

March 2018

GoodNews

Love God · Welcome All · Serve Everyone



Midweek Evening Prayer

6:30 pm Every Wednesday

Palm Sunday, March 25

9:00 am Service, Sanctuary

Maundy Thursday, March 29

6:30 pm Service, Sanctuary

Good Friday, March 30

6:30 pm Service, Sanctuary

Easter, April 1

Sunrise Service 6:00am followed with Breakfast

Easter Service 9:00am, Sanctuary

GRACE NOTES

I like art that speaks to me. I buy pieces at different times. I like different medium for the different textures they bring to the whole. I then mull, dream, talk through, read, and mull some more. The Prayer Net came that way (see explanation of art below). I have been chewing on this art installation for months and even when Chris installed it, it needed more eyes and hands to make it happen. You are invited to stop by our prayer area (right behind the piano) where you can light a candle and pray, write a prayer and offer it up, or simply pause for a while in silence. My hope is you find time for stillness and hear God.

May God's peace enfold you – Pastor Grace

Prayer Net

The cross symbolizes the children of God as the called body of Christ, with Jesus as the head. We come together as followers of the Way so the world would know Christ.

Two glass crosses represent the two thieves flanking Jesus – one cynical and fearful while the other recognized Jesus' identity as the beloved Son and who asked him to be remembered. Both are present in each of us. There is cynicism, doubts, and fears that bar us from seeing and living God. But, there is also the other side that acknowledges the power of God's saving love.

The six hearts have different colors in them representing the many different experiences (from joyful to sorrowful) our beings carry. The experiences and emotions come through at different times of our life, depending on what the light brings out. The light that shines through the crosses and hearts allow us to pay attention to the whole of life.

Just as Jesus showed his disciples to fish for people, the net is here for us to fish for people through prayer, sharing with them the good news of God's redeeming grace.

You are invited to write your prayers, be it prayers of gratitude, joy, anguish, sorrow, or of specific people. Hook them in the netting and surrender them to God. Prayers will be read and said each week.

Mixed media art installation: glass crosses and hearts by Luke Adams, painted tin cross of diverse people made by a Haitian artisan, and yarn netting with beads by Melissa Chellman



Barbara Follstad
Renetta Ball-Patterson

Melodies of Compassion in March goes to Harbor House Crisis Shelters.

To keep our list updated, we will remove names after 30 days. Please notify the office to place/re-place a name on the list. Thank you for your help with this ministry.

The South East District would like us to pray for these churches and clergy in March:

Feb. 26-Mar. 4 Milwaukee Central UMC Pastor Robert Odum and 105 members.

Mar. 5-11 Milwaukee Christway UMC Pastor Nenghoua Vang and 64 members

Mar. 12-18 Milwaukee Church of the Good Hope and New St. James Community UMC's Pastor Lawrence McGuin and 26/70 members.

DO YOU KNOW HOW TO DO SOMETHING?

We are looking for volunteers to teach Life Skills at the Saturday Academy at Curtis Strange, in March. You would be asked to volunteer for one of the four Saturdays, to spend some time teaching anything that you know and could help the children in life. It could be almost anything. Some examples are: Knitting Basics, How to fold Laundry, Tie a Knot, or Bake Cookies. But if you have something else you would like to share, let us know! Please speak with Kathy Mulroy, or you can call her at 942-1744 if you can help.



Thank you ...

I would like to thank my church family for all the support you have given me through the past months and recent death of my husband, Tommie. Your cards and words of comfort are very much appreciated.

Kelli Garnett



Wesley will be having their annual spring Rummage & Bake Sale on April 26 & 27. Set up will be on April 24 & 25. Watch the Sunday bulletins in April for volunteer sign up.

From the Lay Leader

Every day when I drive in Kenosha, I pass several different churches. Catholic, Lutheran, Baptist, and some well... not easily identifiable ones announce themselves to me. In a place that offers so many choices, I think it is fair to ask: "Why Methodist?" and "Why Wesley?"

Though I was raised a Catholic, I have been a Methodist for more than half my life. Methodism appeals to me, as I consider myself a logical and ruthlessly analytical person. While some faiths hold that reason is an enemy, or at least not relevant to faith, we believe that Reason is necessary to it. We use the gifts of intellect and reason that God gave us to understand his Word. More than that, though- we do not simply accept the received wisdom of our forefathers, we continually strive to better understand the Scriptures and how to apply them in our lives. The most well-known example of this is slavery. Although there are passages in the Bible which condone slavery, rigorous use of reason and logic in interpreting the Bible led us to assert forcefully that we are all children of God, and by having Souls, we are all worth of the rights of Life and Liberty. The Methodists were in the forefront of the abolitionist movement.

Now, "Why Wesley?" For me, the answer is easy. Wesley is a Methodist Church in the finest tradition. Like many houses, we are a house many conflicting voices; in fact sometimes it can be hard to sort them out! But, we respect other opinions. We celebrate True Diversity- not just based in skin color, accent, gender or sexual preference, but in thought and opinion. If we sometimes fall short of the ideal, there is always somebody there to remind us that only One has a Monopoly on truth and wisdom, and it isn't any of us!

