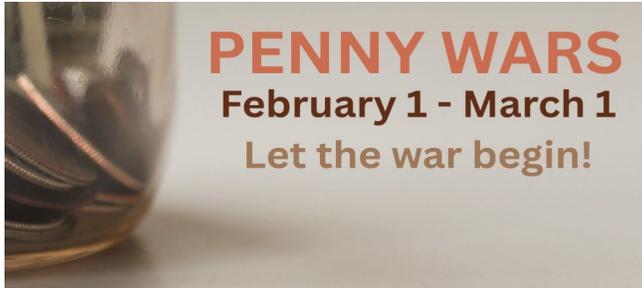




The Wellspring

SAVOY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

March 2026



PENNY WARS
February 1 - March 1
Let the war begin!

The war is on!! Men vs. Women! Bring your pennies and put them in your opponent's jar. All other coins, bills, etc. go in your jar. Proceeds will be used for the Easter Meal Baskets. After 4 weeks the standings are -

MEN - \$ 198.44 WOMEN - \$ 453.87



Easter Meals

EASTER MEALS

Assembled Easter Meal Baskets will be distributed 9 am to 2 pm on Saturday, March 28.

Volunteers will be needed at the church to load perishable items into a refrigerated truck and to pack dry items on Friday. Volunteers will also be needed to distribute the baskets on Saturday (look for the sign up sheet in foyer).

An Easter Meal Basket may be sponsored for \$45. Make your check payable to Savoy UMC with "Easter Meal Basket" indicated on the memo line or on the outside of cash envelope. Contact Crystal Dillavou if you have any questions.



CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS!

"Spring Forward" one hour

March 8, 2026 at 2:00 am

Check batteries in smoke detectors



UMCOR SUNDAY - MARCH 15, 2026

On this day we support the United Methodist Committee on Relief - better known as UMCOR the disaster response and humanitarian relief agency of our church.

When people face crisis - whether from natural disaster, conflict, or hunger - UMCOR is there to help. But that kind of response doesn't just happen. It requires trained staff, reliable systems, and the ability to act quickly and compassionately. UMCOR Sunday matters because it sustains that foundation. By covering UMCOR's administrative costs, this Special Sunday makes sure the Church is equipped to respond whenever and wherever help is needed - without delay. When we support UMCOR Sunday, we're not just reacting to emergencies. We're making it possible for the Church to be a consistent, trusted presence in moments of urgent need.

Some of the major areas UMCOR serves include:

- > U.S. Disaster Response: Helps communities in the U.S. recover after floods, fires, tornadoes, and more.
- > International Disaster Response: Offers emergency food, shelter, hygiene kits, and support after global crises.
- > Global Migration: Assists vulnerable refugees and migrants with necessities, legal aid, and safety.
- > Environmental Sustainability: Partners with churches to care for the earth and prepare for eco-disasters.
- > Yambasu Agriculture Initiative: Trains and equips churches in Africa to improve food security and self-sufficiency.



UWF Bake Sale

Sunday
March 29
During
Fellowship
time

United Women in Faith will have a bake sale on Sunday, March 29th. Proceeds from the bake sale will be directed to the bake sale at Cunningham's Festival of Quilts. If you can't make it to the Festival this is one way you can help support it.



FOOD PANTRY

On Feb 3 our volunteers served 19 families of 33 adults and 11 children. We missed some of our friends from Round Barn Manor and Florida House. Hopefully they can make it at our next open pantry on Tuesday, March 3, 3:30-5pm.



On Souper Bowl Sunday the Bondville United Methodist Church collected cans of soup and donated them to our food pantry. What a blessing!

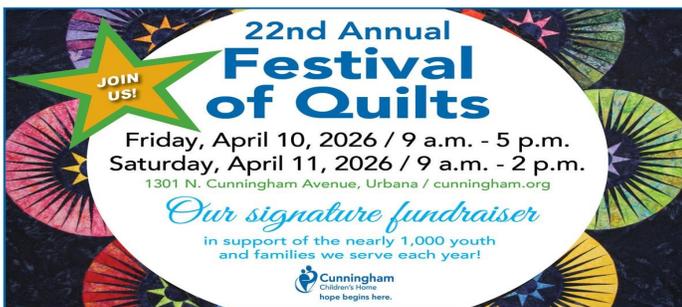


United Women in Faith

The next gathering of United Women in Faith will be Wed, March 11 at 9 am. Hostesses will be Anita Althaus and Marty Vits. Dana will lead us in the program "Mapping Our Meanders". Anita has made a list of the reading program books available so let's get reading. As always all ladies at Savoy UMC are welcome to join us around the tables.

