



# United Methodist Church of Eagle Valley

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Open Doors.**

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## Palm Sunday



### Food Ministries

On March 19th the Daisy Girls Scouts troop hosted a yummy pasta and meatball dinner for Simple Supper! With the guidance of Sue Terbush, Elizabeth Basso, Jeanine Kenney, other parents and the culinary skills of Mr. Dave Terbush, the guests were happy and full! Thanks Everyone!!!

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After Palm Sunday worship, Louise Carter, Linda Wasser and Eleno Velez handed out flyers to the folks that went shopping at City Market that day. The flyers had the Eagle Valley Community Food Pantry schedule which included the second Saturday of the month, 9-11am beginning April 14th. in English and Spanish.

If you or anyone you know would like to volunteer at the EVCFP please contact Linda Wasser at eaglefoodpantry@gmail.com or 970-331-2260

**For I was hungry, and you fed me...**

Matthew 25:35



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☞ Serving Our Congregation and Community ☜

## April



### Happy Easter

- (4) Women's Book Club  
(Parsonage, 6:30 pm)
- (6) UMW *First Friday Lunch*  
(Asian Fusion, Hwy 6, Gypsum, noon)
- (8) Confirmation Meeting  
(UMC youth room, 6:00pm)
- (10) Ad Council Meeting  
(Fellowship hall, 7:00 pm)
- (15) Native American Ministries Sunday  
(special offering)
- (15) Youth Meeting  
(UMC youth room, 5:00-6:30 pm)
- (20) Lay Leadership Training  
(Fellowship hall, 6:00-9:00 pm)
- (21) Lay Leadership Training  
(Fellowship hall, 8:30-3:30)

### UMC of Eagle Valley (333 2nd Street)

**Worship**  
(10:00 am - 11:00)  
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- **Simple Supper**  
Monday (6:00-7:00)
- **Food Pantry**

Monday (5:30 - 7:00)  
Tuesday (10 - 12)  
Thursday (12 - 2)  
Second Saturday (9-11)

## Pastor's Corner

☜ Pastor Sid Spain

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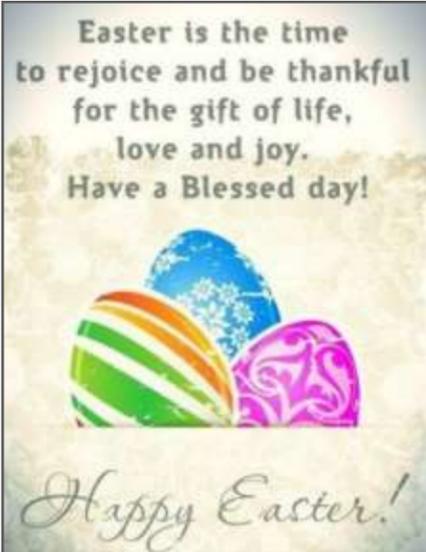
Last month I spent three days at the Redstone Inn, praying, reading, writing, wandering, looking and listening. One warm afternoon I sat on the banks of the Crystal River feeling the sun on my face and listening to the soothing sounds of water over river rock. Eyes closed, I surrendered my thoughts to an enchanted place of touch and sound. After a few minutes I opened my eyes and was surprised by a flicker a movement in the middle of the tumbling stream. I looked more closely and saw a tiny bird flitting over the surface of the water. As I watched she landed on a rock and ducked her head under the water. The rock she chose was not one of the safe rocks, not a rock with a dry surface rising above the flow. She chose a fully submerged rock. She stood there steady as a . . . well, steady as a rock, while the fast moving water surged around her.

I marveled at how she kept from being swept away downstream. She dropped her head under the water like it was a placid birdbath in a backyard garden. Then to my astonishment she dove wholeheartedly into a deep cleft between stones, disappeared completely, before she emerged and hopped easily atop a new rock. I watched her water ballet for several minutes before she abruptly darted away to join a companion at the mouth of a small tributary joining the river upstream.

It was truly a *wonderful* performance. The dance was beautifully choreographed and the dancer was flawlessly agile, every move seemingly effortless and natural as breathing. I looked her up when I returned to my hotel room. She was an American Dipper (how wonderful is that for a name!). The article told me she was feeding while I watched her, having a watery lunch of tiny things served on sparkling mountain crystal.

Water often makes me think of baptism. As I reflected on my friend, Dipper, I thought about baptism and about the choreography of Resurrection life we are meant to enjoy as God's children. The first time Dipper disappeared under the water I sat forward, held my breath, and waited for her to surface. As she literally plunged and rose, we are plunged under the water and rise symbolically refreshed, renewed, and redeemed into the light. Like Dipper we are meant to dance over turbulent waters, finding our nourishment in the tumult. Dipper was delightful and delightfully alive—fully herself and fully alive—like we are meant to be, joyful in the natural company of who we are, dancing the dance of life and eternity in the arms of our Lover.





### Thoughts to Ponder

*The risen Christ is with us and therefore we need not fear the events of this day or any day that lies in our future.*

*We know that each day will be lived in companionship with the One who is able to rescue, redeem, save, keep, and companion us through every experience of this life and the next.*

*This realization does not take away the pain or uncertainty that life holds.*

*But it does give us strength, wisdom, guidance, and most of all, a Companion to travel through each of these experiences with us.*

*Easter Sunday and every Sunday are gentle yet dramatic reminders that*

***we are not alone*** or on our own.

*~~Rueben Job, A Guide to Prayer for All Who Seek God*

**Nursery Attendant Needed:** Jasmine Bryant Mirelez will be leaving us in the near future as she and her family are moving to Wyoming. We are so sorry to see her go as she has provided great care of our little ones. If you or someone you know might be interested in this **paid position**, please see Cynthia to discuss an interview, 970-376-0109 or [children@umcofeaglevalley.org](mailto:children@umcofeaglevalley.org).

