



Epworth News

God's Love in Action
Growing Disciples through Compassionate Relationships

**September
2013**

**Celebrating the
Risen Lord**

Sunday Worship

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship

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Salty Servants

"You Are the Salt of the Earth..."
(Matthew 4:13)

"Salt is good; but if salt...another"
(Mark 9:50)

Pastor's
Ponderings



As a congregation we are invited to join in celebrating the many ways that we serve and live out our faith during the week -- the many ways that we are **God's Love in Action**. Whether at work, in your neighborhood, at school, out in the community, or through a ministry opportunity of the church -- whether we are stepping out of our comfort zone or serving in an on-going way -- whether we are young or old -- we are called to be the salt of the world. As a congregation, we are invited to challenge each other to commit to a life-time of serving, whether young or old, each one of us has something to give. We are asked to begin seeing ourselves as "**Salty Servants**" those who have been called to serve, to season the lives of others, to build relationships, and to bear the witness of Christ to the world.

During the month of September, we are invited to celebrate the many ways that we serve by filling out a card located in the bulletin and attaching it to the Salty Servants display. You are invited to fill out a new card each week as we celebrate the many ways that each of us serves.

Here are some of last year's responses:

I was a Salty Servant this week by...

"Volunteering at the hospital information desk"

"Visiting a friend in the nursing home"

"Helping my friend with math, listening to my teacher, helping my mom bake cupcakes"

"Delivering Mobile Meals"

"Praying for a family with health problems"

"Helping cooks in Preschool/Daycare kitchen"

"Helping serve meal for Marion Matters"

"Working with Prayer Quilt Ministry"

"Babysitting for my grandchildren"

Thank you for striving to be God's Love in Action in our community --

In Christ's service together,
David



Epworth Preschool and Daycare is pleased to announce the new director, Sarah Daum. Sarah graduated with a Master of Education Degree in December 2010 from The Ohio State University.

Sarah has substitute taught for preschool age children up to the seventh grade level at both suburban and urban school districts. As a licensed preschool administrator, Sarah supervised and mentored six preschool classrooms in Crawford County. Additionally, she teaches in the preschool classroom at her church, Family Life Church, on Wednesday nights and Sunday mornings. She helps children to acquire a strong foundation in knowledge and skills needed for school success. Sarah and her husband are residents of Marion County. They have a daughter, Reece (20 months), and are excited to welcome a son in September. Ryan is a social studies teacher and coach for Marion City Schools. Sarah and Ryan work hard to create learning environments where children are valued as individuals and where their needs for attention, approval, and guidance are supported. Sarah has a passion for inspiring and motivating students and staff to do their best. She encourages students' parents to be active participants in the education process of their children and is readily available to meet with parents to discuss student needs. Sarah is excited about this new opportunity and is eager to see Epworth Preschool and Daycare thrive and succeed.

Sarah Daum and Robin Rick will be co-directing the PS/DC until Sarah returns from maternity leave. Best wishes to Sarah as she begins this new chapter in her life.

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is advertising the following positions:

Part-Time Custodian

Wanted: Part-Time Custodian to work under the supervision of a Head Custodian to complete daily and weekly cleaning needs of the church. Part-Time Custodian will work approximately 20 scheduled hours per week. Schedule will be based upon church's needs and employee's availability. Previous experience is preferred. Send a statement of experience and skills to: Epworth United Methodist Church, 249 E. Center St., Marion, OH 43302. Accepting applicants immediately until position is filled. Call the church office at 740-387-8344 to make inquiries.

Middle School Adult Youth Worker

Wanted: Highly motivated individual to work with youth, grades 6th - 8th. Adult Youth Worker will work approximately 10 hours per week facilitating our Middle School Youth Program. The position will run from September through May and will include most Sundays and some weekend responsibilities. The Adult Youth Worker will work under the supervision of the pastor. Applicant must be at least 23 years of age to abide by our Safe Sanctuary procedures. Previous experience is preferred. Send a statement of experience and skills to: Epworth United Methodist Church, 249 E. Center St., Marion, OH 43302. Accepting applicants immediately until position is filled. Call the church office at 740-387-8344 to make inquiries.

High School Adult Youth Worker

Wanted: Highly motivated individual to work with youth, grades 9th - 12th. Adult Youth Worker will work approximately 10 hours per week facilitating our High School Youth Program. The position will run from September through May and will include most Sundays and some weekend responsibilities as well as a summer mission experience. The Adult Youth Worker will work under the supervision of the pastor. Applicant must be at least 23 years of age to abide by our Safe Sanctuary procedures. Previous experience is preferred. Send a statement of experience and skills to: Epworth United Methodist Church, 249 E. Center St., Marion, OH 43302. Accepting applicants immediately until position is filled. Call the church office at 740-387-8344 to make inquiries.

