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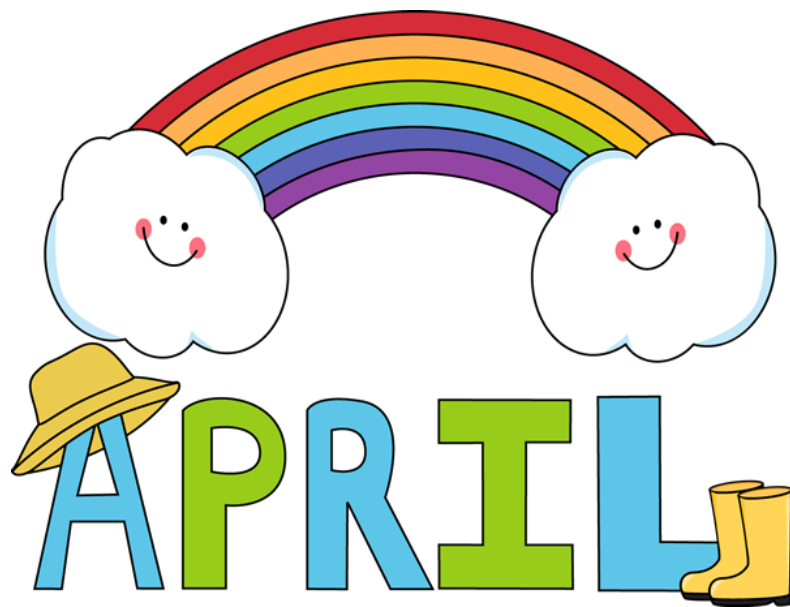
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Dates to Remember

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| April 1 | EASTER—Alleluia |
| April 8 | Mission Meeting after church |
| April 10 | Community Meal 5-6 |
| April 15 | Mission Trip Meal-after church |
| April 15 | Make A Difference-Study 6:00 PM (each Sunday in April) |
| April 17 | A Way Forward-Bishop Fairlay-Centennar6 UM Church-Dville 6:30 |
| April 17 | Doris Davis Circle 10 AM-church |
| April 22 | Trustee Meeting 4:00 PM |
| April 22 | Finance Meeting 5:00 PM |
| April 24 | Lead Team 6:30 PM |

Inspiration for this article is from the magazine: TEACHER In the Church Today, March 1990. "Dandelions" by Larry F Beman

This is why I believe dandelions should replace the Easter lily as the official flower of Easter. I am part of an unfunded, highly disorganized group of people who tell the virtues of the dandelion wherever we go. (This group does not meet, pays no dues and has no mailing address. We don't even necessary know each other. We just believe in dandelions.)

The dandelion is the perfect flower for Easter; it reminds me of the meaning of Easter. Easter is time for retelling the story of Resurrection, discovering the power of life that is among us.

DANDELIONS APPEAR IN THE MOST SURPRISING PLACES: the crack of a broken pavement or cement, along a curb, beside the porch, a well-kept garden or well manicured lawn. God's surprises of life can appear in impossible places too: the middle of a routine day, during s storm of life, in the excitement of a new beginning. God make not appear on my consciousness at the times I deem most appropriate, but God does come! God is with me whether I am aware or not. God surprise me in ways I would not think possible. Just like the dandelion.

DANDELIONS HAVE DEEP ROOTS. Unless you plan to plant a tree in the hole you dig while trying to pull a dandelion out by its roots, you better not start. This little yellow flower has deep roots. They remind me of the One who calls out, "Come to me, and I will refresh you." Resurrection invites us to plant our roots deep in the soil of the One who is beyond time and gives us s glimpse if eternity. Resurrection bids us to immerse ourselves in the fertile soil of grace. Then we are to grow out of our grounding so we can offer light and refreshment to those who labor and are heavy laden. Resurrection reminds us that our roots are to be planted so deep that they can never be removed, just like a dandelion!

DANDELIONS GIVE GOOD NOURSHIMENT. I've been told wilted dandelion greens make a tasty meal. Easter is a time to remember that we are forever being nourished by the Bread of Life. We are fed by God who cares for us when everything seems gray, when we are hurried and harried, when growing and stretching and learning new things. We are sustained by the One who walked beside the two on the Emmaus road. Resurrection reminds me and gives me strength to go one. Just like a dandelion.