If you plan to volunteer at Festival of Quilts now is the time to get signed up as slots are filling. Go to the Cunningham website and select the link for Festival of Quilts and then find the link for volunteers or you can contact Colleen Combes at 217-337-9058 or ccombes@cunninghamhome.org.

Kay has forms needed for donating to the quilt show, gift shop, bake sale and centerpieces and more and can make copies for you.

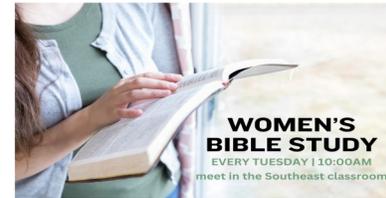


Cunningham's signature fund raiser, the Festival of Quilts, is Friday, April 10 (9 am- 5pm) and Saturday, April 11 (9 am – 2 pm). Come see the beautiful quilts created by ladies from all over the area as well as handcrafted items in the gift shop and lots of baked goods to take home. Tickets in advance are \$5 and will be available on Sundays at Savoy UMC. At the door they will be \$10. Bring a friend and have an enjoyable time viewing or purchasing the incredible items in the Spiritual Life Center.

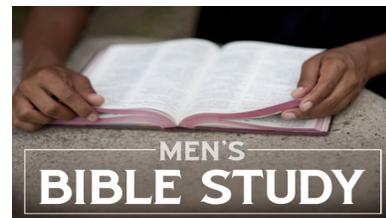


Tuesday Bible Study

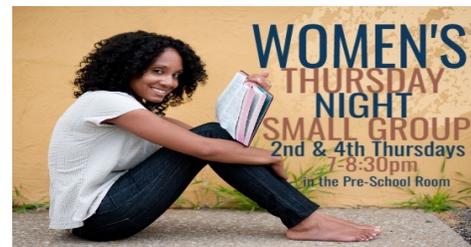
Every Tuesday at 9:30 am in the Crossroads Classroom. Anyone interested is welcome and encouraged to attend!



The group is taking a break and will not be meeting during February. Contact person is Rose Redmon.



Wednesdays at 7:30 am at the Original Pancake House.



Chick Chat



Thursday mornings at 9:00. Contact Cindy Cook with questions 217-841-0420.





WELCOME LITTLE ONES

Laura Harrold's twin great grand children were born Saturday, Jan. 31. Sullivan was 4 lbs 14 oz and 18.5" and Sadie was 8 lbs 2 oz and 19". Parents are Matthew and Kelsey Mahurin from Indianapolis.

Congratulations to Jesse and Katie Black on the birth of their second child, a son, Myles, born on Monday, Feb 16. He is also welcomed home by big sister Addison.



SEND A CARD OR NOTE

If you'd like to send a card or note to Jeff Redmon or Jessa Gaines their addresses are -
Jeff: Shirley Ryan / Att: Jeff Redmon / Room 1930 / 355 E Erie St / Chicago IL 60611

Jessa: Garfield Park Hospital / Attn: Jessa Gaines / 520 N Ridgeway Ave / Chicago IL 60624

MISSION TEAM - UPCOMING EVENTS

A Fish Fry Fundraiser sponsored and hosted by Dave and Dawn Rear to support a selected IGRC (Illinois Great Rivers Conference) Missionary is being scheduled for 4-7 pm on Saturday, April 11. Look for a Volunteer Sign-up Sheet with more details in the church foyer toward the end of March. Mark your calendars and invite your family and friends!

The Singing Men of WGNN will be live in concert here at SUMC at 6 pm on Saturday, April 25! Spread the word and stay tuned for more details as the date approaches.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Sunday School meets in the Crossroads classroom from 11am - 12pm on the first, third and fourth Sundays. They are currently doing a video/discussion series with Tim Tebow titled "This Is the Day". Following that they will be studying video/discussion series with JD Greear called "Easter".

STEP INTO SPRING THROUGH THE CRASH COURSE ON EVANGELISM WITH DR BOBBY CONWAY

Sharing your faith with others can be a daunting endeavor. Having a plan can help you share Christ without stressing about saying the right thing or losing the relationship. Dr. Bobby Conway will guide you through what the Bible says about reaching non-believers, equip you with the starting blocks of sharing your faith, and offer you a strategy for getting started. By the end you will have a new found excitement for the Great Commission and be encouraged to notice various opportunities to reach others with the Gospel. Dr. Conway is the lead pastor of Image Church in Charlotte, NC, and is well known for his YouTube ministry, Christianity Still Makes Sense. He also serves as the cohost of Pastors' Perspective, a nationally syndicated radio show on KWVE in Southern California. Bobby is the author of several books including *The Fifth Gospel* and *Doubting Toward Faith*.



