

Kleiner Park Band Shell Sunday, May 16, 10:30am

Masks, social distancing, and good hand hygiene REQUIRED Bring Your Own Chair

Watch for registration information soon on the church website: <u>www.meridianumc.com</u>

If you can't make it, our online service will broadcast at 9:30am on our website, Facebook, and YouTube as usual.

Save the Date: Habitat for Humanity

June 19, 2021

Check-In: 8:00 am



What do we need? We will be participating in a Habitat for Humanity Build on June 19, 2021 at the Cathedral of the Rockies Amity Campus. We need people of all skill levels to join our Church of the Warm Heart team. We also need Crew Leaders with experience to help lead our team.

What will we do? In about three hours, we will frame a house. Habitat will provide all the instruction we need. So, don't worry if you don't have experience. There will be plenty of helping hands.

What will I need to bring? You will need your own hammer, safety glasses, water bottle, sunscreen and gloves.

What precautions will be in place for Covid-19?

Statement from the organizers: "Please do not come to the event if you are sick. *Everyone on site must wear Masks*. Hand sanitizer will be on site. Spacing for groups will be larger than normal with groups of 5-8. At check in your temp will be taken and if it is above CDC guidelines you will be asked not to stay."

Are you in? Email Jen Hunkovic at <u>adult.ministry@meridianumc.com</u> if you would like to join our team.



Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study Online Edition!

Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study is streamed at 2 p.m.

The Bible Study will be available on Facebook ,YouTube and our website.

Tuesday, May 4 Introduction to Acts Acts 7:1-43; 44-53; 54-60

If you can't watch it then, it will be available to watch anytime you want on our website, You Tube or Facebook.

MIRROR IMAGE WINDING DOWN FOR SUMMER!

With the school year coming to a close, we are taking a break from support of the Mirror Image Project through the summer.

But while we may not need your items any longer, you can always offer financial support to the program. Please make your checks payable to Meridian UMC and designate Mirror Image in the memo line.

Church Office Hours

As of April 1, the Church Office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 3 p.m.

If you come to the Family Life Center during business hours, a face mask is required to be worn in the building.

You may also reach us at **208-888-2245** or by email us at office@meridianumc.com.

You can also contact Pastor John at home. His phone number is 208-895-9855.

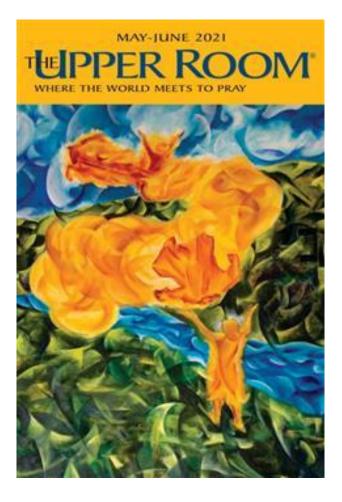
> Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.



"Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

JOSHUA 1:9



The Upper Room

Copies of the May - June The Upper Room are now available

Pick yours up outside in the yellow box outside the office entrance or in the FLC on Tuesday's from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Help is available!



Are you having trouble making an appointment for your COVID vaccination? A team from the Church of the Warm Heart (Meridian United Methodist Church) stands ready to help!

If you need help making an appointment or know of someone else who does, please reach out to one of the team coordinators:

Lisa Miller at (912) 604-8536 Bea Okamoto at (208) 576-4859

If no one answers your call immediately, please leave your name and number and wait for a return call. Please do NOT call both Lisa and Bea; they work together closely to share information, and multiple voice mail messages from the same person will slow them down.

If you do not need help with this process, please pray for the team. Please ask God to lead team members to people in need of help and to lead them as they search for appointments.

REMINDER: FEE ASSIST



Engage Fee Assist Now Available

Engage Fee Assist is here to cover processing fees on your generous gifts, so the church receives 100% of the intended donation. How does Fee Assist work? You simply check a box when making a gift and Engage does the rest!

Don't have a Engage Account? Please contact:

Maria Akers at 208-949-1196 bookkeeper@meridianumc.com at any time.



Join us this Sunday, May 9th at 10:30 a.m. for Coffee Fellowship on Zoom. This is a great way to connect with fellow church members. Just click on the link below and open hyperlink to go to Zoom. Hope to see you!