DANDELIONS CAN NOT BE KILLED. Have you noticed how well you grass grows? Chances are your dandelions grow even better. The dandelions regroup and show off their yellow determination within hours. I can't kill them even if I tried. The Crucifixion is a reminder of how people attempt to kill God's love. Jesus was put on a cross because he was too threatening to those in authority. Resurrection tells us that God's love can never be eliminated, no matter how threatening it may become. God's love cannot be killed. Just like the dandelion.

DANDELIONS SPREAD SEEDS. I've never counted the number of seeds on the puffy white cloud of a dandelion. I know there are more than a few. When we gently hold the stem and blow the seeds float away. Some land in our own yard, others in the neighbors, still others fly away to distant places. Dandelions know how the spread seeds so that other plants will take root and grow and create new surprises. The resurrection story is a story of empowerment. A group of numb and disheartened women and men suddenly were given strength to shout for joy. They never stopped. They spread seeds across the Middle East and the Mediterranean. They continued to blow across Europe, Asia, Africa, North and South America. Blossoms of faith appeared on every continent on the planet earth. The seeds are still spreading. Children, youth and adults are hearing good news. People are experiencing rebirth and renewal. These seeds that are spreading are spiritual. Easter is a time for spreading seeds of life. Just like the dandelion.

DANDELIONS GROW IN MY BACKYARD. I don't have to go far to find a dandelion. All I have to do is go outside and look around. Dandelions are growing in my backyard! Resurrection is personal. It is a one on one reminder that God loves us more that we can ever imagine. God offers us an opportunity to discover life in all its richness and in all its eternity. Resurrection grows in my backyard. Just like a dandelion.

So when you see a dandelion, be reminded of God's presence and God's love.



HUMC STEEPLE-APRIL 2018



HUMC Community Dinner

Thursday April 12, 2018 from 5:-00-6:00 PM

We would like to thank everyone that has donated money, supplies, etc. for the Community Meal. Without your help this would not be as successful as it has been. We appreciate your support and prayers.



Kroger Community Rewards Program

In the past years August 1st began the re-enrollment period. Effective immediately all participants currently enrolled will roll over and stay enrolled in their organization instead of having to re-enroll each year.

Enrollment for New participants will work the same way as the past. They can sign up on www.kroger.com or call 1-800-KROGERS, option 3.

You will just use your Kroger Plus Card, save money and all your money will count towards the church's account. No loading, just spending! Easy as it can be. Go to Kroger.com and register your Kroger Plus card and then pick Harrodsburg United Methodist Church as your Community Rewards Partner. When you check out on the bottom of your receipt you will see that a donation has been made to the Harrodsburg United Methodist Church.



Make sure HUMC will get your rewards! This does not affect pricing or anything to do with your points. If you have questions see John or Carol Moffett.

Thanks

PLEASE SIGN UP NOW if not already!

Use Your Kroger Plus Card to Help HUMC (Wesley Food Baskets/Back Pack) programs Grow

Helping HUMC is easy! Simply enroll your Kroger Plus Card online at Kroger.com/community-rewards. Once you've successfully enrolled HUMC will earn rewards on eligible purchases you make using your Kroger Rewards Card.



Sunday School
pre-school to high school meets Sunday 10:00 AM



<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4caaab2ba57-Harrodsburg>

—Use this link to sign up for helping in the Nursery—

Help needed for Sunday School-1st through 4th grade-Contact Pastor Trish if interested

NEED help—contact office!



YOUTH

6-8 PM

Sunday Evening



Join the group for a GREAT Time learning about the Lord and his many works!

Check with Alex for activity schedule

There is a legend, that at the time of the crucifixion the dogwood has been the size of the oak and other forest trees. So firm and strong was the tree that it was chosen as the timber for the cross. To be used thus for such a cruel purpose greatly distresses the tree, and Jesus, nailed upon it, sensed this and in His gentle pity for all sorrow and suffering said to it: "Because of your regret and pity for my suffering, never again shall the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used as a cross. Henceforth it shall be slender and bent and twisted and its blossoms shall be in the form of a cross – two long and two short petals. And in the center of the outer edge of each petal there will be a nail prints, brown with rust and stained with red, and in the center of the flower will be a crown of thorns, and all who see it will remember...



If you are interested in helping out during the opening stages of the House of Grace, Hope and Mercy set to open January 1, get in touch with Kassie Barker at the Christian Life Center. Till money is raised and a budget is set they will be staff the center with volunteers. Your help is greatly appreciated.



We're
Searching for
Volunteers

IN NEED OF PRAYER—Prayer is a privilege to do in the name of others...

