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**MARCH
2025**

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**ANDOVER UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

P.O. Box 519 -1429 N Andover Rd
Andover, KS 67002

SUNDAY SERVICES

TRADITIONAL 9:00AM
with chancel choir-in sanctuary
In-Person & Online

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00AM

PRAISE SERVICE 11:00AM
with contemporary music &
children's involvement-in gym

Services In-Person & Online
Online: FACEBOOK AUMCKS

MEDIA CONNECTIONS

Website:

www.andoverumc.com

AUMC Online Church Directory:

<https://andoverumc.ctrn.co/>

The Outreach Newsletter:

andoverumc.com/outreach.html

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK:

Andover United Methodist Church:

www.facebook.com/AUMCKS

Andover UMC CrossFit Youth

Ministries: www.facebook.com/aumcyouthmin

Andover UMC Children's Ministry

www.facebook.com/AUMCKidMin



WORD FROM THE PASTOR

Thoughts on Lent....

Lent can be experienced as a serious season. Sacrifice, denial, and confession are the focus of the Lenten season and these are things we value but we don't often celebrate. While we understand the importance of them, they do not elicit the joyous emotions of Christmas. I heard a pastor say once: that Hallmark does not sell any Lent greeting cards. They sell cards for every other major holiday. This is to say- we don't enjoy celebrating Lent.

What if you could celebrate Lent? Sacrifice is difficult but when we give up something, whether it be food, action, or items it leaves space. Time, money, and energy freed up. This space is what we can celebrate during lent. What could you do if you had a little more time in your week? Where would you give if you had a little extra money this month? How could extra energy help you connect with family or friends?

Giving something up for Lent is a spiritual practice where there is value in focusing on what we are giving up. It demonstrates devotion and commitment in our faith. Giving something up for Lent can also be a spiritual practice where there is value in the space, time, energy freed up. Lent can be the beginning of simplification in our life. I invite you to consider where you feel the need for more space or simplification in your life. Is there something that you can give up to achieve that space?

Lent is a season of sacrifice and it can also be a season of celebration. May we remember the sacrifice of Jesus and remember the space we find in his grace.

In Christ,

Pastor Ryan

➤➤➤ FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Daylight Saving Begins March 9th

Justice Together Update

AUMC has an exciting opportunity to hear from Louis Goseland of Justice Together on **Sunday, March 16**. Louis, the lead staff member for Justice Together, will be at AUMC at the 9:00 service and then speak during the Sunday School hour at 10:00. All are invited to hear his presentation which will take place in the sanctuary.

Come to the presentation on Sunday, March 16, and learn more about how we can be a part of the solution.

Hands 2 Serve is April 5th

Volunteer sign up sheets and Assistance Request forms are on the Welcome Center. Contact Roy Hayden

AUMC 2025 Rummage Sale

Rummage Sale: 4/10 & 4/11 8a-4p; 4/12 8a-11

Rummage Sale DROP OFFS: Sat. 4/5 9a-3p & Sun. 4/6 1-3p

It is time to gather your treasurers to share. Please make sure that everything is CLEAN & WORKING. Will not take old computer monitors, TVs, tires, and lamps that do not work.

**ADULT SUNDAY
SCHOOL CLASSES 10a**



Meets in room 8 at 10a and will start a new study called "Share the Dream" about the Biblical foundations that inspired the work of Martin Luther King. All are welcome to join us!



Meets in the Parlor. Current study is "Context" by Josh Scott. Everyone is welcome to join us!

➤➤➤ WORSHIP

Lent—March 5– April 17

Ash Wed. Service March 5th 6:30pm (no potluck dinner)

UMCOR Sunday March 30th

Holy Week—April 13—20

Palm Sunday April 13

Maundy Service April 17 6:30pm

Good Friday Service April 18 6:30pm

Easter Sunday—April 20

➤➤➤ NEW ARRIVAL ANNOUNCEMENT

We are so excited to announce the arrival of our sweet baby girl, Ivy Mae! She made her debut on Sunday, Feb 16, in keeping with the family tradition of being born on a church day like her brothers. Mama and baby are happy, healthy, and thriving with the support of Daddy and big brothers. Our prayers of gratefulness continually lift over our church family for all you're doing to support us, especially the gift of time at home while we adjust to our new little blessing! God is good!

Peace be with you all during this season of new life!

