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### De Soto United Methodist Church





This summer is very exciting in the life of our church. Our sanctuary and the narthex are being carpeted right now. We have already finished four out of five projects through the Capital Campaign under the theme of "Vision 2030 and after." The new flooring in the sanctuary and the narthex is the last one. After we finish all five, we will have a dedication service on August 18th. I personally am so grateful to God and to our congregation to make it happen. It has been very important project as we were responding to the change of the community, welcoming our new neighbors, and preparing for the future generations. Please pray for our ongoing Capital Campaign, the last project, and our trustees.

On Sunday, July 14th, we will commission our Congregational Care Ministers for the Care Ministry of our church. Nine candidates from our own family of faith felt calling from God to provide care ministry with Pastor Kim for our congregation. After appropriate trainings and commissioning, they will visit and be with those who are sick, having surgery, dying, losing or lost their loved ones, being alone at home, and so on. Please pray for our Congregational Care Ministers and our Care Ministry.

It's Vacation Bible School time! For many people, one of the most exciting children's ministries might be VBS. Children will learn the Bible stories, play games, do crafts, eat delicious snacks, sing and dance, and so on. Without our dedicated volunteers and teachers, it cannot happen. So, we will commission and pray over them on Sunday, July 21<sup>st.</sup> Then, we will decorate for VBS. From Monday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> to Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup>, children from our congregation and the community will have fun!! Please pray for the VBS programs, children, their families, and the volunteers.

This July is anticipated to be very hot. But the heat cannot stop God's passion for our church to grow in spirit, love one another, and serve the community for the spread of the life-giving Gospel! May God bless our lovely family of faith, as we invite and love everyone because we were embraced loved by God as we are!

In Christ,

Pastor Kim



# Worship in July

Sunday Mornings at 10:00 am.

In person: 8760 Kill Creek Road, De Soto, KS 66018

Online, Facebook Live or later—www.facebook.com/desotounitedmethodist/

later on YouTube—desotounitedmethodistchurc8790

7th 7th Sunday after Pentecost Mark 2:23

"Being with Jesus in Nature: Field"

14th CCM Commissioning Sunday John 1:43

"Hero: Jesus Builds the Team"

21st 9th Sunday after Pentecost Exodus 1:20

"Hero: God's Wonder Women"

28th VBS Sunday Acts 9:30

"Hero: Paul's Basket Ride"

### PRAISE AND PRAYER GATHERING

At 9:15 am, we will gather up front on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays to hear the WORD, sing a couple of praise songs, listen to a simple faith-based message (from a member of our congregation) and lift each other up in prayer and praise.

Please join us July 14th and 28th this month. If you would like to share a message of your personal Faith experience for this bi-weekly praise, please let Pastor Kim, Avery Noble, or Shelly Coker know and they will assign you a date. **Bring Your Friends!** 

### Commissioning Service of the Congregational Care Ministers Sunday, July 14th

We will commission our Congregational Care Ministers who said yes to God's calling to provide care for our congregation with Pastor Kim.

Please pray for Laura Anderson, Star Atwell, Shelle Field, Sue Holzhueter, Linda Patton, Anne Simpson, Erika Schwarzenberger, Jimmie & Becky Thomas.

#### Mission and Outreach

**July Food Pantry** request is for peanut butter and jelly, detergent and shampoo.

### **Prayers**

Continued healing prayers for those in our community who have health and family concerns. Condolences to Charlotte Whim and her family upon the passing of her husband, Bill Whim.

