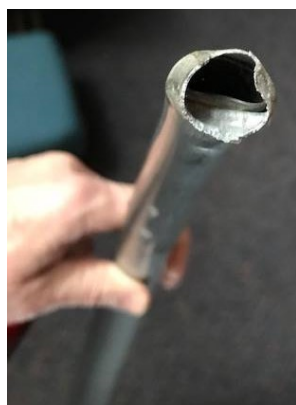
The pipes on the north and south sides of the sanctuary were added to the original instrument in 1983. Over the years, some of the zinc pipes of the Posaune stop have reacted to temperature fluctuations by bending like bananas. The west sun heats the pipes in the front row. A year ago when the tuners were last onsite, they brought the bent pipes down and rolled them on the floor. Zinc is soft, and the rolling straightened them enough that they looked better. At that time, nothing was broken and all pipes were sounding. That was the last time professionals serviced the instrument, but because of Covid, they left when the job was only half finished.

Carroll Hanson, Casavant representative/tuner/repair person who installed the instrument and the north and south side pipes in the first place, is retiring, but he and his wife came on Sunday to retrieve the broken and crumpled pipe (see pictures). He decided to remove the worst of the bent pipes as well and will ship five pipes back to the factory in Ste. Hyacinthe, Quebec, for rebuilding and/or repair. The pipes will be gone until fall at the earliest.

Thanks to Jim Cuddeback who hauled the extension ladder in after church and to Matt Kaye who did the climbing.

Note: Listen on Easter Sunday. I will use the Posaune stop (big reed in the pedal) in the Russian Easter piece. I won't need the missing pipes because all the notes I'll use are very low and sound from the biggest metal pipes you see in the picture.

Virginia Bordwell



February represents 16.7% of the year.
Our income came in at 17.58%
Our expenses came in at 13.98%



Articles for the May
newsletter are due
Wednesday, April 17th



SPRING Church CLEAN-UP, PLEASE JOIN US
Sunday April 18th from 3:00 - 5:00 (rain date: April 25th)
There will be TREATS!

The Welcome Team has had such a great response from YOU to this kind of church family activity, it's back in 2021!

We're encouraging everyone to join us as we do some outdoor activities around the church. There will be projects like sweeping, raking, sidewalk edging, trimming, mulching, and maybe some window washing? Guaranteed, there will be a job for everyone! We'll have some tools but please feel welcome to bring your own, too.

Questions? Contact these Welcome Team Members: Teresa Anderson or Marde McConnell

SATURDAY KITCHEN UPDATE



The current plan is that we will NOT re-open the Saturday Kitchen until our guests can safely have indoor dining. RenElla Crawford of HACAP has not seen a big uptick in people needing food, so that is reassuring. We will be listening to our local Public Health officials and are hopeful this fall to re-open the Saturday Kitchen.

Joe and Marde McConnell, Coordinators



Thank You

Ron Dillon put some very heavy-duty, swivel castors on the wooden podium in the north entry. This podium is often used for guests to "sign in" their attendance at weddings and funerals. How wonderful it will be to finally have this podium so much easier to move. Many thanks again, Ron!

I would like to thank the Board of Deacons for their services in February. We have twenty-six people to contact monthly, either in homebound, in a health center, by phone or sending them a card. We also had three transportations to worship or appointments.

The month of April we are working on Easter flowers. The Board of Deacons wishes to extend our thanks to each of you who have helped us share the love and justice of our Lord Jesus by extending a hand to all of God's children.

Kathy Knutson



An Update from your Board of Deacons!

Your Board of Deacons would like to be of assistance to you! We want to assist you in whatever way might be helpful to you,--- whether it is to run an errand, pray with you, pick up some groceries, or a visit over the telephone, etc. Give Deacon Larry Bartlett a call (cell 319-591-1528 or home 319-653-6931) or email at Bart2oman@gmail.com and he will be glad to make the arrangements for transportation. Along with Larry the other deacons are Kathy Knutson, Terry Mangold, Sarah Robison, Rod Letts, Betty Beenblossom, and Grace Schiebel. Feel free to contact any of these folks if we can help you stay safe and healthy. May the Peace of Christ be with each of you!



Easter Flowers



In honor of our grandchildren
by Joe and Marde McConnell

In memory of our loved ones
by Joe and Marde McConnell

In memory of CP & Dorothy Berkhoff & Jan Knutson
by Kathy Knutson

In memory of Jay Shatzer and Duane and Carolyn Brock
by Kitch Shatzer

In memory of Lorraine Lins
by Joyce Wilson

In memory of Jordin Flory
by Jerry and Janice Flory

In memory of Charlie and Rhua Davison
by Jerry and Janice Flory

In memory of Orville and Glenna Flory
by Jerry and Janice Flory

In memory of my husband Charles
by Janice Twinam

In memory of John Braida and Jack Hardie
by Janice Twinam

In honor of my great granddaughters
Kelsey, Isabelle, and Taytum
by Diana Henry

In honor of all the front line workers
by Mary Atwood

In memory of my wife Karen
by Gary Murphy

In honor of Mary Ellen Saforek
by Leland and Mary Saforek

In memory of Ted Saforek and Mary Helen and James Jewell
by Leland and Mary Saforek

In memory of Herb Yoder
by Dorothy Koehler

In memory of our parents, Wayne and Alice Mangold
and Paul and Jean Rietz,
by Terry and Julie Mangold

In memory of Lloyd Beenblossom
by Betty Beenblossom

In memory of our cherished church friends
by Jim and Jane Cuddeback

In memory of Sam and Blanche Murphy
by Tim and Judy Murphy and families

In memory of Fran Ray
by Julie Zahs

In memory of Karen Murphy
by Julie Zahs

In memory of Pat Johnson
by Julie and Rob Johnson

In memory of my father Duane "Joe" Mottet
by Julie and Rob Johnson

In memory of Wayne and Marie Knupp
by Larry Bartlett

In memory of Rev Ray and Wilma Van Engen
by Cori Tinnes

In memory of Maxine and Joe Martin
by Lynn Loula

In memory of John and Dena Martin and
Clarence and Lucille Fulton
by Lynn Loula

In memory of Ron Bender and Leslie and Fern McKray
by Bonnie Bender

In memory of Melinda Dawn (Fry) Palmer
by Lila De Penning and Synthia (Palmer) Jennings

In memory of Harriett Rustan
by Garth Rustan

In memory of Lawrence Whisler and Linda Messer
by Tork and Tricia Whisler

In memory of Sheryl Lewis and Dorothy Grim
by Katie, William, and Lauren McWhirter

In honor of Cole and Kelli Jarrard
by Connie Jarrard

In memory of Glen Williams and Lois Williams
By Tsalika and Jamie Rich