Jennifer Hunkovic is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Coffee Fellowship

Time: Sunday, May 9, 2021 10:30 a.m.

To join Zoom Meeting click below

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5122395982



Sermon by Phone Update!!!!

Sunday Sermon & Tuesday Bible Study

Our "Sermon By Phone" is being upgraded to include Pastor John's Tuesday Bible Study message!

Call in to 208-214-4723 on

*Saturday through Tuesday to hear our Sunday worship service

*Wednesday through Friday to catch highlights of our Tuesday Bible Study.

Let friends and family know so they can hear the Word!

Use your voice for kindness, your ears for compassion, your hands for charity, your mind for truth, and your Heart for Love.

Adult Ministry Highlights 🔺

Prayer Group: Join us on Zoom Monday mornings at 10:30 am. This will be a time for us to gather online and pray together as we grow in our faith and learn about different types of prayer. Lead by Linda Murphy

Mondays at 6:30 pm: Beginning on June 7, join us for our ladies study -Becoming a Woman of Strength, led by Sharon Rohnert and Bonnie Raper. This is a time for ladies of all ages to gather and study what it means to become a woman of faith. Part of this study is self-guided during the week and then we come together to read scripture and have wonderful discussions and fellowship. (This study is based on the book, Becoming a Woman of Faith by Cynthia Heald). Please email Jen Hunkovic at <u>adult.ministry@meridianumc.com</u> if you would like to join this study.

Tuesdays at 2:00 pm: Don't forget to watch Pastor John's Bible study on our website. It's posted every week on Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. but you can go on at any time to watch previous lessons.

Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm in person: Join us for our Bible study of the gospel of John. Led by Assistant Pastor Jen -- we dive into the historical context, scriptural analysis and discuss modern application. We ask questions, have great discussions and enjoy the time of fellowship with one another. Please bring your own chair and join us in the courtyard in front of the Sanctuary!

If you are interested in joining a study/group, please email Jen Hunkovic at <u>adult.ministry@meridianumc.com</u> or feel free to use the link below at the respective days/times:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5122395982?pwd=T2VXSy9IQWVJYIJ6dkRtL3ArVVIvdz09



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Meridian United Methodist Women will be starting a new series of studies on Climate Justice. Five agencies of the United Methodist Church (including United Methodist Women), and in conjunction with the Council of Bishops, will be releasing a statement of commitment across all ministries, facilities, operations, and investments of the UMC to work towards Net-Zero Emissions by the year 2050. Sounds overwhelming, but if we can start by studying and learning, maybe we too can make a difference. Watch for a zoom link to be sent to your email address and we will gather on **May 13** at **1pm**.

The Reading Program kiosk is available for you to check out books. Additional titles are available by going to:

https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogramcatalog2021.pdf

Looking forward to seeing you on May 13 at 1 p.m. on Zoom,

Blessings

Dixie Jacky, UMW President

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Women of Oregon-Idaho Conference, who are pursuing postgraduate studies for a vocation in the church, are invited to apply for the Gertrude Boyd Crane Scholarship for the 2021-2022 academic year. Information and the application form can be found on the United Methodist Women page of the Oregon-Idaho Conference United Methodist Church website: <u>umoi.org/cranescholarship</u>

The deadline for applications is June 30, 2021.

You can Text A Gift At Anytime:

Text **General** to 208-214-7544 to make a gift to the General Fund.

You may also give your Gifts online on the website <u>www.meridianumc.com</u>

Or mail your gift to:

Church of the Warm Heart 235 E. Pine Ave. Meridian, ID 83642



May Footprints Newsletter, May – June Upper Room & May Scripture Reading

The May Newsletter, May-June The Upper Room and May Scripture Readings are available for you to pick up. They are located outside of the FLC at the office entry on Pine Street.

They are on the table in the yellow box.

Printed copies of the Imagining Life Together Guidelines are available in the yellow box too.

Community Grace

We started Community Grace in response to the pandemic and have been able to support many individuals and families through this ministry. Thank you so much for your generosity-- it has been a blessing for many individuals! Upon review of the last several months, we've discovered that most of the requests were for very specific needs and we were able to serve our neighbors because of your financial support. At this time, we are not in need of any goods-- that said, if you feel called to support this ministry, please continue to make your financial contributions online through our website or you may mail a check directly to the church. Please note that your offering is for "Community Grace". Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ.