# 2024—FULL OF BLESSINGS AND GRACE JULY

1 Mon 6:30p	m Agape Circle	17 Wed	10:00 am	Coffee @ Cause Coffee
3 Wed 10:00	am Coffee @ Cause Coffee	18 Thu	6:30 pm	VBS Volunteer Orientation
4 Thu	Independence Day Holiday	19 Fri	7:00 am	Rotary
6 Sat 1-3 p	om Celebration of Life	20 Sat	8:00 am	United Methodist Men
_	Bill Whim (FH)	21 SUN	10:00 am	Worship
7 SUN 10:00	am Worship		VBS Decorati	8
8-9 Mon-Tue	Emmaus Communion visit	22-25 Mo		30-8:30 pm VBS
10 Wed 10:00	am Coffee @ Cause Coffee			Called together to Serve God
1:30	9	26-27 Fri-	Sat 8:30 am	Gottman Level One Training
14 SUN 9:15		28 SUN	9:15 am	Praise & Prayer Gathering
10:00	,		10:00 am	Worship—VBS Sunday
Congregational Care Minister's Commissioning		29-Aug 8	g 8 Pastor Kim vacation	
15 Mon 7:00	pm Finance & Trustees Teams	31 Wed	10:00 am	Coffee @ Cause Coffee
16 Tue 11:00	am Reading Circle			
6:30	pm Ad Council			

# JULY

# July Happy Birthdays



6 Arlene Truitt	7 Dianne Ellenberger	ne Ellenberger 8 Auggie and Issie Guzman	
8 Marly Noble	9 Rosie Inman	9 Ron Roberts	9 Annette Tucker
11 Bub Schmidt	12 Laura Huffman	13 Jason Powers	14 Betty Cannon
15 Bill Gish	15 Keegan Guzman	15 Lukas Tucker	15 Barbara Weis
16 Liz Allison	16 Boots Linden	21 Tammy Holwick	23 Denise Everhart
23 Jason Guzman	24 Janna Holden	24 Judy Macy	28 Doug Bedford
28 Nancy McMillen	-		_

## July Happy Anniversary

6 Don and Arylis Neal 22 Jason and Laurie Powers

# Vision 2030 and after

Our Capital Campaign (2024-2026) for the five projects is ongoing! The first project, "Fascia and Soffit Replacement and Repairs," the second, "Upper and Lower Parking Lot Repairment," the third, "the Digital Sign," and the fourth, "Sanctuary wall repairment and painting" are done. Now, the last project, "replacing the carpet in the sanctuary and the narthex" is in the process. More details about our campaign is in our Brochure (Click Here). Thank you so much for your continuing prayers and donations as good stewards!

(Please make a separate check with "Capital Campaign" in the memo. That will be a lot easier for us to organize!)

### 5 Projects Dedication Service Sunday, August 18

We will have a dedication service, giving thanks to God for completion of our 5 projects. Our new District Superintendent, Rev. Jin Cho, will come and join us.

# Children, Youth, & Family Ministry NEWS

# Sunday School Takes Summer Break; Nursery Care



and Children's Church Continue

**May 26 through September 1:** Summer Break. NO Sunday school. See you in Praise & Prayer and Worship.

September 8: All 9:00 am Sunday school classes resume.

Nursery Care and Children's Church will meet during the Summer with the following EXCEPTIONS:

June 30 & July 7 Worship in Fellowship Hall.

Nursery Care will be in the classroom off of Fellowship Hall. Children's Church will meet in a hallway classroom.

# Youth/Teen Activities Summer

\*July 22-25, Serve at VBS

Opportunities abound for students to help out at VBS. Contact the church office to sign-up.



The Mission Team had a great experience during June's Mission Days and we look forward to sharing it all in our upcoming presentation. Stay posted for the date.

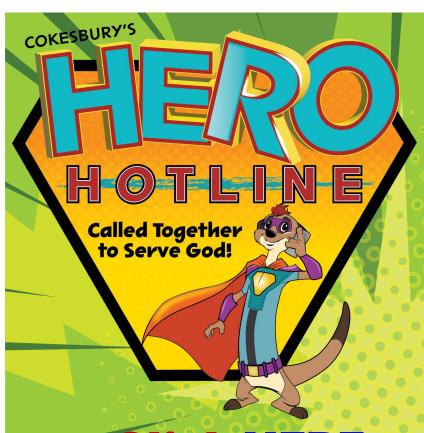


All Middle
School and
High School
students are
invited to
Youth
Activities

\*\*De Soto UMC is offering 50% fee scholarships for all DUMC students attending camp. Call the church office for more details.



