



# September 2020

Sharon Springs United Methodist Church  
 Pastor Galen Crippen  
 520 W. 6th Ave., P.O. Box 339

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 UMW Cancelled Bible Study at Prairie Village 11:00 A.M.	3 Adult Bible Study at the Church 11:00 A.M.	4	5
6 Holy Communion	7 (office closed) Labor Day	8	9 Kid's Choir 3:30 Bible Study at Prairie Village 11:00 A.M.	10 Adult Bible Study at the Church 11:00 A.M.	11	12
13 Grandparent's Day  Ad Min Council Mtg After Church Service	14	15	16 Kid's Choir 3:30 Bible Study at Prairie Village 11:00 A.M.	17 Adult Bible Study at the Church 11:00 A.M.	18	19
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27 Evening of Praise! 5:00 P.M. Kevin & Heidi Cheng Piano-Violin Concert	28	29	30 Kid's Choir 3:30 Bible Study at Prairie Village 11:00 A.M.			

## It is time for choir!!!!

The Sharon Springs United Methodist Church's K-8th grade Wesley Choir will begin meeting on September 2, 2020. Due to Covid concerns we will be meeting to sing in the sanctuary. This way we can spread out a little more. Unless the county situation changes and/or the school makes some changes we will meet as usual every Wednesday right after school until 4:30. We will have a snack as usual and will play a game at the end. (Favorite activity of most of the children). If you do not feel comfortable with your child eating a snack someone else has fixed, feel free to send one with them. If you are not feeling comfortable with your child coming to choir during this time, we totally understand. They are welcome to come back any time. We are also looking for someone to help with choir snacks. This would mean helping to serve the snack and then wiping off the tables and sometimes a little vacuuming. Marsha Johnson has helped us for several years but has decided it is time for her to retire this position. Thank you Marsha for your dedication to our choir! If you know of any family that would be interested in attending our choir this year please give them this information. We plan to sing for church September 13th. We hope to see many children in choir this year! We have missed the kids!

Lois Pearce, Bev Elder, Jayne Humphrey Pearce & Emily Bolen



## UMW INFORMATION

The Sharon Springs United Methodist Women will not be meeting on September 2, 2020 as previously scheduled. We are praying that by October 7th we will feel comfortable meeting again. We also are praying that by October 21st, we will be able to have our annual soup supper. President Emily Bolen would like to suggest that during this unprecedented time, when we are not able to be together as much and many are unable to join in group activities, we take some time to connect in different ways. Please think of someone that is unable to get out or seems to be struggling with things and call them or send them a card. Pick someone that is trying to make decisions during this time for our country, state, county, schools, and churches and pray for them every day. Even if you do not agree with their decisions they need your prayers. Prayer is our most powerful weapon against Satan. Start off your prayer with thanksgiving. We have much to be thankful for even when we are faced with the hard things in our world right now.

By Emily Bolen

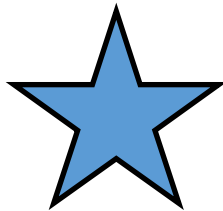
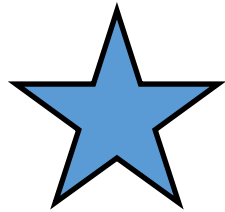


## LABOR DAY: WHAT IT MEANS

Labor Day brings to mind picnics, cookouts and family gatherings. Falling on the first Monday in September, it marks the unofficial end of summer, and the beginning of a new school year. But the holiday was created in 1882 to honor the social and economic contributions of American workers.

In a strong economy, it's easy to take for granted the ability to work and be paid well. But times have changed during this last several months, with many people still struggling with unemployment and underemployment. During our holiday celebrations the year, let's give thanks for the jobs we have, pray for those who aren't as fortunate and offer words of help to someone who needs it.

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## Pastor's Page

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*Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Matthew 5:9*

*When times are trying it is our belief and trust in God that gets us through our problems and out the other side of the tunnel in good standing. With all the unknowns coming from the Coronavirus it is unsettling to be "trapped" at home and worried about talking to people face to face. I know it is exceedingly difficult to not be able to see the grand children and do much travel but stay strong and have faith that we are in God's care and it will get better. It is safe coming to church each Sunday and seeing fellow believers is a great way to recharge your battery. Feel free to stay around after church and visit with each other and let the cabin fever melt away.*

*Our new adult bible study on Galatians is going well. We are accepting new people to come join us on Thursday mornings at 11:00 as we go through the writings of Paul.*

*I am excited to announce that on Sunday, September 27th, at 5:00 pm we will be hosting Kevin and Heidi Cheng for a wonderful time of music and praise. Please plan to attend.*

*In closing I pray that you and your family stay enjoy all the upcoming events and activities coming with fall.*

*God's Blessings,*

*Pastor Galen*



## WHY DO WE CELEBRATE GRANDPARENTS DAY?

September 13, 2020

### The History of Grandparents Day

Marion McQuade hoped to establish a national day that would honor grandparents, and in 1970 she began a campaign to do so. McQuade raised awareness about senior citizens throughout the 1970s. In 1978, President Jimmy Carter declared the first Sunday after Labor Day to be National Grandparents Day. Each year, the president issues a proclamation to keep the tradition going.

Grandparents day has both an official flower and song. The official flower is the forget-me-not, and Johnny Prill's "A Song for Grandma and Grandpa". Both were chosen by the National Grandparent's Council.

Let's appreciate all the joy and wisdom that grandparents bring to our lives!



## September Kitchen Committee (Funeral, Wedding and Church Dinners)

Cathy Walker, Chairman

Jayne Pearce

Norma Finley

Amie Gibbs

Trina Mays

Lisa Walker

Gloria Gailey



## ***EVENING OF PRAISE***

***On Sunday, September 27th at 5:00 P.M. @ Sharon Springs United Methodist Church Kevin & Heidi Cheng will present a Piano-Violin Concert.***

***Featuring country western, bluegrass gospel, sacred, Irish, ragtime, and Classical Music.***

***6 times Symphony Orchestra Young Artist Competition Winner***

***Free will offering***