

# Good News

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**F R O M T H E**



**PASTOR**

Dear friends and family of Plymouth!

First, an update on the building: the current design of the floor plan and 3D model of the building are on display in the chapel. Please take a look at them if you haven't seen them yet. Some parts of the design may need to be changed depending on results of the topological survey, the needs of ductwork and plumbing, and mechanical systems, but we should end up with something very close to the current design. The floorplan and its placement on the property is

welcoming and inspiring, the usable space has been maximized, and it has good flow within the structure, all of which will help us better minister to and with our community. The new kitchen is about 40% larger than the old, too, and the Women of Plymouth will be meeting with the architects to design it to best meet the needs of how we will use it.

We are not yet to the point of discussing colors, materials, outside siding, furniture, and so forth, but we are a couple steps further ahead than we were a month ago and that is a good feeling!

Second, as you may remember from previous Pastor's Pens, a number of UCC churches had fires last year. The pastor of one of those churches, Rev. Tim Devine of St. Paul's UCC in Seattle, is doing a sabbatical project this summer to visit the churches that had fires. He will worship with us on June 25, and he would like you all to stay after worship for an hour or so to talk about your experiences since the fire.

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## June Worship Calendar

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**10:30 A.M. Worship**

*Communion the first Sunday of the month*

**Sunday, June 4**

*Pentecost*

*St Francis Food Pantry and*

*Strengthen the Church offerings*

Acts 2:1–21; Psalm 104:24–34, 35b;  
1 Corinthians 12:3b–13; John 7:37–39

**Sunday, June 11**

*Trinity Sunday*

*Prayers for the People*

Genesis 1:1–2, 4a; Psalm 8;  
2 Corinthians 13:11–13; Matthew  
28:16–20

**Sunday, June 18**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

*OCWM offering*

*Father's Day*

Genesis 18:1–15 or Exodus 19:2–9a;  
Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19 or Psalm 100;  
Romans 5:1–8; Matthew 9:35–10:8  
(9–23)

**Sunday, June 25**

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

Genesis 21:8–21 or Jeremiah 20:7–13;  
Psalm 86:1–10, 16–17 or Psalm 69:7–10  
(11–15), 16–18; Romans 6:1b–11;  
Matthew 10:24–39

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## Food for Thought

There will be a pot luck Sunday, June 4. Join us for fellowship and to celebrate Pentecost. Bring a dish to pass, remembering we do not have access to an oven. We do have outlets for crockpots. Wear your red clothes and invite someone to share the meal with us.

Please don't forget our homeless friends. As always the Street Ministry can use money or gas cards. Check with Pastor Mike for other needs for our street ministry. Our Food Pantry offering will be received on June 4 and we will be sharing communion, so please join us.

## Prayer Ministry

**In June, we are praying for these individuals/families:** Dorothy Kruschke, Tom & Arvilla Kruschke, Faye LaPean, Cathy Lee, Bill & Julie Leipnitz, Steve & Ann Leipnitz

## June Birthdays

- 2 Joanne Lowry  
Jeanne Strassman
- 4 Deb Zehms
- 8 Rob Jaenke
- 10 Carter Jaenke
- 13 Adam Wendt
- 15 Gordy Heimstead
- 19 Morgan Jaenke
- 20 Denny Shepler
- 27 Harlan Hartwich  
Jim Welk
- 29 Stephanie Leipnitz

## Memorials

### Gifts to the General Fund

*In memory of Sharon Miller:* Jerry & Mary Foote, Larry & Barb Kleist, Joanne Miller

*In memory of Vera Stecher:* Larry & Barb Kleist

*In memory of Dick Waltmire:* Larry & Barb Kleist

*In memory of Gladys Ulry:* Maria Patton, Larry & Barb Kleist, Mimi Pederson

## Pastor's Pen *continued...*

He wants to collect stories from the various churches' members to compile into a book or other form to be available for other churches who experience fires.

Lastly, I'm away at the Wisconsin Conference Annual meeting June 8-10, and then at Moon Beach for MADD Camp with our youth from June 10--17. I will be back for worship on June 18.

All blessings to you this June,



## Can you help?

We are thinking about having an outdoor worship this summer at our church property. We would need to have some sort of canopy to block the sun. Does anyone have something we could borrow for the day? We usually have the service in August in the evening, but thought it would be nice to have it on a Sunday morning this year. Let the church office know if you have something we could use.

## Service for Sharon Miller

There will be a graveside service for Sharon Miller at the Westside Cemetery of Immanuel UCC in rural Greenwood on Saturday, June 24 at 11:00 A.M. A lunch at Parkway Pines will follow the service. All are invited.

## Wisdom of the Season Women's Retreat

Saturday, June 24  
9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.  
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Rev. Julie Garber will lead "Lessons of Summer." Participants will enjoy the day in a country setting to learn from nature, scripture, and conversation: Growing (learning, listening), Pruning/Weeding (confession, grace), Blossoming (love). Each "Season" reveals the rhythms and cycle of our physical and spiritual lives. For adult women, all ages. Cost is \$20 and includes light breakfast, lunch, snacks beverages and art supplies. Limited to 12 women. Call 715-577-7372 for more information or to register.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<h1>June 2017</h1> 						
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<b>4 Pentecost</b> <b>St Francis Food Pantry</b> <b>and Strengthen the church offerings</b> 10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Communion Worship 11:30 A.M. Pot luck	5	6  10:00 A.M. Quilters	7	8  Pastor David at Annual Mtg and MADD Camp through 6/17	9	10
<b>11 Prayers for the People</b>  10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Worship	12  7:00 P.M. Leadership Team	13  10:00 A.M. Quilters	14	15	16	17
<b>18 OCWM offering</b>  10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Worship  <b>Father's Day</b> 	19	20  10:00 A.M. Quilters	21	22	23	24
25 10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Worship	26	27  10:00 A.M. Quilters	28	29	30	