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**2019 JANUARY/FEBRUARY**

## *Sunday Worship Service*

### *Chadron UMC*

*9:00 am Children's Sunday School*

*9:00 am Adult Bible Study*

*10:00 AM Coffee and Fellowship*

*10:30 AM Worship Service*

*Communion Served on 1st Sunday of Month*





## The Year 2018 in Review

Jesus told his disciples in John 15:15, "I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last," and so we should. However, many times we bear fruit but we are not aware of it until someone mentions it. So, I want to take this opportunity to share the abundance of fruit borne in 2018 by the Chadron United Methodist Church.

We experienced an increase in children's Sunday school attendance and started a children's choir that sings in church the third Sunday of the month during the school year. In fact, there was 293% increase in the number of times children participated in Christian formation groups.

The Sunday school students and adult volunteers decorated, assembled and delivered 58 plates of cookies on December 15. Most of the plates were delivered to shut-ins and care home residents. Leftover cookies were handed out by the children to the congregation after worship the next day. The cookies were delicious and beautifully decorated. (see page 16)

Eleven students were confirmed in 2018, eight in June and three in August, and seven students are currently enrolled who will be confirmed on Easter Day, 2019. As a service project, the confirmation students cleaned two miles of Highway 20 in early May.

A dedicated group of volunteers and an enthusiastic group of children made Vacation Bible School a success. We had a 69% increase in participants over 2017 and we hope to continue that trend in 2019.

The children also provided a heart-warming Christmas program, using a program written and choreographed by a member of the congregation. (see Page 8)

The Chadron United Methodist Church is now a Safe Gatherings certified church. Safe Gatherings is the program used by the Great Plains Annual Conference to ensure safe spaces for vulnerable people, such as children, youth, and the elderly.

Eight people attended Lay Servant classes in April. Two people recertified as Advanced Lay Servants and six people became certified as Basic Lay Servants. Congratulations!

We currently have three Bible study groups, a young adult study on Monday nights, a women's group on Tuesday evenings, and a Wednesday morning study at Prairie Pines.

United Methodist Men again provided candy and packed eggs for an Easter egg hunt after the church service. It is a delight for all involved.

In December, the children's Sunday school students gave \$500, raised by their Sunday school donations, to the Chadron Primary School to help free- and reduced lunch recipients have a little extra money in their accounts for milk or second helpings. This money boosted the accounts of 100 students. This campaign is intended to be an ongoing effort and it is called Fuel the Kids.

The Camp Norwesca Scholarship Fund provided three children from the Chadron United Methodist Church \$100 scholarships for the 2018 camping season.

Special offerings collected in December netted a total of \$1,030. This money supported the Feed a Senior program sponsored by NCAP, UMCOR's California Fire Relief, Fuel the Kids, and the Camp Norwesca Scholarship Fund. Thank you for your generosity. (see page 12)

We also gave a \$250 donation from the monthly birthday offering money to NCAP's Community Service emergency relief fund.

On the Saturday of Fur Trade Days, the Chadron United Methodist Church was represented by a float in the parade. Our entry also included people who walked the route, handing out candy. That same day, we provided bottles of water to the Greenwood Cemetery Board for participants in the cemetery tours.

We collaborated with Grace Episcopal Church and Emmanuel Lutheran to offer a Protestant Stations of the Cross, a Blessing of the Animals, and a Thanksgiving service. Also, the vocal choir and the handbell choir participated in the Community Christmas Musical Festival.

Every month, on the second Tuesday, ladies of the church host "Soup and Pie," (see Page 14) although we may not always have soup. The food, no matter what kind, is always delicious. There is entertainment, as well, provided by members of the congregation. Fun is had by all.

We continue to open our church, free of charge, to Girl Scouts, Life-line Screening, and two different blood drive groups

Closer to Home and the Sole-full Shoe Tree are the cornerstones of our mission outreach. The church serves a hearty meal the second Tuesday of every month. As for the Shoe Tree, , 65 families in the community served by the Shoe Tree this year (see page 7). We have added other outreach opportunities, though, such as events hosted by the church at the care homes, sorting and packaging diapers at the Diaper Bank, and ringing the bells for the Salvation Army. In fact, we had a 100% increase in the number of persons serving in mission/community ministries and a 227% increase in the number of people served by our community ministries. Well done, church!

