

THE CIRCUIT RIDER



The Anthony United
Methodist Church

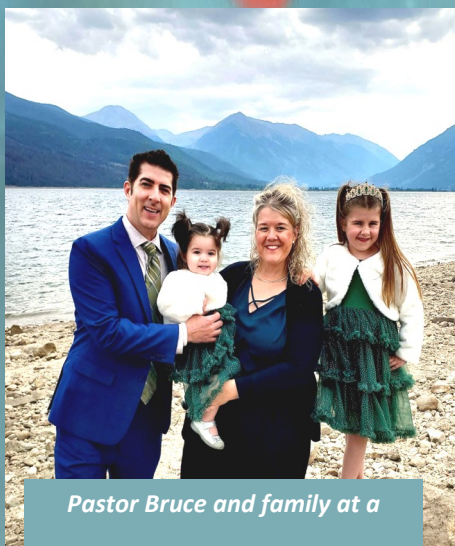
225 N. Bluff

Worship: 9:30

Church School: 10:45

NEWS FROM THE ANTHONY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH!

A Word from Pastor Bruce Wilson



Pastor Bruce and family at a

Colorado wedding

Have you ever been faced with a situation that seemed impossible? I know I have. Quite often, actually. And if I'm not careful, when I get the feeling of facing an insurmountable circumstance, I start to complain. My thoughts turn negative, I get irritated by life, and I lose desire for the important work of sharing the gospel and loving others around me. Fortunately, I am careful most of the time. The key to success is spending time in God's Word daily. For example, a verse like "With people it is impossible, but not with God; for all things are possible with God (Mark 10:27)," protects me from so much wasted time in worry and negativity.

Recently, I read a devotion from Dr. Charles Stanley that addresses what we should do in seemingly impossible situations. When you encounter a difficult situation in life that looks impossible, what is the first thing you think? For most people, it is, "Oh Lord, what am I going to do?" But that's the wrong question. Instead, the right thing to ask is, "Lord, what are YOU going to do?" Because, as we are well aware, He is all-powerful, and nothing is too challenging for Him.

Of course, all of us know this in our minds. But often, when our back is against the wall and we don't know where to turn, we become gripped by the immensity of our predicaments and the disconcerting details that accompany them. It's natural for us to immediately envision the worst-case scenarios and how helpless we are with our limited resources. We become trapped by what we see and hear rather than recall Who comes to our aid.

This is why we must train ourselves to look to the Lord rather than our circumstances. Because when we invite the supernatural, powerful presence of the living God to take hold of our situation, He deals with our difficulties in ways far beyond our imagination. He can get us to the right solution regardless of what we face.

When we are amid those seemingly im-

possible situations, God desires for us to cast our care on Him (1 Peter 5:7). Casting our care onto Jesus isn't just simply about expelling them from our life. It's about committing them into the capable hands of our loving Father, trusting Him with the situation. You can simply pray instead of worrying, "Lord, I cast my anxieties on you, because you care about me." Are you ready to completely trust God with every situation you face today? Great. Then join me in praying, "Jesus, I fix my eyes on you. I am grateful that my challenges are no match for you. And I look forward to testifying to the marvelous ways you will resolve, transform, and heal my situation for your glory and my good. In Jesus Name. Amen."

It is an honor and privilege to walk alongside you as your pastor.

Continued Blessings, Pastor Bruce

Pastor Bruce's Office Hours

Harper: Tues. 10:30-12:30

Anthony: Wed. 10:30-12:30

Thursday by appointment
Appointments welcome!

October 2025

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

			1 <i>Ministry Team Mtg. @ 7:00</i> <i>Open Table</i>	2 <i>Bring Your Bible to School Day</i>	3 <i>World Smile Day</i>	4 <i>Ministry in Motion Workshops (see page 6)</i>
5 <i>World Communion Sunday</i>	6 <i>Natl Noodle Day</i>	7 <i>Natl Forgiveness Day</i>	8 <i>Open Table Meal 5:30-7:00</i>	9	10 <i>Natl Walk to a Park Day</i>	11 <i>Emergency Room Nurses Day</i>
			Office Closed Oct. 7-14 			
12 <i>Pastor Appreciation Day</i>	13 <i>Columbus Day</i>	14 <i>Fellowship Hall in use 5:00-8:00</i>	15 <i>Open Table Meal Administrative Leadership Mtg @7 pm</i>	16 <i>Natl Boss's Day</i>	17 <i>Pay Back a Friend Day</i>	18 <i>Meatloaf Appreciation Day</i>
19 <i>Laity Sunday</i>	20 <i>Natl Sasquatch Awareness Day</i>	21 <i>Natl Pharmacy Tech Day</i>	22 <i>Open Table Meal 5:30-7:00</i>	23 <i>Swallows Depart From Capistrano</i>	24 <i>Accountant's Day</i>	25 <i>Make a Difference Day</i>
26 <i>Reformation Sunday Trunk or Treat 3:00</i>	27 <i>Cranky Co-workers Day</i>	28 <i>Natl First Responders Day</i>	29 <i>Open Table Meal 5:30-7:00</i>	30 <i>Natl Candy Corn Day</i>	31 <i>Halloween</i>	

ADMINISTRATIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER



Those present: Charles Coggins, Pastor Bruce Wilson, Curt Clark, Martha Hadsall, Kyle Carothers, Mike Cather, Gerald Wolff, Lucinda Gates

Spiritual Formation: Pastor Bruce shared stories of Methodist connectionism

Strategic Work: a. Continuing discussion on the Youth and Children's ministries at AUMC—nothing new to report b. 2026 Pledge Campaign/Saddlebags and Mailings—Pledge campaign will begin September 28 and end Oct.12

REPORTS

Trustees: Insurance renewal—Insurance was \$27,028 in 2025 and will be \$28,946 for 2026. Reported Saige from Hazels are working on repairing leaks in air conditioning. He is also checking on how to correct issues with reverse osmosis unit.

Finance: Income was \$13,669.06 over expenses for the month of August

Next meeting October 15

Kyle closed with prayer



In spite of what these expressions may indicate



...everyone had a wonderful time creating and catching up. Seven new Chrismons (Christ's monogram) were made. Participants learned the meaning behind the Chrismon they created.





USHERS

10/05/25—Brian Hess/Wanda Harnden
 10/12/25—Cate Jensen/Matt Wilson
 10/19/25—Dorothy Nickel/Kathy Stewart
 10/26/25—Cate Jensen/Matt Wilson

GREETERS

10/05/25—Brian Hess/Wanda Harnden
 10/12/25—Cate Jensen/Matt Wilson
 10/19/25—Dorothy Nickel/Kathy Stewart
 10/26/25—Cate Jensen/Matt Wilson

TECH DESK

10/05/25—Fiona Carothers
 10/12/25—Lori Wilson
 10/19/25—Jennifer Wolff
 10/26/25—Lori Wilson

CHILDREN'S TIME

10/05/25—Joyce Kaup
 10/12/25—Karen Cather
 10/19/25—Crystal Carothers
 10/26/25—Pat Bertholf

BIRTHDAYS

10/01—Bette DeMeritt
 10/04—Nick Hasling
 10/04—Tim Jantz
 10/07—Justin Francis
 10/10—Ashton Hazel
 10/10—Matt Wilson
 10/13—Isabelle Cox
 10/17—April Atkins
 10/18—Christine Chance
 10/20—Clara Newton
 10/21—Phil Holden
 10/21—Piper Wilson
 10/25—Nikki Kenney
 10/29—Dean Bertholf

ANNIVERSARIES

10/01—Brent and Chelsea Cashier
 10/11—Jason and Jennifer Wolff
 10/28—Robert and Mary Chandler



LITURGIST

10/05/25—Suzanne Clark
 10/12/25—Karen Cather
 10/19/25—Wanda Harnden
 10/26/25—Kathy Stewart



OUR CHURCH FAMILY IN SEPTEMBER



Several youth helped out with worship in September



Former AUMC members Sam & Judy Beam visited from Idaho and everyone wanted to say hi!



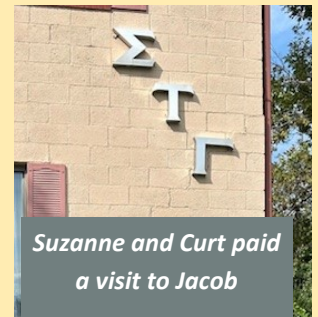
Sydney is happy to have Pat & Dean visit at school



Libby enjoys watching her grandson play football



Sisters at home and on the court



Suzanne and Curt paid a visit to Jacob



Maia and Kayden head to homecoming dance



State Fair Fun!



