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**OCTOBER
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**ANDOVER UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
P.O. Box 519
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**SUNDAY SERVICE
IN PERSON &
LIVESTREAM
FACEBOOK AUMCKS
10:00am**

MEDIA CONNECTIONS

Andover United Methodist Church
www.andoverumc.com
AUMC Online Church Directory
<https://andoverumc.ctrn.co/>
The Outreach Newsletter
andoverumc.com/outreach.html

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK:

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<https://www.facebook.com/AUMCKS>
Andover UMC CrossFit Youth Ministries: <https://goo.gl/sX4Y3n>
Andover UMC Children's Ministry
<https://goo.gl/VbzPwX>



WORD FROM THE PASTOR

⁴⁵“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.” Matthew 13:45-46

What is the most valuable thing you own? How did you obtain it? As I thought of this question, I turned on the news and saw updates on the fires in Western US. We have been seeing images from fires for years now and still every time I see new ones, it is just as devastating. I give thanks for the hard-working firemen and women as they fight to get the fires under control. It does make me wonder what I would grab if my family had five minutes to pack and get out before a fire descended upon us. How about you? If you had five minutes to pack up what would you grab? Are those things the same as what you considered to be the most valuable thing you own?

The merchant is searching for things of value. The merchant knows the difference between what has value and what does not. Not only does the merchant have knowledge, he also has commitment to obtain value. If the merchant had to quickly pack up his house in five minutes, he knows exactly what to get. This parable is about the kingdom of heaven. It is about how we are to be like the merchant. While the pearl of great value is intriguing as is, the question of what is of great value in our life, Jesus focuses on the actions of the merchant.

How do you determine what has value? Jesus says that the kingdom of heaven is found not in things but in people who know what has value. To know value is to be able to use your resources, your time, your energy towards that which will bring the most life, joy, and love into the world. May your October be filled with successful searches for value of joy, peace, and love into your life!

God Bless,

Pastor Ryan

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Sunday	Tuesday 7:00 pm	Wednesday	Thursday 7:00pm
			10/1 High School Zoom
10am In-Person & On-Line Service	10/6 Middle School Zoom	10/7 6:30pm Kids Connect Zoom High School In-Person 7:00pm Midweek Service Zoom	10/8 High School Zoom
11am Sunday School Zoom	10/13 Middle School Zoom	10/14 6:30pm Kids Connect In-Person Middle School In-Person 7:00pm Midweek Service Zoom	10/15 High School Zoom
5pm Pathfinder Sunday School In-Person	10/20 Middle School Zoom	10/21 Kids Connect (no meeting) 6:30pm High School In-Person 7:00pm Midweek Service Zoom	10/22 High School Zoom
	10/27 Middle School Zoom	10/28 6:30pm Kids Connect In-Person Middle School In-Person 7:00pm Midweek Service Zoom	10/29 High School Zoom

Notification from Trustees:

- If the Andover Schools go on line, all in person approved church activities will be cancelled.
- Storage Room Items must be marked with:
 - Description of item
 - Name of who stored item
 - Date item was put in storage
 - When item will be used again
 Note: Items not marked will be subject to disposal by Trustees

Serenity Carpenter is Sarah and Ryan's niece and we have been praying for her for some time.

She will be going back into Children's Mercy for what is expected to be a longer than usual stay.

When Pastor Ryan came to visit with the Quilters on Wednesday, Sept 23, we started talking about her and asking questions. The Quilters decided to spend some of their monies received from Jerri Shelman to send a love gift to Serenity. She will receive two sketch books, fun pens and sparkly glue, a picture/scrapbook album with extra pages, books of stickers, special paper for her prints and a box for her pencils.

We are grateful to be a part of the great movement of Jesus Christ!



Those Gathered Online & In Person Sunday to Worship the Lord Our God

DATE	Online Adult Servc.	Online Child. Servc.	In-Person	Totals
8/2/20	220	33	31	284
8/9/20	296	67	25	388
8/16/20	306	60	31	397
8/23/20	340	75	27	442
8/30/20	306	30	44	380

ANDOVER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MISSION STATEMENT

"Connecting people with the love of God through Jesus Christ"

Wearing Different Shoes: October 4-18th

There is a saying that goes, “Don’t judge someone until you walk a mile in their shoes.” For three weeks we will take this advice. Each week we will look at lessons from Jesus and examine them from different perspectives. By exploring how Jesus is received by different perspectives in the Gospels, we will also explore what it means that Jesus is received differently today. Join us as we walk a mile in someone else’s shoes!



