

NM**New Market United Methodist****METHODIST MESSENGER****April
2023****Address**

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WE ARE*MORE THAN A CHURCH***WE ARE A FAMILY**

Dear Friends,

April 3rd will be a special day for me; it marks 12 years since the first Sunday that we spent with you, and with Waveland Covenant. In my journal I noted that on that day, Waveland had seven people in attendance, while at New Market, "I counted 40 in attendance, including 5 teens, a few kids, and a few people about our age. We were very warmly welcomed and JoElla, the church secretary, gave us a tour of the building." My sermon that day was on Hebrews 4:14-5:10 (Jesus the great high priest). Austin Bartlett gave Jacob an origami dragon. I concluded with, "they seemed genuinely happy to have us there."

A twelve-year anniversary would not necessarily warrant a mention in your newsletter, but in this case I think it does. It means that I now have the honor – and it is an honor – of being the longest-serving pastor in the 150 year history of our church. The late Dale Payne served New Market for 11 years, from 1965-1976. Most of the other 62 pastors in our church history served only one, two, or three years, with a few (especially in the last 50 years) serving four or five. Methodists have always been known for moving pastors around (sometimes with good reason, sometimes without), but times are changing, and I have been glad, very glad, to be with you long term.

Back in April 2011, Brooke and I were 38, while Jacob had just turned 7 and was in the first grade. Through these past dozen years, you have been our friends and our family, watching over us and caring for us in every way. We have shared important life moments, welcomed new friends, and said goodbye to others. I have spoken by the side of too many graves, but I thank God that I have had the honor to do so.

During Rev. Payne's tenure here our church witnessed a change in denomination, transforming from a "Methodist Church" to a "United Methodist Church." Now, more than half a lifetime later, we are moving to yet another such momentous change. I thank you for allowing me to be your pastor in these changing times, and I pray that our brightest days together are still ahead.

Blessings,
Pastor Bill

Pastor's Office Hours:

Thursday, April 13th & 27th from 6:30-8:30PM or by appointment

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Prayer Meeting

Mondays, 4:00PM

Holy Communion

Sunday, April 2, 10:45AM

Women's Group

Wednesday, April 5, 7:00PM

50 Plus Luncheon

Friday, April 7, 12:00PM

United Methodist Men's

Wednesday, April 12, 7:00PM

Administrative Council

Wednesday, April 19, 7:00PM

APRIL VOLUNTEERS

Greeter

Rachel Welliever

Usher

Rhett Welliever

Dan Welliever

Liturgist

2nd Sheila Chadd

9th Dixie Ruggles

16th Sylvia Green

23rd Marci Welliever



Luke Hurt,
Grandmother
Kathy Lidester,
Pastor Bill Pike

The congregation was thrilled to witness as Luke Hurt received the sacrament of baptism on Sunday, March 12th. Several members of Luke's family were present to support Luke on this special day, and we followed the baptism by singing his favorite hymn, "He Lives." Congratulations, Luke, on officially joining the global family of God's church.

BY THE NUMBERS ATTENDANCE & GIVING UPDATE February 26

Sunday School Attendance: 16
Sunday School Offering: \$ 28.00
Worship Attendance: 32
Sunday Offering: \$ 1,418.00

March 5

Sunday School Attendance: 17
Sunday School Offering: \$ 22.00
Worship Attendance: 20
Sunday Offering: \$ 1,120.00

March 12

Sunday School Attendance: 18
Sunday School Offering: \$ 29.00
Worship Attendance: 34
Sunday Offering: \$ 225.00

March 19

Sunday School Attendance: 22
Sunday School Offering: \$ 19
Worship Attendance: 29
Sunday Offering: \$ 1,215.00

Our church was able to send \$200 to FISH in February. Thank you everyone that donated to the FISH program.

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday, April 2nd at 10:45am
At New Market United Methodist Church

COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

Friday, April 7th at 7:00pm
At New Market Baptist Church

COMMUNITY SUNRISE SERVICES

Sunday, April 9th at 7:00am
At New Market Baptist Church

EASTER SUNDAY

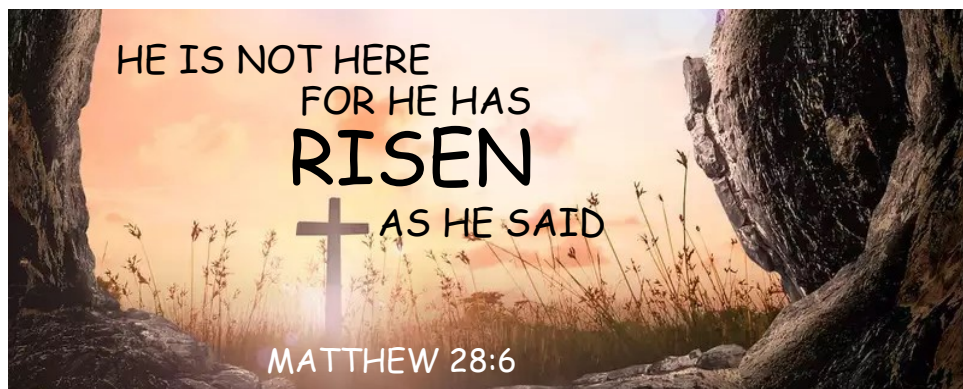
Sunday, April 9th
Breakfast 8:00am, Sunday School 9:30am,
Easter Egg Hunt 10:15am, Worship 10:45am
At New Market United Methodist Church



Please continue to pray
for our congregation as
we continue our faith
journey.