Membership Classes

Join us for our next series of membership classes to be held on October 20th and 27th, from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the Church Parlor, Room 205. Childcare will be provided upon request. Whether you are new to the church or have been attending for awhile, you are invited to be with us. Those participating in the class will be received into membership on Sunday, November 1st at the 10:30am worship service. If you would like to sign up for the class, or would like more information or have questions, please contact the church office.

Building Safety and Security

Your help is greatly appreciated in helping to keep our church building and our Preschool/Daycare a safe and secure environment. If you are visiting the church during Preschool/Daycare hours (6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.), please check in with the front desk upon your arrival. They can assist you in helping to find the correct meeting room or to verify that someone is available in the Church Office. If you are in the building after Preschool/Daycare hours and unlock a door or a portion of the building, please lock the door and turn off the lights as you leave. If there is a night host for the evening, please let the night host know when your group plans to depart and/or when your meeting is finished. If you have any safety or security concerns while in the building or on church property, please contact the Police Department. Thank you for your cooperation.

Church Organ Repairs

After much discussion, research, and meeting with the Peebles-Herzog Pipe Organ Company; the Worship Committee, the Board of Trustees and the Administrative Council have approved repairs to our M.P. Moller Pipe Organ. The cost of the repairs will be covered by the designated Music Fund and will take place September 23rd through October 21st. Much needed repairs will be made to the

“pitmans” in the Choir and Great Organs. The cost of these repairs will not exceed \$12,760.00. This is the first of several repairs that need to be made to the organ. If you would like to know more about these repairs, please contact our organist, Kathy Walczak, or Pam Combs, Chairperson of the Board of Trustees. Thanks to the generosity of those who have contributed to the designated Music Fund we can remain good stewards of this magnificent instrument.

Thank You

- ♦ Thanks to all for the prayers and prayer quilt. It was such a comforting feeling to awake after surgery and have the physical warmth of some of the prayers that helped to carry me through this time.

Thanks again. Kathy Leedom

- ♦ Rev. David & the Epworth United Methodist Church, Thank you so much for your gift of \$150! I know that with your support, prayerfully and financially, the people of Montenegro will hear the Gospel! Please pray that God would soften their hearts to His message. I can't wait till I'm over there and updating y'all! Once again, thank you so much for investing in me!

In Christ, Pittman Kuchers

College Addresses

As a congregation, we would like to remain connected to those members and friends of our congregation who are attending college. As we begin a new school year, please contact the church office with those addresses, email addresses, and phone numbers. Thanks for helping us stay connected.



The teacher in me is always excited with the coming of the new school year. I love the crisp pages of new books and notebooks, the smell of new crayons, the bookbag, and all the "stuff" that signal the beginning of another year of learning.

This year, I begin the fall season with a wonderful appreciation of the great out-of-doors...how it clears my mind, stretches my muscles, and renews my soul. Whether I am exploring a gravel trail to a glacier in Alaska, or I'm back in Marion walking in familiar places, I hope that I am able to celebrate creation. God has created, and is still creating new beginnings. In me, He is creating a new appreciation for the world He loves so much. I pray that even as we begin this new school year, the children and I will play in God's playground of trees and grass, filling our souls with fresh air and new beginnings. And thanking God for all that is good! I hope your children will return to Epworth after their summer adventures, ready to learn and love God in this church that shares abundant love for kids! Our fall classes begin on September 8 - see you at church! *Sharon*

Popcorn in the Courtyard - September 5

Come to Epworth to watch the Marion Popcorn Parade and enjoy fresh popped popcorn, made in our very own popper! Each bag of popcorn that you purchase will help to support our Children's Camp Scholarships.

In the summer of 2013, ten Epworth children grew in faith at Camp Wesley.

Thank you, congregation, for your continuing generous support of our church campers. Popcorn and cold water will be available 5:00 - end of the parade.

What does Epworth offer for children on Sunday mornings?

