

MACON MISSION

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GREETINGS FROM PASTOR TERRY

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The second quarter of 2025 promises to be filled with opportunities to love and serve the Lord, Jesus Christ. Please check the listing on the next page and be certain to mark things in your calendar. I will highlight just a few here.

On Wednesday, April 2, Macon UMC will serve as host to many of the clergy from the Central District of the IGRC as they gather for a spiritual growth opportunity. Thank you to your United Women of Faith for providing refreshments and lunch that day. The event also serves as a reminder that as a church we are indeed connected to United Methodists elsewhere in Illinois and around the globe.

April 13 is Palm Sunday, and we shall continue our tradition of waving palms commemorating Jesus' entry into Jerusalem.

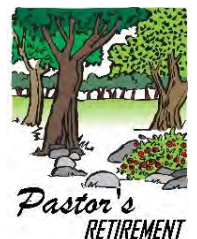


Holy Thursday

April 17 is Holy Thursday. This year, the worship team will be hosting supper of soup, bread and fruit in Fellowship Hall. This will be followed by a reflective worship service in the same space as we remember the Last Supper and prepare for Good Friday. Start time is 6pm.

Easter morning is April 20 with a special presentation by the choir of "Walk Worthy" written by Joseph Martin. This promises a very uplifting experience.

Sunday, June 29, will be my last day in the pulpit as your Pastor as I enter retirement. The choir will once again be singing and there will be other musicians as well. Worship will be followed by a luncheon in Fellowship Hall. I sincerely look forward to taking the time to visit with each of you that day. Please plan a little extra time for being in church.



As of this writing, your SPRC is in consultation with the District Superintendent regarding the next pastoral appointment for Macon UMC. No doubt they will report to you as soon as there is news, but the process takes a bit of time, so please be patient and hold them in your prayers.

In the meantime, we need to continue growing as disciples of Jesus and be about transforming the world by loving everyone.

May God continue to bless each and every one of you!

Pastor Terry



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

April

02 Joe and Lynette Puckett
06 Jimmy Hinkle
07 Vicky Hilvety
10 Debbie Stewart
13 Stephanie Allen
14 Susannah Moyer
19 Devin Forden
21 Edith Mayer
22 Jack and Carol Smith
23 Chad Miller
29 Devin Forden and Victor Serbe



May

04 Rev. Terry McDorman
05 Chad Rappe'
09 Wayne and Donna Hayes
22 Max Moyer
27 McKynlee Kapchinski



June

02 Brad Roush
07 Dan and Erin Moyer
10 Ross Moyer
12 Rene Knowles
15 Carl and Joyce Craft
15 Matt Roush
17 Richard Boggs
18 Rev. Terry and Maureen McDorman
20 Mike and Connie Baker
20 Mike and Debbie Smith
22 Marsha Hedges
24 Ethan Roush
25 Evan Rappe'
26 Grace Moyer



KEY DATES FOR 2025:

April 2—Clergy Spiritual Growth Gathering
April 13—Palm Sunday
April 17—Holy Thursday Soup Supper/Worship
April 18—Good Friday—Church Office Closed
April 20—Easter “Walk Worthy” performed by the Choir
May 11—Mother’s Day
June 8—Pentecost
June 15—Father’s Day
June 29—Pastor retirement celebration



Happy
Mother's
Day

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Finance/Administrative Council:

Wednesday, May 14 (Finance at 6:30 Ad Council at 7)

Trustees:

Sunday May 22—6:30 pm

Worship:

May 18--immediately after worship

SPRC:

Sunday April 27--immediately after worship

Outreach:

Sunday April 13--immediately after worship.

United Methodist Men's Breakfast

Sunday, April 13; May 18 at 8:00 am; Fellowship Hall

Committee
Meetings



Summer Reading List 2025



Trial and Error by Robert Whitlow a suspense novel with stories of faith interwoven during the efforts to find missing children.

Eruption a suspense novel by Michael Chrichton and James Patterson set on the big island of Hawaii

Switchboard Soldiers a brilliant historical novel by Jenifer Chiaverini about the women that served as telephone operators in the front lines of World War One.

We The Presidents a very interesting look at how American presidents shaped the last century by Ronald Gruner. From Warren G, Harding through Donald J. Trump's first term.

Faithful by Adam Hamilton which takes the reader on an exploration of Christmas through the eyes of Joseph.

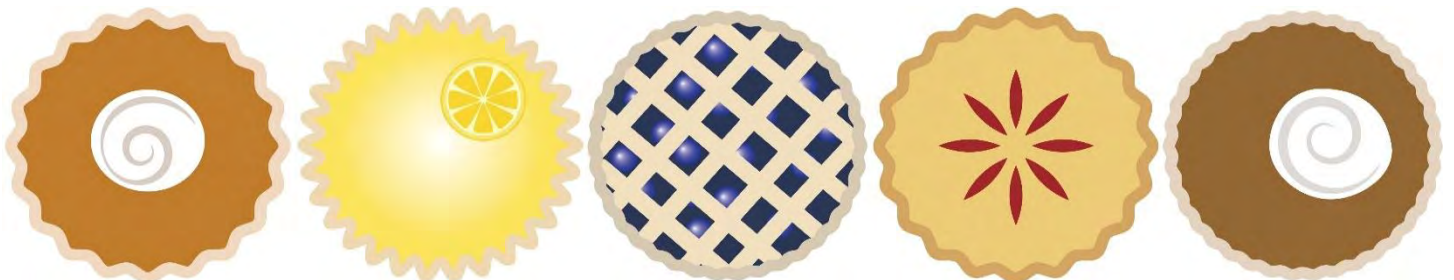
The Ultimate Book of Random Fun Facts by Bill O'Neill. Just what it says, so keep the book because you will never remember all of them.

Going Home to Glory by David Eisenhower with Julie Nixon Eisenhower is a delightful look at the life of the President and General during his post-presidential years.

Sweet Land of Liberty is a history of America in 11 pies by Rossi Anastopoulo. A very unique way of telling the American story and you get some great pie recipes along the journey.

Overground Railroad the story of the green book and the roots of black travel in America by Candacy Taylor.

Fly Girls how five daring women defied all odds and made aviation history. A New York Times best seller by Keith O'Brien.





Easter Flowers Order Form

To decorate Chancel on Easter Morning

Indicate how many Flowers and who they are in Memory and/or Honor of:



Lilies at \$21.00 _____ Total Cost _____

Tulips at \$17.50 _____ Total Cost _____

Daffodils at \$17.50 _____ Total Cost _____



Name of person(s) ordering flowers:

In Memory/Honor of



Orders due by April 6, 2025

Make checks payable to: Macon UMC
Check/Cash must accompany order form

