

the season of

Kingdomtide

A joyful Community of Faith, loving God by serving all people including the least, the last, and the lost.

Pathways

News from the Eureka Springs United Methodist Church

19th of October 2025

All Saints Sunday is coming up on November 2nd. This is a special service of remembrance for all those who have passed triumphantly thru death to life everlasting. During the service there will be a time to light votive candles to remember all our loved ones who have died, but we also dedicate a portion of this service to remember those who have died in the past year, since last All Saints' Sunday. We will call out their names and place a floating candle in the baptismal bowl as the bell tolls. So please, send in their names along with their birth/death dates, and a picture that we can display on the overhead. On the **9th of November** we will celebrate Janet Arnett's new position as Lay Minister with a special worship service of blessing and commission. Janet has spent many years working to fulfill all the requirements, and even after this she still must keep up her studies and classes to maintain her role. She is truly and inspiration that no matter our age there is always something God has for us to do! On the 16th of November, the Northwest District is hosting a **District Wide Charge Conference** at Springdale First United Methodist Church from 2:30 until 4 PM. All our welcome to attend. We will take the bus over at 1 PM and maybe afterwards stop to have dinner in Springdale. Charge Conference is the annual meeting of the full church body, where we elect new officers, set policies, and celebrate the year's accomplishments. Every member of the church is a member of the Charge Conference, and the Conference is chaired by our District Superintendent. This year we are holding a district-wide event in order to make efficient use of our DS' time. It's a chance to meet with other United Methodists and see how the system works. It's a busy time in Eureka for **Halloween**, from Zombie Crawls to Cemetery Tours and the White Street Trick or Treating. We are taking a break from our own "Trunk or Treat" event this year, judging from last year's attendance there may just be too much happening in our town for Halloween.



The Gathering

Order of Worship

Janet Arnett, Lay Speaker
Jubilee Ringers conducted by Beverly Beard
Patricia Taylor, Pianist
Jess Wade, Chancel Choir

Join us in-person or via our Livestream that is broadcast thru our Facebook Page, our website <lovespokenhere.org>, or our YouTube Channel!

9:55 ~ Announcements

Sunday, 19th of October, 2025

Ushers: Mike & Susan Reed **Communion Stewards:** Janet Arnett, Sandy Dunn, Kevin Graham, Jess Wade

Offering Counters: Janet Arnett, Dan Bell

We Gather to Worship

Greeting

Kingdomtide Opening

"Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet"

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Community Prayer

Our Lord's Prayer

Janet Arnett, Lay Minister

Songs of Celebration

"Come Thou Almighty King" page 61 UMC Hymnal
"I've Got Peace Like a River" page 2145 Faith We Sing

The Prayer of Illumination

a reading from the Book of Daniel 5:1-28

Thanks be to God for the gift of the Scriptures

Thanks be to God!



"I Want Jesus To Walk with Me"

arr: Larry Shackleton

Harry Swarts, Soloist

A Video Reflection — "Psalm 42"

Ghost Stories: Spooky Stories from the Bible & What they Teach

"Disembodied Hands"

Rev Blake Lasater

We Give & Receive Love

Remembrance of our Baptism

Holy Communion

(We believe in the Open Table, all are welcome at God's table. We take Communion by 'Intinction', simply break off a piece of the bread and dip it in the cup, or you may wish to use our gluten free station on the altar.)

Sending Song

"Spirit Song" Page 288 UMC Hymnal

Benediction

(The words of Blessing that send us forth into the world to be the hands and feet of Christ to a broken world)

Caregivers Support Group

Caregivers Support Group meets each month on the **second Tuesday at 1:00 pm** in the church library. Join other Caregivers to gain information, share ideas, problem solve, and support each other. Facilitated by Brandi Schneider, LMSW.

Widow(er)s Support Group

Our support group for Widow(er)s meets at the church library at **Noon** on the **first and third Wednesdays** of each month. If you grieve, you don't have to grieve alone. This is such a loving, encouraging, and supportive group of people. You will feel welcome and cared for. There are occasional luncheon outings, particularly on the 5th Wednesdays of months.

Parkinson's Disease Support Group

A support group for people with Parkinson's and their Caregivers meets the **first Wednesday** of each month in the church library at **10 am**. This is open to anyone in the community!

Exploring the New Testament

We are exploring the New Testament thru a series of lectures from the Great Courses called, "Understanding the New Testament" by Dr David Brakke. This will take up about thirty minutes, and then we'll spend 30 minutes discussing the topics he raises. We meet **Wednesdays in the church library at 6 PM**. All are welcome to attend.

Shower & Laundry Ministry

Our church showers are open to men and women so they can freshen up, do a load of laundry, and be ready for a job interview, medical appointment, or just a chance to be clean. Showers are available **Monday and Wednesdays, 9 AM till 1:00 PM. Volunteers are needed, flexible scheduling.**

Temporary Volunteer Church Custodians Needed

Our custodian, Mark will be off for a month October 15-November 16, recovering from cataract surgery. We hope to fill that need for the church and church offices with volunteers. Sign up sheet will be passed around this Sunday. Thank you.

