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## **First UMC / Email Blast**

**This Weekend in Worship:** Join us for SUPER Saturday & SUPER Sunday Worship services where we will break bread & share the cup – and collect SOUP cans for our community in honor of the Super Bowl.

**Membership to Discipleship Class** / Want to *grow* in your faith and move from being a **member** to being a faithful **disciple**? Check out this **\*NEW\*** class to remind you of your commitment as a Christian disciple! Talk to Rev. Cindi for more information. **Class Sessions have been MOVED to Wednesdays (starting on July 31) at 3 PM in the Conference Room – still room to sign-up!**

**Sat @ 6 PM (OC) and Sun @ 8 AM & 10:30 AM (Church)** – This weekend, Rev. Cindi will begin a new sermon series reminding us that **Love > Fear** (*Love is Greater Than Fear*). Jesus taught about God’s amazing love, and those apostles took that love and spread it in the name of Jesus. What would happen if we took these scriptures to *heart*? Sunday we will focus on Mark 12:28-34 and discuss ***Love God, Love Neighbor, The End.***

**Ignite on Sun @ 6 PM (OC) / Super Bowl** –This weekend join @ Ignite as Pastor Joe talks about “Greater Gifts, *Love*” through 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 and Psalm 71:1-6. **We will also be watching the Super Bowl game while enjoying fellowship and a potluck of favorite “game foods.”**

**SOUP-er Bowl Weekend!** Is your favorite TEAM in the game? No matter what, let’s help our community to win big! Feel free to wear your team’s COLORS but more importantly, **BRING CANS OF SOUP TO WORSHIP** to be divided with the Platte County Food Pantry and the Blessing Box (located at our Outreach Center). Which worship service can

**SCORE** the most cans? Let's see! Make sure to get your items in the right "basket" to be counted.

**First Sunday Potluck** / The Worship Committee is providing PULLED PORK sandwiches for the main dish for February's First Sunday Potluck on **Sunday, February 3 at 11:45 AM**. Bring a side dish to share! Don't forget about Christian Social Witness Group's "Lunch & Learn" that starts at 12:15 PM (see below).

**Lunch and Learn** / Join the members of Christian Social Witness for a special four-week opportunity to learn about some of the current issues we are facing with time for discussion. Lunch will be provided starting at 11:45 AM followed by the sessions at 12:15 PM. We will adjourn no later than 1:45 PM. **Please make a reservation through the church office for the whole series or certain dates.**

- **Feb. 3** (First Sunday Potluck)—Immigration. What is really happening in the United States concerning immigration and how does the United Methodist Church stand on this issue?
- **Feb. 10** (Finance Pancake Feed)—Racism. Does this issue really affect Columbus, NE?
- **Feb. 17** (Meal TBA)—LGBTQ. A deeper look at this issue and how it pertains to all of us.
- **Feb. 24** (Youth Fundraiser) – Sexual Violence. As parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles we need to know what to look for with our youth as well as how to support them.

**Walk to Jerusalem Has Begun!** / Did you know...one of the most important decisions you can make to improve your health is to be physically active? It's true. Regular physical activity can make you feel better, sleep better, and function better. It can also help to reduce the risk of a large number of chronic diseases such as diabetes, high blood pressure, obesity, overweight, high cholesterol, coronary heart disease and stroke. **WTJ has begun** (*it's not too late to sign up*) **and ends at Easter**. If you are limited on your ability to walk, you can track your miles with 20 minutes of an activity equaling one mile. We also have a FaceBook group that you can join to track your miles! Check out "First UMC Heart & Sole!"

**Finance Committee "Thank You" Pancake Feed** / Congratulations, First UMC, for paying 100% of our Conference Mission Shares for 2018. We are celebrating with a **Pancake Feed** on **Sunday, February 10** from **9 AM to 1 PM** in Fellowship Hall. Enjoy fellowship with the church family & celebrate!

**United Methodist Church: Commission on a Way Forward** / With Special General Conference coming Feb. 23-26 in St. Louis, we invite our church members & friends to be informed. **Overview of Proposals for General Conference** sheets are available in the Church Office and will be located near the nametags downtown (and on the information table at our Outreach Center). **Great Plains Delegates** may be emailed at: [gcdelegates@greatplainsumc.org](mailto:gcdelegates@greatplainsumc.org) **Additional resources** are available: [www.greatplainsumc.org/cowf](http://www.greatplainsumc.org/cowf)

## **CALENDAR:**

**<https://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/74025457/month/2019-02-01>**

## **Mark Your Calendars:**

**February 2** – *UMW Fudge making day / Fresh Expressions Vision Day (off-site)*

**February 3** – **Communion** / *First Sunday Potluck (pulled pork) / Lunch & Learn: Immigration / UMW Packaging Fudge day*

**February 7** – *College Age Kids Free Meal Night @ OC*

**February 8 & 9** – *Prairie Rivers District Basic Lay Servant Training / Once Upon a Prom Dress Set-Up (Fri) & Event (Sat) @ OC*

**February 10** – *Finance Committee's Pancake Feed / Lunch & Learn: Racism*

**Community Connection!** – *Please check-out the Community Bulletin Board located outside of the Church Office! Click on the hyperlinks to go to learn more about the events listed below.*

- **[National Diabetes Prevention Program](#)** – Feb.6
- **[Food, Fitness & Fun](#)** – Feb.7
- **[A Night to Shine](#)** – Feb. 8
- **[Once Upon a Prom Dress Day](#)** – Feb.9

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