

Grinnell United Methodist Church



NEWSLETTER

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OFFICE HOURS:

Mon - Thurs. 8:30AM - 3:30PM

Closed Friday

Sunday Worship

@ 8:00AM & 10:30AM

Live Stream Worship

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/grinnellumc

You Tube:

www.youtube.com/channel/UCFRRZnsQbvp3HK_HXnYkbCw

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Grinnell Community Meal Thursdays @ 5:30PM

The Community Meal is open to ALL and operates in partnership with organizations in the Grinnell. Volunteer sign-ups may be made at

<https://grinnellumc.org/community-meal>.

April Meals:

Apr 2 - Chili, Corn Bread, Salad, & Apple Crisp

*Provided by Grinnell College Men's Soccer

Apr 9 - Chicken Parmesan, Salad, & Dessert

*Provided by Student Outreach Club

Apr 16 - Taco Bowls, Spring Rolls, Pasta Salad & Dessert

*Provided by Citizens Climate Lobby

Apr 23 - Chicken Tetrazzini, Green Beans, Dinner Rolls & Assorted Bars

*Provided by Grinnell UCC

Apr 30 - Mac & Cheese, Dinner Rolls, Apple Salad & Brownies

*Provided by GHS Curtain Club



Upcoming Events!



**Maundy
Thursday**
Apr. 2 @7PM



**Good
Friday**
Apr. 3 @7PM



**Easter
Sunday**
Apr. 5



**Intersection
Conversation**
Apr 19 @ 6pm

Maundy Thursday Worship

Grinnell UMC will be having a Maundy Thursday worship service
Thursday, April 2nd at 7:00PM
as part of our Holy Week tradition.



Good Friday Worship

Grinnell UMC will be having a Good Friday worship service
Friday, April 3rd at 7:00PM
to conclude our Holy Week.



Easter Sunday

We celebrate Easter on Sunday, April 5th,
with a 6:30AM Sunrise Service
at the North Ahrens parking lot
(weather permitting)
and our usual two Sunday Services at 8:00AM & 10:30AM.



Intersection Conversation

Join us in Grinnell UMC Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, April 19th @ 6PM**
for a community focused ministry space where traditions of the
church meet the needs of modern Grinnell. It will be a place of open
doors, open conversation and connection building opportunity
between the congregation and our neighbors.



Youth News



Club 916 & Park Street High



Park Street High & Club 916

Club 916 is our group for 4th and 5th graders, meeting every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:00. Park Street is our ministry for students in 6th grade through high school, gathering from 6:00 to 8:30.

If you—or someone you know—would like to join either group, we'd love to connect.

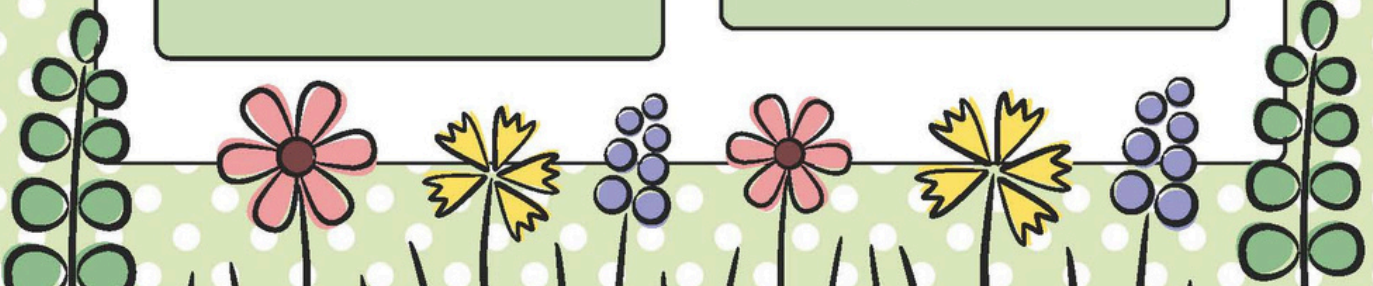


Goodbye March, Hello April

March was a wonderful month at Club 916 and Park Street High. We spent time learning about Lent and exploring the many ways our church community supports the youth group—including a daily prayer dedicated to our members. As we look ahead, April is shaping up to be full of excitement. We're gearing up for our Egg My Yard fundraiser, our Easter celebration, and Cindy's going-away bash. Lots of fun and meaningful moments are on the horizon.