This month, look around, in your church. See somebody you may or may not have heard before and share with them, "Why Wesley?" I think their answers will help you solidify your faith in The Church and in This church, as a place where God's mission goes forward on Earth.



- 6 Jordan Cannon
- 6 Scott Mack
- 7 Kaley Rust
- 7 Kris Trumbo
- 8 Elise Hansen
- 11 Richard Boris
- 17 Ruth Callan
- 17 Amy Shircel
- 19 James Mulroy
- 20 Mary Jensen
- 20 Noelle Mack
- 21 Shawn Garnett
- 21 Kali Kugler
- 24 Gary Dreyer
- 24 Karen Lindsey
- 27 Shannon Mulroy
- 27 Eleda Winther
- 28 Alan Mulroy
- 28 Kelli Prim



EASTER FLOWERS

Donations for Easter Flowers to decorate the altar can be made in Memory or Honor of a special loved one or event.

A variety of spring plants will be purchased from Anton's and may be taken home after Easter 9:00 worship. Anyone wishing to contribute to this special flower offering may do so by filling out the form below. Please put your completed form in an offering envelope on Sunday or put it in the secretary's mail box along with \$9.00. Money must accompany your order.

**Deadline for purchases will be
Sunday, March 18**

EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORM

NAME

Please check one:

In Honor of
Name

In Memory of
Name

*Your \$9.00 must accompany order
Plants may be taken home after Easter.*

**LAST SUNDAY FOOD
COLLECTION FOR
THE SHALOM
FOOD PANTRY**



We had a very good start for 2018! We delivered 142 pounds of food to the Shalom Food Pantry at the end of January! If you are curious as to what our total was for 2017, it was 1,534 pounds! Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Youth Events

**SOUTH EAST DISTRICT YOUTH EVENT
One with Each Other
Building Community**

Friday, March 02, 2018 -
Sunday, March 04, 2018

Cost: \$50 per person (6th grade to 17 years old)

Place: Wesley Woods United Methodist Retreat Center in Williams Bay, WI
Note: Registration and additional information will be available soon.

LEADERS NEEDED for our 2018 Mission Trip
July 15-20 to Superior, WI. Contact heather if interested.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING**



The 2018 Finance Committee will meet on March 11th at 10:10 am in the Library. Please let me know if you cannot make the meeting 262-551-8669. We will discuss our present situation, plan the Spring Financial Campaign and hopefully have some time for brain storming some ideas to move forward that will unite us, create energy and be FUN!

*Dodie Smith
Finance Chairperson*



**WiFi LUNCH
WEDNESDAY, March 14th
12:00 pm**

All adults are welcome to join us for a home cooked meal, program and fellowship.



**United
Methodist
Women**

MARCH UMW NEWS

Don't be a stranger! Come to our March meeting on Tuesday, March 6th at 9:00 am. After the party and two snow days, we may need name tags! It will be great to gather to eat and chat and Celebrate our Prayer and Self-Denial 2018 Program - **Learning for a Lifetime: Developing Leaders!** We will take up a special offering and I have ordered prayer cards and envelopes. Looking forward to seeing all of you. Visitors are welcome and this is a good program to learn many of the ways we reach in the world!



Wesley volunteers served 54 people a delicious bowl of Chicken Noodle soup. It was pizza night at the center; pizza (9 full sheets) provided by DeRangos. In addition to pizza we also served a veggie mix, salad, and a dessert as well as many turkey and cheese, PB&J, and chicken salad sandwiches, coffee and cran-grape juice to all in attendance.

Thanks to the Fegleys for preparing the soup. Those who served/helped were Richard Boris, the Krystowiaks (Pete, Nora, and Eli), Trisha Cannon, the Rusts (Elaine and Autumn), Andrew Hansen, the Guilberts (Paul and AJ), and the Briscoes (Heather and Candice).

Thank you to all for taking part of your Saturday night to demonstrate what it means to be a member of Wesley UMC.

The sandwiches were prepared by the Rusts, Briscoes, and Krystowiaks.

The next serving date is Saturday March 3 2018. Text or call Pete (262-945-9755) to let him know if you would like to come and help.

MELODIES OF COMPASSION

HARBOR HOUSE CRISIS SHELTERS

Emergency Shelter

HHCS provides emergency shelter for 30 days. Families are provided their own secure room. Single women are housed in a dormitory-style room that includes secure locker space. Residents are provided with necessities such as bedding, toiletries, diapers, towels, clothing, and non-perishable foods.

Case Worker Goals

These goals' priorities are determined through assessments: (1) Increase income via financial assistance, employment, child support, etc.; (2) It is essential to learn budgeting skills even if income is small; (3) Housing Counseling includes credit problems, evictions, & finding living arrangements; (4) Assessment referrals for Mental Health/Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse/Physical Disabilities needs; (5) Referrals to other housing programs; (6) Nutrition & parenting education; (7) Skills to prevent further incidences of homelessness.

