



HESSTON UMC

Weekly News and Updates

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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:

During the month of April, our focus for SafeHope, the domestic violence shelter in Newton, will be the collection of new packages of underwear for women and children. Three dresser drawers have been placed on the Missions table, so during our "Sundays of Undies," we hope to fill these drawers with "drawers."

Thank you all for your continued support of HUMC's mission projects.



Blessing Box needs...

The blessing box is in need of the following:

Jelly, Macaroni and Cheese, "Just add water" mixes, Canned fruit, Condiments, Tuna Helper

These seem to be the most pressing items at this time. Thank you for 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. Although several tasks have been completed, there are still several items that need to be attended to.

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).



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. In addition, we are being required to replace some of the older breaker boxes in the church, which is also quite costly. 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)

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), Keith Williams (health)



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](https://facebook.com/hesstoncommunityvacationbibleschool)



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!



From the Missions Committee:

Our next Open Door lunch delivery will be Monday, May 6. Lunch prep will be Sunday, May 5, at 9:00A

~Melinda Jantz



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday this week to:

Becky Birdsell, Rhonda Johnson, Janice Camp, Susan Hamilton

Happy Anniversary this week to:

Ken & Jody Schwanke

Happy birthday next week to:

Will Pickney, Ryan Gale, Jerry Jantz, Katherine Cooper, John Caffrey

Have you moved?

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



Upcoming Calendar Items:

April 9, 7:30P; Trustees Meeting

April 11, 3:00P; UW in Faith

April 21, 2:00P; UW in Faith

May 1, 10:30A, Missions



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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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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
7 10:00A Worship	8	9 7:30P Trustees	10 7:00A Men's Bible Study HAS 9:00A Women's Bible Study 3:00P Bells 7:00P Youth	11 3:00P UW in Faith	12	13
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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
28	29	30 Ron Fulk	1	2	3	4
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