

crossroads circuit rider



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Join Us on Sundays for In Person Worship!

Join us for **in person worship** each **Sunday at 11:00 AM!** Easter Sunday was very special with music provided by both the Choir and the We Praise Band. The altar was filled with beautiful flowers (thank you to all who helped with that). At the end of the service there was a visit from the Easter Bunny who ushered in the children's egg hunt held outside.

The services are also being recorded and will be available on our Facebook page. You will find this at:

www.facebook.com/CrossroadsUnitedMethodistChurchPortsmouth.



Crossroads Community Prayer Walks were put on hold during the cold, winter months. With Spring here, the first Saturday of each month is the meetup day so it is on the calendar **for Saturday, May 7th at 10:00 AM**. Wear your church t-shirt, if you have one, and meet on the steps of the sanctuary.



The **weekly small group Bible study** led by Ruth Gilmore will finish up the New Testament study on May 5, 12, & 19 at 10:00 AM in the church fellowship hall. They will take a few weeks off and then begin The Chosen, season 2 in June. **All** are welcome to come and participate. You will be blessed.



Crossroads' Dance Team has weekly practice on Saturdays. They meet on the 2nd floor of the Education wing at 1:00 PM. The class is open to boys and girls between the ages of 3 years old and up. Mrs. Ellen Clayton is the instructor. Anyone who would like more information or would like to register their child can contact the church office at 397-7815 and give their child's name, age, and phone number.

They plan to perform on the 5th Sundays during the year. This will be such an inspiring ministry at Crossroads.



Crossroads' Food Pantry is a Blessing to the Community

Crossroads' Food Pantry is open on **Tuesdays 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**. There is a shortage in food available from the Food Bank at this time. Anything you can do for this program would be a blessing to this ministry and to the people who are served. Monetary donations would be helpful to be able to buy foods from other sources. See Ronnie Perkins, David Lutz, or Pat Mullins for more information.

If you would like to help in the Food Pantry on Tuesdays, contact the above folk and they can tell you when you would be needed.



United
Women
in Faith

The **Crossroads United Women in Faith** held a virtual General Meeting on Wednesday, April 20th. Janet Day, their Mission Coordinator for Spiritual Growth, presented an interesting program for their Call of Prayer and Self Denial

The year's plans are as follows.

- ❖ UMW general meetings and programs for the year:
 - United Women in Faith Sunday – has been postponed from May to an undetermined date in the fall
 - June 15 – Circle of Friends the present the program in conjunction with a Picnic – 6:00 PM
 - September 21 – World Thank Covered Dish Dinner – 6:00 PM
- ❖ UMW projects for the year: Easter Flowers (Circle of Friends), Thanksgiving Bulletin (Circle of Grace), Plantation Nuts

Remember all our Circles would be happy to have new members. Think about it!



The We Praise Band will bring songs of Joy & Praise at the May 15 Worship Service.



Daily Devotion Publication Available in Narthex

The Upper Room daily devotional booklet is available in our narthex. If you are not coming to worship, you can come up to the office on Tuesdays during office/food pantry hours and someone will help with getting one. Small print booklets are 75¢ and large print booklets will be \$1.25.

Two Ongoing Monthly Volunteer Opportunities for You:

- **Meals on Wheels** will be delivered on 4th Wednesday, May 25. To volunteer, contact Ginny Collins.
- **Oasis Ministries Breakfast** will be prepared and served on 4th Thursday, May 26. If you would help with this, contact Iverson Garrison. They have been told that they will be going back to preparing hot meals in June. More volunteers will be need at that time. Please consider this.

Upcoming Events:

- **Communion Sunday** – May 1 – 11:00 AM
- **Community Prayer Walk** – Sat, May 7 – 10:00 AM
- **Bible Study** with Ruth Gilmore – Fellowship Hall – Thursdays – 10:00 AM
- **Ballet** – each Saturday @ 1:00 PM
- **Food Pantry** – each Tuesday – 10:00 AM till noon
- **Church Council Meeting** – May 17 – 7:00 PM
- **Meals on Wheels** – Wednesday, May 25
- **Oasis Breakfast** – Thursday, May 26



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