Transitional Living Center

TLC is a longer-term extension of **HHCS** located in Superior, Wisconsin for homeless families who need more extensive help in securing permanent housing. This program offers affordable housing while case managers provide education, advocacy and empowerment. The staff also provide crisis intervention, children's programming, information, and referrals. The **TLC** staff has expertise and vast experience that have led to the development of a case management system to address barriers that single women and homeless families face in securing permanent housing. These barriers can include: (1) poor credit; (2) prior eviction or poor rental history; (3) unpaid fines; (4) mental illness or disability; and (5) lack of education or employment history.

On the face of it these barriers may seem daunting. So **TLP**, with needed time, expertise, and resources, addresses these barriers through weekly case meetings, weekly educational resident meetings, accountability, & support for the homeless families and single women. These weekly meetings help provide accountability, direction as well as goal setting. The weekly meetings also provide community referrals and resources.

Supportive Housing Program

SHP provides alternative living arrangements for those who because of a variety of special needs such as age, disabilities, substance abuse, mental illnesses, chronic homelessness or other circumstances cannot live independently without care, supervision or support in daily living activities.

MARCH WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers

- 4 Dina, Ashley Daniel
Tammy, Jordan Branca
11 Joan Hall, Joy Delwiche
Kelly Euler, Sandy Petersen
18 Andrew & Ava Hansen
Stella Guadalupe, Kim Sekas
25 Evette Wint, Marna Frank
Joan Hall, Sandy Clausen
29 *Maundy Thurs* Andrew & Ava Hansen
30 *Good Fri* Gale Thompson, Dylan Ricchio

Liturgists

- 4 Joy Delwiche
11 Bob Conn
18 Paul Fegley
25 Bob Petersen

Readers

- 4 Margaret Christian
11 Eli Krystowiak
18 Nora Krystowiak
25 Joan Hall

Acolytes

- 4 Moises Guerrero
11 Autumn Rust
18 Candice Briscoe
25 Jane Sekas

Communion Stewards

- 4 Julie Brouton, Margie Kugler
Margaret Christian, Kim Sekas

Counters

- 4 Bill Thurau, Barbara Follstad
11 Gale Thompson, Lana Frank-Krause
18 Donna Jones, Jill Misurelli
25 Dan Kugler, Paul Fegley



MARCH

- 4 Alyceann Stevenson, Mary Brehm
11 Trisha Cannon, Denise Shircel
18 Sandy Clausen,
Paul & Margo Fegley
25 Andrew & Christie Hansen

APRIL

- 1 Jean Thompson, Lana Frank-Krause
8 Margaret Christian, Karen Lindsey
15 Alan & Kathy Mulroy
22 Luanne Lindow, Terry Miller
29 Joan Hall, Joy Delwiche
Dodie Smith

MAY

- 6 Bob & Sandy Petersen
13 Kugler Family
20 Michelle & Jen Christensen-Bara
Family
27 Terry Hardman, Richard Peterson,
Charlene Nelson

***PLEASE NOTE:**

Coffee hour is served 8:00-10:30

If you are unable to host on your scheduled day we would appreciate it if you would find a replacement or contact the office. Thank you.

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*The People of the
United Methodist
Church*

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Sunday Worship: 9:00
Sunday School: 9:00-10:15
Sunday Adult Studies: 8-8:45 & 10:15-11:00
Hospitality: 8:00-10:30
Wednesday Worship 6:30 pm

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March 2018

Sunday Schedule
 Adult Study 8:00
 Sunday School 9:00
 Worship 9:00
 Wednesday Worship 6:30

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 6:00 Outreach Team Meeting	2	3 4:10 Soup Kitchen 9:00 Saturday Academy at Curtis Strange
4 <i>3rd Sunday in Lent</i>	5	6 9:00 UMW Meeting 6:30 Choir Rehearsal	7 6:30 Midweek Evening Prayer	8	9	10 9:00 Saturday Academy at Curtis Strange
11 <i>4th Sunday in Lent</i> <i>Daylight Savings Time Begins</i> 10:10 Finance Committee	12	13 6:30 Choir Rehearsal	14 12:00 WiFi Lunch 6:30 Midweek Evening Prayer	15	16	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i> 9:00 Saturday Academy at Curtis Strange 
18 <i>5th Sunday in Lent</i>	19 7:00 Trustee Meeting	20 6:30 Choir Rehearsal	21 6:30 Midweek Evening Prayer	22	23	24 9:00 Saturday Academy at Curtis Strange
25 <i>Palm Sunday</i> Last Sunday Food Pantry Collection 	26	27 6:30 Choir Rehearsal	28 6:30 Midweek Evening Prayer	29 6:30 Service  Holy Thursday	30 6:30 Service  GOOD FRIDAY	31
April 1 <i>Easter Sunday</i> 6:00 Sunrise Service 9:00 Easter Service						