

# MARCH, 2016 NEWSLETTER

## BRIDGEVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NORMAN, OKLAHOMA

WE WALK WITH CHRIST, WORSHIP GOD IN ALL WE DO AND SAY, AND WELCOME OTHERS INTO THE BODY OF CHRIST, AS WE MAKE DISCIPLES FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD.

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From Pastor Adam's weekly news note:

As of today, I will continue to preach on Sundays at Bridgeview UMC at least through Easter Sunday. Worship will remain at 10:00 a.m. and I will continue to leave before the announcements, benediction, and closing song to make it to the beginning of *The Moment* Worship @ Moore 1st UMC. ... Sunday at the end of the worship service ... I said, ... "I don't think we're through yet!" That has become the case, at least through March 27th.

Aly will continue to partner the youth groups, I will continue to preach and lead worship, and Pastor Rob and I will continue to make hospital and home visits and cover pastoral care.

### GUEST VISITATION NEEDED!

I need at least one team of 2 people (preferably two) to visit our guests who sign in on Sunday mornings and deliver a Bridgeview

mug and welcome card to the individual or family. If you are interested in filling this role, contact me at [adam.shahan@moorechurch.com](mailto:adam.shahan@moorechurch.com)

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### EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Missions Meeting - Tuesday 7pm  
(We are taking a mission team to Rio Bravo April 21st-24th from Moore 1st and Bridgeview and we are in need of more missionaries. If you can attend this 4-day medical and construction mission and have a current Visa, we need you on the team. We have 5 people currently, and it would be ideal to have 5 more. Please prayerfully consider joining this joint mission to Rio Bravo and email me at [adam.shahan@moorechurch.com](mailto:adam.shahan@moorechurch.com) ASAP to indicate interest. Cost is \$300.00 and scholarship money is available.

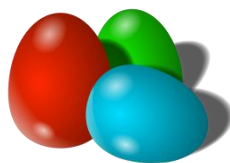
Youth Group - Wednesday 5:30 p.m.

*The View from the Bridge*, the Lenten spiritual growth series, continues each Sunday night before Easter at 6:00 p.m. in the Bridgeview sanctuary. Join us for hymn-singing and spiritual insights. The study was written by Pastors Rob and Adam, and parallels the sermons given during Lent. Pastor Rob Harris will lead the remaining meetings.

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### **Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast, 3/19**

There are bags of empty plastic eggs to be picked up at the church to be filled for the annual BVUMC egg hunt on March 19<sup>th</sup>!



About 2/3 of them were taken last Sunday, but I forgot to make a list, so please take a moment on Sunday to find the list so we know how

many are being filled. We hope that all of them will go home this Sunday!! You can choose between bags of 24 small or 12 large eggs. *Take as many as you will fill.* Please return the filled eggs by Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.

The Easter Egg Roll is Saturday, March 19 @ 10:00 a.m. Watch for an announcement on the time for the all-church breakfast: it will precede the egg hunt. Plans are being made to canvass the neighborhoods, inviting others to join us for services and the Easter Egg Hunt. **Even if you don't have children and their friends hunting that day, your presence will be important to meet and greet those who come.**

Thanks much for your help! Emilee Lynch  
321-3822

### **Easter Lilies**

If you would like to provide a plant to decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, please bring one you have purchased. If you bring a lily before Easter, please leave it in the hallway where it will get light. Because of the Good Friday service, we will not put the plants in the sanctuary before Easter morning.



## **Holy Week Services**



**Maundy Thursday Service  
at Moore 1<sup>st</sup>  
March 24th | 6:30 p.m.**

There will be a Maundy Thursday service in the Fellowship Hall of Moore 1st UMC led by Senior Pastor Rob Harris. We will learn about the Passover Seder, receive introductions of the disciples gathered in the upper room, celebrate communion, and experience a family-friendly and interactive service of worship. **Members of Bridgeview UMC are invited and encouraged to attend.** Moore 1st UMC is located at 201 W. Main Street in Moore.

### **Good Friday Service**

**Bridgeview UMC Sanctuary | 6:30 p.m.**  
This will be a Good Friday Service of Darkness led by Pastor Adam Shahan and featuring the Bridgeview Chancel Choir.

## **Easter Sunday, March 27** **Sunrise service**

7:00 a.m.

on the south acreage at Bridgeview UMC

### **Indoor worship**

10:00 a.m.

in the sanctuary of Bridgeview UMC

Both services will be led by Pastor Adam Shahan and Choir Director Glen Woods.

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See Bridgeview's Facebook page for information, photos, and comments. It is possible to view the page even if you don't have a Facebook account. This is a convenient place to get a link to Pastor Adam's weekly e-note.

### **Youth Group**

Youth from Bridgeview and Moore 1<sup>st</sup> shared lunch at Bridgeview on Sunday, February 28. The youth groups continue meeting together at Moore 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 on Sundays and Wednesdays (the group will not meet on Easter Sunday).

### **HEARTLAND DISTRICT**

#### **5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Senior Luncheon**

**March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**11:30 am to 2:00 pm**

**Hosted by Moore 1<sup>st</sup> UMC**

**201 West Main Street, Moore, OK**

Moore 1<sup>st</sup> will furnish the main dish, bread and drinks. Participants are asked to bring covered dishes, salads and desserts. Come for fun, great food, visiting with old friends, and making new friends from all over the district. Dan DeMoss will entertain with some gospel music.

Call MFUMC at (405) 794-6671 for more information. Please RSVP by Monday March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 with a count of those attending.

