

NUMC Ministries Council – 01/15/2025

NEXT MEETING: January 29, 2025



In attendance: Carol TL, Eric and Ben Lekberg, Brandon Wallace, Eric G, Ann Mackey, Allen McCormack, Mary Larkins, Heidi Horton, Darren CW

Opening Devotion – Brandon Wallace, Welcome – Eric Lekberg

Words of Welcome

- Committee chairs ask for volunteers from their team.
- All MC people ask folks on their committee to find up to 2 volunteers.
- Ben is going to setup a Doodle for this list to be tracked
- Heidi is collecting Liturgists for service; she will start a permanent list of "speaker" willing people
- Eric L. and Mary Larkins volunteered to read for Heidi.

Welcome signage update

The last conversation was at the end of November. Jeff Linnan reported that earlier that week he had heard back from sign printers. Then church was very busy with Advent/Christmas, so no follow-up was done. Eric Lekberg is going to follow up with Jeff Linnan. Darren says if this company can't do it, we should cancel and order from a vendor who can.

Pride update

No News yet

2025 Spring Calendar

Ben asked: Do we need the colors in the book as a key? Could we just write who the audience is, instead of using colors? Looking at a key might be difficult for some people.

January

Food Drive for Mid-North Food Pantry (all month)
12 - UWF Sunday
17 MLK Center Breakfast (Friday)
20 – MLK Celebration at Phillips Temple CME
24 – Family Game Night (Friday)
26 - New Members Class begins. (2/2, 2/9)

February

(2 Saturdays) Mental Health First Aid Event
- 2 experts come to speak (C&N at least 2 Mental Health events before Summer)
9 - Book Exchange
16 - UWF Sunday Supper
28 - Ruth and Naomi event - Overcoming Addiction (7P-9P)

March

1 - Children's Lenten retreat

4 - Mardi Gras
5 - Ash Wednesday
7-9 - Youth Lenten Retreat
9 - Pie Sales
10 Small Groups with Study Guide from Sermon Series (5 week, through April 7)
12 - Communion on Wednesday AMs in Lent starts
12 - Lenten Wednesday Evening - Hymn Sing
15-16 Butterfly Wayfair Station
16 - Pie Sales
18 LGBTQ+ Dinner
22 - Earth Hour - Some kind of worship, at 8:30PM
26 - Lenten Wednesday Evening - Legislative Review - JAT (Housing, and other Justice issues)

April

6 - Children's Ministry Service Project
9 - Lenten Wednesday Evening - Prayer Workshop (Joel Everson)
13 - Palm Sunday
13 - UWF Pie Pickup
13 - Youth Group Easter Egg-Stravaganza!
15 - LGBTQ+ Dinner
17 - Maundy Thursday
18 - Good Friday
20 - Easter
22 - Earth Day (Tuesday)
23 - Bible Study - General Epistles (5 weeks, through May 21)
27 - Earth Day Sunday - Sarah Bowman Wegg (Education Hour)

May

NightWithoutABed Education/Fellowship activity and Fund Raiser
4 - Youth Sunday

4 - Worship Design Presentation (5PM)
11- Mother's Day
11 - Children's Musical
13 - D&F Film Forum: 1946
18 - Plant Exchange
20 - LGBTQ+ Dinner
25 - Indy 500/Memorial Day Sunday
26 - Memorial Day

June

1 - Early (8:30A) Service in the Chapel (thru Aug 31)
7 - Pride Parade/Festival
8 - Pentecost/Pride
10 - Youth Kings Island Trip (Ministries Council to Chaperone)
14-20 - Youth Mission Trip
15 - Summer Choir starts (till Aug 31)
17 - LGBTQ+ Dinner

July

6-11 Pine Creek Camp Days (entering K-8th grades)
15 - LGBTQ+ Dinner

August

3 Backpack & School Teacher Blessing
19 - LGBTQ+ Dinner
24 Education Sunday & Children's Choir Starts

September

7 – Worship without Walls (No 8:30A Service)

Pending JAT Events

- Legal Clinic
- Driver's License Reinstatement
- Police "through my eyes"

Anything else?

- Meeting on the 29th in person, Leadership Kickoff. Baked Potato and Salad Dinner (will be served, All to help with cleanup if needed after meeting)
- Pledge drive - still about 65K short. Lost about 20-23K in pledgers (death, etc.) but also gained some. Mostly people who have pledged before but have not yet. The biggest NUMC problem is procrastination. Need to move pledging back to October, so there is more pre-holiday time to follow-up with congregants.

Upcoming meeting dates –

January 29, February 19, March 19, April 16, May 21 (In Person), June 18, July 16, August 20, September 17, October 15, November 19, December 17