



Please turn in your Graduation Sunday items **TODAY**




Collect your collages from Teresa's office

Preschool Online Auction
 April 15 - 19
 The Auction Site **Opens Tomorrow**
32auctions.com/FUMPRESCHOOL2024
11 View Items in Krout today



Registration for VBS Open Now

Use the link or QR Code



<https://vbspro.events/p/lumchometownvbs>

APRIL CHURCH EVENT
PAINT WITH A PARTNER



FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH
 7:00PM - 8:30PM

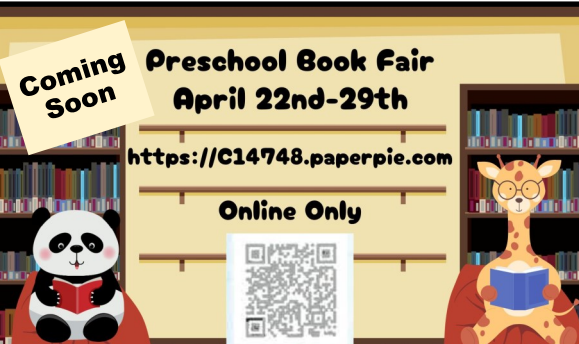
RSVP REQUIRED TO CRISTI.LAUKHUF@VANWERTFIRST.NET

Bring your child, friend, neighbor, or ask someone new and let your creativity flow! You and your partner will work together as Cristi leads you in creating the masterpiece, "Taco Crabs". Reserve your spot today--See Cristi

Coming Soon Preschool Book Fair April 22nd-29th

<https://C14748.paperpie.com>

Online Only



April Baby Shower - Pregnancy Life Center

WE ARE COLLECTING THE FOLLOWING:

Diapers (Size 4,5,&6)	Summer Baby clothes (Size newborn to 4T)	 <p>Place items in the Pack & Play by the office.</p>
Baby Bath or Lotion	Baby Spoons/Dishes (Preferably silicon)	
Comb and Brush Sets	Large Items:	
Baby Nail Clipper Set	Highchair	
Child Safety Devices (Wall Plugs Covers, Baby Gates, etc)	Baby Swing	
Breast Milk Storage Bags	Bouncy Chairs	
Baby Spoons/Dishes (Preferably silicon)	Jumper or Boppy Seats	

Thank you for caring for others!

FIRST UNITED METHODIST **Food Pantry**

April is **CANNED FRUITS Month**



Peaches, pears, pineapple, applesauce, mixed fruit

Please place your donations in baskets located at either entrance.

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How Shall We Live

April 14, 2024

Our Vision Statement:
Enlarging the circle of disciples through Jesus

Thanks for joining us today! If you have any questions while you are here this morning, you can find an answer at the Welcome table, which is inside the doors off Jefferson Street. Whatever your circumstances, and no matter where you've been, you matter to God, and you matter to us. We are glad you are here! If you are a first time guest with us this morning, **Welcome!** Please stop by the welcome table and pick up a welcome packet.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect
Romans 12:2 (ESV)

**indicates please stand if you are able
Please fill out the attendance pad and pass it to your neighbor*

Welcome & Announcements Susan Burchfield

Prelude Theme by Pino Donaggio, arr. S. Turner

***Call to Worship** Susan Burchfield

Leader: Lord, we came to hear the prophecies

People: Yet the prophets are silent in our ears

Leader: Lord, we came to learn the full message of salvation

People: Our minds can only comprehend pieces of this message

Leader: Lord, we came as mature believers

People: Our childlike mouths still pour forth evil

Leader: Though we see only a cloudy picture

People: Show us Your unfailing love through this blurry image. Amen.

***Hymn** *Love Lifted Me* (see insert)

***Opening Prayer** Susan Burchfield

Great God of all faith, hope, and love, we commit ourselves to You again this morning. We know that we have failed to live up to your holy standard. We repent of our sins and failures and ask again for your expansive mercy. We know you continue to reveal yourself to us daily, but we are often too stubborn, busy, or naive to see your truth. Instead of curses, You cover us with a love that never fails. Teach us to transform this world by Your Holy love. Love keeps us coming back to You. Show us how love can gather all the children back to You. In Jesus, we cry out to You, Amen.

Chat with the Children Judy Krites
Children are dismissed to AWE

Life in the Church Susan Burchfield

***Scripture** 1 Corinthians 13:8-13 Susan Burchfield

Anthem *Children of the Heavenly Father* arr. Don Hustad Chancel Choir
Scott Turner, Accompanist

Series **How Shall We Live**
Message Ask The Right Questions Jeremy Laukhuf

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

Giving of Tithes & Offerings (Children return from AWE)
Offertory Theme by W.A. Mozart
***Doxology** *He Lives* #310 vs. 1
***Prayer of Gratitude**

***Hymn** *It Is Well with My Soul* #377 vs. 1,3,4

***Spoken Benediction**

Postlude: *Recessional* by Edward Broughton

*You are invited to be seated and enjoy the Postlude or leave quietly in peace.
Thank you for worshiping with us!*



The Altar flowers are given in Loving Memory of their parents,
Gene and Mary Bebout and Robert and Louise Wagonrod
by Steve and Marilyn Bebout

KID'S MINISTRY AWE

Children preschool through 5th grade have an opportunity to build their relationship with Jesus through uplifting songs and impactful Bible lessons by attending our Alternate Worship Experience. Children will be released to AWE after praise and worship and return during offering time. AWE will not meet Communion Sunday which is the first Sunday of the month.

Leaders in Today's Worship

Pastor: Christian Taylor

Projectionist: Noah Krites

Director of Music: Scott Turner

Sound Technician: Ron Allison

Worship Leader: Jeremy Laukhuf

Videographer: Dave Thompson

Acolytes: Anna Stoller & Ashley Bunker

Screen Creators: Cheri Oechsle, Melody Taylor

Usher Coordinator: Neil Shaffer and Dave Lichtle, Assistant