I am grateful for the fruit that the Chadron United Methodist Church bears in service to the Lord. Thank you so much for your continued dedication to furthering the kingdom of God.

Serving you with pride,

Pastor Bonnie



## 2019 Church Directory



### Chadron United Methodist Church

Mission Statement

"To Reach Up, Reach Out, and Reach In"

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Facebook: Chadron United Methodist Church

The 2019 Church Directory is printed! Copies are available on the Information Table (credenza) in the Narthex. If we run out, more will be printed! If you see mistakes or changes that need to be made, please let Melody know.



**GREAT WEST DISTRICT**  
**Great Plains Conference**  
THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



December 12, 2018

Dear Bonnie and Chadron UMC,

Thank you for reaching 100% of your 2018 Great Plains Mission Shares. Your support of our connectional ministry truly makes a difference in the lives of people in churches and communities in our Conference. We used to call our Mission Shares Apportionments- a portion meant for others.

Your portion enables us to be in ministry and mission in substantial ways together locally and globally. From faith development of children and youth to leadership development of pastors and laity, we strive to keep God's call upon our lives ever before us.

Thank you for the many ways you "Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World." We can do more for God together.

In gratitude for your faithful witness,

*Rev Cindy Karges*

Rev. Cindy Karges

Gateway/Great West District Superintendent







## February 2019

### Fellowship Hosts—Ad Council

Feb. 3—Kay Demaree  
Feb. 10—Tim Gaswick  
Feb. 17—Melody Herbert  
Feb. 24—Sharon Rickenbach

### Communion Server

Sharon Rickenbach



### Liturgists

Feb. 3—Jane Druecker  
Feb. 10—Robin Foulk  
Feb. 17—Judy Hawthorne  
Feb. 24—Janice German

### Ushers & Greeters

Feb. 3—Dailey Family (Jules & Collin)  
Feb. 10—Fisher Family (Alex)  
Feb. 17—Fox Family  
Feb. 24—Koerber Family (James)



### Acolytes

Feb. 3—  
Feb. 10—  
Feb. 17—  
Feb. 24—



### Potluck Hosts

Ad Council



- 1 Thomas Kaus  
Skylar Roberts
- 2 Shelby Budler
- 4 Ed Bieganski (99  
years young)
- 5 Bryan Brown
- 6 Kennedy Trueblood
- 7 Emily Holmes  
Mike Mattmiller
- 9 Marilyn Hinn
- 10 Jared Fernau  
Murray Johnson
- 11 Jack Mann
- 12 Sawyer Haag  
John Scherbarth
- 15 Laurine Smith
- 16 Mayzie Murdock
- 17 Reid Griesse
- 18 Treyson Gooder
- 21 Ruth Ann Connell
- 26 Nickole Gosnell  
Mackenzie Snyder



Happy  
Wedding  
Anniversary!

20 John & Kim Madsen



Effective January 28, the REMIND App is again available for use. Therefore we will continue to use it to notify our members of meetings, closures, etc. This means of communication will only work for you if you have a cell phone and the Church has your cell number. :)

# February Calendar of Events

## **Sunday, February 3**

9:00 AM Children's Sunday School  
9:00 AM Adult Sunday School in Church Library  
10:00 AM Coffee & Conversation @ UMC  
10:30 AM Worship @ UMC w/communion  
5:00 PM **No Confirmation Class**

## **Monday, February 4**

10:30 AM Bible Study at CrestView  
7:00 PM Adult/College Bible Study

## **Tuesday, February 5**

5:30 PM TLC in the Sanctuary

## **Wednesday, February 6—Home Communion**

8:00 AM Vicki K's Bible Study at Prairie Pines  
5:30 PM Wednesday Worship Service  
6:00 PM Bell Choir Practice  
7:00 PM Vocal Choir Practice

