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Help Needed!

We are sponsoring the Community Table on July 11, 12 & 13. What this means is providing 8 gallons of milk for each of those days and the \$125 fee. We have the fees already, but we need volunteers to

donate and deliver the milk to them. We are not serving. I will be on vacation at that time and won't be able to help. Please either contact me at 715-834-8130 or sign up at church.

We are coming close to the time we are going to be in our new church. We will need lots of worker bees to help us get ready, so be prepared to volunteer. Some things that can be done before hand are: polishing the cross and candle sticks we have been using in the Chapel; help cleaning up some of our Sanctuary furniture so that it looks good in the new building (We have the Christ Candle holder, the Communion Table, hymnal cart, bookshelf, the two side tables and the small pew); a new patio set that has to be set up. These are just a few things that can be done individually or in a group. A sign up sheet will be at church or you can contact me. Let's get excited and start getting ready!

Barb Kleist and the Leadership Team

Food for Thought

Our pot luck this month will be on July 1. We will be joining Grace and the Quakers for a pot luck picnic that day. Bring your favorite picnic food. The pot luck will be outside, hopefully the weather will cooperate this week. Please join us for this fellowship time and bring a friend to church with you and have them share our meal.

Our offering to the Community Table will be taken on July 1. 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.

Good News

July Worship Calendar

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

July 1

6th Sunday after Pentecost Community Table offering

2 Samuel 1:1, 17–27 or Lamentations
3:23–33; Psalm 130 or Psalm 30;
2 Corinthians 8:7–15; Mark 5:21–43

July 8

7^{sh} Sunday after Pentecost

Prayers for the People 2 Samuel 5:1–5, 9–10 or Ezekiel 2:1–5; Psalm 48 or Psalm 123; 2 Corinthians 12:2–10; Mark 6:1–13

July 15

8th Sunday after Pentecost OCWM offering

2 Samuel 6:1–5, 12b–19 or Amos 7:7–15; Psalm 24 or Psalm 85:8–13; Ephesians 1:3–14; Mark 6:14–29

July Birthdays

- 2 Alice Noyes
- 9 Louise Partlow
- 10 Gracie Cartmill
- 11 Mel Rude
- 12 Maggie Leipnitz
- 18 Kayla Stygar
- 19 Megan Eisberner
- 26 Bill Leipnitz
- 27 Chelle Green Michael Green
- 30 Faye LaPean

July 22

9th Sunday after Pentecost 2 Samuel 7:1–14a or Jeremiah 23:1–6; Psalm 89:20–37 or Psalm 23; Ephesians 2:11–22; Mark 6:30–34, 53–56

July 29

10th Sunday after Pentecost 2 Samuel 11:1–15 or 2 Kings 4:42–44; Psalm 14 or Psalm 145:10–18; Ephesians 3:14–21; John 6:1–21

Prayer Ministry

In July, we are praying for these individuals/families: Ashley (Nick) Mayer, Joanne Miller, John & Sandy Moore, Edmund & Alice Noyes

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!

Memorials

For the Quilters in memory of Kay Stecher: Dorothy Gilbertson

In memory of Jerry Foote: Joanne Miller, Larry & Barb Kleist, George Stecher

Dear friends and family of Plymouth,

I am back from another astounding week of ministry at Moon Beach with 35 talented and loving youth from around the state. Our two outdoor ministry sites—Moon Beach in St. Germain and Pilgrim Center in Green Lake—are vital







components of the ministry of the Wisconsin Conference United Church of Christ, and I and the rest of the Conference appreciate that you have let me be a camp leader for many years, and that we have been sending our children (and adults, if we include family camps!) for a long, long time.

As I learned at camp last week, current statistics are showing that about 10% of children who

grow up in a church will remain active in a church in adulthood. But kids who grow up in a church and also attend a church camp show a 30% rate of church involvement post-graduation. Still not a great number, but three times greater than the kids who don't have a summer camp experience.

Investing in kids to go to church camp is good money stewardship, and good stewardship of people. Not just to keep them active in church, though hopefully that happens, but because of the experience of creating the community

that mimics God's realm: one of love, compassion, kindness, openness. Our week of camp had kids from third through twelfth grade, one who is on the autism spectrum and some other special needs kids, and two young women with Down Syndrome who have been part of the camp for a long time who are now in their twenties. Quite a mix of kids, and they all get along, the older helping the younger and showing them the way of camp, the two women get included in the activities of camp and the activities of the kids, everyone gets along and all are made to feel welcome and needed and part of the community. That's exactly what the church is supposed to look like as well, and those who experience church camp get to experience what it is to be loved, cared for, included, and made to feel special for at least that one week each year. There is no price tag on a gift like that.

May the ministries of our camps, the examples of the beloved communities, grow beyond the borders of camps and into our cities, our corporate boardrooms, our halls of government, and our churches as well.

Blessings,

Leadership Team Minutes

Members present: Deb Zehms, Rob Jaenke, Larry Kleist, Barb Kleist, and Louise Partlow

Minutes from the May meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Financial Reports:

As of May 31, 2018	
Year to Date Income	\$41,632.07
Year to Date Expenses	\$45,111.45
Ahead (Behind)	(\$3,479.38)

Treasurer's Report:

Income for May was \$10,803.26. Expenses for May were \$10,190.79. Envelope giving for the year was up from last year. We borrowed \$5,000 from the Memorial Fund to pay the necessary expenses.

Reserve Fund Balance: \$415.51

Memorial Fund Balance: \$7,530.48

The financial reports were reviewed and accepted.

Building and Grounds:

No report, but Jim Welk is continuing to keep an eye on things.

Stewardship:

Date for Thrift Sale tentatively set for Saturday, September 22.

Worship:

No report.

Service:

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

Pastor's Report:

On a lounge chair at Moon Beach—per Deb.

Old Business:

Barb received an email from Community Table—no open Saturdays at this time. They need donations of \$125.00 per meal, so we will give them enough money for at least two meals from our Community Table offerings.

New Business:

• Discussion of electronic giving was tabled for now.

Construction Report:

We need to decide how to promote our new church building. There was much discussion also about items that need to be decided on before we can successfully move in.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M. Date of next meeting is not yet determined

Respectfully submitted, Louise Partlow





Photo Gallery...



Mimi's wonderful vacation with Aimee.



The back patio is taking shape.





The flooring is down in the fellowship room.

The kitchen is coming together.

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1 Community Table offering 10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Communion Worship 11:30 A.M. Pot luck	2	3 10:00 A.M. Quilters	4 Office closed	5	6	7
 8 Prayers for the People 10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Worship 	9	10 10:00 A.M. Quilters	11	12	13	14
15 <i>OCWM offering</i> 10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Worship	16	17 10:00 A.M. Quilters	18	19	20	21
22 10:00 A.M. Coffee 10:30 A.M. Worship	23	24 10:00 A.M. Quilters	25	26	27	28
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