



Come and join us ~Starting On Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> and continuing every Wednesday!!

The Presbyterian and Methodist Church families will host a 60+ Coffee and Conversation time in the Presbyterian Church Fire-side Room from **9a.m.-11 a.m.** Coffee and a light snack will be provided. Please come and join other 60+ friends and neighbors for some good conversation and a cup of coffee each Wednesday morning.

For my church family:  
 Thank you for all  
 the beautiful birthday  
 cards. I've enjoyed  
 each one.  
 God bless you.  
 Florence Hipple



**SAVE THE DATE;**  
 get your walking  
 shoes buffed &  
 ready!!!

**16th Annual Walk/Run for  
 N.I.C.E Center  
 Sunday, May 6th, 2018**

**April Birthdays!**

- 2nd.....Jacob Johnson
- 11th...Samantha Meredith
- 18th .....Tim Johnson
- 23rd.....Laurie Johnson
- 25th.....Bill Meredith
- 28th.....Tara Meredith



**April Session Meeting: Wednesday, April 25 at 7:00 pm**

**Session Members**

- Laurie Johnson ..... 815-264-7706      Linda Loudermilk...815-264-3555
- Lynn Byington.....815-739-1728      David Stryker.....815-970-1792
- Melba Speelman.....815-758-5953
- Clerk of Session, Sue Rood.....815-824-2518

**Deacons**

- Susan Eichelberger...815-264-7772      Mary Stryker.....815-970-1791
- Jeanetta Boughton....815-495-4681



April 2016

Spring has sprung! We are kicking it off with a season of celebration. We are celebrating new life and all the good things that spring brings. We are starting with a discussion about weather and moving into bugs! In math, we will be looking at patterns and graphs. For our bible study, we are going to be working on an “I believe” wall to revisit some of our favorite bible stories. Be sure to check out the hallway as our “I believe” posters will be going up soon. Lastly, we will be getting some outside time as the weather slowly gets warmer. ~Dana Hardenbergh~

### **News You Can Use.....**

The sale of butter braids was a success! Many thanks to all those who participated! We are grateful for your generous support of our preschool program.

Preschool graduation is May 18. More details soon. (Can you believe the school year is nearly over?)

Preschool registration is open for the 2018-2019 school year. The school's number is 815-264-3991 or email [ohpreschool1988@gmail.com](mailto:ohpreschool1988@gmail.com).

### **Key Points for Parents**

- \*Check your parent pocket every day.
- \* Snack must come from two food groups and be store bought.
- \* Remember to sign in and sign out.