With full hearts,



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

MARCH EVENTS

Sunday:

9a TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

10a SUNDAY SCHOOL

11a PRAISE SERVICE

3/9 – Daylight Savings Begins

3/16- 3p Chat, Chew & Do

3/23 – UMCOR Sunday

3/30 - 5:30-7p Youth Game Night

Monday:

3/3- 6:30p Open Door Lunch Packing

3/24-6:30p Unified Board Meeting

Tuesday:

9a Tuesday Coffee at Dunkin Donuts in Andover

3/4 & 3/18 -6:30p Light & Lamp Women's Bible Study

Wednesday:

9a Women's Pickleball

6:30p Choir Practice

6:30p Crossfit Youth (no Crossfit 3/19)

8p Praise Band Practice

3/5 – 6:30p Ash Wednesday Service

3/25- 9a Outreach Team Mailing

3/26- 6p Community Potluck

3/26- 6:30-8:30p Kids Connect

Thursday:

9a Pickleball- Co-ed

3/6 - 6:30p-Disciple Bible Study-Off sight

SATURDAY:

3/15 - 5p Lord's Diner

4/5 – 9a-3p Rummage Sale Drop off

4/6 – 1-4p Rummage Sale Drop off

SYMPATHIES TO THE FAMILIES &
FRIENDS IN THE PASSING OF:
Kathy Halfman
Ray Olsen's father
Jane Anderson, Barbara Hartness'
sister

PRAYER REQUEST

JAN 19

Jane, Barb Hartness' sister

Justin Kneisel's uncle

Youth Winter Retreat

Charlie Carson

The homeless-those fighting the cold
weather

Prayers for our nation & leadership as we
start a new direction – the Lord's
intervention & direction

JAN 12

Nate, Ryan Lynch's brother

Brian Brubaker, spouse of an Andover
Rotarian Ching Brubaker

Diana, friend of Nancy Mattke

Pray for families & friends in the passing of:
Larry, Barb Hartness 1st cousin

➤➤➤ FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CELEBRATIONS

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

03 Erin Murray	22 Terri Delimont
04 Cathy Durano	25 Dale Beneke
07 Randy Shields	25 Laurel Delimont
09 Joyce Stevenson	25 Les Hastings
12 David Wall	26 Melissa Connell
13 Jeremiah Coym	27 Chelli Cranmer
22 Sherame Kneisel	27 Leslie Eidem

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

23 Joel & Kim Fulghum
25 Chris & Kasa Straub
25 Tyler & Taylor Cotner

➤➤➤ INFORMATION

AUMC Staff opening for Financial Secretary:

*12 hr. work week

*Work week is Monday & Tuesday

-If you are interested, send an email to
Ryan Lynch, Pastor @

ryanl@andoverumc.com

-If you know someone who is interested,
have them send an email to Ryan Lynch,
Pastor.

NOTE

To our AUMC Family and Friends

Your friendship has filled our lives with love, laughter, and endless memories. You were there when we laughed, cried, and celebrated. Thank you. We are excited for this next adventure in our lives. We will continue to worship with you online. Our new address is: 1003 Lesmer Circle, Manhattan, Kansas 66503.

Sincerely your Friends in Faith,

Dan and Tammy Eilert

ANDOVER FOOD BANK

OPEN: TUES. 10a-1p
WED. 3-6p



Volunteer needs:

Help for weekly shifts Contact:

<https://tinyurl.com/AndoverFoodBank>

Need people to be a part of the rotation to pick up Saturday bread.

Contact: email: acfvolunteer1@gmail.com



CROSSFT YOUTH NEWS

LAST MONTH

Hello AUMC Family!

The youth group would like to thank all who came and participated in the Valentine's Day Dinner. The kids worked hard on their auction items and ticket sales this year. With your support, we raised a great deal towards both mission trips this summer. We are grateful for all the support from the community and church members. Without your generosity, our mission trips might not be possible.

THIS MONTH

March 5th- Ash Wednesday

March 17th- St Patrick's day

March 19th- No Crossfit

March 20th- 1st Day Spring

March 30th- Game Night



CHILDREN MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

March 2025

Family Ideas

Global Day of Unplugging

March 1-2 Disconnecting or unplugging from all the digital static offers us an opportunity to reset. It also allows us to make more human connections with the people around us.

Ash Wednesday

March 5th signals the beginning of Lenten season for Christians. It takes place 46 days before Easter. Those who celebrate Ash Wednesday reflect, fast, repent and celebrate. The ashes represent death and repentance.

National Mario Day

March 10th What better way to celebrate than playing Nintendo as a family?

National Goof Off Day

March 22nd People around the world celebrate Goof Off Day. This day is all about taking a break from the stresses of daily life and embracing playfulness and fun. It is important to let loose and have some fun.

What's Up

It's that special time of year where the sunshine and warmth begin to make an appearance reminding us how blessed we are to welcome in a new season of Lent.

Sunday School

FAITH IN JESUS:
BFFs
FAITH FOCUS:
Jesus is our friend

Upcoming Events

Sunday School - Sundays - 10am

KidsConnect -

Wednesday, March 26 - 6:30p-8p

Egg-cellent Easter Adventure -

Sunday, April 13 - 1pm-3pm

IMPORTANT EVENTS TO NOTE



**Ash Wednesday
Service**

**March 5th
6:30p**

Daylight Savings

**Begins
March 9th**

Lent 2025

**Begins Wed. March 5th
Ends Sat., April 19th**

OUR STAFF

Pastor—Ryan Lynch ryanl@andoverumc.com

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Office Hours —: Mon.—Thurs. 9am-5pm; closed Fri.



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