Parker lends a hand with worship



Anden helps with Children's Message



Dusty, nephew JD, Andrew & Innslee won a recent golf tournament



SPARK
ACTIVATE FAITH
All Kids

Join us for
Spark Sunday School!

October 5: Isaac's Blessing, Genesis 25:19-34; 27:1-40
October 12: Free from Slavery, Exodus 5:1-6:13
October 19: The Red Sea, Exodus 14:1-30
October 26: The Ten Commandments, Exodus 20:1-17

SPARK HOUSE

Confirmation Class

Join us for this 8 week study aimed at 5th grade and up youth to affirm your faith! Call 620-842-5486 to join. (a meal will be provided each week)

DATE
2 OCTOBER 2025

TIME
6:00-7:30 PM

Anthony/Harper United Methodist Church

JOIN NOW

620-842-5486 anthonyumc@gmail.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR
ALL AGES AT 10:45 AM



Join us this Fall
as Pastor Bruce
leads us
through
Romans 1-8

Sunday Worship
9:30 am

FALL WORDS CRYPTOGRAM

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Ministry

In

Growing Your Church's Impact
& Strengthening Connections

Motion



Oct. 4 in Wichita, Kansas, @ Saint Mark United Methodist Church

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Central — 1525 N. Lorraine Ave., Wichita, KS 67214

Sign up for 2 workshops

Just \$15!
per person

Morning Workshops

- Strategic Planning for the Rest of Us
- Social Media as an Outreach Tool
- Evangelism for the 21st Century

Lunch
provided

Afternoon Workshops

- Marketing for the Local Church
- Elevating Your Church Hospitality
- UMC 101
- Discipleship Basics

Register by Sept. 30

Find the registration form at <https://www.greatplainumc.org/ministry-in-motion>



**OBADIAH'S PANTRY
OCTOBER CHALLENGE:
CHUNKY CANNED
SOUPS**

Thank you to all who donated
afterschool Kleenex in
September

Prayer Concerns

Pray for our community, country and world
Pray for Pastor Bruce, Melissa, Piper, and Parker
Prayers of thanksgiving for rain
Prayers for the family and friends of Erick Francis
Prayers for June as she continues to heal and get stronger
Prayers for Gerri Hughbanks as she continues treatment
Prayers of gratitude for our volunteers
Pray for those with unspoken needs
Prayers for Diane Leland's health
Prayers of comfort for those with anxiety and depression
Pray to seek ways to better serve others
Pray for relief of pain for Pat Bertholf
Prayers that we may boldly bring others to Christ
Prayers for farmers as they begin fall harvest and planting
Prayers of thanksgiving for the beautiful fall weather
Prayers of healing for Allison Hasling following surgery

October Scripture

OCT. 1 2 CORINTHIANS 12:9	OCT. 16 ACTS 15:11
OCT. 2 EPHESIANS 2:4-5	OCT. 17 ACTS 14:3
OCT. 3 2 TIMOTHY 1:9	OCT. 18 ROMANS 12:6
OCT. 4 HEBREWS 4:16	OCT. 19 2 COR. 9:8
OCT. 5 ROMANS 6:15	OCT. 20 JOHN 1:16
OCT. 6 MATTHEW 6:14	OCT. 21 ISAIAH 30:18
OCT. 7 PSALM 23:6	OCT. 22 ROMANS 11:6
OCT. 8 1 PETER 1:13-16	OCT. 23 JAMES 4:6
OCT. 9 ACTS 20:24	OCT. 24 1 PETER 5:10
OCT. 10 2 PETER 3:18	OCT. 25 2 CORINTHIANS 4:15
OCT. 11 TITUS 2:11-12	OCT. 26 COLOSSIANS 1:6
OCT. 12 NEHEMIAH 9:31	OCT. 27 EPHESIANS 2:8-10
OCT. 13 GALATIANS 2:21	OCT. 28 ROMANS 3:23-24
OCT. 14 MATTHEW 18:21-22	OCT. 29 1 CORINTHIANS 15:10
OCT. 15 ROMANS 5:8	OCT. 30 PSALM 103:10-11
	OCT. 31 REVELATION 22:21

OPEN TABLE FOR SEPTEMBER		
DATE	SERVED	DONATIONS
09/03/25	56	\$229.00
09/10/25	60	\$293.00
09/17/25	60	\$214.00
09/24/25	59	\$149.00
DONATION		\$250.00

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