8:30 - 11:45	Nursery care available Room 202 Birth to age 3 CPR trained staff
9:00-9:30	Children's Choir Room 203 Age 4 to grade 5 Ruth Coldwell, director
9:30 - 10:20	Little Blessings Sunday School Room 201 Ages 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 3 Alicia Orcena & Joy Boyer
9:30- 10:20	Godly Play Sunday School Room 206 Age 4 to grade 2 Pam Douce & storytellers
9:30- 10:20	Acolyte Fellowship Class Room 204 Grades 3-5 Betty English & storytellers
9:30-10:20	Middle School Sunday School Room 303 Grades 6-8
10:30	Worship for the whole family Children's Message Sharon Gilbert Children's Worship Age 4 to grade 2 Sharon Gilbert & parent team

Children's Choir

Children's Choir: directed by Ruth Coldwell will practice on Sunday mornings from 9 - 9:30 a.m., for 4 years to 5th grade, beginning **September 8th**.

Epworth's 2013-2014 Children's Musical will be in the spring, date to be announced soon.

Calendar Notes for Busy Parents

September 5 – CPR training (nursery staff & all other interested children's ministry volunteers)
September 5 – Popcorn in the Courtyard (children's camp fundraiser)
September 8 - Children's Choir begins, 9 a.m. Room 203
September 8 – Fall Sunday School classes begin
September 10 – DC4K (Divorce Care for Kids) begins at 6:30
October 5 – Hayride & picnic @ Lechner's Pumpkin Patch

God's Love in Action -- Thank you VBS kids!

Epworth's Everywhere Fun Fair children focused on "*Love the Lord your God, and love your neighbor as yourself.*" Luke 10:27. Putting their love into action, the 102 children and 40 VBS volunteers donated \$214 for Wings of the Morning, a United Methodist medical transportation ministry in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. They also contributed 225 items such as paper towels and personal care items, valued at approximately \$1,125, for the Ronald McDonald House at Columbus Nationwide Children's Hospital. The Ronald McDonald House is the House that love built, and Epworth children have demonstrated their love to the families of medically fragile children. Thank you for this AWESOME mission response!!!

Fall Fun for Children & Families of All Ages Saturday, October 5

We will return to Lechner's Pumpkin Patch near Radnor for an afternoon and early evening of fall family fun! The Hayride and Bonfire will happen at 5:00 p.m. but you may want to arrive by 3:30 or 4:00 to ride the children's barrel train, play in the Jumpy House, and explore the 8-acre corn maze. Children's Council will provide hotdogs, condiments, buns, chips, plates and silverware, and S'more fixings. Please bring beverages for your family and a dish to share. Cost for hayride and bonfire - \$3 per person. Cost for hayride, bonfire, corn maze and other activities - \$5.50 per person. See Pam & Arden Douce when you arrive. Lechner's will also have a nice selection of pumpkins for sale. Bring your children or your grandchildren for Fall Family Fun, Epworth style!

www.Lechnerpumpkins.com

DC4K

DivorceCare for Kids, known as DC4K, is a 13 week recovery and support group for children ages 5 -12 who are dealing with the divorce or separation of their parents. Through games, crafts, video Bible stories, and healthy snacks, children begin to understand the range of their own feelings during and after the divorce of their parents. Key understandings include "Divorce is not my fault" and "God loves all kinds of families." This program is led by professionals who have personally experienced divorce and its effect on children. The fall group will begin on Tuesday, September 10 at 6:30 and

will welcome new and returning children. Call Sharon at Epworth to register for this group, or for additional information. Materials fee - \$15. (Scholarships available.)

Children's Worship – Opening the Doors!

Children's Worship invites children ages 3-grade 2 to leave the sanctuary to gather in room 201, after Children's Moments, for age-appropriate crafts, stories, snacks, and play. This fall, while the weather is nice, we may enjoy some outdoor fellowship on the playground. Parents, please know that play clothes are welcome, and we will leave a sign on the door of room 201 if you are to pick up the children on the playground. We will always have two or more adults present for playground time and have safety procedures for crossing the parking lot.

Godly Play Stories

For several years, our Sunday School children have been learning the timeless Bible stories of *Creation, The Great Family, The Flood & the Ark, The Ten Best Ways*, several parables, and the liturgical stories of baptism and communion using Godly Play materials. Beautiful wooden story pieces give the children a visual as an adult storyteller shares the story, and later, the children use these same items to tell the story to an adult or classmate. As the children manipulate the story pieces, they "own" the story, writing some of the language on their hearts. We often locate the story in the Bible or story Bible to make the connection stronger. This year, we'll be adding a few new story sets to our Godly Play collection. Children's Council recently ordered *The Story of Joseph* and *The Story of the Prophets*. Among the Godly Play stories on our wish list are *Jesus and the Twelve*, *The "I-AM" Statements*, and *The Parable of the Parables*. If you'd like to make a gift to Epworth's children's ministry, please speak with Sharon for additional information.