## **Sunday, February 10**

9:00 AM Children's Sunday School  
9:00 AM **No Adult Sunday School**  
10:00 AM Coffee & Conversation @ UMC  
10:30 AM Worship @ UMC  
5:00 PM Confirmation Class

## **Monday, February 11—Closer to Home**

10:30 AM Bible Study at CrestView  
7:00 PM Adult/College Bible Study

## **Tuesday, February 12**

5:30 PM **Soup & Pie Supper**

## **Wednesday, February 13**

8:00 AM Vicki K's Bible Study at Prairie Pines  
5:30 PM Wednesday Worship Service  
6:00 PM Bell Choir Practice  
7:00 PM Vocal Choir Practice

## **Sunday, February 17**

7:30 AM UMM @ Country Kitchen  
9:00 AM Children's Sunday School  
9:00 AM Adult Sunday School in Church Library  
10:00 AM Coffee & Conversation @ UMC  
10:30 AM Worship @ UMC—Children's Choir  
5:00 PM Confirmation Class

## **Monday, February 18**

10:30 AM Bible Study at CrestView  
7:00 PM Adult/College Bible Study

## **Tuesday, February 19**

5:30 PM TLC Meets in the Sanctuary

## **Wednesday, February 20**

8:00 AM Vicki K's Bible Study at Prairie Pines  
5:30 PM Wednesday Worship Service  
6:00 PM Bell Choir Practice  
7:00 PM Vocal Choir Practice

## **Sunday, February 24**

9:00 AM Children's Sunday School  
9:00 AM Adult Sunday School in Church Library  
10:00 AM Coffee & Conversation @ UMC  
10:30 AM Worship @ UMC w/bday offering  
11:30 AM **Potluck Dinner—Ad Council Hosts**  
5:00 PM Confirmation Class

## **Monday, February 25**

10:30 AM Bible Study at CrestView  
7:00 PM Adult/College Bible Study

## **Tuesday, February 26**

5:30 PM TLC in the Sanctuary

## **Wednesday, February 27**

8:00 AM Vicki K's Bible Study at Prairie Pines  
5:30 PM Wednesday Worship Service  
6:00 PM Bell Choir Practice  
7:00 PM Vocal Choir Practice





## Committee Meetings and Announcements

Wednesday, February 6—Home Communion

Tuesday, February 12—Soup & Pie Supper @ 5:30 PM

Sunday, February 17—UMM meet at Country Kitchen @ 7:30 AM

Sunday, February 17—Children's Choir sings during 10:30 Worship Svc

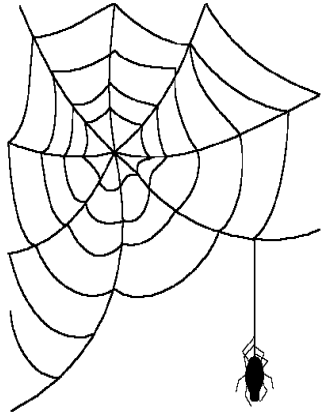
Sunday, February 24—Potluck Dinner



Thank you to all who helped and contributed to the 2019 SoleFull Giving Shoe Tree. Santa and his helpers delivered 67 pair of boots/shoes to the children!







# Children's Christmas Program

## "The Christmas Spider"

Thank you Kellee Gooder for the wonderful program you wrote and directed for the children. What a great message; the children had fun and it was enjoyed by all!





## 2019 Leadership

### Ad Council

Chair	Sharon Rickenbach
Lay Leader	Beth Wentworth
SPPRC Chair	Kellee Gooder
Finance Chair	Margaret Crouse
Board of Trustee Chair	Jim Willey
Lay Member to Annual Conference	Suze Jones
Treasurer	Sara Taylor
Financial Secretary	Tim Gaswick
Auditor	Jeff Fox
Pastor	Bonnie McCord
Christian Education Rep	Jessica Fisher
Congregational Care Rep	Jane Druecker
Memorials	Betty Martin
Outreach Rep	Rebecca Fernau
Stewardship Chair	Kay Demaree
Worship Team Chair	Jane Druecker
UMM President	TBD