If you or someone you know could benefit from Community Grace, please continue to send requests for support to <u>CommunityGrace@meridianumc.com</u>

Grace and Peace, The Ministry Team



Gift Card Scam

If you receive an email or text from Pastor John or any of the staff asking for gift cards, please do not respond to these, they are scams!

If you do get anything like this and are questioning it, please call the staff member or Pastor John to be sure it is actual. We don't want any of you to be taken advantage of.

Thank you!

3 venues for viewing Sunday Service

We invite you to worship with us online. Our services are livestreamed) at 9:30 a.m. Sundays. They are also posted on <u>our website</u>, <u>our Facebook</u> <u>page</u>, and <u>YouTube</u> to allow you to worship at your convenience. While our building is closed to keep people safe, the Church of the Warm Heart is alive and well!

Face Masks Available



If you would like a cloth face mask, please email **your mailing address** to <u>CommunityGrace@meridianumc.com</u>. The face mask will be mailed to you and are available on a first come, first serve basis. One mask per person please.

We now have face masks with clear panels in them available. These are for educators, teachers or those with a hearing impairment. If you are in these categories and would like one please contact Lisa at care@meridianumc.com.

"Thank you" Warm Heart quilters for using your talents to be the hands of Christ. This is how we love our neighbors!

We are currently in Phase 2 of the NW Conference Plan

A Safe Reopening at a Glance

| PHASE | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
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| HIGH-RISK POPULATIONS | Stay Home, Save Lives | Stay Home, Save Lives | Stay Home, Save Lives | Discretionary |
| PHYSICAL DISTANCING | Strict | Strict | Moderate | Limited |
| MAXIMUM GROUP SIZE | 5 | 10 | 50 | No size limit |
| LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES | Assess church or ministry capacity Develop plan re- imagining ministry together Create communica- tion strategy | Assess church or ministry capacity Review & update plan reimagining ministry together Communicate prog- ress or updates | Assess church or ministry capacity Review & update plan reimagining ministry together Communicate prog- ress or updates | Assess church or ministry capacity Review & update plan reimagining ministry together Communicate prog- ress or updates |
| SAFETY ACTIONS | Face masks & physical distancing required Hand washing or sanitizer used con- sistently Sanitize after each use | Face masks & physical distancing required Hand washing or sanitizer used con- sistently Sanitize after each use | Face masks & physical distancing required Alternatives to typi- cal worship practices Provide hygiene supplies Sanitize after each use | Alternatives to typical worship practices Provide hygiene supplies Sanitize regularly |
| STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS | Staff and volunteers work from home Limited access for essential functions allowed | Staff and designat- ed volunteers may work in building | Staff and designat- ed volunteers may work in building | Staff and designated volunteers resume work in building |
| WORSHIP | Virtual only Group of 5 or less may gather in build- ing for worship re- cording, no singing | Virtual only Group of 10 less may gather in build- ing for worship re- cording, no singing Drive-in type gather- ings permitted | Virtual plus in-per- son worship up to 50 people, weddings and funerals No communion, live singing, or food service | Virtual plus in-per- son worship, wed- dings and funerals No live singing Limited coffee hour |
| MINISTRY ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS | Virtual only | Virtual plus limited in-person designated meetings & services | Virtual plus limited in-person designated meetings & services | Virtual and in-person |
| BUILDING USE | Closed | Limited to staff, vol- unteers & designated services | Limited to staff, vol- unteers & designated services | Open |
| COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS AND OUTREACH | Virtual Limited essential crisis services offered outdoors | Virtual Limited essential crisis services offered outdoors | Virtual Limited services in building | Virtual Services in building |
| ESSENTIAL SERVICES | Following strict state & local guidelines | Following strict state & local guidelines | Following strict state & local guidelines | Following strict state & local guidelines |
| OTHER MINISTRY SETTINGS | Closed Consistent with guidelines above & contextualized for unique ministry | Limited Consistent with guidelines above & contextualized for unique ministry | Limited Consistent with guidelines above & contextualized for unique ministry | Open Consistent with guidelines above & contextualized for unique ministry |

Printed copies of the Guidelines are available in the yellow box outside of the FLC, and on line at <u>https://greaternw.org/</u>