We will be watching the video conference available on **rightnow MEDIA**, followed by an open discussion. We will also have a session on One-Minute Witness, an easy to do evangelism by Oasis World Ministries. You don't want to miss it. Let's share the light of Jesus together!

Details:

- Dates: Wednesdays 10AM-12PM, March 18-April 29
- What you need: Pen & notebook. Handouts & discussion notes will be provided.
- Look for a Small Group Sign-Up sheet on the welcome table as time approaches.
- For more information contact pastor Rhee at 309-224-6420 (jrhee@savoyumc.org)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND DATES

- * S/PPRC - First Tuesday of the month at 6pm
- * Trustees - First Wednesday of the month at 5:30pm
- * Worship Team - Second Sunday of the month at 10:45am.
- * Stewardship/Finance - Second Thursday of the month at 6pm
- * Ad Council - Third Thursday of the month at 6pm
- * Prayer Team - First and Third Tuesdays of the month at 11:30am
- * Mission Team - Tues prior to Ad Council mtg at 5:45pm



CHURCH CALENDAR - MARCH

SUNDAY, MAR 1 - PENNY WARS

- 9:30am Worship
- 10:45am Adult Sunday School

MONDAY, MAR 2

- 10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, MAR 3

- 9:30am Tues AM Bible Study
- 10:30am Women's Bible Study
- 11:30am Prayer Team
- 2:30pm Prep for Food Pantry Distribution
- 3:30pm Food Pantry Distribution
- 6:00pm S/PPRC Mtg
- 7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, MAR 4

- 7:30am Men's Bible Study (Original Pancake House)
- 5:30pm Trustee Mtg
- 6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAR 5

- 9:00am Chick Chat
- 7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, MAR 6

- 9:00am Cleaning Crew

SATURDAY, MAR 7

- 7:30am Journey Men
- 9:00am Quilters

SUNDAY, MAR 8 - SET YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD 1 HR

- 9:30am Worship
- 10:30am Worship Team Mtg

MONDAY, MAR 9

- 10:00am Parkinson's Group
- 7:00pm Troop 101 Committee Mtg

TUESDAY, MAR 10

- 9:30am Tues AM Bible Study
- 10:30am Women's Bible Study
- 7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, MAR 11

- 7:30am Men's Bible Study (Original Pancake House)
- 9:00am United Women in Faith
- 6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAR 12

- 9:00am Chick Chat
- 6:00pm Stewardship/Finance Mtg
- 6:00pm Troop 2119
- 7:00pm Women's Thurs Night Small Group
- 7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, MAR 13

- 9:00am Cleaning Crew

SUNDAY, MAR 15

- 9:30am Worship
- 10:45am Adult Sunday School

MONDAY, MAR 16

- 10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, MAR 17

- 9:30am Tues AM Bible Study
- 10:30am Women's Bible Study
- 11:30am Prayer Team
- 5:45pm Mission Team Mtg
- 7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, MAR 18

- 7:30am Men's Bible Study (Original Pancake House)
- 6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAR 19

- 9:00am Chick Chat
- 6:00pm Ad Council Mtg
- 7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, MAR 20

- 9:00am Cleaning Crew

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

- 7:30am Journey Men
- 9:00am Quilters

SUNDAY, MAR 22

- 9:30am Worship
- 10:45am Adult Sunday School

MONDAY, MAR 23

- 10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, MAR 24

- 9:30am Tues AM Bible Study
- 10:30am Women's Bible Study
- 7:00pm Al-Anon

WEDNESDAY, MAR 25

- 7:30am Men's Bible Study (Original Pancake House)
- 6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAR 26

- 9:00am Chick Chat
- 7:00pm Women's Thurs Night Small Group
- 7:00pm Scouts

FRIDAY, MAR 27

- 9:00am Cleaning Crew

SATURDAY, MAR 28

- 10am-2pm Easter Meal Basket Distribution

SUNDAY, MAR 29 - Palm Sunday

UWF Bake Sale

- 9:30am Worship

MONDAY, MAR 30

- 10:00am Parkinson's Group

TUESDAY, MAR 31

- 9:30am Tues AM Bible Study
- 10:30am Women's Bible Study
- 7:00pm Al-Anon