### Nominations and Lay Leadership

Chair	Pastor Bonnie McCord
Lay Leader	Beth Wentworth
	Suze Jones
	Fran Grimes
	Bobby Griese
	Robin Foulk
	Susan Hucke
	Shawn Hartman
	Stephanie Baumgarten
	Ben Rust

### Board of Trustees

Chair	Jim Willey
	Wendy Waugh
	Phyllis Burk
	Jack Mann
	Bob Rickenbach
	Rob Wahlstrom
	Glen Kotschwar
	Laverne Savage
Memorial Chair	Betty Martin

### SPPRC

Chair	Kellee Gooder
	Linda Thayer
	Randy Lawson
	Don Foulk
	Bobby Griese
	Fran Saunders
	Merle Morford
Lay Leader	Beth Wentworth
Lay Member to AC	Suze Jones



## 2019 Leadership (continued)

### Finance Committee

Chair	Margaret Crouse
	Pastor Bonnie McCord
SPPRC Chair	Kellee Gooder
Ad Council Chair	Sharon Rickenbach
Stewardship	Kay Demree
Lay Leader	Beth Wentworth
Trustee Chair	Jim Willey
Financial Secretary	Tim Gaswick
Treasurer	Sara Taylor

### Money Counters

Lori Storbeck	Margaret Crouse
Phyllis Burk	Janice German
Robin Foulk	Linda Thayer
Cricket Haag	

### Christian Education Team

Jessica Fisher, Rep to Ad Council	Bobby Griese
Pastor Bonnie McCord	Kimmi Smith
Sara Taylor	Meg Peterson
Melody Herbert	

### Congregational Care Team

Jane Druecker, Rep to Ad Council	Sandra Blake
Cleo Koerber	Pastor Bonnie McCord
Doralie Lawson	Vicki Kotschwar
Suze Jones	

### Membership

Melody Herbert	
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### Disaster Relief Team

Vicki Kotschwar	Susan Hucke
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### Highway 20 Lay Leader

Vicki Kotschwar	
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### History & Records Team

Dixie Connery	Beth Wentworth
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### Lay Servants

Judy Hawthorne	Kellee Gooder
Vicki Kotschwar	Shawn Hartman
Suze Jones	Sharon Rickenbach
Rebecca Fernau	Meg Mayle

### Memorial Committee

Betty Martin, Chair	Jim Willey
Suze Jones	Sara Taylor, Treasure (ex-officio)

### Outreach & Mission Team

Rebecca Fernau, Rep to Ad Council	Pastor Bonnie McCord
Janice German	Beth Johnson
Sabrina Fox	Joni King
Robin Foulk	

### Worship Team

Jane Druecker, Rep to Ad Council	Linda Halverson (Altar Guild)
Shawn Hartman (Organist_	Cleo Koerber (Greeters & Flowers/Decorations)
Norm Martin (Vocal Choir Director)	Pastor Bonnie McCord
Charlene Savage (Bulletins)	Beth Wentworth (Lay Leader)



# January—April 2019 Usher, Liturgist, Fellowship Schedule

## Communion Servers

MONTH	NAME
January	Kellee Gooder
February	Sharon Rickenbach
March	Terry McCord
April	Beth Wentworth
May	Jane Druecker
June	Sharon Davis
July	Cleo Koerber
August	Betty Martin
September	Janice German
October	Vicki Kotschwar
November	Sharon R.
December	Judy Hawthorne
Christmas Eve	(2 Stations – TBD)

## Fellowship Hosts

MONTH	COMMITTEE/TEAM
January	SPPRC
February	AD COUNCIL
March	UMM
April	SPPRC
May	TRUSTEES
June	CHRISTIAN ED
July	HISTORY/MEMORIAL/ CONG. CARE
August	OUTREACH/MISSION
September	FINANCE
October	AD COUNCIL
November	WORSHIP
December	TRUSTEES

## Liturgists

Date	Name
January 6	Linda Thayer
January 13	Betty Martin
January 20	Bobby Griesse
January 27	Beth Wentworth
February 3	Jane Druecker
February 10	Robin Foulk
February 17	Judy Hawthorne
February 24	Janice German
March 3	Sharon Rickenbach
March 10	Stephanie Baumgarten
March 17	Fran Grimes
March 24	Shawn Hartman
March 31	Kellee Gooder
April 7	Kay Demaree
April 14 (Palm Sunday)	Vicki Kotschwar
April 21 (Easter Sunday)	Jane Druecker
April 28	Rob Wahlstrom