Epworth is a Safe Sanctuary Church

Epworth takes seriously our responsibility to provide a safe and nurturing environment for infants, children and youth who participate in our ministries.

Our policy to protect children requires that all adults involved in our youth and children's ministries to be trained in Safe Sanctuary procedures and to complete a confidential background check. We have two adults present in each of our classes, or when that is not possible, we will have an open door and a trained "roamer" who checks in frequently throughout the class time. We encourage parents to accompany their children when restroom visits become necessary during the worship service, and to meet their children at the Sunday School door at 10:20. For additional information about our Safe Sanctuary procedures, please contact Sharon Gilbert, Director of Ministries to Children and Families.



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN WOMEN-IN-ACTION

Whenever United Methodist Women gather together all over the USA, they recite this pledge....

The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

PURPOSE – filled words to live by, but this statement falls into the category of “mission statements”.. “vows”... and, yes, even our best loved prayers ... words recited from memory often escape meaning.

This month, as we look to our first meeting after the summer break on Monday, September 8, let's take a look at the UMW Pledge.

Are we moving in ways that will help us to know God?
This may include (but not limited to) time spent in reading and understanding the Bible, engaging in ministry by being God's hands in the world, and seeking ways to share God's love.

Are we becoming whole persons through Jesus Christ?
Do we recognize ourselves as being redeemed, beloved, and gifted children of God? Let us work at being organized in such a way that supports and encourages each one of us to reach our full potential.

Are we building a creative, supportive fellowship?
Unfortunately, all too often we fall short in reaching these goals. Together we can do better.

Are we participating? Are we praying? Are we giving?
No one can do everything or go everywhere, but together we can do all God expects us to do.

Support the Festival of Sharing by making one of the required kits or by bringing in items to be made into kits. Drop donations in the baskets outside the church office/parlor doors. Mark the date of the Festival on your calendar in bold letters and plan on spending a few hours in Columbus that Saturday (September 28th). It would be wonderful to add all our supplies to the huge outpouring of love from across our conference.

Carpooling would be great...lunch would be even better...I am happy to make arrangements...give me a call at 383-2915. PURPOSE-full work!!

Joy Boyer, President

Although UMW is primarily working on School Kits, the other Kits are also listed as the Mission Committee is very involved in the Festival of Sharing as well. In fact, Epworth Mission's Committee member Jo Rose has devoted many years to this special ministry and is always delighted to share information with a Sunday School class or any individual.

Funds are needed to cover sorting, packing, and insurance, as well as the shipping of kits.

Please do not put cash or checks in the Kit boxes. Make your check out to Epworth United Methodist Church with a notation on the memo line that it is for Festival of Sharing. Cash donations in lieu of assembled Kits also helps to provide much-needed supplies.



PRAYER QUILTS WERE MADE FOR

- ◆ Zander Lee Carroll (new born) for healthy heart and blood sugar levels.
- ◆ Betty Jackson for peace and strength for her and her family
- ◆ David Swart for healing and comfort
- ◆ Connie Slocum for God's peace, strength, and healing as she faces serious illness and treatment in the coming months
- ◆ Jo Humphrey for health, healing, and peace of spirit

Festival of Sharing September 28, 2013

School Kits give children in impoverished schools, refugee camps, or other difficult settings some of the basic tools for learning.

To assemble a **School Kit** you will need:

- One pair of blunt metal scissors
- (rounded tip)
- Three 70-count spiral notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages.
- (No loose-leaf or filler paper.)
- One 30-centimeter ruler (12")
- One hand-held pencil sharpener
- One large eraser
- Six new pencils with erasers
- One box of 24 crayons
- One 12" x 14" to 14" x 17" finished size cotton or lightweight canvas bag with cloth handles. (Please, no reusable shopping bags or backpacks.)

Value \$15

Processing cost: \$2 per Kit



Photo: CWS

In the face of natural disasters, violence, or grinding poverty, **Hygiene Kits** can mean the difference between sickness and health for struggling families.



Photo: Anne Gaffney

To assemble a **Hygiene Kit**, you will need:

- One hand towel measuring approximately 16" x 28" (no fingertip or bath towels)
- One washcloth
- One wide-tooth comb
- One nail clipper
- One bar of soap (bath size in wrapper)
- One toothbrush (in original packaging)
- Six standard size Band-aids

Place all items in a one-gallon plastic bag with a zipper closure, remove excess air from bag, and seal. **Please do not add toothpaste to the Hygiene Kit.** Cartons of toothpaste that have an extended expiration date will be added to Hygiene Kit shipments just prior to shipment.

