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See All The People



“See All The People” is one of the initiatives of the Discipleship Ministries of the United Methodist Church. Discipleship begins with Relationship and enable us to express our faith in many different ways. It is about building on the values that we cherish. More importantly it is not about “fixing churches” but about discipleship. That also includes identifying best practices that keeps us in love with God.

As I write this newsletter for March 2019, the delegates from all corners of the world are arriving in St. Louis for the special session of the General Conference to decide matters on human sexuality and mission of the Church. Many people are anxious and uncertain about the outcome of this historic meeting. Our Church spent time outlining the proposals before the Church: One Church Plan, Modified -Traditional Plan and Connectional Plan. You can read about these plans through the umc.org website. I have stated in council

meetings and announcements that whatever outcome or decisions from St. Louis will not affect our fundamental mission. We pray that all may be one in Christ and that grace may be sufficient for all God’s people. It is all about relationships.

Lent begins **March 6, 2019, on Ash Wednesday**. Please watch out for service announcements via Facebook, Website, emails and church bulletin. We will also “journey” in Lent and it invites us new and longtime Christians to hear the call of Christ to return to God with all their hearts.

Devotional materials are available for individuals or groups. For many years, The United Methodist Men, have led the effort to support the meals for millions thru the Society of St. Andrew. We have been doing this for 26 years. Thank you for your generous support. There is a sign up sheet in the welcome center.

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The youth group just concluded 30 Hours of Famine to highlight the plight and raise awareness about hunger. Every year, hundreds of thousands of students in the US and around the world gather together for this event. The United Methodist Women also engage in mission work and continue to support various endeavors. When I was growing up, I learned early that UMW is about mission and the work is continuing near and far. We also have Food Pantries and Meals on Wheels. Many give their time and energy quietly but efficiently.

March 31 is UMCOR Sunday. It was called "One Great Hour of Sharing." Together, we reach children, families and communities who have experienced devastation in the wake of disaster. The United Methodist Committee on Relief, started in 1940, originally was established to meet the needs of those suffering overseas at the onset of World War II. Today, UMCOR responds throughout more than eighty countries around the world. UMCOR is also local and one of the first responders in the United States. Our local mission teams have worked side by side with UMCOR through your generous support.

"Here's the church and there's the steeple. Open the door and see all the people."

And I found there is an additional lyric:

"Here's the parson going upstairs. And here he is now he's saying his prayers."

May God bless the Church that we love as we pray for one another.

Rev. Romir R. Esguerra

United Methodist Women

Let's start thinking "Spring" thoughts...tulips, spring showers, chirping birds and lots of cheery things. Our next event is our **Tuesday, March 5 Quarterly Meeting and Potluck @ 6:30 p.m.** We're looking forward to the program entitled "Footsteps of Paul".

Our guides through this presentation will be **Jill Wood-Naatz, Carolyn Meneely and Ellen Kobylewski**. All of them toured Greece and Turkey in October 2018. Please bring a dish to share for the potluck dinner.

Good news! Our Trivia Night fundraiser in January had wonderful results: \$800 has been given to the ORUMC Food Pantry and the remaining \$800 has been designated for UMW missions.

Thanks again to the committee that organized this event: **Melinda Taylor, Julie Kuhn, Sarah Calderwood, Peggy Gire and Melissa Bland**. Also, we thank everyone that attended, brought desserts, moved furniture and helped in many other ways.

Make sure that you record the **2019 Calendar of Events** so that you can be part of the Fun, Fellowship and Friendship.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5- 6:30 p.m.- Quarterly Meeting & Potluck. Program: "Footsteps of Paul"

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, MAY 3 & 4- Retreat at Wesley Woods (United Methodist camp in Williams Bay /Lake Geneva, WI). Program theme: "Resisting Happiness". NOTE: Sign-up for the Retreat will be avail-

able starting at the March 5 meeting (see Pam Miller for details).

