

28th of June 2026

Pathways

News from the Eureka Springs United Methodist Church

the Season of
Kingdomtide

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

John Wesley

Born: June 17th, 1703, Epworth, Lincolnshire, England

Died: March 2nd, 1791, London, England

John Wesley was the second son of Samuel and Susanna Wesley. John began his education at Charterhouse, London. Then he entered the Christ Church, Oxford University, graduating in 1724. He was determined to become an Anglican priest and this came about in 1728.

John returned to Oxford University to fulfill his fellowship requirement. It was there that he joined his brother, Charles, and some friends in a religious study group called the Holy Club. Because their commitment to study, devotion, communion, and fasting, they became known as the "Methodists." They were also commented to helping the poor by distributing food, clothes, medications, and books. They even helped with a school.

In 1735 John was persuaded to travel to Georgia with the intent to build the spiritual lives of the colonists and to introduce the Gospel to the local Indians. Charles went also; however, his attempts were lacking; so, he returned to England, John was faithful; but, his "high church" ways were not well accepted. At about this time he met and became quite fond of Miss Sophia Hopkey. Apparently this relationship was a one-way deal....Sophia married another. John reacted in such a way that he refused Communion to Sophia and he was highly criticized. As a result he returned to England.

John was heavily influenced but the Moravians. He struggled with his faith; but, through this association, he became comfortable in understanding the doctrine of justification by grace through faith. From that point on he dedicated his life to proclaiming the good news of salvation by faith. He preached wherever people would listen. The Church of England was unwelcome to John and his enthusiasm. Societies were formed so people could gather and learn the Bible and pray and commune together. John formed groups of layman and itinerant preachers who assisted in the growing effort. This was the foundation of our worldwide Methodist religion today.

The Gathering: Order of Worship

Janet Arnett, Lay Minister: 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 28th of June, 2026

Ushers: Dave Davis & Gary Johnson **Communion** Martie Davis, Sandy Dunn, Lori Luney, Pattie Marler **Offering Counters:** Kevin Graham & Kim Stryker

We Gather to Worship

Welcome

Opening song

“Surely the Presence of the Lord”

page 328 UMC Hymnal

Prayers of the congregation & Our Lord’s Prayer

Pam Steinke

Songs of the People

“Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past” page 117 UMC Hymnal*

“His Eye is on the Sparrow” page 2146 UMC Hymnal*



We Listen for God’s Word

A reading from Psalms #13

Jess Wade, Liturgist

Thanks be to God for the Gift of the Scriptures

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Opera In the Ozarks

Carol Jarrett

“If I...”

By: Lori Laitman

- A Video Reflection -

“There is No Other Option (But, To Call on God)”

Janet Arnett, Lay Minister

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)

**please stand if you are able*

Important Happenings in the Life of ESFUMC

UW Faith Meet following Sunday Service:

July 19th, Fellowship Hall after Sunday Service

July 26th, UW Faith Worship Service -
Brenda Gullett, Guest Speaker

Mobile Food Pantry distributes food items from church parking lot on the **2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month**, at **8:00 AM**.

Jubilee Ringers Practice, Every Wednesday **4:30-6:00 PM**, in the Sanctuary

Eureka! Quilters meet in Fellowship Hall the **2nd Wednesday of each month** for conversation, information and lunch, **11:00-1:30**.

**Special Notice:*

A Quilters Class will take place on

Monday, July 27th 9:00-4:00 in the Fellowship Hall

Open to all skill levels!

Yoga Class 9:00-10:00 AM every **Tuesday Morning**. Meet in the Fellowship Hall, \$8.
All are welcome!

Support Groups and Ministries

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 from UAMS Schmieding Center for Senior Health & Education.

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 for the **first Wednesday** of each month in the Church Library at **10 AM**. This is open to anyone in the community!

Bible Study Wednesdays

Pastor-led bible studies that are usually Wednesday evenings at 6:00 **will be on pause** until Blake returns from his sabbatical.