Value: \$10

Processing cost: \$2 per Kit

In areas of extreme poverty or following a natural disaster, **Baby Care Kits** help mothers care for their newborn babies.

To assemble **Baby Care Kit**, you will need:

- Six cloth diapers
- Two T-shirts or undershirts (no onesies)
- Two wash cloths
- Two gowns or sleepers
- Two diaper pins
- One sweater or sweatshirt (can be hand-knitted or crocheted)
- Two receiving blankets (one can be a hand-knitted or crocheted baby blanket)

Items must be new and under 12 months in size. Wrap items inside one of the receiving blankets and secure with both diaper pins.

Value \$39

Processing cost: \$2 per Kit



Photo: Paul Jeffrey/ACT Alliance

Emergency Clean-Up Bucket
These supplies enable people to begin the overwhelming job of cleaning up after a flood, hurricane, tornado, or other disaster here in the US.

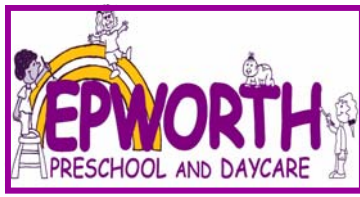
To assemble an Emergency Clean-Up Bucket you will need:

- One five-gallon bucket with resealable lid
- Five scouring pads
- Seven sponges, assorted sized
- One scrub brush
- Eighteen cleaning towels (reusable, like Easy Wipes)
- One 50-78 oz. box dry laundry detergent
- One 12 oz bottle of liquid concentrated household cleaner (like Lysol)
- One 24-28 oz. bottle liquid disinfectant dish soap (like Dawn)
- One package of 48-50 clothespins
- Clothesline, two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.
- Five dust masks
- Two pairs latex gloves (like Playtex)
- One pair work gloves
- 24-28-having duty 30-45 gallon trash bags (may remove from carton)
- One 6-9 oz bottle of insect repellent (pump, drops or lotion, not aerosol)

Please provide all liquids in new, unopened plastic bottles. Be sure to send only new materials. Place all items in the plastic bucket, making sure they are packed securely to avoid damage during shipment, and seal lid with packing tap.

Value \$56

Processing cost: \$3 per Bucket



We are quickly approaching the first day of preschool here at Epworth. Our

amazing teachers are eagerly anticipating the arrival of our new pre-k kiddos and are ready to welcome them into a learning environment where each child feels safe and encouraged. Our Meet the Teacher Day is Sunday, September 8th from 2-4 pm. Parents will be able to see the classrooms where their precious children will be learning and growing. Parents will be able to meet and converse with our highly qualified teachers. Orientation Day will be held the next day, September 9th, at 9am. Parents are encouraged to come into the classrooms for a shortened day of learning and fun. The first full day of preschool will be on Tuesday, September 10th. Our preschool and daycare programs are currently at 80% capacity so there is still time and space to enroll new children. Please feel free to call 740-387-1062 with any inquiries that you might have about our preschool or daycare programs. We are always readily available to answer any question and would love to give you a tour of our beautiful school.

September 22, 2013

On this date Epworth Church will celebrate its 50 year commitment to the children in Marion and surrounding areas. This risk-taking mission has touched the lives of 11,000 children! Over the years the congregation has made this program possible through their prayers, time, talents, and financial support. The program has changed and evolved to what it is today as the members and leadership have evaluated the needs of children and young families. It is time to celebrate this ministry and the planning committee of Ottis Koehler, Jeanne Howison, Carole Agler, Tracy Fox, Patricia Kozlik, Karen Ruth and Carol Getsay has planned a special birthday celebration. State Senator, David Burke, is an alumnus of our school and he will be with us to share his memories of Epworth Preschool. Alumna, Kristy Cook Wink, will be bringing her Act II students to perform. We look forward to many visitors and long time friends joining us in this special celebration. We absolutely need our congregation to be with us at this worship service. Please put us on your busy calendar. We have arranged for additional parking at out-lying parking lots with transportation to Epworth in anticipation of visitors. If you are able to park in the

lot behind Papa Johns this will help us accommodate visitors and people who may need assistance.

Cemetery Tour

The 18th annual cemetery tour will be held on Sunday, October 13 from 2:00-4:00. Stay tuned for more information.

Onward and upward!

