



January 26, 2025  
8:30 am

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**Prelude** – Jan Mix

**Wesley Ringers** – Joyous Spirit

**Welcome and Greeting** – Pastor Dave York

**Call to Worship** - Kathy McKinley

Leader: Make a joyful noise, a noise of service and love.

**People: Praise God with lives of compassion.**

Leader: Sing with acts of kindness.

**People: Glorify God with acts of mercy.**

Leader: Praise God with works of justice.

**People: Praise God with overflowing love.**

**Opening Hymn** – Morning Has Broken UMH 145

**Prayer of Illumination** – Glorious God, shine your light of your love into the lives of those who need it most. And, especially, to those who think they need it the least. May we see your glory reflected in all people and be reminded to shine your light for all to see. Speak to us through your word and the cries of the needy that we may respond with compassion. Reveal yourself in the lost and lonely that we may be fully present to others. Amen.

**Choir Anthem** – The Gift of Love by Hal Hopson

**Gospel Reading** – Matthew 25: 31-40 - Debbie Gebhardt

**Middle Hymn** – Happy the Home UMH 445

**Old Testament Reading** – Ruth 2

**Sermon** - Kindness of a Stranger

**Affirmation of Faith** – Wesleyan Covenant Prayer

**Prayer Time and Lord's Prayer**

**Next Steps, Offering, and Doxology**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** – Compassionate God, help us show grace and mercy to everyone we meet. Help us see your face in every hungry child, in every tired woman and every disappointed man. Teach us to hear your cry in every person who mourns, every person who is lonely, every person who groans in their labors. Use the gifts we offer so that we may love our neighbor as you have commanded. Amen.

**Closing Hymn** – Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life UMH 427

**Benediction**



Truly I tell you, just as you did it  
to one of the least of these  
brothers and sisters of mine,  
you did it to me.  
Matthew 25:40



Doug & Alice Hall, Mary Stephenson, Jennifer Bell, Richard Hansen, June Baker, Margary Scheele, Norma McCallister, Esther Polson, Linda Steele



Students in 7th-12th grade meet tonight at 6 pm. For info, contact Kristen at [khowell@fumclvks.org](mailto:khowell@fumclvks.org). Students in 5th-6th grade meets Feb. 2 at noon. Contact Nancy for details at [nshade@fumclvks.org](mailto:nshade@fumclvks.org).

Wonderful Wednesday is for kids age 3 through sixth grade. They're studying the book of Genesis at 3:45 pm. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, contact Nancy, [nshade@fumclvks.org](mailto:nshade@fumclvks.org).



Young adults ages 18 to 35 are invited for a night of fellowship on Feb. 5 at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. For more information, contact Kristen at [khowell@fumclvks.org](mailto:khowell@fumclvks.org).

Joey Denney is selling smoked ribs and pulled pork for your Super Bowl celebrations. All proceeds benefit St. Paul's Missions. It will be available for pick up from St. Paul's Lutheran, Feb. 7. To order, fill out the form and prepay in the office by Feb. 2. For details, ask Ed [egarven@fumclvks.org](mailto:egarven@fumclvks.org).



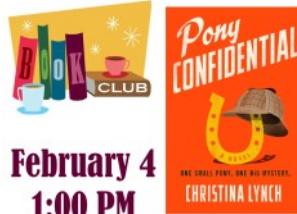
The Women's Bible study will start a study on the *Gospel of John* by Melissa Spoelstra. The same study meets Tuesday at 10 am OR Thursday at 6:30 pm. Contact Carol for details, [cshafer@lvnworth.com](mailto:cshafer@lvnworth.com).

We have three Grief Share groups; Virtual is every Mon, Spouse group is the third Tues. and Open group is the second and fourth Wed. For info, contact Marsha at [marshagaffin@gmail.com](mailto:marshagaffin@gmail.com).



Heart & Soul Ladies Bible Study meets on Weds at 1:30 pm. They meet in Room 101 of the Ed building. For info, contact Margaret at [margaret.burland@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.burland@gmail.com)

Looking for a fun read this winter? The book club is reading *Pony Confidential* by Christina Lynch. In this one-of-a-kind mystery with heart and humor, a hilariously grumpy pony must save the only human he's ever loved after discovering she stands accused of a murder he knows she didn't commit. We will discuss it Feb 4 and 1 pm. Join us!



Trinity House is a food pantry and clothing closet at 2101 10th Ave. They need warm clothing that is gently used and food donations. Drop off times are Tues-Thurs from 10 am to 1 pm. Call (913) 682-7474 for details.

Stronghold is a food pantry for soldiers at Ft. Leavenworth. They're in need of canned tuna, chicken, mac & cheese, pasta sauce, and pasta. We have a plastic tote for donations in the foyer.



# WEEKLY Sneak Peek

## Monday, January 27

5:00 pm Virtual Grief Share

## Tuesday, January 28

10:00 am Gospel of John Bible Study

6:30 pm Pastor Dave's Ruth Bible Study

## Wednesday, January 29

9:00 am Prayer Group

1:30 pm Heart & Soul

3:45 pm Wonderful Wednesday

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, January 30

6:30 pm Gospel of John Bible Study

## Saturday, February 1

9:00 am Samaritan's Buffet



## DIGITAL OFFERING

Online giving is available at [fumclvks.org/give](http://fumclvks.org/give) or use the QR code above to go directly to the website. You can use a check or credit card. For help, contact Steven at [sshade@fumclvks.org](mailto:sshade@fumclvks.org).

**MEN'S PRAYER & STUDY**  
**BREAKFAST**  
**FEBRUARY 15**  
**8:00 AM**

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**LEAVENWORTH COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATION**  
**13TH ANNUAL**  
**BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION**  
**African Americans and Labor**

Saturday, February 1, 2025  
 5:00 Social Hour  
 5:45 - 6:30 Dinner Raffles

Live Entertainment  
 Dress to Impress or Afrocentric Attire!!

Riverfront Community Center  
 123 S Esplanade St.  
 Leavenworth, KS 66048

Guest Speaker  
 La Rochelle Young  
 Mayor of Atchison, KS

The Black History Month Celebration is Feb. 1 at the Riverfront Community Center. LaRochelle Young is the guest speaker. Tickets are \$50. For tickets, contact Edna Wagner at 913-682-8772.