## Potluck Dinners

MONTH	COMMITTEE/TEAM
January	Worship
February	Ad Council
March	Trustees
April	History/Mem/CongCare
May	SPPRC
September	UMM
October	Finance (Fall Festival)
November	Ad Council (Thanksgiving Dinner)

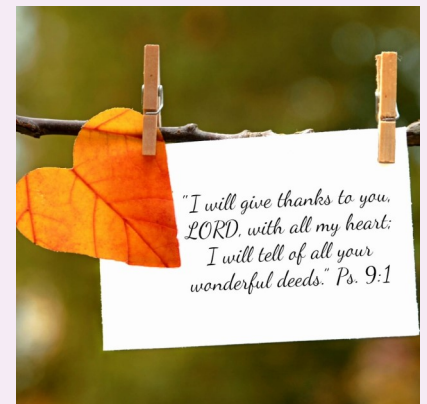
## January—April 2019 Usher, Liturgist, Fellowship Schedule (cont)

<b>January</b>	
6	Dailey Family (Collin & Jules)
13	Fisher Family (Alex)
20	Ferguson Family (Garrett & Claire) & Josslyn Pourier
27	
<b>February</b>	
3	Dailey Family (Jules & Collin)
10	Fisher Family (Alex)
17	Fox Family
24	Koerber Family (James)
<b>March</b>	
3	Koerber Family (James)
10	Fox Family
17	Ferguson Family (Garrett & Claire) & Josslyn Pourier
24	Lavern & Charlene Savage & David & Sandra Blake
31	Robin Foulk, Linda Thayer, Janice German
<b>April</b>	
7	Robin Foulk, Fran Grimes, Janice German
14 (Palm Sunday)	Fernau Family
21 (Easter)	Fernau Family
28	Melody & Tristan Herbert and Linda Thayer

### SPECIAL OFFERING SUNDAYS

During the month of December, a special offering was taken each Sunday for a special program. Thank you so much for your generosity! Here's how your giving touched others—

- **Dec. 9 – UMCOR Disaster Response and Relief** - To help with the fire disasters—**\$165**
- **Dec. 16 –Camp Norwesca Scholarships**—help our church children attend summer Camp—**\$490**
- **Dec. 23 – Feed a Hungry Senior**— Assist with funding for the Meals on Wheels and the Senior Center—**\$140**
- **Dec. 30 – Fuel the Kids**—Help with lunch accounts at the Chadron Public Schools—**\$235**







## Handbells

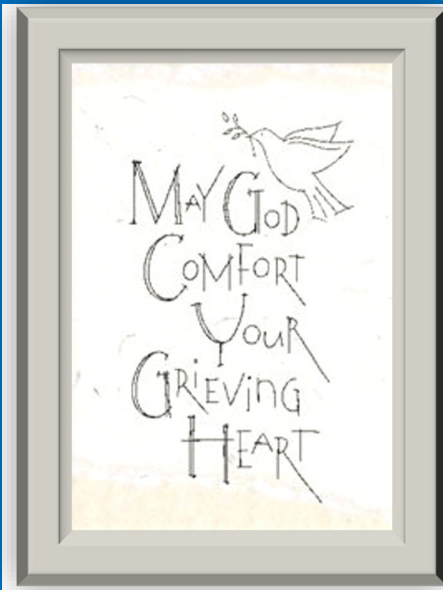
The Hand Bell groups enjoy ringing once a month for the church service and this past December the Quartet rang for three community events. The Quartet played Christmas Carols at the courthouse after the KCSR Parade of Lights for those viewing the Festival of Trees. The Sextet and Quartet rang during the Community Christmas Program at St. Patrick's Catholic Church and the Quartet played Christmas Carols in the lobby of Memorial Hall prior to the Consuming Fire Winter Ballet, Swan Lake. The Hand Bell Choir consists of Ann Buckman, Susan Hucke, Vicki Kotschwar, Vicky Morford, Doralie Lawson, Steph Van Fleet, Betty Martin and Jane Druecker.



