



Pekin First
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

THE WEEKLY WAVE

EXCITING TIMES FOR PEKIN FIRST! Thank you to the many people who attended the Information meetings. We are ready to vote on the Building Committee recommendation for the next step in our journey of pursuing God's will. Our CHURCH CONFERENCE is set for Sunday, March 5, at 4pm. According to United Methodist rules, the vote will be "by members present". Everyone is invited to come, and anyone may speak! We hope to see you here.



Girl Scout Troops 4687 & 4688 Drive Up Cookie Booth at Pekin First United Methodist Church!
This Sunday March 5, Noon-4pm!
Come help our scouts raise money for service projects, a trip to Tennessee, zoo snoozes, and more! A few of our girls are raising money for a 2024 trip to Europe, too!
We **DO** take credit and debit cards, too!

PEKIN FIRST NEW APP!

Our online ministry continues to grow and develop. We now have our own Pekin First App! Go to your App Store, type in "Pekin First", and look for this icon.



We can now access worship through the app. We can access our website, see boatloads of church information, watch videos, and more!

SAVE THE DATE



Snack Pack Ministry

2023 Packing Dates: 4:30pm in Dining Room

March 8	← Items Needed:
April 12	
May 10	

Toaster Pastries (Pop Tarts)
Individual Cups of Applesauce
Granola Bars

Help make a difference in the lives of children.

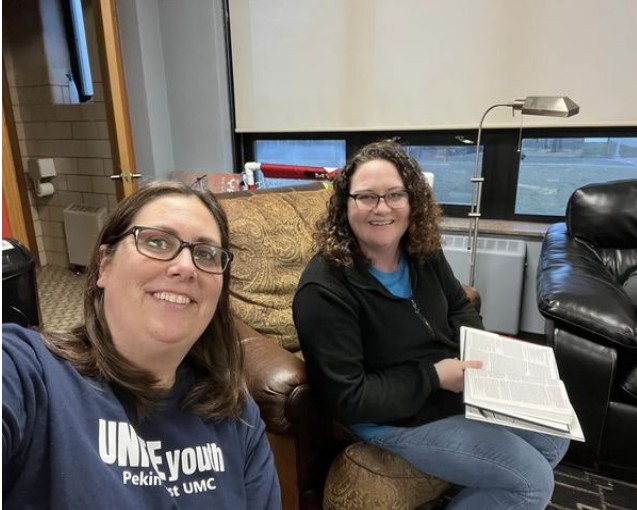
BOOKS FOR KIDS WHO DON'T HAVE BOOKS

As United Methodist Christians, we've always valued education. The Pekin First Outreach Committee leads us in supporting the students at Dirksen School by sponsoring book drives. Megan England is an educator in the school system, and she shares with us that lots of students don't have books in their homes. One of the ways we share the love of Jesus is to provide them with books! At worship this weekend we have the opportunity to purchase books for the students. Please notice the poster in the lobby! Thank you for your support for children.

THANK YOU FOR PRAYING

Thank you to my church family for the life-giving prayers which helped bring about a good recovery for me. The church family is an important part of my life and will continue to be so. I regularly send prayers to God for Pekin First UMC. Pastor Jeff Thompson

LAST WEEKS LESSON WAS:
Acts 2:42-47 Learning about Christian Community!



UNITEKIDS UPDATE

UNITEKIDS Every Wednesday night a 5:30 at Grace UMC. Christian lessons, games, and projects!
So much fun! If you would like to help with the kids, contact Emmy at ethies@pekinfirst.org

SAVE THE DATE FOR APRIL 18TH

HELP FILL 1,500 EGGS FOR
THE NIGHT **GLOW** EGG HUNT!

Candy can be donated at the
main offices of Pekin First or
Grace UMC

PLEASE AVOID NUTS & PEANUT BUTTER

THANK YOU!!

UNITEkids
Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 8th
at Grace UMC, 601 N. 4th St, Pekin

7:30 p.m. Nursery-Preschool Egg Hunt

8:00 p.m. K-5th Grade ***Glow-in-the-Dark*** Hunt



New time!

ROCKIDS

**YOU can make a
difference in the lives
of children.**

****THURSDAYS**
4:00-5:00pm
Pekin Housing
Community Building**

**TO LEARN MORE ABOUT VOLUNTEER
AND STUDY GROUPS**

Go to our website www.pekinfirst.org or
scan QR code to learn more.



Call the church office 309.347.3155

EASTER LILY ORDERS

If you would like to order an Easter Lily in honor of or in memory of a loved one please call the church, write on your connection card, send an email, with your request. The lilies are \$17.50 each this year.

THIS WEEKS PRAYERS AND WEEKLY CALENDAR

Thursday 3/2

2:00 Girl Scouts Cookies- whitfield Hall
4:00 ROCKkids- Offsite
6:00 Coin Club- Dining Rm.
6:00 Girl Scouts- Whitfield Hall/Upstairs
6:00 Bell Choir- Sanctuary
7:15 Vocal Choir- Sanctuary

Friday 3/3

9:30 Cedarhurst Worship- Offsite

Saturday 3/4

9:00 Linda Hay Group- Dining Rm.
5:00 Worship Service-Sanctuary

Sunday 3/5

2ND GRADE BOOKS FOR DIRKSEN WEEKEND

8:00 Communion Worship-
Sanctuary
9:00 Deep Dive Discussion Class-Conference Rm.
9:00 Girl Scouts- Whitfield Hall
10:00 Worship- Sanctuary
11:30 Girl Scout Cookies Drive thru- Parking Lot
1:00 Pekin Estates- Offsite
5:00 Breakthrough Youth- Youth Rm.
6:00 Girl Scouts- 24
7:00 H.S. Youth- Youth Rm.

PRAYER LIST

Charlotte Kalm
Xen Karcher
Stephanie Walton
Sharon Closen
Paul Robertson
The Norman Family
Kellen Norman (Health)
Yvonne Eubanks-Koehne
Randy Feaster
*Sharon Ross
* Duretta Greer
*Cheryl
*Phil
*Steve
*Wendy Kaiser

Monday 3/6

6:00 Cub Scouts- Dining Rm.

Tuesday 3/7

9:00 Serendipity Study-
Conference Rm.
5:45 TOPS- Whitfield Hall
6:00 SIA- Office Conference Rm.
6:00 Outreach- Chapel
6:00 Boy Scouts- Dining Rm.
6:30 SPPRC-Conference Rm.

Wednesday 3/8

7:00am Bible Study @ Ernie's-
Genesis 13
4:30 Snack Pack Packing- Dining Rm.
5:30 UNITEkids- Grace UMC
6:30 Bible Study- Whitfield Hall
2 Corinthians 8

Thursday 3/9

2:00 Girl Scouts- Whitfield Hall
4:00 ROCKkids- Offsite
6:00 Girl Scouts- Whitfield Hall/Upstairs
6:00 Bell Practice- Sanctuary
7:15 Choir Practice- Sanctuary

PRAY FOR OUR UNITED STATES MILITARY

Nate Welch
Taryn Steiger
Savannah Jibben
Brad Baerwalch
Brandon Gebhardt
Boyd Harmon
Kevin Lawler
Matthew Hurd
Alex & Ian Nelson