**Summer Children's Church Teacher Needed: Paid position** to start on June 3rd. Responsible for simple curriculum, craft and snack for our children ages 3 years old-5th grade during the summer months of June, July, and August. Would consider a shared position of every other week. Contact Cynthia.

### YOUTH!

Confirmation: The next meeting will be April 8th in the youth room at UMC, 6:00-7:30 pm.

Youth Group Meeting in April: April 15th 5-6:30 in the youth room at UMC. This will be our only meeting date in April due to the up coming spring break.

### Education Sunday



This is day that we honor our 2nd, 5th, 8th and 12th graders graduates.

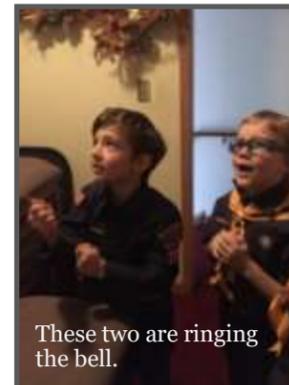
The date has been set for May 6th. If you are unable to attend, we will still include your child in the program and will get their Bible or gift to them later. Please contact Cynthia to confirm that your child is on the list.

970-376-0109 or [children@umcofeaglevalley.org](mailto:children@umcofeaglevalley.org).

### Rainbow Trail Vacation Bible School

2018 VBS will be August 13-17. You will find more information and the requested forms on the home page of the church website, [umcofeaglevalley.org](http://umcofeaglevalley.org) or you may pick them up at the church office.

We recently received more pictures of Boy Scouts Sunday that we just have to share. February 11th our local Cub Scout, Pack 229 pretty much ran the show that Sunday. God Bless our Scouts!



These two are ringing the bell.



Happy Birthday!

- 04-02. D J Jensen
- 04-03. Betsy Cochrane
- 04-04. Robyn Bryant
- 04-04. Kalista Farmer
- 04-04. Amy Niswanger
- 04-05. BethAnn Mallory
- 04-06. Linda Johnson
- 04-07. Sam Casey
- 04-08. David Kuhn
- 04-09. Fred Bapp
- 04-10. Sandy VanCampen-Harris
- 04-10. Kay Miller
- 04-11. Addy Pronga
- 04-17. Lorraine Claussen
- 04-17. Elaine Quiring
- 04-18. Mark Bogertman
- 04-18. Jon Gamble
- 04-21. Amanda Boyd
- 04-21. Nancy Gamble
- 04-21. Bryan Lee
- 04-21. Julie Lingle
- 04-25. Sigmund Johnson
- 04-26. Andrea Arnhold
- 04-27. Danielle Miller
- 04-27. John Plymell
- 04-29. Corah Pronga

Happy Spring!

### Scriptures for April

(1) **Easter** Isaiah 25:6-9; Acts 10:34-43; Mark 16:1-8

(8) Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 1:1-2:2; John 20:19-31

(15) Acts 3:12-19; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48

(22) Acts 4:5-12; 1 John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18

(29) Acts 8:26-40; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8

### Lay Leadership Training 20-21 April

We are hosting a Utah/Western Colorado District **Lay Leadership Training** event Friday evening and Saturday, 20-21 April. Two sessions will be taught, the 10-hour **Basic Course** and a special 6-hour course **Evangelism in the 21st Century**, on the creative and effective use of **Church Media**. The basic training will be conducted by two facilitators from the District, and the media training by a member of the Annual Conference staff. Although we anticipate some laypersons and clergy will join us from other churches in the area, this is a wonderful opportunity for members of our church to get this excellent training for ministry in our church and in other churches in the area. Some participants will discover the weekend to be a first step into greater ministry in the Conference, perhaps become a Lay Preacher; others will see it as an opportunity to learn more about what it means to be a Methodist Christian and to serve our community more knowledgeably. Please mark your calendar, pray about being part of the event, and join others to make the most of this opportunity. It would be wonderful to have 12-20 of our members take part in this learning experience.

### Weekly Announcements

If you are interested in receiving a weekly email that has church and community information, please contact the church office (970-328-6598 or email, [office@umcofeaglevalley.org](mailto:office@umcofeaglevalley.org)). If you would like to include your family in our church directory, please complete the "Contact Information" sheet at the church or contact the office.

### Women's Book Club



The next meeting will be April 4th. The women are reading, *Eat Pray Love* by Elizabeth Gilbert. All women are welcome to join the fun of fellowship, good food, lots of laughs, oh... and, discussion of the book. Please bring a light appetizer to share. And an idea for future book to read. If you don't have time to read the book, plan on coming anyway. The club meets at the parsonage at 0211 Golden Eagle, at the Terrace in Eagle. Call Robyn for more info (303) 903-8249.

### United Methodist Women



The First Friday Lunch in April will be on April 6 at Asian Fusion on route 6, in Gypsum, at 12:00 noon. There will be a sign up sheet by the stairs in the foyer of the church. If you need a ride put a star by your name or call Mary Arnold at 970-347-7627. Hope to see you there. All women are welcome to join us.