HESSTON UMC

Weekly News and Updates



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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Sunrise Service King Park**: Easter Sunrise service is at 7:15A at King Park, with a light breakfast following the service.
- **Name Tags**: If you've never received a name tag, or need yours replaced, please let the office know and Roni will get one printed for you.

Mission Committee News:

For the next three months, March/April/May, our mission focus will be SafeHope, the domestic violence shelter in Newton. Each month, we will focus on specific items that are needed.

For the month of March, our request is for personal hygiene products, such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, body wash, deodorant, shampoo/conditioner. You are invited to be a part of HUMC's caring for the people served by SafeHope!

We are also collecting backpacks and small tote bags.



Blessing Box needs...

I happened to see two grade school boys Tuesday and asked them what kinds of snacks they (and other kids) like. Pop Tarts were 1st (and last) on the list. Also mentioned were Oatmeal Cream Pies, fruit snacks, breakfast bars, snack size bags of cereal, chips, microwave popcorn, and snack crackers. They don't like cheese/peanut butter crackers, which is good to know. Thank you for the recent donations and your continued support!

From the Trustees:

The congregation is invited to share your hands in service to do tasks in and around the church and parsonage. Task tickets detailing jobs to be done will be posted outside of the office. We'd like to have the front of the church cleaned up and looking better before Easter.

Choose a ticket that suits your capability and complete it on your own time. Once completed, date and sign the ticket and place it in the "DONE" envelope. Questions and details may be directed to Ken Schwanke (620-951-3034).





HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING HELP / BUILDING FUND

As you may know, the church and the parsonage have both experienced heating and air conditioning issues. Units in both locations have been replaced and the costs are pretty substantial. We're asking for special donations to help offset these expenses and to help replenish our building fund.

Kindergarten Enrollment: Hesston Kindergarten Enrollment for 2024-25 school year will take place on Monday, April 15, from 1:30-2:45PM in the HES cafeteria. Any child who will be 5 years of age on or before August 31, 2024, is eligible to attend kindergarten. Parents, please bring your child's state issued birth certificate, immunization records, and social security number. If you have questions, please call the HES office at 620-327-7102.



A request for help from Celia:

As many of you may know, I moved here from Colorado over six years ago and currently live at Hickory Homes. I've no family nearby and any longtime friends do not live in the area. My particular need for help now is due to beginning a transition to a new medication for chronic migraines, while phasing out the old plan. I'm not sure what this will look like in the coming weeks, but I'm anticipating some rough patches ahead due to pain. Even with a strong heart of faith, this is somewhat scary as it's exceedingly difficult to be exhausted, in pain, and alone much of the time.

This is a very public, open and earnest plea: I do so need the wisdom, experience, possible practical help of my church family (the Body of Christ), even beyond the few friends I have in Hesston now.

My hope is that someone(s) reading this will have an idea or two that might aid me in this challenging season of my life -- to offer ongoing emotional support/presence, to run an errand now and then, to offer listening ears when I'm hurting but cannot take medication that day, maybe to share coping techniques new to me.....or whatever else may occur to you or to someone you know!!

With all my heart and spirit, I welcome response. And in deep Christian faith, and in the Lord's fellowship, I say a heartfelt Thank You!! Celia Venable (contact info is in our church directory -- phone, text, email, in person all fine)

Current Prayer list: Nate Krug (health), Keith Williams (health)

Continue to pray for: (Please let me know of any updates/additions/deletions)

Chuck Arens (health), Cynthia Hansen (Pastor Bryce's mom, thyroid cancer), Bob Diehl (LeAnn's brother; hospice), Bonnie and Jan (friends of LeAnn), David Clark (Chuck Buechman's nephew; cancer), Paul Hart (friend of Ray Novak; medical issues), Robert Kinsley (Marge Hamilton's brother; improving but still needs prayer), Lee (Pam Arens' brother; health), Marilyn (Pam Arens' sister; cancer), Tom McClain (Buck & Helen's son; health), Thomas/Trail family (friend of Keather's; serious health issues), Celia Venable (chronic headaches)





HESSTON COMMUNITY VBS MAY 28-31, 2024 6:15-8:30 PM AGE 4 THROUGH 4TH GRADE HESSTON MENNONITE CHURCH REGISTRATION STARTS MARCH 11TH!

MORE INFO AT FACEBOOK.COM/HESSTONCOMMUNITYVACATIONBIBLESCHOOL

From the Missions Committee:

Our next Open Door lunch delivery will be Monday, April 1. Lunch prep will be that morning at 9:00A

~Melinda Jantz



CALENDAR ITEMS:

Please send any calendar additions or changes to the office as soon as you know of them. I'm

currently working on APRIL and MAY items. Thanks!



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Upcoming Calendar Items:

May 1, 10:30A, Missions

April 9, 7:30P; Trustees Meeting

Happy Birthday next week to:
Becky Birdsell, Rhonda Johnson, Janice Camp, Susan Hamilton
Happy Anniversary next week to:
Ken & Jody Schwanke

Have you moved?

Please double-check that we have your correct address. We've had some mail returned



Additional Notes:

- **Fellowship Hall**: If you would like to reserve Fellowship Hall for an event, please schedule with the office. All upcoming reservations will be listed in this section in the weekly emails.
 - Reserved on Mondays, from 6:30P until 8:00P for scouts
 - Reserved April 28, 5-8P
- **Calendar Items**: Please let the office know of meetings that need to be added to the calendar. I'm currently working on **APRIL and MAY** items. *Please let me know of upcoming committee meetings and other events we need to put on the calendar. Thanks.*
- **Directory Info**: If your information needs to be updated for the directory, please let me know before the end of the month. Updates will be published when there are changes.

April 2024

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31	1 9:00A Open Door lunch prep and delivery	2	3 7:00A Men's Bible Study HAS 9:00A Women's Bible Study 3:00P Bells 7:00P Youth	4	5	6
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31 Becky Birdsell	1	2 Rhonda Johnson	3 Janice Camp	4	5 Ken & Jody Schwanke	6 Susan Hamilton
7	8 Will Pickney	9 Ryan Gale	10 Jerry Jantz Katherine Cooper	11	12	13 John Caffrey
14	15 Marge Hamilton	16	17 Gavin Pickney	18	19	20 Isaiah Schertz San & Lisa Nikkel
21	22	23	24	25	26 Roni Caffrey	27 Amy Schertz Suzanne Novak
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