Church Conference Sunday, April 16, 2023 at 4:00 pm In the Fellowship Hall

The purpose of this Church Conference is to hold a church vote for our congregation to disaffiliate from the United Methodist denomination. In order to disaffiliate, at least 2/3 of the professing members present at the Church Conference must vote to disaffiliate



Our deepest sympathy to the families who have lost loved ones

- Dan Albaugh
- Mike & Marjorie Bowman
- Shawn Munro Brann
- Dick Chadd
- Elin Cooper
- Jameson Dolan
- Dolores Farley
- Ken Harlan
- Mike Hopkins
- Larry & Louise Hulse
- Sue Kinman
- Patricia Leahy
- Baby Samuel Leonard
- Tammy Long
- Kim Miller
- Gerald Rasmussen
- Norma Sillery
- Mark Stevens
- Billie Ann Thomas
- Madonna Watson
- Charlotte West
- Syria & Turkey Earthquake
- Wisdom for our church
future & church leaders

PRAYER REQUEST

A Note About Church Membership

The guidelines for the upcoming Church Conference vote include the following “**at least 2/3 of the professing members present at the vote**”.

To understand what this means, let's breakdown the statement:

- **At least 2/3:** this is a minimum of 66.67% of the votes cast must be in favor of disaffiliation for the vote to pass. Per guidelines, any abstained vote will count as a vote to stay with the UMC
- **Professing Members:** this is any church member on our membership roster. There are two ways to be added to the membership roster:
 - Transfer membership from another church and take public membership vows
 - Baptism & confirmation and take public membership vowsWe have reviewed the membership roster and are sending letters to all church members regarding the Church Conference and following up with phone calls and emails. This is required by the District Superintendent prior to the vote.
- **Present at the Vote:** only members verified to the membership roster and physically present at the vote will receive a ballot. There is no voting by proxy or absentee voting allowed.

The rules for the vote were set in the Book of Discipline, Paragraph 2553 and are being strictly adhered to by the Indiana Annual Conference.

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APOSTLES	RISEN
CROWN	SUNDAY
LAMB	CROSS
PRAYER	JESUS
SON	MIRACLE
CHURCH	REJOICE
FAITH	SAVIOR
MARY	TOMB
	REDEMPTION
	RESURRECTION

UNITED METHODIST MEN

The United Methodist Men met on March 8th, with only three members able to convene. Larry Hulse provided snacks and read a devotion. We filled over 100 Easter eggs with candy for Easter morning. The next meeting will be on April 12th with Dan Welliever as host.

THE WOMEN'S GROUP

Three women met in fellowship hall March 8, 2023. President Brooke Pike called the meeting to order at 7:00 P. M.

Unfinished Business: Brooke purchased 36 cans of vegetables and fruit and will deliver them to the FISH food pantry. The white tables and chairs were cleaned. The women decided to call themselves The Women's Group.

New Business: Rhett Welliever had contacted the women and asked if they wanted to copy any of the minutes from previous years before they were taken to DePauw University to be archived. It was decided to keep any pictures and copies of brochures from the Mother/Daughter Banquets. Since there were no plans made for a Mother/Daughter Banquet for the May 3 meeting, the women will go out to eat and invite any women from the church to attend. Dixie will check with Rachel to see if that will fit her schedule.

The menu for next month's 50+ is ham balls, scalloped potatoes, green beans, rolls, jello, broccoli salad, and peach dump cake with Kool Whip. The May 50+ will be something with pasta.

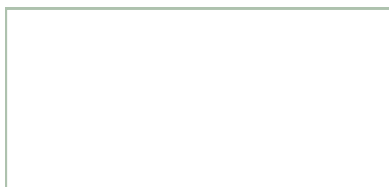
Cards were signed for Sue Foy, Norma Sillery, Louise Hulse, and BillieAnn Thomas.

The meeting closed at 8:00 P.M. The next meeting will be April 5, 2023, at 7:00 P.M.

April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<i>1 Men's 1st UMC & Women's, C'ville Pentecostal Lenten Breakfast</i>
<i>2 Palm Sunday Holy Communion</i>	<i>3 Prayer Meeting 4:PM</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5 Women's Group Meeting 7PM Sylvia Green Birthday</i>	<i>6 Maundy Thursday Bill Thomas Birthday</i>	<i>7 50 Plus Luncheon</i>	<i>8 Holy Saturday</i>
<i>9 Easter Sunday</i>	<i>10 Prayer Meeting 4:PM</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12 UMM Meeting 7PM</i>	<i>13 Pastor's Office Hours 6:30-8:30PM</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>16 Church Conference 4PM</i>	<i>17 Prayer Meeting 4:PM Ty Welliever Birthday</i>	<i>18 Larry Sayler Birthday</i>	<i>19 Ad Council Meeting 7PM Nathan Hunt Birthday</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>23 Pete & JoElla Haffner Anniversary</i>	<i>24 Prayer Meeting 4:PM Billie Ann Thomas Birthday</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27 Pastor's Office Hours 6:30-8:30PM Jacob Brown Birthday</i>	<i>28 Brooke Pike Birthday</i>	<i>29</i>
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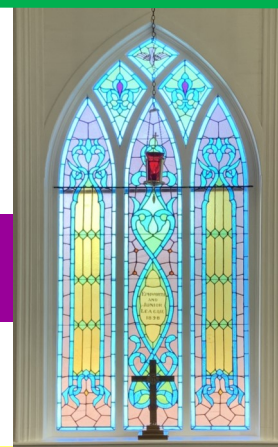


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Methodist Messenger

COME WORSHIP WITH US

Sunday School: 9:30 AM
Worship Gathering: 10:45 AM



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Find Us On Our Website!

Just go to www.newmarketumc.org or google New Market United Methodist Church Indiana
If you have any thing you would like to put on the church website, pleas contact Rachel Welliever