

## Welcome to Urbana First United Methodist Church!

Feel free to forward this Monthly Joyful News to your friends, family, and neighbors and invite them to our church as we continue in the mission to grow our congregation and family of faith here at Urbana First UMC.



### See You Sundays...



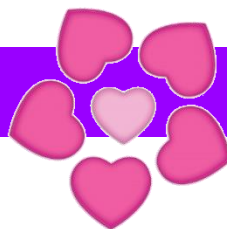
8:00 am – Worship

9:00 am – Sunday School for All Ages

10:00 am – Fellowship/Coffee Time

10:30 am – Worship

## Community Food Project



Dear Friends,

Please join Urbana First as we take part in efforts to help feed families in need through the community. Here are the goals towards the empty tomb Community-Wide Mega-Work-A-Thon:

- ❑ Between now and February 26<sup>th</sup>, our congregation will be collecting the following eleven items as part of the 2017 EMPTY TOMB COMMUNITY-WIDE MEGA-WORK-A-THON:
  - 1) 12-Pack Ramen Noodles
  - 2) 4 lb. Bags of Sugar
  - 3) Rice
  - 4) 26 oz. Containers of Salt
  - 5) 4 oz. Containers of Black Pepper
  - 6) 48 oz. Bottles of Vegetable Cooking Oil
  - 7) 48 oz. Boxes of Spaghetti Pasta
  - 8) 42 oz. Containers of Quick Oats
  - 9) 5 lb. Bags of Corn Meal
  - 10) 5 lb. Bags of Flour, and
  - 11) 2 lb. Bags of Dry Pinto Beans. Empty Tomb suggests that the eleven items can be purchased for \$20.69.
- ❑ Last year, our congregation, along with 50 other faith communities collected over 5,500 food items and delivered 500+ baskets to families in our community. Between now and February 26<sup>th</sup>, you can participate by donating any of the above listed items or by making a financial contribution to purchase things that we will need to complete the baskets.
- ❑ Our February 19<sup>th</sup> Noisy Offering will benefit this project.

- ❑ We will then gather with other faith communities in the community to package and deliver more than 500 boxes of food to families in our community on March 4<sup>th</sup>.
- ❑ Our Missions committee has committed our congregation to 15 boxes filled with the eleven items. I honestly think we can prepare 20. Let's help our neighbors feed their families in Jesus' name. ---Pastor Steve



## From the Bottom of My Heart

### Thank You for the Cards & Prayers:

I wish to thank the congregation for all the prayers and cards while in the hospital. I am recovering now and know it was due to your prayers. The Lord is powerful and through him I am pleased to be recovering. Thank you all.

---Jim Kaiser

### Answered Prayers:

Mary Jane & Jerry Ross send a big thank you for all of your prayers & cards. Your prayers have been answered! ... Jerry is playing golf again and Mary Jane has moved from a walker to a cane. Alleluia! ♥



## Thoughts & Prayers


### Eleanor Mulligan:

For those of you who attended Urbana First in the 70's and remember Rev. Robert Mulligan, his wife, Eleanor, just passed away on January 2, 2017 at 98 years-old. She was living with family in Indianapolis.

### Please pray for:

Margaret Hoffman (health) ---Richard Geese (friend of Steve & Jill) ---Alyssa & Brycen Conley (Steve & Jill's daughter and grandson) ---Kim Van Engelenburg (health issues)  
 Ulla Brems (recovering-illness) ---John Segalla (Joyce Smith's son-in-law)  
 CW (Judy Krumwiede's friend) ---Rick Frederick (cancer)  
 Pat Paul ---Greg Swenson (Leila's son)

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February 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Urbana First UMC – Events, Birthdays & Anniversary 304 S. Race St., Urbana, IL 61801 (217) 367 – 8384; <a href="mailto:office@fumc-urbana.org">office@fumc-urbana.org</a>			<b>1</b> 6:30 pm - Choir ♥ Jean Gates	<b>2</b> Groundhog Day 10:00 am – Conv. Eng. (ESL) & Play Group 7:00 pm – UMW Gathering ♥ Cindy Zarbuck	<b>3</b> ♥ Ruth Abbott ♥ Hajun Lim	<b>4</b> ♥ MaryE Yeomans
<b>5</b> Communion 2:30 pm – SPRC 3:00 pm – All Church Mtg. ♥ Mira Hwang	<b>6</b> 6:30 pm – Conv. Eng. (ESL) ♥ Nancy Lopeman	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 6:30 pm - Choir	<b>9</b> ESTHER CRL. 10:00 am – Conv. Eng. (ESL) & Play Group 2:30 pm – Missions 7:00 pm – Dulcimers	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 6:30 pm – Conv. Eng. (ESL) ♥ Judy Krumwiede	<b>14</b> Valentine's Day 	<b>15</b> 6:00 pm – Day Care Board 6:30 pm - Choir ♥ Tom Henderson	<b>16</b> 10:00 am – Conv. Eng. (ESL) & Play Group 6:30 pm – Trustees	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> Noisy Offering for empty tomb food collection ♥♥ Judy & Bob Stahl	<b>20</b> Presidents Day 6:30 pm – Conv. Eng. (ESL) ♥ Anna Lee Bouslog	<b>21</b> 10:00 am – UMW Board	<b>22</b> 6:30 pm - Choir	<b>23</b> 10:00 am – Conv. Eng. (ESL) & Play Group 6:30 pm – Church Council 7:00 pm – Dulcimers ♥ Sam Morse	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> Last day of empty tomb food collection	<b>27</b> 12:00 pm – Wesley Circle (Monica's) 6:30 pm – Conv. Eng. (ESL)	<b>28</b> ♥ Dick Jobe	Recycle Toner & Ink Cartridges: Please save your empty toner & ink cartridges: There is a box in the office for dropping them off. The church receives credit for these cartridges and is able to get coupons towards office supplies...a great help for the budget! Thanks for your support.			