Sarah Daum, Co-Director
Robin Rick, Co-Director
Epworth Preschool and Daycare

(Sarah Daum and Robin Rick are currently serving as Co-Directors of PS/DC until Sarah returns from maternity leave. We will be celebrating Robin's retirement on Sunday, October 22.)



White roses were placed on the altar in celebration of the life of:

- ◆ Edith Trapp Piatnitzka, stepmother of Pam Douce, who died August 7, 2013
- ◆ Don Hastings, the father of Donna Pendleton, who died August 8, 2013
- ◆ Paul Granger, the father of Teresa Ballinger, who died August 12, 2013
- ◆ Margaret Cooper, the sister of Wilbur Boyer, died August 15, 2013
- ◆ Jerry Rodman, brother-in-law of Phyllis Slob and Alice McGraw and uncle to Connie and Tammy Slob, Jodi Boltz and Mike McGraw, who died August 19, 2013
- ◆ Gerhardt (Gary) Weichenthal, grandfather of Wendy Weichenthal, who died August 19, 2013

Our love, support, and sympathy surround these families.

September 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 3:00pm Helen Owens Memorial Service	2 CHURCH OFFICE AND PS/DC CLOSED LABOR DAY -	3 No Children's Council 7:30am Men's Breakfast 11:00am Staff Meeting 5:15pm Neighborhood Supper (St. Paul's Episcopal) 7:00pm SPRC (Rm. 205)	4 1:15pm PS/DC Teachers meeting (Rm. 301) 6:00pm Bell Choir 6:30pm Bible Study (Rm. 205) 7:00pm Chancel Choir (Rm. 112) 7:00pm Nar-Anon (Rm. 106)	5 Popcorn Festival 8:00am PS/DC CPR Trng (Rm. 205) 10:00am Phyllis' Craft Class (Rm. 111) 4:00pm Popcorn sale in Courtyard during parade - Children's Council 5:15pm Membership & Nurture (Rm. 205)	6 Popcorn Festival	7 Popcorn Festival
8 Rally Day Blessing of Prayer Room 9:00am Children's Choir & SS Classes start back up 9:30am Acolyte Training (Rm. 204) 11:30am Worship Committee 2:00pm PS Meet the Teacher	9 9:00am Preschool Orientation 5:30pm Getting Ahead (Rm. 109 & 111) 6:30pm UMW (Pastor's Office) 6:30pm Grief Share (Rm. 205) 7:00pm Boy Scouts (Rm. 106) 7:00pm Spiritual Formation (Rm. 210) 7:30pm AMI Circle (Pastor's Office)	10 First full day of Preschool 7:30am Men's Breakfast 11:00am Staff Meeting 1:00pm Evelyn Kendal Circle (Rm. 205) 4:00pm Quilt Class (Rm. 111) 6:30pm DivorceCare (Rm. 205) 6:30pm DC4K (Rms. 204 & 206) 6:30pm DivorceCare Child Care (Rm. 201)	11 5:00pm Circles: Allies & Families (Rms. 109 & 1Kitchen) 6:00pm Bell Choir 6:30pm Bible Study (Rm. 205) 7:00pm Nar-Anon (Rm. 106) 7:00pm Chancel Choir (Rm. 112)	12 10:00am Phyllis' Craft Class (Rm. 111) 5:00pm Getting Ahead (Rms. 106 & 109; Kitchen) 6:00pm Quilt Class (Rm. 111) 7:00pm Trustees (Rm. 210)	13	14 11:00am Prayer Quilt Ministry (Rm. 111)
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SUNDAY OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP AT EPWORTH UMC

Common Grounds Coffee Shop opens at 9:15 am. Stop by for a cup of coffee or tea and fellowship (Rm. 106)

8:30 am	Nursery care available until 11:45 am (Rm. 202)
8:30 am	Worship Service
9:00 am	Children's Choir (Rm.203)
	Open Door Class (Rm. 305)
9:15 am	Come Join Us Class (Rm. 205)
9:30 am	The Little Blessings, ages 2 ½ - 3 (Rm. 201)
	Godly Play (ages 4 - 2 nd grade) (Rm. 206)
	Acolyte Fellowship SS Class (grades 3 - 5 th) (Rm. 204)
	Jr. High Youth Class (Rm. 303)
	Sr. High Youth Class (Rm. 301)
	Faith & Family Class (Rm. 210)
	Messengers Class (Rm. 111)
	Common Grounds (Coffee Shop - Rm. 106)
10:30 am	Worship Service