Important Dates

- April 1st - Easter Party
- April 4th - Egg My Yard Fundraiser
- April 8th - Regular Meetup
- April 15th - Cindy's going away
- April 15th - Mission Trip Registration due
- April 22nd - Regular meetup
- April 29th - Regular Meetup



Committee News



United
Women
in Faith

United Women of Faith

Ladies: See April meeting times listed below - Feel free to check us out!

April 13th - Dorcas Circle 1 pm - 907 Orchard Drive - Second Floor Lounge

April 14th - Trinity Circle - 1:30 pm @ church

April 27th - Rachel Circle - 7 pm @ church

Church Members - Help us fill the cans with pop tabs. We get them delivered to a Ronald McDonald House. Volunteers there then get them ready to take for redemption. Funds received help pay electric bill.

Be Green! Events

Grinnell Hazardous Waste Mobile Collection Event

April 25 from 9-noon

Drop items off at the City Maintenance Shop (Public Services Department)
1411 1 st Ave.

Electronic Recycling Event ECYCLE!

May 2, 10a.m. - 12p.m.

Drop off location: 2021 6 th Ave.

For more information go to <https://www.mahaska.org/grinnellecycle>

Accepted items: lithium and rechargeable batteries, cell phones, computer monitors, external hard drives, fax machines, gaming consoles, keyboards, laptops, personal computers, printers, rechargeable battery-powered equipment, stereos, speakers, scanners, tablets, televisions and VCRS.

(Note: Alkaline and zinc carbon batteries can safely go in your trash.)

Not accepted items: large appliances, tires, motors, light bulbs, ballasts, vacuums.
(Note: The Public Services Office accepts fluorescent during office hours throughout the year.)

GUMC EARTH DAY!

Sunday, May 3, from 9:15-10:15 a.m.

(during the Sunday School hour)

Pick up litter and yard debris in GUMC's neighborhood, other public areas and for friends and neighbors needing help.

Sign up to Volunteer or to Request Assistance at

<https://grinnellumc.org/signups/>.

Schub's Sharing



Therefore, as a prisoner for the Lord, I encourage you to live as people worthy of the call you received from God. Conduct yourselves with all humility, gentleness, and patience. Accept each other with love, and make an effort to preserve the unity of the Spirit with the peace that ties you together. You are one body and one spirit, just as God also called you in one hope. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God and Father of all, who is over all, through all, and in all. God has given his grace to each one of us measured out by the gift that is given by Christ. He gave some apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers. His purpose was to equip God's people for the work of serving and building up the body of Christ until we all reach the unity of faith and knowledge of God's Son. God's goal is for us to become mature adults—to be fully grown, measured by the standard of the fullness of Christ. As a result, we aren't supposed to be infants any longer who can be tossed and blown around by every wind that comes from teaching with deceitful scheming and the tricks people play to deliberately mislead others. Instead, by speaking the truth with love, let's grow in every way into Christ, who is the head. The whole body grows from him, as it is joined and held together by all the supporting ligaments. The body makes itself grow in that it builds itself up with love as each one does its part.

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16

Blessings to you all! Those of you reading this before Easter, please know you are welcome at our Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services, both at 7:00 pm. All are welcome for Easter celebrations at 6:30 (either at the Ahrens Park north parking lot or at the church, weather depending), and 8:00 and 10:30 at the church.

