



# The Messenger

March 21, 2014

## Christ United Methodist Church A Welcoming and Affirming Congregation

### Benevolent Giving of Christ UMC

Listed below is our giving to different missions besides our Conference mission shares (apportionments). These totals do not include any giving by our United Methodist Women or direct giving by our youth group. The gifts listed reflect only monetary giving and not any donated time and effort, or any other material gifts.

Cause	2012	2013
UMCOR	\$ 1,485.00	\$ 1,970.00
Human Relations Day	\$ 36.00	\$ 162.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$ 340.00	\$ 167.00
World Communion Sunday	\$ 188.00	\$ 156.00
United Methodist Student Day	\$ 19.00	\$ 41.00
Peace with Justice Sunday	\$ 161.00	\$ 25.00
Native American Ministries	\$ 149.50	\$ 103.00
Advance Specials		\$ 75.00
Nigeria Partnership	\$ 2,104.00	\$ 1,097.00
Alaska Partnership	\$ 215.00	
AIDS	\$ 415.00	
People's City Mission	\$ 160.00	\$ 25.00
Lincoln Food Bank/Backpack	\$ 1,503.00	\$ 225.00
Center for People in Need	\$ 608.00	\$ 200.00
Matt Talbot Kitchen	\$ 1,249.00	\$ 2,115.59
Africa Mission Trip	\$ 230.00	
Volunteers in Mission	\$ 100.00	\$ 250.00
CROP Walk	\$ 200.00	\$ 145.00
CUMC Assistance Fund	\$ 1,332.00	\$ 898.20
Eastridge Food Pantry	\$ 775.00	\$ 693.00
Angel Tree	\$ 106.00	\$ 325.00
Heifer International	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 4,214.45
TeamMates Mentoring Program	\$ 170.00	
Habitat for Humanity	\$ 247.00	
to outside groups from Wednesday Nite Bites		\$ 1,147.10
Lydia Patterson Institute Student (from CUMC Foundation)	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 830.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 16,692.50</b>	<b>\$ 14,864.34</b>

### Holy Week Worship

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday on April 13. Our Chancel Choir will present the cantata *I Am the Lord of the Dance* at both worship services. Maundy Thursday, April 17, we will serve communion in worship at 7:00 p.m. Easter Sunday, April 20, we will celebrate the risen Lord at both worship services. Please join us!

### CALENDAR of Events

#### Sunday, March 23

8:30 & 11:00 Worship  
9:40 Sunday School/Coffee  
3:00 Brass Rehearsal

#### Monday, March 24

9:15 Naomi Circle, Room A  
5:30 Serenity Singers

#### Tuesday, March 25

7:00 40th & A Neighborhood  
Association, Room B

#### Wednesday, March 26

12:00 WWEC, Room B  
5:00 Wednesday Nite Bites  
*Christ Academy staff serving  
barbequed pulled pork  
sandwiches, macaroni and  
cheese, chips, and dessert*  
5:30 Youth Choir

5:45 Children's Choir (K-2)

6:00 Glory Ringers

6:00 Youth Bible Study

6:15 Children's Choir (3-5)

6:15 Men's Choir

7:00 Chancel Choir

7:00 Youth Fellowship

#### Thursday, March 27

9:30 Women's Bible Study,  
Room B

10:00 Retired Ministers,  
Room A

#### Friday, March 28

5:30 Parent's Night Out

#### Sunday, March 30

#### Women's Sunday

#### One Great Hour of Sharing

(special offering)

8:30 & 11:00 Worship

9:40 Sunday School/Coffee

3:00 Brass Rehearsal

#### Monday, March 31

Deadline for Easter Lily orders

9:15 Naomi Circle, Room A

5:30 Serenity Singers

#### Tuesday, April 1

Messenger Deadline

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**Senior Pastor**  
Reverend Jim Miller  
(402) 984-9358  
**Visitation Pastor**  
Reverend Bob Neben  
**Office Administrator/**  
**Children's Choir**  
Amanda Kenney  
**Building**  
**Superintendent**  
Randy Cary  
**Education and**  
**Children's Ministries**  
Kim Garrison  
**Youth Director**  
Adam Sharp  
**Music Director**  
Jenny Jensen  
**Organist/Pianist/**  
**Men's Choir**  
John Ross  
**Youth Choir**  
Kevin Palu  
**CUMC Brass**  
Mark Eldred  
**Serenity Singers**  
Connie Adams  
**Christ Academy**  
**Director**  
Cindy Laughter  
**Additional Staff**  
Zach Czapl  
Kim Dilley  
Ashley Dodd  
Nancy Graviette  
Kristen Harvey  
Taylor Kirby  
Ashlie Kluck  
Melissa Lyman  
Natassia Mason-Rekte  
Tiffany Medley  
Maria Murillo  
Denise Murtaugh  
Joan O'Brien  
Paige Paczosa  
Jennifer Russell  
Brittany Snell  
Stacy Taylor  
Sydney Weidner  
Katie Wilgocki  
**Sunday Nursery**  
Jackie Heckman

## What's Happening?

(Please help us keep up-to-date with hospital stays/births/deaths etc. by calling the church office at 489-9618. The information will be listed in the newsletter and bulletin if we have the individual's permission to do so.)