### **UMW**

Bridgeview UMW meets at the church Tuesday, March 15, 6:30 P.M. If you would like to bring munchies to share, please do, but you are entirely welcome without food. We are planning to give as much money as we can to Dimensions Academy for Seniors who will graduate in May.

Moore 1<sup>st</sup> United Methodist Women General Meeting

Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>

6:00 PM in the fellowship hall.

The program will be given by Rev Fuxia Wang from the Wesley Foundation at OU. **Moore 1<sup>st</sup> has invited Bridgeview UMW to attend the supper and program.**

The Missions Committee is still collecting toilet paper for Skyline Ministries. Please stack your package in the hallway near the south door. This is a simple mercy we can provide for people who have qualified for assistance.

### **Book Club**

The shared Bridgeview/Moore 1<sup>st</sup> Book Club will meet Monday, March 28 at 6:30 P.M. The chosen book is *Orphan Train*, by Christina Baker Kline. Come and enjoy snacks and fellowship. Some copies may still be available from the book club kit borrowed from the library (contact Jane Osborn), or visit the Pioneer Library System or a bookstore for individual copies.

The book club will be held at Bridgeview.

### **S.H.I.P.**

Barbara Brooke has announced that there will be no SHIP Support group meetings until further notice. S.H.I.P. stands for Support, Hope, Information, Prayer. The group provides support for friends and families of GLBT. For information please e-mail Barbara Brooke greteltwo@gmail.com or call 405-618-8180

### **Common Threads**

From Carol Reames: "We have settled on making coasters for the Dimensions teacher gifts for teacher appreciation week. We will need about 38 by Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup>, so time for our fingers to get busy on this project. Their school colors are red, black, and white. You can use those colors or colors of your own choice. **Please use 100% cotton yarn.** There is some cotton yarn at the church. We are going to put the coasters inside a foam cup with a bag of tea and a note." Contact Carol for links to free coaster patterns, or choose your own from the array on the Internet.

### **New Members**

Bridgeview welcomes the Floyd family: Rodney, Jennifer, Gabe, Ryan, and Riley as our newest members. We are happy to have you as part of our church family!

### **Happy Anniversary to Us!**

On February 28, Bridgeview celebrated fifteen years as a United Methodist congregation. Highlights of the era were shown in a slide show which served as the benediction. In the short span of its existence, this church has sent six people into ministry!

## The Lights Are Still on at Bridgeview

The Bishop of the Oklahoma United Methodist Conference, the Rev. Dr. Robert E. Hayes Jr., spoke at Bridgeview's annual Charge Conference February 24<sup>th</sup>. Bishop Hayes said that Bridgeview has inspired him. He is committed to pursuing every possible avenue to help Bridgeview stay open and be a stable, viable congregation of people worshipping and serving God. The vote taken at the Conference was to pursue the possibility of selling excess land to help lower our mortgage.



We believe that God is in this. We need to keep praying for God's will in Bridgeview's life.

**Please, please volunteer** to help on a committee this year. Visit with Linda Cumpton Hirshman or Chuck Simonds to determine where you would like to serve. You are really needed!

**We are grateful** to all those who are working to keep ministry alive here—to worship God, to nurture our spiritual lives, to spread the Gospel and, yes, to bring in new members—while we find ways to bring Bridgeview UMC forward to financial stability.

Let us be mindful of the vows we took when we joined this church:

We will support Bridgeview:  
with our prayers  
with our presence  
with our gifts  
with our service  
and with our witness.



Thanks to Corrie Lievsay for sharing the recipe for this delicious dish!

### Quinoa Enchilada Casserole

1 cup quinoa  
1 can (10-ounce) enchilada sauce  
1 can (4.5 ounce) green chilies, drained  
1 can whole kernel corn, drained  
1 can black beans, drained and rinsed  
½ teaspoon cumin  
½ teaspoon chili powder  
Kosher salt and ground pepper to taste  
¾ cup shredded cheddar cheese, divided  
¾ cup shredded mozzarella cheese, divided  
1 avocado, halved, seeded, peeled and diced  
1 roma tomato, diced

- In a large saucepan of 2 cups water, cook quinoa according to package instructions; set aside. For every one cup of quinoa, two cups of water. Boil until no water is left in pan. Quinoa should be fully cooked at that point.
- Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. Lightly oil an 8x8 or 2 quart baking dish or coat with nonstick spray.
- In a large bowl, combine quinoa, enchilada sauce, green chilies, corn, black beans, cumin and chili powder; season with salt and pepper, to taste. Stir in 1/2 cup cheddar cheese and 1/2 cup mozzarella cheese.
- Spread quinoa mixture into the prepared baking dish. Top with remaining cheeses. Place into oven and bake until bubbly and cheeses have melted, about 15 minutes.
- Serve immediately, garnished with avocado and tomato, if desired.

\* Try as a breakfast dish & serve with a fried egg on top.

**Daylight Saving Time (U. S.) 2016 begins at 2:00 AM on Sunday, March 13. Set clocks forward one hour.**

**It ends at 2:00 AM on Sun., November 6.**

I need to let folks know that we need to stop bringing aluminum cans to the church. The only place in Norman (appliance guys on SW 24th), that I am aware of no longer recycles them. Maybe someone else knows of another place. THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!! Emilee Lynch

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If you know of information that needs to be included in the Bridgeview newsletter, please contact the church office as shown above or Cindy Carr ([bandccarr@att.net](mailto:bandccarr@att.net), (405) 579-2506). Photos of church events will be most welcome. Kindly send announcements for the Sunday bulletin to Jane Osborn.

For more scheduled events at Bridgeview, check the "calendar" tab on the church website, [www.bridgeviewumc.org](http://www.bridgeviewumc.org)