Concerns:

Frances Alford, Frances and Henry Anness, Becky Balbratz, Sandra Carss, Don Cole, Helen Cole, Bill Conover, Martha Davis, Richard Derringer, Su Abrams-Gray, Linda Heathscott, Charlie Ison, John Landrum, Betty Milam, Sarah Nash, Casey Sparrow, Judy Sutter, Triple Cross Arena Cowboy Church, Sylvia VanArdsdall, those traveling and those victims of natural disaster, and first responders.

Pastoral transition for our church and the retirement of Pastor Trish and Rick

Long Term Care:

Helen Cole, Sylvia VanArdsdall, Martha Davis,

Missionaries:

Shelby Gillespie, Hanak Family, Jamie and Lisa Williams; Mike and Sherry Morrisey



Serving in the Military:

Will Beauchamp, Chad Huff, Joe Carter, Daniel, Crowell, Chaz Garcia, Daniel Montgomery, Ken Nilsson, Troy Owens, Geoffrey Peele, Jared Prather, Caleb Smith, Jeremiah Smith, Steven Wilson.

College Students:

Drew Angel, Mason Angel, Savannah Barnett, Jae Blankenship, Alex Bosse, Meredith Brown, Dylan Carss, Jackie Cheng, Holly Hurt, Abigail Nillson, Brittany Pridey, Mary Kate Pridey, Brittany Sims, Hunter Sims, Jenny Sutherland, Elizabeth West

Please update the office with changes to the Prayer list



Doris Davis Circle

Meets 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10 AM in church. Join us for a great meeting and lots of fun.

Book Nook

The Doris Davis Circle has given away approximately 400-500 books in the past two years from 6 months to teens. Learning to read is so important. Research shows that close to 75% of prison inmates are considered illiterate. When starting to do your Winter cleaning bring your gently used books for the Book Nook.

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Your mission:
Should you
accept it....



Are you interested in going on a mission trip to help with Hurricane IRMA relief.? We will be going in July 2018, either July 7-14, We will meet in January to finalize our plans. Prayerfully consider joining us and help those that were affected by the hurricane. More information forthcoming. Have questions? Contact John or Carol Moffett.

MISSION MEETING-April 8, after church

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Nursery

- April 1-Cindy Angel/Lessle Bosse
- April 8-Mackensie Mace/Lyndsey Phillips
- April 15-Karen Pridey/Wanda Gabehart
- April 23-Joann Sims

Sacred Circle Leaders

- April 1** Easter-C. Moffett
- April 8-** Betsy Fleischer
- April 15-**Jerri Weitzel-Kennedy
- April 23-**Kathy Shewmaker
- May 6-** Communion

Birthday

- April 2 Jae Blankenship
- Brittany Pridey
- April 4 Maddy Moffett
- Jeff Phillips
- April 6 Rebecca Carse
- April 8 Robby West
- April 9 Case Noel
- April 10 Ian McGinnis
- April 12 Ben Price
- April 14 Anson Donahus
- April 15 Bruce Hamon
- April 16 Jennifer Smith
- April 18 Brittany Sims
- April 19 Sammy Berger
- Daniel Price
- April 22 Tim Berger
- April 25 Karen Peavler
- April 27 Mary Kate Pridey
- April 29 Bonnie Hatchett
- Lynsdey Phillips
- April 30 Barbie Teater



Anniversaries

- April 7 Mike and Donna Barnard
- April 28 Joe and Gabhart





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SPRING CLEANING!

For HUMC this year, Spring Cleaning will have a different meaning
It will be a Cleanout!

The Trustees (with help) will complete and inventory of the contents of all rooms in all church buildings so “Cleaning Out” seems an obvious early step. Help is needed and wanted on Saturday, April 21 and on Saturday April 28 9-12 (lunch provided)

What items are not tossed, then will be placed in The Gathering Place for members to see before more decisions are made. Thanks in advance for your interest and aid!

<u>Regular Worship Times</u>		
Sunday	9:00 am	Informal Worship
	9:00-9:45	Choir
	9-10 am	Fellowship Breakfast
	10:00am	Sunday School
	9:45-10:30	Praise Team Rehearsal
	10:40 am	Praise Music
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship
	6:00-8:00	Youth-Middle & High School
	6:00	Making a Difference
Wednesday	10:30	Adult Bible Study



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Office Hours

Monday..... 9 am to 3 pm
Tuesday..... 9 am to 3 pm
Wednesday....9am to 3 pm
Thursday9 am to 3 pm
Friday.....9 am to 12 pm