Halloween: Do Not Be Afraid! October 25th- November 8th

The most common command or instruction given by God is to not be afraid. This should be very reassuring to know that God desires us to not live in fear. Yet, fear permeates our culture. For three weeks we will examine scary movies, current fears, and how scripture of God’s assurance applies to us today.



AUMC is looking for amazing people to help with worship by -

- ⇒ **reading scripture and prayers**
- ⇒ **running the computer**
- ⇒ **writing down prayer requests**
- ⇒ **greeter both in person and on the live feed.**

If you would like to help, contact pastor Ryan!

Join us this Sunday at 10:00am for worship

Live Stream Worship on Facebook

OR

In Person Worship-come in east doors near sanctuary and follow ushers to a seat. Also, we ask that you wear a mask (masks are available if you don't have one).

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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**BIRTHDAYS
THIS MONTH**



01 Shirley Reed-Janzen	17 Alex Menke
02 Nadine Hayden	18 Kerry Baker
03 Kathryn Halfman	19 Liz Raehpour
03 Eugene Jake Jacobs	20 Christopher Wolfe
03 Danielle DuFriend	20 Brett Slack
03 Averie Fetters	21 Ron Hole
04 Jennifer Kaufman	22 Irene Gagnon
05 Madison Oles	23 Joni Knab
05 Alex Delimont	24 David Beaver
06 Melissa Slack	27 Sammy Hole
07 Kinze Kneisel	27 Brian Slack
08 Caroline Dower	29 Cathy Harmon
09 Irene Martin	30 Shannon Young
10 Marcia Haskins	30 Kaitlyn Eilert
10 Nancy West	31 Pat Duncan
10 Joey Jackson	
11 Brian Eidem	
11 Gracyn Watson	
12 Tim Souders	
12 Hannah Roths	
13 Willa Edwards	
13 Debbie Shields	
14 Larry Hamm	
14 Janeen Baker	
14 Jim Ford	
14 Austin Delimont	
15 Kelli Martin	
16 Alyssa Fullington	

06 Brian & Leslie Eidem
07 Chris & Betsy Bumgarner
10 Justin & Sherame Kneisel
14 Corey & Danielle Baker
18 Dan & Tammy Eilert
22 Charlie & Mary Carson
24 Kerry & Janeen Baker

Life Line Screening at AUMC 11/12/20

A package of 5 screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

- Carotid artery ultrasound to identify plaque buildup in the carotid arteries, a major risk for stroke
- Abdominal aortic aneurysm ultrasound to identify presence of an enlargement in the largest blood vessel in the body
- An EKG to identify the presence of atrial fibrillation, which increases the risk for stroke
- Ultrasound of the lower legs to look for plaque buildup known as peripheral artery disease
- Ultrasound of the shin bone to identify risk for osteoporosis

These 5 vital screenings are offered for only \$149 & take 60-90 min. to complete. If you register today you will receive a \$10 discount.

Register by calling 1-888-653-6441, visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle, or text the word "circle" to 797979

PRAYER REQUEST



Sympathies to Families/Friends in the Passing of:	Illness & Treatment:	Recovering:	Other:
Vaughn Gregg's brother	Bob Pippin	Peggy Valero	AUMC
Marilyn's (Royal Owen's s-i-l) brother (Sept.)	Natasha Reissig, daughter of Keith & Kay Reissig	Bob Palmer's d-i-l	Our Country
Nancy Mattke's friend (Sept.)	Nancy Mattke's friend's daughter's family	Hardy Wasson	Suicide Awareness
Jan Mansfield's sister (Sept.)	Colton, Nicole DeHass' friend	Maddison Oles	College Students
	Nancy Mattke's cousin's nephew's family	Braxton Church, Marjorie Snyder's great-nephew	Students, teachers, school districts
	Virginia Wise, Pam Matlock's friend	Doris Wyatt	Jillian Primm
	Serenity Carpenter, Ryan & Sarah's niece	Tammy Eilert	Karol Hasting's sister
	Kevin Bell, Irene Martin's daughter's friend	Bill Miller, Issy's husband	Kyle, Rae & Russ Thiel's son
	Marilyn, Mark Hartness' sister	Don & Anna, friends of Barb Hartness' parents	Erin Murray's nephew
	Katrina, Linda Siebold's niece		Amanda Hamon
	Marla, Nancy Kohman's sister		Judy Smith, Kim Fulgum's mom
	Rick Taylor		Eric Becker's mother
	Layne Kneisel		David Vaughter's mother
	Kathy Halfman		Margaret Thorpe
	Tina, Food Bank Helper		Eldon Graham
	Marilyn Kumar's d-i-l's son, Josh		Paul Haines
	Chris Jackson, Lynette Juresic's cousin		Betty Rich
	Kevin Edwards, James & Tiffany Stepien's friend		Mary, John Juresic's step mom
	Charles West, Bob West's brother		
	Clifford Mattke, Frank Mattke's brother		
	Boone, Nancy Mattke's grandson		
	Rhonda Menke		
	Those with Covid-19		

