

# The Tower Views

May 6th, 2021



Our congregation is in a time of transitions.

One transition is the near completion of phase one of the building project. Soon the staff offices will transition into their new space, entry into the new lower gathering space will open, and the expanded kitchen and restrooms will be available. Later this summer the new worship space will be completed. With this transition, our congregation will experience firsthand the positive impact the total building project will have on the resource of the church building!

We are also in the midst of a pastoral transition. My last Sunday in worship with you will be June 6. Natalie and I will be moving to Jefferson City the week of June 7. After that I will be taking two weeks of vacation. Your new pastor, Rev. Monty Stratton, will begin serving as your pastor July 1. His first Sunday in worship with you will be July 4. In the interim, there will be three guest preachers in Sunday worship.

\*June 13: Kelli Jenkins will preach. Kelli is a Clinton UMC member and a Certified Lay Servant in the UMC. She has filled the pulpit several times in the past.

\*June 20: Rev. Laura Murphy will preach. Rev. Murphy is an ordained UMC minister who is currently on staff with the Missouri United Methodist Foundation. She has filled the pulpit once before.

\*June 27: Rev. David Gilmore will preach. Rev. Gilmore is our District Superintendent. He has joined our congregation for worship a few times recently. This will be his first opportunity to fill the pulpit.

It's an honor to serve as your pastor and I look forward to doing so for the next several weeks! That includes this Sunday as we gather for worship at 8:15 am in-person, online, and on the radio. Let's get together then!

Your partner on the journey, Pastor Steve



## Prayers are needed for:

Shirley Price, Ron Arthur, Myrna Hilty, Melvin Dennis

## Next Week's Scripture Readings:

Sunday: Psalm 98:1-8  
Pray, sing, and rejoice in the Lord.

Monday: 1 John 5:1-6  
Pray to know the victory that comes through belief in Jesus.

Tuesday: Deuteronomy 6:1-9  
Pray for the faith to love God with all that you are and have.

Wednesday: John 15:9-17  
Pray to be obedient to Christ's command to love as he loves.

Thursday: Acts 10:34-43  
Pray for the faith to proclaim the Good News of Christ's death and resurrection.

Friday: Acts 10:44-48  
Pray to know the work of the Holy Spirit when you see it and partner with it.

Saturday: Romans 1:1-7  
Pray and believe God's Good News in Jesus Christ.





### Graduate Recognition

Sunday, May 9th, we will honor the 2021 graduating seniors at the worship service. Join us to congratulate these students and wish them a bright future.

### Baccalaureate

Baccalaureate, the prayer service for graduating seniors will be held at 6:00 PM Sunday. This service will be in our sanctuary and is open for everyone to attend. It will also be broadcast on Facebook Live on the church's Facebook page.



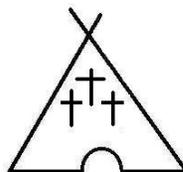
### Baccalaureate Service

### It's Not too Late to Donate—Camp Sagrada

Camp Sagrada is a bible-based church camp where children of parents who are incarcerated go to hear of Jesus - maybe for the first time in their lives.

If you would like to help by sponsoring a child to attend camp for one week this coming summer, the cost is only \$100 and provides everything this child needs for a whole week at camp. If you would like to help with this sponsorship, you can make out a check to the church and mark it for "Camp Sagrada" or go to our website and donate through the Give tab using Vanco. What a blessing it will be to these children who are able to attend this summer.

Blessings to you all, Outreach Committee



### Sunday May 9th

#### Happy Mother's Day!

8:15 AM in-person

(on Facebook Live and KDKD too)

with Senior Recognition

9:15 AM Sunday School (Adults and Kids)

4:00 PM Middle School Youth meet

5:00 PM High School Youth meet

6:00 PM Baccalaureate in Sanctuary and Facebook Live

### Monday, May 10th

6:00 Building Committee Meeting

### Tuesday, May 11

5:30 PPRC Meeting

### Thursday, May 13th

6:00 Trustee Meeting

### Friday, May 14th

9:30 UMW in Fellowship Hall

### Sunday Service Reminder

Remember, at this point, we are only doing the 8:15 am service on Sunday mornings.



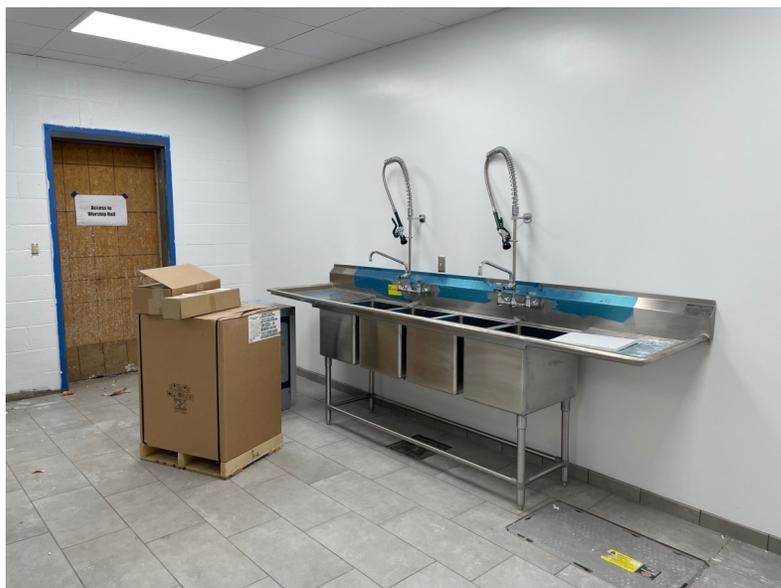


## Building Project Update

You know you're on the home stretch when cabinetry shows up and is being installed.... Floors, ceilings, lighting, paint and plumbing is all coming to a close with hopes that occupancy is just around the corner! Lots of nice spaces for our routines in using our building for the church – which is you!

So many thanks to all the contractors, committee people and especially those that have given to the capital campaign that is making this all possible. There is always more that we can do, but the enhancements to the building will open so many new doors (literally) to our community in ways we only dreamt about before now.

Hang in there just a little longer and we'll be able to swing the doors open wide to welcome you back in!



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