## DONATION OF CHRISTIAN BOOKS TO FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

In January the Friends of the Library received a large donation of Christian books. They will be available at the February Book Sale at the Library Annex. The dates are Friday February 8, noon–6:00 and Saturday, February 9, 10:00-3:00. Because of the many

Christian books that were donated, they will be displayed on a special table. The Friends are hosting the annual Chocolate Tasting Party at the library on Friday, the 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00. There will be an assortment of chocolate goodies including a Chocolate Fountain, S'more Maker and Glen Kotschwar's fudge! There will also be a Bake Sale with a variety of items for your Valentine celebrations. Friends of the Library has a Book Sale monthly on the second Friday/Saturday of each month. Come see the many books, neatly displayed, at the Annex and enjoy some chocolate treats.



*Deepest Sympathy and Prayers to the family  
and friends of*

*Meryl A. Cockrell*

*September 25, 1937—December 1, 2018*

*Larry Merrill*

*August 11, 1947—December 22, 2018*

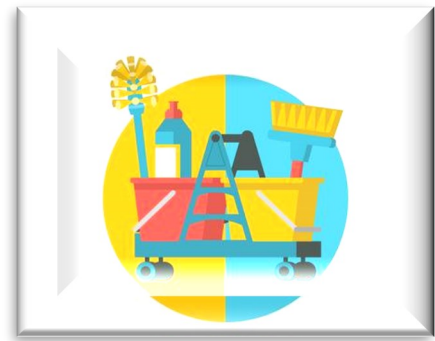
*Dennis J. "Buck" Edwards*

*May 29, 1937—January 25, 2019*

Anyone  
wishing to send  
cards to the  
Edwards  
family, Shirley Edwards' address  
is:



Shirley Edwards  
3040 11th Ave.  
Sidney, NE 69162



**Effective February 1, 2019**

**Jessica Fisher will be the  
new custodian for the Church.**

**Welcome Jessica!**



**Soup and Pie Supper**

**Tuesday, February 12**

**5:30 PM**

**Tomato Soup &  
Grilled Cheese Sandwiches  
Everyone is Welcome!**





**Thank you Scott and the entire Fernau Family for  
all their years of service to the Chadron United  
Methodist Church.**

**We appreciate all you did for us!**

**Your services will be missed!**



## NUMB

(Nebraska United Methodist Bicycle Ride)

In 1893, nine riders took off from Chadron on a 1,000-mile horse race to the Chicago World's Fair. The prize for the winner was \$1,000, or about \$27,500 today. A little over 100 years later, or 1996 to be exact, 37 riders took off from Chadron on the first Nebraska United Methodist Bicycle Ride

for Hunger. On NUMB 2019 it's anticipated that participants will have raised over \$1 million to feed hungry people and raise awareness of hunger projects.

NUMB is very pleased to be back to their roots in Chadron. The Chadron UMC will be hosting the NUMB riders June 22-26. Plans are in the works to have them camp overnight in Chadron and we will be preparing and serving meals for them. As the event gets closer, more information will be available. At this time, we just wanted to make everyone aware so you can get it on your calendars—volunteers will be needed to help prepare meals and serve meals as well as other services. This is a wonderful opportunity to host this group and do some fundraising for the Church.

# Touch of Love Cookies

Saturday, December 15 children and adults gathered in the kitchen to frost, decorate and deliver cookies to Crest View, Prairie Pines Lodge, civic organizations, people who have touched our lives with things they do and those who cannot always get out at Christmas time. The cookies were all decorated with that “Touch of Love” from the children. Fun was had by everyone and at the end of the morning the group was treated to pizza!

Approximately 58 plates of cookies were delivered. Thanks you to everyone who brought cookies—we couldn’t do this without you and thanks to the parents and volunteers who helped the morning of! And thank you to Thrivent Mutual Funds who provided the dollars to buy the frosting, decorations. Plates, etc.. This was our second year of doing this and it was once again a great success! Looking forward to next year!