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### Wednesday, April 2

10:00 UMW Executive Committee, Education Room  
11:45 UMW Devotionals  
12:00 UMW Luncheon and Program, Rooms A and B  
5:00 Wednesday Nite Bites  
Mike McMurtry, Les Williams,  
Phyllis Maurer serving stew

5:30 Youth Choir  
5:45 Children's Choir (K-2)  
6:00 Glory Ringers  
6:00 Youth Bible Study  
6:15 Children's Choir (3-5)  
6:15 Men's Choir  
7:00 Chancel Choir  
7:00 Youth Fellowship

### Thursday, April 3

9:30 Women's Bible Study, Room B

### Friday, April 4

1:00 Messenger Assembly, Room A  
7:00 Family Movie Night, Elm Park Hall

Showing *Frozen*

### Sunday, April 6

8:30 & 11:00 Worship  
9:40 Sunday School/Coffee  
3:00 Brass Rehearsal



**John Lind** on hospice care at Van Dorn Villa.  
**Jack Eisele** on hospice care at The Ambassador.  
**Dale Rathe** at Tabitha.

## Easter Carnival

We will have our annual Easter Carnival for children from birth through fifth grade on Saturday, April 19, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Please join us for crafts, story time, refreshments, a picture with the Easter bunny, and of course the Easter egg hunt! Please bring your own basket for your child(ren) to collect eggs. We hope to see you here!

We are in need of small, individually wrapped candy for the Easter Carnival. You may leave your donations with Amanda or Kim in the office. Thank you for your support!



**Christ Academy**  
CHRIST INSPIRED EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

## Christ Academy—Self-Supporting!

Did you know that, through the tuition charged for childcare at Christ Academy, our childcare program is self supported? Christ Academy pays the salaries of all 24 full and part time employees, and has also contributed to the church in many ways, such as purchasing new carpet and laminate flooring, new blinds, and new furniture in the classrooms, as well as helping to pay for the new dishwasher, purchasing a van for school age transportation, and helping to pay a large portion of the new playground that all children at CUMC are able to enjoy.

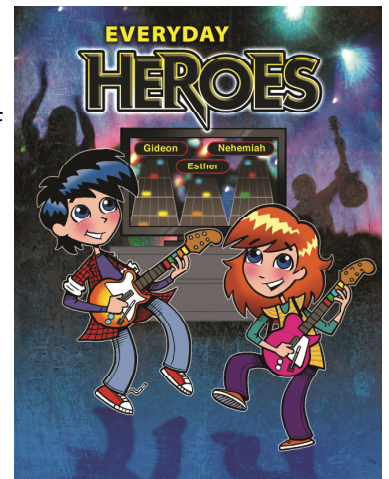
## Fine Arts Camp 2014: Everyday Heroes

Come rock with us as we learn about how God uses ordinary people to do extraordinary things. On this musical journey we'll explore the Old Testament stories of Gideon, Esther, and Nehemiah and see how God put them in the right place at the right time to accomplish things that wouldn't be possible without God. We'll also see how God calls us to be heroes in our everyday lives, if we just listen and follow His call.

Fine Arts Camp will be June 23-27, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day, with a performance at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 27. Cost for the week-long camp is \$50, which includes a book and CD of the musical, t-shirt, snacks, and crafts.

Online registration is now open! Please visit [christumclinc.org](http://christumclinc.org), and click on the Fine Arts Camp link to fill out the registration form. You will have the option of also paying online or you can bring payment to the office. Auditions for solo singing or speaking parts will be held Wednesday, May 7, at 6:45 p.m. All children who wish to audition must have a completed registration form at the time of audition.

**Volunteers** will also be needed to help with camp! If you would like to help, you can also fill out a [volunteer form online](#), or let Amanda know. For any other questions, please contact Amanda.



## UMW News

Registrations are due by March 26 if you plan to attend the Blue River District UMW Spring Event to be held in Waverly on April 5. Women's Sunday will be held March 30 at both the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. services. The service will be conducted by Rev. Pam Bauer, a chaplain from Kansas City. Our regular noon luncheon on Wednesday, April 2, will feature the program "A Call to Prayer and Self Denial", led by Sally Schneider. The hostesses will be members of the Rachel Circle. Remember to bring stationery or other items useful to nursing home residents with you to the meeting. We will be supporting Jena Wilson's Girl Scout Gold Award project with these gifts.