Lay Servant Training

Want to deepen your discipleship, discover your spiritual gifts, find your place to serve in the church? The Arkansas Annual Conference is bringing the Lay Servant Academy to Eureka Springs. Class size is limited to 20 students and lunch is provided. Class will be Saturday, July 25th from 8:30 till 4 with lunch provided. There is a \$15 registration fee. Please go to the following link to register.

<https://lay-servant-ministries-feb-2026.raiselysite.com/>

Answering The call

Mobile Food Pantry church parking lot the **2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month.** Cars start lining up at 7:45 AM and we distribute until the food runs out, typically within 45 minutes. If you are homebound and do not have a friend or neighbor who can pick up for you, contact Butch by 2PM Monday at 417.393.6113 to be added to our very limited delivery schedule.

Prayer Tree Ministry

Prayer Tree Link: We are implementing a confidential Prayer Tree Ministry to our tool box of ways we can support others. If you are interested, please follow this link below to sign up. Part of the sign up process is a short assessment which will identify you spiritual gifts as referred to in 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11, Romans 12:6.

<https://forms.gle/FUtqb9QuPNvJj1g7A>

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!



United
Women
in Faith

What does the Lord require of you?

United Women in Faith have national priorities for social action. The *Climate Justice 4 All* campaign shows that little changes can make a big impact. Consider turning off your outdoor lights to save our nocturnal pollinators.

United Women in Faith believe that *love in action can change the world.*

Church Columbarium

We are excited to announce that the church is going to install a Columbarium in the Prayer Garden. Each Niche can accommodate two urns at \$1,200. There are 48 niches.

We have a new updated Columbarium Contract that you can pick up at the church office. If you would prefer us to mail you one, please call the office and Charlotte will mail you the full packet.

Call with any questions or for more information! 479-253-8987

Financial Reporting

	<u>May Earnings</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Income:	15,660.59	109,303.52
Expenses:	16,319	95,749

Columbarium: 9 Niches Sold -

July

2026

June						
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28	29	30	1	2	3	4

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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
<p>“There is no Other Option (But, to call on God)”</p> <p>John Wesley’s Birthday</p>	Al-Anon 10:00	<p>Yoga 9-10 FHall</p> <p>Al-Anon 12:00</p>	<p>Parkinson’s Group 10:00 AM Library</p> <p>Widow(er)s 12:00 Library</p> <p>Jubilee Ringers 4:30</p>	Al-Anon 10:00		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<p>“Who Always Triumphs?”</p>	Al-Anon 10:00	<p>Yoga 9-10 FHall</p> <p>Al-Anon 12:00</p>	<p>Mobile Pantry 8am</p> <p>Eureka! Quilters 11:00 -1:30 FHall</p> <p>Jubilee Ringers 4:30</p>	Al-Anon 10:00		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<p>“Understanding the Almighty”</p>	Al-Anon 10:00	<p>Yoga 9-10 FHall</p> <p>Al-Anon 12:00</p> <p>Caregivers Group 1:00 PM</p>	<p>Widow(er)s 12:00 Library</p> <p>Jubilee Ringers 4:30</p>	Al-Anon 10:00		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<p>UWFaith - FHall After Service</p>	Al-Anon 10:00	<p>Yoga 9-10 FHall</p> <p>Al-Anon 12:00</p> <p>Leadership Team 4:30 - Library</p>	<p>Mobile Pantry 8am</p> <p>Jubilee Ringers 4:30</p>	Al-Anon 10:00		
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
<p>UWFaith Worship Service Brenda Gullett</p>	<p>Eureka! Quilters Class 9:00-4:00 FHall</p> <p>Al-Anon 10:00</p>	<p>Yoga 9-10 FHall</p> <p>Al-Anon 12:00</p>	<p>Widow(er)s Luncheon Outing</p> <p>Jubilee Ringers 4:30</p>	Al-Anon 10:00		