I am excited to share we are starting a new opportunity for conversation and spiritual growth – The Intersection! The Intersection will meet in the Fellowship Hall/Friendship Center on the third Sundays of the month at 6:00 pm starting on April 19th. It is a place for people to be in community as well as sing more contemporary Christian music. We will have Bible study and conversation, starting with “How to be a better human when other humans make you really mad”. I encourage you to pray about who the Holy Spirit is asking you to invite!

I also invite you be a part of our worship in April and May. We will be talking about how we function as the Body of the risen Christ. What does it mean to be Christ's body on earth? How do we work together and think about each other? I promise it will be a blessing!

You are all people who Jesus has given wonderful gifts and who Jesus loves with all his being. Let us prayerfully use our gifts for Christ's service and love our neighbor as Christ loves us. Join us as we remember Christ's passion and celebrate Christ's resurrection!

Grace and peace,
Pastor Eric

APRIL



Happy Easter

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 3:30pm Club 916 5:15pm RR Practice 6pm Park St High 6:15pm CC Practice	2 5:30pm Grinnell Community Meal 6:30pm Praise Band	3	4
			5 8am & 10:30am Worship 9:15am SS 1:30pm Windsor Manor Worship 2:30pm St. Frances Worship	6 5pm SPRC Meeting 6:30pm Boy Scouts	7 2:30pm Staff Meeting 6pm Board of Trustees Meeting	8 3:30pm Club 916 4pm Discipleship Committee Mtg 5:15pm RR Practice 5:15pm Service Committee Mtg 6pm Park St High 6:15pm CC Practice
12 8am & 10:30am Worship 9:15am SS 11:45am Faith Food & Fun	13 11:30am Boomers Lunch 1pm Dorcas Circle 6pm PFLAG Meeting 6:30pm Boy Scouts	14 1pm Trinity Circle 2:30pm Staff Meeting	15 3:30pm Club 916 5:15pm RR Practice 6pm Park St High 6:15pm CC Practice	16 5:30pm Grinnell Community Meal 6:30pm Praise Band	17	18
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April Birthdays & Anniversaries



- 3 -Macy Harris
- 4 - Archie Marsho, Betty Harris,
Katie Tokle, Mike Whitley
- 5 - Karson Gritsch, Terran Gosselink
- 6 - Judy Arendt, Stan Reitz
- 7 - Annie Jensen
- 8 - Chloe Baumann, Jill Nicklas,
Nicholas Brennecke
- 9 - Anna Schubert, Carol Jordan
- 12 - Felix Lair
- 14 - Ron Edgington
- 15 - Alicemary Borthwick, Betty Ludden
Deb Breeden
- 17 - Linda Stewart
- 18 - Cathy Van Wyhe
- 19 - Grace Van Arkel
- 20 - Delphina Baumann,
Lucas Chamberland, Melissa Breeden
- 21 - Diane Hawkins, Haley Breeden,
Pam Kinnaird, Tamer Bush
- 22 - Andy Hamilton, Stephanie Lair
- 25 - Ann Knaack, Ken Steffen
- 26 - Ron Hauser
- 28 - Terry Burkhead
- 29 - Dick Postels, Jim Ahrens

- 3 - Craig and Kari Gosselink
- 30 - Marc and Marion Chamberland

Thank You

Dear Grinnell UMC.
Thank you for hosting the blood drive!
Here are the official results from the
blood drive: 28 people on the
schedule going into the drive, 25
registered to donate, 1 first time
donor, 20 were able to donate, 23
units of blood collected,. Up to 69
lives saved or sustained!!
Thank you again for helping us save
lives!

LifeServe Blood Center

Dear Grinnell UMC Mission Partners
Thank you for partnering with us in
the mission of the Jubilee Project. We
appreciate your support in so many
different ways.

In Christ, Jubilee Project Inc



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**Sunday Worship
@ 8:00AM & 10:30AM**

**Sunday School (for all ages)
@9:15AM**

**Wednesday Youth Groups
Club 916 @ 3:30-5:00PM
Park St High @ 6:00-8:00PM**

**Grinnell Community Meal
Thursdays @ 5:30PM**

Return Service Requested

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