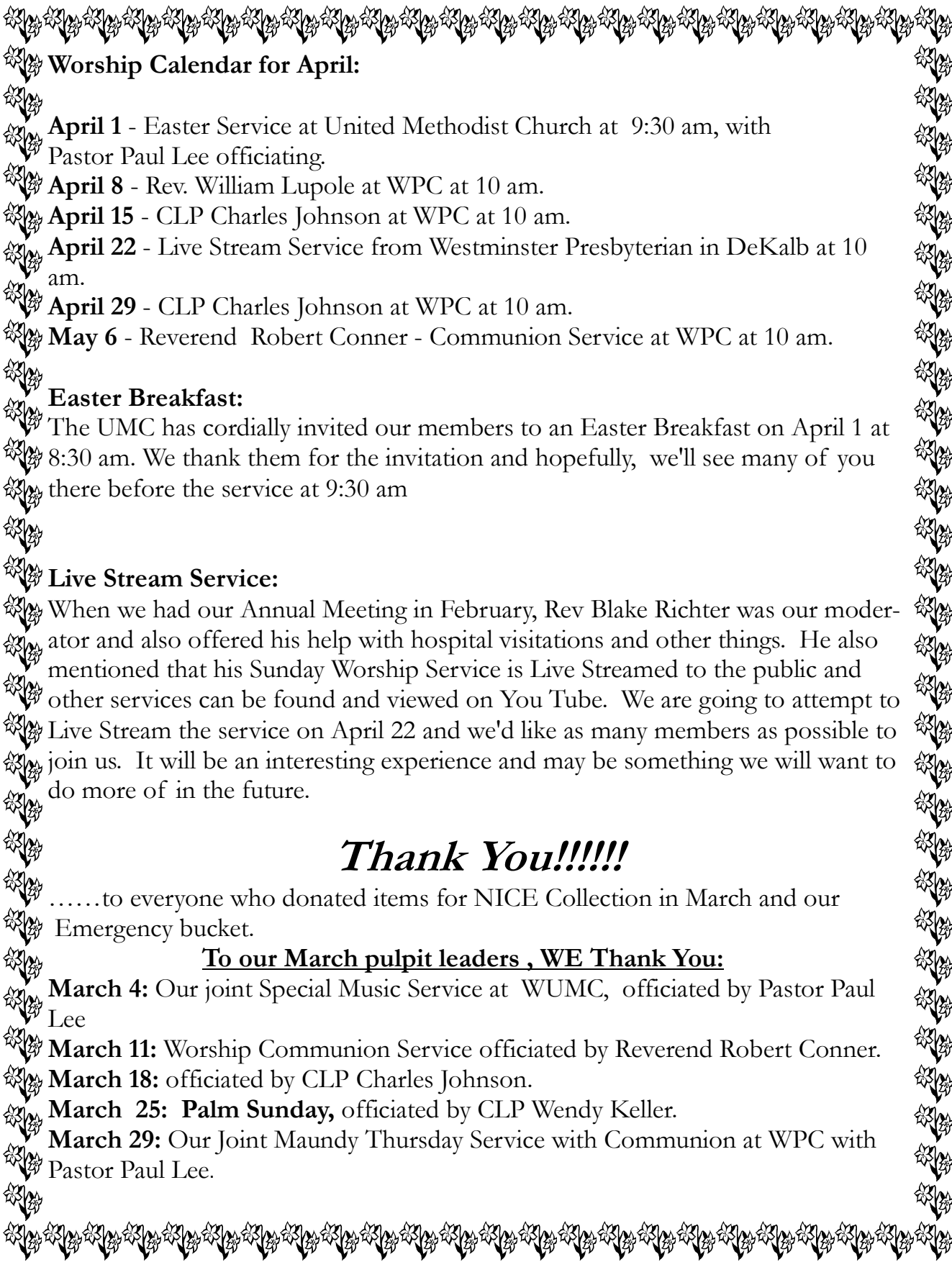
### **A Word of Gratitude**

**Thank you to our school board who does so many things to help our students succeed.**

There are a few churches that support NICE by doing a monthly collection of a named item from their congregations. It is usually an item that is expensive for the Center to buy or that is very popular. **We are now collecting for the month of April and we would like to collect boxed cake mixes.** The items can be put into the collection box in the Narthex. Watch the newsletter and bulletins for what we will be collecting each month.

As always, monetary donations are accepted.

**The families that come to the NICE Center are very**



**Worship Calendar for April:**

**April 1** - Easter Service at United Methodist Church at 9:30 am, with Pastor Paul Lee officiating.

**April 8** - Rev. William Lupole at WPC at 10 am.

**April 15** - CLP Charles Johnson at WPC at 10 am.

**April 22** - Live Stream Service from Westminster Presbyterian in DeKalb at 10 am.

**April 29** - CLP Charles Johnson at WPC at 10 am.

**May 6** - Reverend Robert Conner - Communion Service at WPC at 10 am.

**Easter Breakfast:**

The UMC has cordially invited our members to an Easter Breakfast on April 1 at 8:30 am. We thank them for the invitation and hopefully, we'll see many of you there before the service at 9:30 am

**Live Stream Service:**

When we had our Annual Meeting in February, Rev Blake Richter was our moderator and also offered his help with hospital visitations and other things. He also mentioned that his Sunday Worship Service is Live Streamed to the public and other services can be found and viewed on You Tube. We are going to attempt to Live Stream the service on April 22 and we'd like as many members as possible to join us. It will be an interesting experience and may be something we will want to do more of in the future.

***Thank You!!!!!!***

.....to everyone who donated items for NICE Collection in March and our Emergency bucket.

**To our March pulpit leaders , WE Thank You:**

**March 4:** Our joint Special Music Service at WUMC, officiated by Pastor Paul Lee

**March 11:** Worship Communion Service officiated by Reverend Robert Conner.

**March 18:** officiated by CLP Charles Johnson.

**March 25: Palm Sunday,** officiated by CLP Wendy Keller.

**March 29:** Our Joint Maundy Thursday Service with Communion at WPC with Pastor Paul Lee.



**WOW SPRING EVENT!**

WOW (Women of the Word) is inviting all area women- and men- to our special end of the year program, 'Come to the Table', on Thursday, April 19, 2018. We will meet at 7 p.m. at Waterman Presbyterian Church. Our program will feature special music along with inspirational speaker, Wendy Keller, CLP, from Earlville, IL. As a Commissioned Lay Pastor, Wendy speaks often in northern Illinois churches.

Join others from many different churches and communities as we accept the Lord's invitation to come together and focus on the importance of receiving His strength in our weakness. You will be comforted and encouraged!

"Come to Me, all you who are weary... and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me...." *Matthew 11:28,29.*

For more information, contact Sue:  
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sjhipple23@gmail.com.

Please bring a friend and join us for an inspiring evening and light



**Please Pray for:** The Jimenez Family, Floyd Hunt, The Gaston Family, The Family of Gonwo Dahnweih (*Gonwo's father, Chief LorMeanu Augustus Dahnweih passed away*), The Conley Family (*in the passing of "Papa" George Claybaugh*), The Family of Paula Shuck Coe, Rev. Gonwo Dahnweih (*knee surgery*) Jodie Shuck, Frank Bilardello, Norm Johnson, Jennifer Hipple (*Florence Hipple's granddaughter*) and Our Church.

~2018 ~

**Lilies given in memory and/or honor of:**



Marjorie & Jack Meredith,  
Alice & Lawrence Baie,  
Wayne Stryker

**Given by:** Mary & Dave Stryker

Dimon Roberts, Melba Roberts,  
Nellie Roberts

**Given by** Melba Speelman

Alfred "Jack" Wild, Janet Wild

**Given by:** Jay, Christine & Olivia  
Monteiro

Carl & Marion Larsen,  
Julius & Marcella Monteiro

**Given by:** Brent, Jay, Christine & Olivia  
Monteiro

Clyde & Mary MacDougall,  
Everette S MacDougall

**Given by:** Herb & Donna Leifheit

Dixie North, Paul G. Johnson,  
Harry & Betty Houghtby,  
Keith & Erline North,

**Given by:** the North, Johnson and Russell  
families