## Family Movie Night

Our next movie night will be Friday, April 4, at 7:00 p.m. in Elm Park Hall (basement). We will be showing Frozen. Popcorn and juice will be provided. Wear your pajamas, bring your pillow and blanket, and join us for a relaxing time with your family and church family!

## One Great Hour of Sharing

For more than 50 years, United Methodist congregations have been taking part in a special One Great Hour of Sharing offering, laying the foundation for UMCOR's (United Methodist Committee on Relief) ministry of relief and hope. Donations UMCOR receives through this offering, along with other undesignated gifts made throughout the year, cover the costs of doing business. Gifts like yours make it possible for UMCOR to use 100% of all other contributions on the projects donors specify, instead of on administrative or fundraising costs. UMCOR does not receive United Methodist World Service or apportionment funds, so without your offerings, UMCOR would not exist.

Because operating costs are kept under 10% of the total budget, undesignated gifts may actually exceed UMCOR's administrative needs. When that happens, your support is channeled to under-funded programs, where it's most needed. Donations also may be used to allow UMCOR to respond to disasters immediately after an event and before funds can be raised.

Christ UMC will be collecting this special offering on Sunday, March 30. For more information about UMCOR, including this special offering, please visit [www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org).



## EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

**CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 4530 A STREET LINCOLN, NE 68510 (402) 489-9618**  
To help beautify our Sanctuary for Easter worship, we will once again be taking orders for lilies. The lilies are florist quality plants with 4-6 blooms per pot and they will be cleaned of any pollen. The cost is **\$9.25 each**. You are invited to order one or more In Memory or In Honor of someone. You may take the plants home following the 11:00 service Easter Sunday.



**Order forms must be received in the church office by Monday, March 31.**  
**Please make checks payable to Christ UMC—Easter Lily.**

Please purchase \_\_\_\_ lily (or lilies) **In Honor** of: \_\_\_\_\_

Please purchase \_\_\_\_ lily (or lilies) **In Memory** of: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of lilies \_\_\_\_ times \$9.25 = \_\_\_\_\_ (amount included)

**Giver's Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you!**

\*You may also order Easter lilies online at [christumclinc.org](http://christumclinc.org)!

## **Lincoln Women's Chamber of Commerce Fashion Show at CUMC**

Erika Summers of KLN TV will model at the Lincoln Women's Chamber of Commerce Spring Fashion Show and Luncheon on Saturday, April 5, at CUMC. Registration begins at 11:00; luncheon at 11:30 immediately followed by the fashions. Clothing and accessories from Coldwater Creek will be modeled.

Advance adult tickets are \$17.50; purchased on-site, tickets are \$20 with no guarantee of lunch. Tickets for children ages 5-12 are \$5. Reservations and payment should be made to LWCC, 237 South 70 Street, Suite 206, Lincoln, Nebraska, 68510. Call Sue, (402) 476-0560, or Cindy, (402) 310-8951, for information.

Proceeds from the Fashion Show and Luncheon will benefit the Lincoln Women's Chamber of Commerce Scholarship at Southeast Community College established to provide funding for books and equipment for the non-traditional female student. The 2013 recipients will be recognized.



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**March 21, 2014**

*Change service requested*

### **WORSHIP SERVICES**

Sunday, 8:30 and 11:00 am

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Sunday, 9:40 am

#### **Acolytes**

March 23	8:30	Haliagh Steggs	11:00	Tristan Welch
March 30	8:30	Lona Dearmont	11:00	Kerry Florell
April 6	8:30	Ella Coash-Johnson	11:00	Ella Coash-Johnson

#### **Greeters**

March 23	8:30	Del and Julie Williams, Loren and Jean Leatherman		
	11:00	Juhwan, Emily, Lily, and Kenny Suh, Tom and Kay Buecker		
March 30	8:30	Lois Schulenberg, Burnita Den Hartog, Lois Gleaves, Rochelle Dyer		
	11:00	Phyllis Maurer, Louise Mountford, Dorie Mundorf, Doris Foust		
April 6	8:30	Dave, Lona, John Dearmont, Jim and Mary Kulhanek		
	11:00	Janelle Byam, Carter Hulinsky, Joel, Kelly, Ella, and Lily Coash-Johnson		

#### **Fellowship Servers**

March 23		Del and Julie Williams
March 30		Phyllis Spahn and Frances Kasl
April 6		Shari and Joe Nigro

#### **Communion Helpers**

April 17	7:00	<b>Volunteers Needed!</b>	(Maundy Thursday)
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### ***Thank You!***

We would like to thank our church family for all of the support everyone has shown us in the past few weeks since Vicki's brother, Jeff, passed away. Every card, every hug, and every kind word has helped ease the pain a little bit.

*-Chris, Vicki, Eli, and Ben Sommerich*

### ***Messenger Schedule***

*Submit by **April 1**  
for mailing **April 4**  
Submit by **April 22**  
for mailing **April 25***

*\*please note the extra week break  
due to Holy Week and Easter*