Camps for ages K-12th grade: Boots 'N' Bible, Faith & Fun, Institute, and more! Check them out **HERE!** 



# Vacation Bible School

July 22-25, 2024 6:30-8:30 pm

Ages: PreK to 5th grade

# Click **HERE** to Register.

Hi—I'm Super Meer. Join me at Hero Hotline VBS. We will become Heroes and discover that answering God's call together means striving for the things that bring peace and the things that build each other up!

Our adventure will include:

\*Puppet plays & Bible stories,

\*Games, Crafts, & Snacks,

\*Music, Mission, & More.

I look forward to seeing you at Hero Hotline!

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Romans 14:19

Teens & adults are invited to "be a hero" - serve as a VBS volunteer. Adults, be "hero-ready." If you're new to serving with kids, complete <u>Safe Gatherings</u> TODAY.

July 18, 6:30 pm, VBS Volunteer Orientation

<u>July 21,</u> 10:00 am, VBS Volunteer Dedication to Service in Worship 11:00 am, VBS Decorating with Lunch

<u>July 28, 10:00 am, VBS Sunday Worship with Volunteer Appreciation</u>

## Congregational Care Ministry

God called us as one body and one family of faith. So, Caring Ministry is very essential for the church, loving one another. Our candidates of the Congregational Care Ministers from our congregation are being trained and will be commissioned to visit, pray with, and call our congregants who are facing surgery, are sick, and need care and connection with the church. Sunday, July 14, will be the Commissiong Service for these CCMs.

# Invitations to Grow through Study, Fellowship and Mission

### De Soto United Methodist Men

3rd Saturday of the each month, UMM Fellowship Breakfast and devotional study meets in **Fellowship Hall** at 8:00 am. We will continue to discuss the book, "Yes God, I Know I Have Sinned But I Have Such Excellent Excuses". Do not hesitate to attend without having read the book. Come: **July20**th, 8:00 am

### De Soto United Methodist Women Circles

The Methodist women are busy with numerous projects - programs promoting mission and service, care bags for those sick or recovering from injury/surgery, and United Methodist Women Sunday June 9th! Contact Gayle Moriarity if you want more information regarding the group: <a href="mailto:gaylemoriaty@gmail.com">gaylemoriaty@gmail.com</a> 913-304-4901

AGAPE CIRCLE– Meeting first (1st) Monday evening of the Month. July 1st we will continue discussion of "One Simple Act" by Debbie Macomber, Linda Rumsey's home, 27545 West 89th St., Lenexa, KS 66227 (913) 522-6919.

SILVER CIRCLE—Studying "The Bad Girls of the Bible", does not meet months that begin with the letter "J". So, while not meeting in June or July, they will return in August on 2nd (second) MONDAY, 1:00 pm at the Valley Springs Clubhouse.

READING CIRCLE—reads and discusses a group selected book each month, 3rd (third) Tuesday of each month May 21st, from 11:00am-12:00pm. We then meet at KJ's after the meeting for pizza! We are currently reading a series of books about one character, written by former priest, Joseph F. Girzon, each a stimulating, yet easy read.

We have added more Upper Room magazines to our subscription. You all have been so good at picking them up, hopefully reading them daily to enhance your walk. I know it makes a big difference in my devotions. I especially like the short verse to read, refreshing that scripture in my mind as I may not have read it for a long time. So, pick up your copy of the July/August magazine now. inda Patton

#### HANDY RESOURCE LIST

#### **United Methodist Church**

- The greater United Methodist Church: <u>UMC.org</u> See who we are and where we serve.
- Our conference website: <u>GreatPlainsUMC.org</u>

Look for online newsletters on the website that you can read or subscribe to.

Coverage of the Annual Conference is on the website.

**Publication** • The Upper Room: <u>UpperRoom.org</u>

Many resources to feed your soul, from magazines that we order at church (yours for the asking), a daily Devotional, articles, poetry and visuals.







Look what we've done! New Sign invites you to our community.



Look what we've done! New Upper and Lower Parking Lots

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Sundays

9:00am Groups for All Ages

10:00am Worship

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YouTube.com: <u>De Soto United Methodist Church</u> Look for our logo. You can find our recorded worship services and devotionals on these.

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