➤➤➤ CROSSFIT YOUTH NEWS

Happy October!!

I cannot believe we are already here! September was a month to remember as we attempted to navigate new school schedules and a new way of doing youth group. Although we went through some difficulties with scheduling, weather, and technology, I am thankful that we have been able to meet at all. It is so life-giving to myself and our volunteers to see students back together in community with one-another.

We are going to plan on continuing our current schedule into October. This plan isn't perfect but we believe that this is the best way to move forward at this time until further notice! The October schedule is listed below. Please also note that there is a possibility that we as a church will do something fun for our students on Halloween, but that will be a decision made closer to the time of the holiday.


Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
		1. High School Zoom
6. Middle School Zoom	7. High School In-Person	8. High School Zoom
13. Middle School Zoom	14. Middle School In-Person	15. High School Zoom
20. Middle School Zoom	21. High School In-Person	22. High School Zoom
27. Middle School Zoom	28. Middle School In-Person	29. High School Zoom

We already know this year is a lot different than any other year. Normally at this time we would be going full swing on mission trip planning and fundraising. I want you all to know that this conversation will come soon. In the interest of not getting hopes too high, I have been hesitant to talk about mission trips and summer camp, however, I don't want them to sneak up on us either. I have no way of knowing what the world will look like this summer, and I want to hope for the best, so I will be in communication about summer activities very soon.

As always, I appreciate your support and patience, and I ask you to continue prayers for our church, our students, our country, and our world as a whole. If there is anything that Andover UMC or Crossfit Youth Ministries can do for you, please don't hesitate to let us know!

Peace,

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	Visit our Facebook page View our calendar at bit.ly/1KmUhYm
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Hey AUMC families,

Happy Fall Y'all! A new season is upon us. Time for cooler weather, changing leaf colors, pumpkin pie, pumpkin spice and everything nice! I thought a rhyme was needed.

Change seems to be a constant these days. Although at this time, it really seems this season of Covid needs to change. Reminds me of two things: the song, "Turn, Turn, Turn" by the Byrds and Ecclesiastes 3:1-8. To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven.

At this time, we would all like to know what purpose Covid is serving and when it will be gone. As time continues to move on, we are making the best of it. Sometimes we need to mourn and weep and sometimes we laugh and dance. Our children process all these thoughts and feelings too! We need to let them know it is okay to have all these thoughts and feelings. Things will change, as they always do. We need to turn to God and rely on Him.

I would love to see what you and your families are doing at home during our time apart! Keep posting photos on our new Andover UMC Kids' ministry Facebook page — <https://www.facebook.com/AUMCKidMin>

We miss all of you at church! I am praying that I can get hugs from you again very soon!

Blessings,



Family ideas

CREATE A LIST OF BLESSINGS-Sit down with your family and write down everything you're grateful for in preparation of Thanksgiving.

PLANT BULBS FOR THE SPRING-The best time to plant tulips bulbs is in the fall, about six to eight weeks before a hard frost is expected, according to The Old Farmer's Almanac. After a dreary winter, you'll be greeted by a yard full of beautiful flowers come springtime.

BRING PIE TO A NEIGHBOR-Store-bought or homemade, it doesn't matter! This kind gesture will be appreciated by all,

UNPLUG FOR THE DAY-Make a pact and get everyone in the family to turn off their cellphones (parents included!), so that you can really enjoy the beautiful season.

Mark Your Calendars

Kids Connect-We will continue to alternate between in person outside and Zoom.
10/7-Zoom, 10/14-In person, 10/21-No meeting 10/28-In person

IMPORTANT EVENTS TO NOTE



Tuesday Crosfit
Wednesday Kids Connect
 Crossfit
 Midweek Service
Thursday Crossfit

10 am— Online Service
 In Person Worship
11 am— Sunday School by
 zoom
5 pm— Pathfinder Sunday
 School in person

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