Fall Foliage Trip

Save the date....**October 30th** we are taking the church bus to do a little fall foliage trip thru the Ozarks. We'll leave from the church at 9 AM and return around 3 PM with a stop in Jasper to eat at the Low Gap Cafe. We'll drive thru the Buffalo River Valley stopping along the way to enjoy the leaves of Autumn. Space is limited to 15 people, so we'll pass around the sign-up sheet.

Save the Dates! Important Happenings in the Life of ESUMC Get Involved! Make New Friends Make a Difference

Annual Church Yard Sale Friday & Saturday, October 16-18 8 - 4 PM

October 30, 9-3 PM Church Leaf Peeping Tour. Sign up sheet on Sunday, or call the church secretary. Only 11 spots left.

Mobile Food Pantry church parking lot the **2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month**. Cars start lining up at 8:45 AM and we distribute until the food runs out, typically within an hour. If you are homebound and do not have a friend or neighbor who can pick up for you, contact Bill Featherstone (479.981.1991) by Noon on Mondays to be added to our very limited delivery schedule.

Eureka! Quilters meet in Fellowship Hall the **2nd Wednesday of each month** for conversation, information and lunch. Open to all skill levels.

Jubilee Ringers Practice, Wednesdays 5 - 6 PM, Sanctuary

Ozarks Chorale Rehearsals Tuesdays, from 6-8pm in Fellowship Hall.

Yoga 9-10 am Tuesdays in Fellowship Hall, \$8. All are welcome.

Theology on Tap

We had a wonderful and wide ranging conversation last week about deconstructing our faith. It was probably one of the best talks we have shared. Thank you to all who participated, and it was great to see Doug Philips, our former Associate Pastor there as well. Stay tuned for next month's event, topic to be announced later.

Transportation Ministry Drivers Needed

The church was gifted a **Nissan Murano** for the designated purpose of providing transportation to the least, the lost, and the last who do not have means to get to various medical/dental appointments in Carroll County. If you would like to be part of this ministry, please contact us 479.253.8987 or EsumcInfo@gmail.com. When we get a request an email goes out to the volunteer driver team with dates, times, location and client name. If you are available to take that appointment, you respond to the email accordingly and I make the arrangements. You will be so blessed serving in this role, and meeting some of these amazing people. **We could really use a few more volunteers for this ministry.** Thank you.

Church Library Chapter & Verse

The latest addition to your church library is **Jesus Wept: Seven Popes and the Battle for the Soul of the Catholic Church (282.09/She)** by Philip Shenon. This book, written by a noted NYT investigative reporter and published in 2025, takes you inside the Holy See to reveal the truth about power struggles and personality clashes among the most important Roman Catholic church leaders of the last seventy-five years. Books highlighted each week in the bulletin can be checked out from the small cart by the library computer desk.

Church Finances

	<u>Giving</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
August:	\$ 14,051.22	\$ 15,163.43
YTD:	\$170,409.29	\$221,129.51

Senior Blanket & Sock Drive

Senior Blanket and Sock Drive: What is the definition of COZY for a Carroll County Senior? A NEW pair of socks! Or a NEW blanket! Please consider adding these items to one of the bins located in the Church Welcome Center and Office. Collection dates: thru November. Distribution in December. Organized by The Schmieding Center for Senior Health and Education. **Help our Elder Saints feel COZY and cared for this Holiday Season!**



United
Women
in Faith

Every so often, one wonders if there is even a single person who gets to the bottom of the newsletter and reads this blurb. Thoughts that are important and meaningful are put in print to help readers understand the reason our church has a unit of United Women in Faith. For instance, our organization's stated vision is turning faith, hope, and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world. And for those of you who read this far, stay tuned next week for our mission statement. **United Women in Faith - we believe that love in action can change the world.**

October

2025

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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The End: An Old apocalypse: Daniel			Parkinsons Group 10 AM Library Widow(er)s Support Group Noon Jubilee Ringers 5:00 Bible Study 6 PM			
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The End: A very weird apocalypse: Revelation UWF in Church Library directly following service	Al-Anon 10 AM	Al-Anon 10 AM Ozarks Chorale 6-8 PM F-Hall Scout Troop 67 6 PM	Mobile Pantry 8-11 Eureka Quilters 11-1:30 F-Hall 1:30-2:30 Library Jubilee Ringers 5:00 Bible Study 6 PM	Al-Anon 10 AM		
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Ghost Stories: Spooky Tales from the Bible & What they Mean “Summoning Ghosts”	Al-Anon 10 AM	Al-Anon 10 AM Caregivers 1 PM Library Ozarks Chorale 6-8 PM F-Hall	Widow(er)s Support Group Noon Jubilee Ringers 5:00	Al-Anon 10 AM Yard Sale Set Up	Church Yard Sale Friday and Saturday 8 till 4:00	
Pastor on Vacation (9th thru the 18th)						
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Ghost Stories: Spooky Tales from the Bible & What they Mean “Disembodied Hands”	Al-Anon 10 AM UWF Meeting 1-3:00 PM, Church Library Leadership Team Meets 5 PM	Al-Anon 10 AM Ozarks Chorale 6-8 PM F-Hall Scout Troop 67 6 PM	Mobile Pantry 8-11 Jubilee Ringers 5:00 Bible Study 6 PM	Al-Anon 10 AM		
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