



HORTON FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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Our Mission: Intentionally love and grow in God; Spread the good news that Jesus saves; Help others become followers of Christ.

From the Pastor's Pen

MARCH 2016

"So I admitted my sin to you; I didn't conceal my guilt. 'I'll confess my sins to the Lord,' is what I said. Then you removed the guilt of my sin." [Selah] Psalm 32

We have watched the media coverage of Justice Scalia's funeral with honor and respect for a person who served our country with integrity on the Supreme Court Bench. As part of the homily Fr. Paul shared a day when his father, Justice Antonin Scalia, made his way to confession. Upon entering the Confessional Booth and hearing his son's voice on the other side, Justice Scalia excused himself from the confessional and made his way to another confessional. His Dad said later to his son, "I was not about to confess my sins to you." And there was laughter.

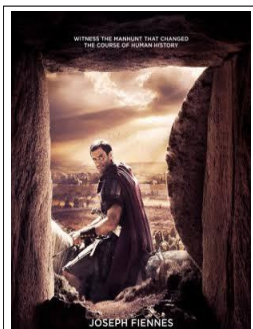
Confession is good for our soul. Repentance, rendering of our heart, not our clothes, is what the Lenten Journey is about. It is a time of turning away from forces of wickedness, evil, and sin. It is a time for turning toward God through his Son, Jesus the Christ, and walking the journey with Jesus to the cross. It is a somber journey and yet we experience great joy as we look beyond the cross in anticipation of the resurrection.

It is for this reason we call ourselves Christian; following Christ all the way; no turning back; no turning back. As we continue our journey, Let us continue to reflect on our Lenten Devotionals, journal our thoughts, let go of those things that keep us from a close relationship with God and Jesus Christ, and embrace a transformation of our soul as we turn to seek the resurrected Christ face to face in awesome wonder.

When Easter arrives [March 27](#), 2016 may we each be stunned by the beauty of new creation in our life and in the life of the church as "Christ makes all things new." 2 Corinthians 5:17

Walking the Journey to the Cross with Christ!
Anticipating the Resurrection!

Pastor Caren



"RISEN, accomplishes something quite remarkable: It tells the familiar, timeless story of Jesus death and resurrection from a fresh vantage point. The result is a movie that invites viewers to look at our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, through the eyes of someone with every reason to be skeptical about the mind-blowing miracles that have just been performed."

Risen is a highly recommended movie showing now in theaters. As your pastor, I'm hoping that each of you will make time to view this powerful perspective of Jesus' death and resurrection through a new lense. If you are interested in traveling as a group, please let the office know at 785-486-2349. Pastor Caren

Looking Ahead

March 6th

4th Sunday in Lent

One Great Hour of Sharing

Scripture: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Message: God's Love is Like...

March 13th

5th Sunday in Lent

Girl Scout Sunday

Daylight Savings Time

Scripture: John 12:1-8

Message: The Cost of Discipleship

March 20th

Passion/Palm Sunday

6th Sunday in Lent

Scriptures: Luke 19:28-40

Message: A Shout Out For Jesus!

Monday, March 21st

Holy Week Breakfast

Horton Baptist Church, 7 AM

Preaching: Fr. Dan Gardner

Tuesday, March 22nd

Holy Week Breakfast

Horton Christian Church, 7 AM

Preaching: Dr Ron Cobb

Wednesday, March 23rd

Holy Week Breakfast

Muscotah United Church, 7 AM

Preaching: Rec. Caren Loper

Thursday, March 24th

Holy Week Breakfast

St. Leo's Catholic Church, 7 AM

Preaching: Steven Evans

Maundy Thursday Services

Horton United Methodist Church, 7 PM

Scripture: Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

Message: Generation to Generation

Remembering Who and Whose We Are

March 25th

Good Friday, Tenebrae Service

Netawaka United Methodist Church, 7 PM

Good Friday Prayer Vigil

Horton United Methodist Church, 6 PM – 12 AM

Looking Ahead cont'd

March 27th

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service

Mission Lake Shelter House

South Brown County Ministerial Association

Hosts: Horton Christian Church &

Horton United Methodist Church

Gather at 6:15 AM

Service begins at 6:30 AM

Easter Breakfast to follow the service at

Horton United Methodist Church

March 27th

Easter Sunday 10:30 AM Worship

Scripture: Luke 24:1-2

Message: Risen! What's Your Take Away?

