# Good News

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# Food for Thought

Our pot luck this month will be on June 10 with the Eau Claire Friends Meeting (Quakers). After worship we will join the Quakers downstairs in the Memorial Assembly Room for a lunch! Bring your favorite food and join us for this fellowship time. Invite a friend to church with you and have them share our meal.

Also, on July 1, we will have a picnic with both our Grace and Quaker friends. More details will be shared later.

Our offering to the Community Table will be taken on June 3. This is an important community service because for many of those who come, this is their only meal of the day. 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.

# Grief, Loss and New Beginnings A Free Community Program

The death of a family member, significant other, relative or friend, changes who we are. It provides us with a new "window" to look through which we have never seen before. It reshapes us. Death and loss of any kind remind us that although we want predictability and control over our lives, neither is guaranteed.

Join us for a free community program on Monday, June 18 from 6:30–8:30 P.M. with Ben Wolfe, a dynamic and positive grief and loss expert. This program will examine transitions and what brings them about, the wisdom that comes from exploring our "dark emotions," relearning our world, and will provide strategies to help families and friends who try to cope with the opportunities and struggles in the "journeys of transition." This conversation will offer helpful tools, reflection, and hope.

This program is presented by University of Wisconsin Eau Claire Continuing Education and hosted by Mayo Clinic Health System-Luther Campus, 1221 Whipple Street, Eau Claire. Register for free here: https://ce.uwec.edu/programs/grief-loss-and-new-beginnings-relearningfamily-mobile-free-community-program/ or by calling (715) 836-3636.

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# June Worship Calendar

# **10:30** A.M. Worship Communion the first Sunday of the month

### June 3

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Community Table offering

1 Samuel 3:1–10 (11–20) or Deuteronomy 5:12–15; Psalm 139:1–6, 13–18 or Psalm81:1–10; 2 Corinthians 4:5–12; Mark 2:23–3:6

### June 10

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Prayers for the People

1 Samuel 8:4–20 (11:14–15) or Genesis 3:8–15; Psalm 138 or Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1; Mark 3:20–35

### June 17

*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost OCWM offering* 1 Samuel 15:34–16:13 or Ezekiel 17:22–24; Psalm 20 or Psalm 92:1–4, 12–15; 2 Corinthians 5:6–10 (11–13), 14–17; Mark 4:26–34

### June 24

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4–11, 19–23), 32–49 or Job 38:1–11 or 1 Samuel 17:57–18:5, 10–16; Psalm 9:9–20 or Psalm 107:1–3, 23–32; 2 Corinthians 6:1–13; Mark 4:35–41

# **June Birthdays**

- 2 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

*In memory of Bea Hancock:* Joanne Miller

# **Prayer Ministry**

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

# Don't forget SCRIP cards!

We have SCRIP cards for Mega Holiday, Festival, Kwik Trip, Menard's, Shopko, Target, and Walmart on hand each week as well as the option to order pre-paid cards from many other businesses. It is a painless, cost-free fund raiser for our church! Dear friends and family of Plymouth,

Here we are at the cusp of summer! I and three of our youth are heading to Moon Beach for the Music, Art, Dance, and Drama Camp in a couple weeks. Many others of you will be heading out



for vacations, or maybe trips to weddings, graduation parties, or just a day away.

Meanwhile, the workers constructing our new building will remain busy at work doing the finishing touches. Typing out "finishing touches" feels so weird after this long journey!

But indeed, we are getting that close. It won't be finished in June, but it's going to be very close—if we're lucky, it will be before the mid-August deadline. I wish we could let you all know for sure what day we're going to be able to move in, but we still don't know that. We can, however, say "soon!" Especially compared to the very-not-soon position we were in when we started construction in November. There are some photos of the construction elsewhere in this newsletter.

For all who are traveling this month, Godspeed and safe travels to you all! Also, as I always ask, please bring me the bulletins and other literature from churches that you visit while you are away.

And to all, whether traveling or not, have a blessed start to your summer!

Blessings,

# Leadership Team Minutes

Members present: Deb Zehms, Pastor David, Rob Jaenke, Lil Savage, Louise Sanders, Larry Kleist, and Barb Kleist

Minutes from the April meeting were reviewed and accepted.

# **Financial Reports:**

As of April 30, 2018	
Year to Date Income	\$30,828.81
Year to Date Expenses	\$34,920.11
Ahead (Behind)	(\$4,091.85)

# **Treasurer's Report:**

Income for April was \$8,218.03. Expenses for April were \$8,558.11. Envelope giving for the year was up a little from last year. Monies transferred from the Memorial Fund were \$1,495.00.

# **Reserve Fund Balance:** \$415.23

# Memorial Fund Balance: \$12,505.48

The financial reports were reviewed and accepted.

# **Building and Grounds:**

Jim Welk is taking care of mowing. The fruit tree has been cut down. He is keeping his eye on things.

# Stewardship:

No report

# Worship:

Sunday, May 20 is Pentecost Sunday. Wear red. There will be a pot luck and a visit to the new church after we eat.

### Service:

Keep calling and visiting members and let Mimi know if you have contacted someone. Thank you.

# Pastor's Report:

Pastor David will be on vacation May 21–29. We will have a guest preacher. He will also be gone June 8–16 for the Conference Annual Meeting and MADD Camp.

# **Old Business:**

• A tentative date to serve at the Community Table has been set for October 27.

# **Construction Report:**

The new building is coming along great—the Quilters' Room is fabulous. We discussed some items that need to be decided—dish washer racks and other small items. We also need to get a new sign for our new building. Will get some prices. The woodpeckers are eating the old one. Appliances have been ordered and we decided on the dish washer we need. We are looking at a new musical instrument—maybe a new Clavinova. Lynn and David are looking into this. Lynn says the new ones are much better.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M. Next meeting is June 11, 2018.

Respectfully submitted, Louise Partlow

• A tentative 8,218.03. e \$8,558.11. October 2

# May 2018



# Photo Gallery...



Overhead hanging lights are in.



The very large ventilation hood for stoves and ovens



Cabinets in the quilters' room



The drive under. This oval will have a sloped walkway in the middle to the door, and garden space on each end.



Coatrack in the front entry is in!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
June 2018							
					1	2	
3 Community Table offering 10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Communion Worship	4 Mimi on vacation thru 6/11	5 10:00 A.M. Quilters	6	7	8 Office closed	9 Pastor David at Conference Annual Meeting and camp thru 6/16	
10 Prayers for the People 10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Worship 11:30 A.M. Pot luck with Quakers	11 <i>Office closed</i> 7:00 р.м. Leadership Team	12 10:00 A.M. Quilters	13	14	15	16	
17 OCWM offering 10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Worship Father's Day	18	19 10:00 а.м. Quilters	20	21	22	23	
24 10:00 а.м. Coffee 10:30 а.м. Worship	25	26 10:00 A.M. Quilters	27	28	29	30	