

WELCOME

We are so happy you could join us today!

Visitors are invited to pick up a visitor's bag in the entryway. You are also invited to be our special guest during the fellowship time following service. Are you a non-member who attends the Gretna United Methodist regularly; or are you a first time visitor? Do you have questions about the church; or would you like information about becoming a member? Pastor Main would love to get better acquainted with you, and get any questions you might have answered. Following the worship service, after he has greeted the worshippers, he will be in the church library (across the hall from the sanctuary and adjacent to the fellowship hall.) Feel free to grab refreshments from the fellowship hall as you wait for him.

Sunday Mornings

Staffed Childcare: Our childcare is for infants and young children during service and Sunday school

Children: Pre-School at 10:45—parents accompany child(ren) to the Education Hallway for check-in

Kindergarten-5th Grade, at 10:45—all kindergarten- 5th grade students arrive with parents to the Education Hallway for check-in

Middle School: At 10:45am for Middle school youth

Senior High: At 10:45am for High school youth

Adult Sunday School: Sunday mornings 8:30am and 10:45am

Happening this week:

Today—April 22

7:00am UMM
8:30am Life Change Sunday School
9:30am Worship Service
10:30am Fellowship Time
10:45am Seekers Adult Sunday School (in Library)
10:45 Children Sunday School
10:45 Middle School Sunday School
10:45 Confirmation Rehearsal & Luncheon
10:45 Senior High Sunday School

Monday – April 23

Calendar Open

Tuesday – April 24

6:30am Men's Bible Study meets at Billy's Café
6:00pm Women's Bible Study
7:00pm Choir Practice

Wednesday – April 25

6:00pm Last Mission Possible Kids
6:30pm Team 4:12 & SWAT

Thursday – April 26

6:30pm SPRC meeting
7:00pm Sarah Circle

Friday – April 27

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Scripture.....Psalm 23

Time of Silent Reflection and Pastoral Prayer

The Church's One Foundation.....UMH pg. 545

Sharing the Joys and Concerns of the People

*A Time of Caring/ Welcoming One Another

This Is Where Children Belong.....TFWS pg. 2233

(Children come forward during singing)

Children's Message/ Attendance Folders

Children Offering

How Firm a Foundation.....UMH pg. 529

Acts 4:1-12(The Message)

The Cornerstone of Our Lives

Grace Alone.....TFWS pg. 2162

Giving Back to God– Our Offerings

**The Doxology.....UMH pg. 95*

The Summons.....TFWS pg. 2130

*Benediction

**He's Got the Whole World In His Hands*

*Carrying of the Light of Christ into the World

**Please stand, as you are able*

CENTERING SCRIPTURE

The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

For our record keeping, please sign in on the attendance folders the ushers hand out and return them to the center aisle.

Prayer Requests:

If you have a prayer request you would like shared with the prayer chain, please fill out the card in the pew and place in the offering plate. Also, feel free to share your prayer request when given the opportunity during worship. If you wish to join the prayer warriors of the GUMC prayer chain, please put your contact information on one of the prayer request forms and place it in the offering plate.

The worship service is streamed live in the Fellowship Hall across from the sanctuary should you need to leave during the service.

**Altar Flowers by Pastor & Chris Main for
Grandson Wyatt Svoboda's Birthday**

Memorial Candle In Memory of Don Davis by June Davis

*Everyone is invited to an informal fellowship time
In the Fellowship Hall following service.*

Other Opportunities

Wednesday Nights:

Mission Possible Kids:

1st-5th grade 6:00pm-7:30pm

Team 4:12:

Middle school youth 6:30pm-8:00pm

SWAT:

High school youth 6:30pm-8:00pm

United Methodist Men

2nd & 4th Sundays at 7:00am

Men's Coffee Group

Tuesdays at 6:30am

Women's Bible Study:

Tuesday Evenings at 6:00pm

Wednesday Mornings at 9:15am

Boomers Plus Social Group:

Meets monthly

United Methodist Women:

Meets monthly on Thursdays

Meaningful Service

GUMC has a heart for mission. We commit out time and talents to organizations in the area and all over the world.

We are committed to help organizations like:

Youth Emergency Services (YES)

Gretna Neighbors

Heartland Hope

Living Hope Food Pantry

Heartland Family Services

United Methodist Committee

On Relief

*(for information
on these opportunities
please contact the church office)*

Upcoming Events

April

Confirmation Sunday

April 29

May

Amy out of the office

May 3 & 4

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Fellowship Hall in Use

May 5 3:00pm-9:00pm

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Senior Breakfast

May 6 at 8:00am

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Last Day of Sunday School for

Children May 6

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Caring Ministries meeting

May 6 at 11:00am

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Final Choir Practice

May 8

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Children Ministry meeting

May 10 at 6:30pm

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Outreach Committee meeting

May 10 at 6:30pm

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Pastor in Lincoln

May 11

NOTES:



April 22, 2018
4th Sunday of Easter
9:30am



The Cornerstone of Our Lives

GRETNA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH is a community of Christian faith *where God's family grows together* through:

*genuine CONNECTION

*inspiring WORSHIP

*meaningful SERVICE

*Christ-Centered EDUCATION and ACTIVITIES.

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