

# Chimes

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*Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.*  
 1 Peter 1:3



- April 1 Ryan Carriker
- April 2 Pastor Bruce Wittern
- April 4 Jim Johnson
- April 5 Linda Coen, Hal Edmundson, Dave Krutzfeldt
- April 9 Eric Dursky
- April 18 Taeko Cochran, Rob Benson
- April 24 Keith Miller
- April 25 Myer Michel
- April 26 Denise Morris, Amber Shouse
- April 27 Nolan Bollinger, Diana Rhinehart
- April 28 Dick Capps
- April 30 Mary Johnson

## The Finance Committee Report

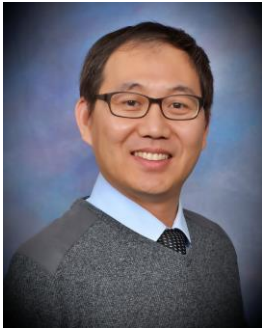


February 2024 income	\$ 43,136.59
February 2024 expense	<u>\$ 23,422.51</u>
	<u>\$ 21,714.08</u>
Total yearly income	\$ 69,410.29
Total yearly expense	<u>\$ 43,894.52</u>
	<u>\$ 25,515.77</u>



## ATTENDANCE

<b>March 3rd</b>	<b>Worship Attendance</b> – 65 (+12 FB)
<b>March 10th</b>	<b>Worship Attendance</b> – 72 (+16 FB)
<b>March 17th</b>	<b>Worship Attendance</b> – 88 (+18 FB)
<b>March 24th</b>	<b>Worship Attendance</b> – 90 (+16 FB)



# A Message From Pastor Jihoon Lee

Beloved of Christ!

In the Book of Joshua, amidst the grand narrative of God's people entering the Promised Land, we encounter a moment of profound significance:

“Then Joshua built on Mount Ebal an altar to the Lord, the God of Israel... Joshua read all the words of the law... just as it is written in the Book of the Law. There was not a word of all that Moses had commanded that Joshua did not read to the whole assembly of Israel, including the women and children, and the foreigners who lived among them” (Joshua 8).

Joshua, the courageous leader navigating a landscape of battles and victories, paused to build an altar and delve into the depths of God's Word with the assembled multitude. This seemingly inconvenient juncture for scholarly pursuits held a profound purpose – it was a preparation for what lay ahead, a reminder of their covenant with the Almighty, and a reinforcement of their role in the divine narrative.

As we reflect on this ancient narrative, it might initially seem out of place to discuss it post-Easter, after the poignant events of the cross and resurrection. Yet, the story of Joshua's commitment to God's Word holds timeless relevance. It reminds us that beyond the decisive victory at Calvary, our journey as believers is marked by ongoing battles – battles of faith, perseverance, and witness in a world that often challenges our convictions.

Consider the post-resurrection encounters of Jesus with His disciples. He didn't merely revel in the triumph of Easter Sunday; He walked alongside His followers, engaging in profound discussions and illuminating the Scriptures' truths.

In Luke 24, we witness Jesus unfolding the Scriptures concerning Himself to His disciples, shaping their understanding and fortifying their resolve for the mission ahead.

In these moments, both Joshua and Jesus exemplify the timeless truth that time spent in God's Word is never wasted. It is a preparation for life's battles, a source of strength and guidance in navigating the complexities of faith and discipleship.

Therefore, let us embrace a consistent rhythm of engaging with God's Word, not just in moments of crisis but as a daily discipline. The insights gleaned, the truths internalized, and the faith strengthened through this practice equip us for the journey ahead, ensuring that every step we take is grounded in the wisdom and promises of our Creator.

As we walk in the footsteps of these faithful leaders, let us remember that every moment invested in God's Word is a moment well-spent, shaping us into vessels of His grace and ambassadors of His Kingdom. Amen.

Peace and Easter Blessings,

Pastor Jihoon

**Bring a Friend Sunday**  
**Join Us for Fellowship and Lunch!**

**Sunday**  
**April 21<sup>st</sup>**

9:30 – Worship  
10:30 – Sunday School & Fellowship Time  
11:30 – Potluck

*All-Church Potluck*



BRING YOUR SPARE CHANGE THE **SECOND** SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Let us know of worthy causes you would like the kids to consider supporting!!



## Help Feed the Hungry!

Central United Methodist Church is joining forces with St. Paul United Church of Christ, St. Mary's Catholic Church, and First Presbyterian Church to restart End of the Month Meals.

April Meals will be Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> & Thursday April 25<sup>th</sup> - Watch announcements for ways you can help!!



Interested in being that welcoming smile on Sunday mornings! Sign up now to greet visitors and members of our church family! Contact Elaine Eveland at 641-295-4738 or Sign up in the Narthex!



My name is Lori Zaldarriaga. I moved to the Oskaloosa area about 6 years ago with my family. My husband and I have been married for 11 years. We have 3 wonderful children: Kayza 10, Joziah 8 and Zeeva 3. We currently attend First Christian Church of Oskaloosa. My husband works at Vermeer as Painter Team Lead. During my free time I like to bake, read, and spend time with my family.

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
	<b>1</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS	<b>2</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS	<b>3</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS 6:00- Education Committee 6:00- SPRC 7:00- Choir Practice	<b>4</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS	<b>5</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS	<b>6</b>
<b>7 Communion Sunday</b> 9:00- Youth Bell Practice 9:30- Worship/KMZ 10:30- Fellowship Time Sunday School	<b>8</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS	<b>9</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS 7 pm- AI Anon –Library	<b>10</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS 6:00- Finance Committee 6:30- Trustees Committee 7:00- Choir Practice	<b>11</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS Finance Office Closed	<b>12</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS Finance Office Closed	<b>13</b>
<b>14 Noisy Offering</b> 9:00- Youth Bell Practice 9:30- Worship/KMZ 10:30- Fellowship/ Sunday School	<b>15</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS	<b>16</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS Finance Office Closed 7 pm- AI Anon –Library	<b>17</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS Finance Office Closed 6:30- Ad Council 7:00- Choir Practice	<b>18</b> No Preschool Finance Office Closed Preschool Conferences 8:30-11:00 & 4:00-6:30	<b>19</b> No Preschool Finance Office Closed	<b>20</b>
<b>21 Bring a Friend to Church Sunday</b> 9:00- Youth Bell Practice 9:30- Worship/KMZ 10:30- Fellowship/ Sunday School 11:30- <b>ALL CHURCH POTLUCK</b>	<b>22</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS	<b>23</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS 7 pm- AI Anon –Library  <i>EOMM @ St Mary's 5:00 pm</i>	<b>24</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS 6:00- Worship Committee 7:00- Choir Practice	<b>25</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS  <i>EOMM @ St Mary's 5:00 pm</i>	<b>26</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS	<b>27</b> 2:00- Norman Zimmerman Celebration of Life
<b>28 Hat Sunday</b> 9:00- Youth Bell Practice 9:30- Worship/KMZ 10:30- Fellowship/ Sunday School	<b>29</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS	<b>30</b> 8:30- Little Creations PS 7 pm- AI Anon –Library				

**Acolyte Schedule:**

April 7th	Norah Foster & Bennett Foster
April 14th	Jackson Lahner & Nyla Canfield
April 21st	Lucy Canfield & Gemma Lahner
April 28th	Norah Foster & Bennett Foster
May 5th	Jackson Lahner & Nyla Canfield

Please put these dates on your calendar. If you are unable to help on a Sunday you are scheduled, please ask one of your friends to fill in for you.  
Thanks!