

OSCEOLA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Two Weeks at a Glance

May 23, 2013

Upcoming Calendar



Sun. May 26—8:45 am—Coffee in the Gathering Place
9:00 a.m.—Worship service
10:10 am—Adult Sunday School

Mon. May 27—10 a.m.—Memorial Day service at the Osceola Cemetery. Pastor Robert will be the speaker

Wed. May 29—11—4: 4th & 5th grade Sun. School class lemonade stand in front of the church

Sun. June 2—8:45 a.m. Coffee in Gathering Place
9:00 a.m.—Worship Service
10:10 a.m.—Adult Sunday School

June 3—7 8:30—11:45 am—Vacation Bible School hosted at the United Methodist Church

June 5—8 United Methodist Annual Conference in Lincoln

Sun. June 9—8:45 a.m—Coffee in Gathering Place
9:00 am—Vacation Bible School program and worship service
10:10 am—Adult Sunday School
2—4 pm—Open House at the Doniphan UMC for retiring District Superintendent Harold Backus

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E-Giving Is Here!

Many folks these days don't carry checkbooks. Some rarely carry cash. Many folks find it more convenient to use debit or credit cards.

Many folks haven't mailed a bill payment in ages because they pay their bills online. In order to make giving more convenient for these folks, and everyone in general, we are pleased to announce that you are now able to support your church with e-giving. Simply go to

<https://e-giving.org/osceolaunitedmethodistchurch>

You can quickly and easily create a profile and record debit and credit cards from which to make your contributions. You can even schedule recurring gifts. It's quick, it's easy, and it's secure.

If you have any questions, or need assistance, Jane or Pastor Robert will be happy to assist you.

Just so you know:

- Memorial Day service will be May 27th, 10 a.m. at the Osceola Cemetery. Pastor Robert will be the speaker
- Farewell Sunday for the Perry family is June 16th





It's Almost Time for
Vacation Bible
School!

**Children are invited to Kingdom Rock:
Where Kids Stand Strong for God**

A summer kids' event called Kingdom Rock will be hosted at the Osceola United Methodist Church from June 3rd to June 7th. At Kingdom Rock, kids participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, make and dig into yummy treats, experience epic Bible adventures, and test out Sciency-Fun Gizmos that they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with Fanfare Finale—a celebration that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Family members and friends are encouraged to join in daily for this special time at 11:30 am.

Kids at Kingdom Rock will also be creating mission projects to send to other children.

Kingdom Rock is for kids from age 4 to 12th grade and will run from 8:30 am to 11:45 each day.

Please Save Empty Bottles

Rather than recycling your empty water bottles with lids for a few weeks, would you please save them for a Vacation Bible School project?

There is a collection box in Sunday School room number 406 which is the top level of rooms on the east end of the hall. If this is inconvenient for you please leave them in the west entry of the church.

Mission Meal

Our next mission meal is scheduled to be delivered to the Columbus Rescue Mission on Saturday, June 1st.

No one who has ever delivered a meal has been disappointed with their experience! There are also opportunities left on the sign-up sheet to participate in providing for this meal.

Please check it out or e-mail the church office at osceolaumc@gmail.com to volunteer to furnish part of the meal. Thank you!

Miss An Issue?

Back issues of the
electronic newsletter are
available here:

<http://www.osceolaumc.com/news.html>

Our full church calendar is
available here:

<http://www.osceolaumc.com/calendar.html>

New Appointment

As we, United Methodists, are a part of a connec-tional denomination, we are also a part of the appointment system. This means that our pas-tors are appointed to the churches they serve.

Pastor Robert has been appointed to pastor Faith UMC in Kearney beginning July 1st.

His final Sunday in our pulpit and that of Shelby will be June 23rd. That is the Sunday our high school mission team will be leaving for Den-ver. So to not take the emphasis away from the youth, our farewell festivities for the Perry family will be Sunday, June 16th. Please make note of the change in service time for this particular Sun-day. **The congregation from Shelby will worship with us in Osceola at 10:30 a.m. Following the service we will gather downstairs for a covered dish dinner.**

We have had a Busy month of May!



On behalf of the congregation, Pastor Robert presents Bibles to seniors Jordan Gustafson, Shelbi Dittmer, Lyndsay Urban and Mitch DeMers.



Following the worship service, the church family gathered in the Fellowship Room for refreshments to celebrate with the seniors.



It's fun to listen to coins being dropped into our "Nickels for Nigeria" bucket! Donations to this project support an orphanage in Nigeria.



Church family gave generously over six Sundays.

IMAGINE NO MALARIA

To promote "Imagine No Malaria", the 4th and 5th grade Sunday School class presented a skit during the worship service for six Sundays. The goal was to raise \$1,500.00. Thad, Calli and Calvin are holding a check in the amount of \$1,765.24, so "yes" the goal was reached!



The Christian Drama League presents "The Bible in 30 Minutes.....or Less"

Pictured are various scenes from the play "The Bible in 30 Minutes.....or Less" as directed by Jenni Erhart. The cast includes Mitch DeMers, Lyndsay Urban, Lauryn Gustafson, Laurin Schleif, Christian Schleif, Rachel Wieseman, Karlee Pinney and Miranda Rathjen. The actors and actresses have performed the play here at the Osceola U.M.C. and also at the Shelby U.M.C. If you missed the show or want to see it again, they will be performing at Zion Lutheran Church in Benedict at 8:30 a.m. and Calvary Lutheran at Swede Home at 10:30 a.m. both on Sunday June 2nd.

