#### **EASTER GREETING**

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**People: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!**Leader: Darkness has been vanguished!

**People: THE BRILLIANT LIGHT OF HOPE HAS COME!**Leader: Come let us worship and celebrate the Good News!

People: ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! AMEN!!

#### **WELCOME TO GOD'S HOUSE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Leader: This day dawns brightly!

People: Hope is restored!

Leader: Christ is Risen!

People: He has conquered death!

Leader: Come, open your hearts and spirits to the joyous Good News!

People: Let us celebrate the greatest victory of all time. Christ is Risen!

**OPENING PRAYER** Loving, Powerful God, joy floods over our souls on this day! Christ is risen! Fear is vanquished! Open our hearts and our spirits to receive fully the joy which has been given for us! Let us celebrate the victory of Christ and the hope for the future! Amen.

6 Christ the Lord is Risen Today | Hymnal Page 302 vs 1-4

#### PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

He Is Not Here | Shawnee UMC Choir

### **CHILDREN'S TIME**

Mark 16:1–8 | Leader: The Word of God, for the people of God. All: Thanks be to God!

He's Not Here - Rev. Dr. Lori Reiber

### **OFFERING**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** God of new life, just as the women encountered the empty tomb and the angelic message of new life, we too encounter the living Christ in our hearts and lives. We present our tithes and offerings, in honor of the risen Christ. Bless our giving and help us discover the transformative power of the living Jesus in our lives. Amen.

Up From the Grave He Arose | Hymnal Page 322

## PASTORAL PRAYER | LORD'S PRAYER

May the light of Christ shine upon them. Response: Christ is risen, alleluia!

He Lives | Hymnal Page 310

THERE'S A NEW MEN'S LIFE GROUP STARTING AT SHAWNEE UMC! We will have an informational get together & brunch on Sat. April 13 at 10am in the Solid Rock Cafe. Please bring a breakfast item to share! You can RSVP on the church app or contact the church office.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN FOR OUR NEW BIBLE STUDY beginning on Wednesday, April 10 at 9am in the Solid Rock Cafe. For this study, we will follow the book "Signs and Wonders: A Beginner's Guide to the Miracles of Jesus" by Amy-Jill Levine. In this study, Amy discusses how past witnesses would have understood the events around each miracle, and how today's readers can draw meaning from Jesus' words and actions. Books can be ordered on your own & can be found on several discount book websites such as Thriftbooks.com and Abebooks.com., or you can order it on Amazon. See the church office with any questions!

JOIN US FOR A FAMILY FUN MOVIE NIGHT! We are going to watch Migration & have some special games & prizes! Families should wear PJs, bring sleeping bags/pillows and a snack to share. Popcorn & lemonade will be provided. Doors open at 6:30. Movie will start at 7.

A BIG "THANK YOU!" to everyone who donated towards matching the profit made on our Haiti fundraiser! Because of your Sara's Sweets orders AND your matching donations, we raised enough to sponsor 24 kids for their education costs this school year at our school in Borde, Haiti. Your generosity is very appreciated!!

OUR NEXT FAMILY PROMISE WEEK starts April 8! Family promise as a ministry to the homeless families in our Lima area. Are you able to help us provide a meal or part of a meal? Check out the board in the commons or www.ShawneeUM.church/FamilyPromise for info.

THE MOBILE HOPE goCO invites you to serve on Tues., April 2 from 11am-1pm at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen (125 S Central Ave). We will be helping serve lunch to those needing food!

OUR SAMARITAN HOUSE goCO will meet twice during the month of April. On Tuesday, April 9, we'll have a time of planning and fellowship at The Grind (320 S Cable Rd) at 11:30am. Our serving event will be Tuesday, April 23 @ 5:30pm where we will serve dinner to the ladies & children at The Samaritan House. All women are welcome to join at either event!

2024 BLESSING OF THE BIKES T-SHIRTS are now available for Pre-Order! www.ShawneeUM.church/BlessingOfTheBikes. Order yours and select Pick up to guarantee them before May 5.

**BIKER SUNDAY SERVANTS** The Blessing of the Bikes is May 5. We'll be showing radical hospitality to 1,200+ bikers coming for the Blessing & the 11am service! Join us for this energetic, exciting worship! Lots of servants are needed! See the board in the commons for ways to help.



SPRING CRAFT SHOW SERVANTS needed at Shawnee UMC on April 20, 2024! We need a lot of servants to pull this event off. If you are able to help in any way please sign up! We need servants to help set up 2 days before, servants the day of at the door, vendor liaisons and helpers in concessions. There is a board in the commons for all the different ways to serve at this great fundraising event. Please take a look and see how you might be able to help!

# SUMC FAMILY & YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS

EVERY SUNDAY: QUEST SUNDAY SCHOOL for 5th grade & up. We will begin at the 11:00 worship service for the music & then head to the Youth Room after the songs for a discussion of the Scripture, snacks, activities and fellowship. All youth are welcome but High Schoolers are encouraged to serve in worship, the tech team, Roots Kids Ministry or elsewhere.

YOUTH GROUP for 5th grade and up! 4:30-6:00 p.m. in the Solid Rock Café (every Sunday unless noted)
Join us for fun, fellowship, games & Bible study & discussion about real life Biblical application

REMIND MS & HS youth and their families are invited to sign up on the Remind app to get up to date information, links to event sign-ups, and more. Sign up by texting the following code to 81010.

High School: @ygsumctumc Middle School: @mssumctumc

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# UPCOMING CALENDAR

Apr 1 - Church Office Closed (Easter Monday)

Apr 8 - Office/Church Building Closed

Apr 8 - Family Promise week starts

Apr 12 - Family Movie Night

Apr 20 - Spring Fling Craft Show

May 5 - NO TRADITIONAL SERVICE at 9:30am

May 5 - Blessing of the Bikes

May 18 - Mobile Food Pantry

Jul 15 - Family Promise week starts

Jul 27 - Mobile Food Pantry



Ways to give electronically...





Text the word Shawnee to the number 844-242-4708

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#### OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

CLOSED MONDAY TUESDAY 8:30am-3:30pm WEDNESDAY 8:30am-11:30am THURSDAY 8:30am-3:30pm FRIDAY 8:30am-3:30pm