Mission Moments



The Lenten Season is here along with the promise of Spring.

This is also the time we are reminded to start preparing for our church's turn to be in charge of the Food Pantry for the month of April. Bring your donations of food and put them in the orange tote containers on each side of the Sanctuary. We also accept cash donations to allow us to purchase additional food.

We will have a sign-up sheet on the back bulletin board for those who would like to help work at the pantry.

Share the Good News of Easter.

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others. 1 Pet. 4:10

Potluck

Everyone Brings Something to the Table.

March 13th we will be having our monthly potluck which is held on the second Sunday of every month. Food, fun and fellowship for everyone! Be watching for fun activities. Ideas are ALWAYS welcome! Hope to see you all there!

Forms for ordering your Easter Lilies are available at the Office and in Church Bulletins each Sunday beginning Feb. 28th. All orders are due by March 20th.



We will be setting our clocks forward for Spring on March 13th at midnight.

“So now I am giving you a New Commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you. You should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciple.”
- John 12:34-35 NLT

MAUNDY THURSDAY



MAUNDY THURSDAY services will be held at the Horton United Methodist Church, at 7 PM

Scripture will be Exodus 12:1-4, vs 11-14
Message: Generation to Generation, Remembering Who and Whose We Are



Save the DATE: March 11th
The UMW of University UMC, 1621 SW College, will be holding their **Annual Thrift Sale** on Friday, March 11 at 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM. & Saturday, March 12 at 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM
For more information please call 235-2331 (church office).

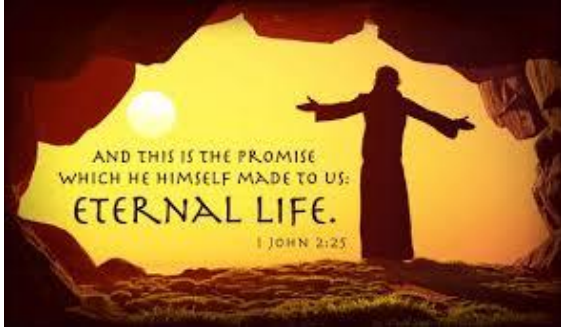
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for the Second Annual UMW Day of Giving to the Legacy Fund. The Legacy Fund is permanent endowment to support the work of future generations of United Methodist Women. You may give online at www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/legacyfund
OR by phone 800-278-7771

March 1st Great Plains United Methodist Conference 24 hour Prayer Vigil!

Select a time! 20-30 minutes of God's time!
Pray in the quiet of your own home!

- Lift up the community of Hesston, Kansas and family and friends of those killed and wounded, traumatized, in violent shooting.
- For tornado victims in the eastern part of our nation
- For our Great Plains Conference and the connectional system of our church
- May 10-20th - upcoming General Conference in Portland, Oregon, for the delegates traveling around the world, their preparation, and for Holy Conferencing to take place
- Our nation
- Our Faith Community
- Bishop Jones and Cabinet as they pray and discern appointments
- Those struggling with serious health diagnosis
- Struggles with alcohol and drugs
- Prayers of [Thanksgiving](#)

The Everest Christian Church invites the Horton United Methodist Church to join them for their
CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE, CHICKEN NOODLE DINNER
On Sunday, March 13th from 11 AM to 1 PM
Located in the Everest Christian Church Memorial Hall



GOOD FRIDAY services will be held at the Netawaka United Methodist Church at 7 PM

A GOOD FRIDAY prayer vigil will be held at the Horton United Methodist Church. It will begin at 6 PM and last until 12 AM.

STOP HUNGER NOW 100K MEAL PACKAGING

Ages 4- Adults can do these!
Together We Can End Hunger
100,000 Meal packaging event
March 5, 2016

Saturday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
[Lakeview Village Retirement Community](#)
9100 Park St./ Lenexa, Kansas 66219

Help fund and package 100K meals, which are sent to children in school programs. These programs are supported by training for a sustainable systemic change to combat hunger.

Cost: Free - Must register to volunteer one shift: 9-10:45 am OR 11am-12:45 pm
A donation of \$29 feeds almost 100, which teams can package in one hour.

Office Hours

785-486-2349

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am—1:00 p.m.

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Sunday Morning Schedule

Choir Practice 8:30 am
Sunday School 9:30 am
Sunday Worship 10:50 am
Nursery Available – Birth- 4 yr. olds
Church: 785-486-2349
Parsonage: 785-486-3396



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