TUESDAY, JUNE 4- 6:30 p.m.- Annual Salad Supper & Quarterly Meeting. Program: "The Life of hymn composer Fannie Crosby" (presented by Carol Hollingsworth)

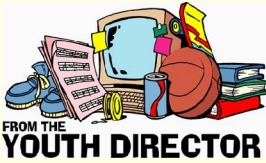
TUESDAY, SEPT. 10 - 6:30 p.m.- Quarterly Meeting & Potluck. Program: "Food and Faith: Where Would Jesus Sit?" (presented by Mary Zalay)

TUESDAY, DEC. 3- 6:30 p.m. UMW Holiday Meeting & Potluck- Program: "Holiday Happenings" and White Elephant gift exchange.

Finance News

The following is the financial status as of January 31, 2019:

Year to Date	
Actual Income	\$30,967
Expenses	\$27,503
Surplus (Deficit)	\$3,464
Mortgage:	
Original 10/1/14	\$165,000
Balance 1/31/2019	\$29,781



by Marianne Rogenski

Education News:

April 7, 9:00 a.m. Confirmation Sunday

Mark your calendars for the Easter Egg Hunt!

April 21, 10:15am

There will be no Sunday School on Easter Sunday

Youth News:

March:

- 3 Confirmation 4-5pm
Youth Group 5:30-7:30pm
- 10 Youth Group 5:30-7:30pm
- 17 The Gathering 6-8pm
Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
- 24 NO YOUTH GROUP
- 31 NO YOUTH GROUP

April

- 7 Youth group 5:30-7:30pm
- 14 Youth Group 5:30-7:30pm
- 21 NO YOUTH GROUP
- 28 Youth Group 5:30-7P:30pm

May

- 5 Youth Group 5:30-7:30pm
End of year party!

Thank you to everyone who helped with the 30 Hour Famine!

Appalachia Service Project (ASP) News:

We want to thank everyone for their financial support. If you are still interested in sponsoring the team, please feel free to donate online or get your donation to the church office labeled ASP

Our next meeting will be in April!



March:

- 4 Andrew Pelster
- 31 Elly Rogenski



Community Crisis Center

by Sally Donaldson

The Crisis Center is in need of several **baby items** at this time: disposable diapers (larger sizes and pull-ups), diaper wipes, formula, baby bottles, and cups with lids.

The CCC is also in need of the following **office supplies**: Pens, paper, markers, white copy paper, letter and legal size manila file folders, white business size envelopes, paper clips, post-it-notes, and staples.

Toiletries: nail clippers and emery boards.

Food and snacks: Non-perishable canned and boxed goods, saltine and graham crackers, microwave popcorn, granola bars, fruit & pudding cups and canned meat meals.

Please place your items in the CCC bin located in the closet, left of the information desk in the Narthex. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

Worship in the Wilderness

Our Lenten series begins on Ash Wednesday as we follow Jesus into the wilderness. Using scripture from Old and New Testaments, He leads us on a journey through forty days of testing, prayer, reflection and transformation.

March 6, 7:00 p.m. **Ash Wednesday: *A Secret Journey***: A time in the secret places of our hearts

March 10 ***A Spirit-Led Journey***: We are led by the Spirit into the wilderness

March 17 ***A Simple Journey***: A journey of solitude, simplicity and fasting

March 24 ***A Sorrowful Journey***: Learning to Lament

March 31 ***A Sacrificial Journey***: The sacrifices we are called to make

April 7 ***A truth-Speaking Journey***: Speaking truth to temptation

April 14 ***A Surprising Journey***: Fulfillment in Jesus

April 18, 7:00 p.m. **Maundy Thursday: *A Symbolic Journey***: The sacrifice of Jesus in body and blood

April 19, 7:00 p.m. **Good Friday: *A Sensory Journey***: Touch, taste, see, and hear the final days of Christ



UMM Spaghetti Dinner February 3



UNITED METHODIST
MEN

The United Methodist Men wish to thank all who attended and generously contributed to the annual Super Bowl Spaghetti Dinner on February 3.

Thanks to all the men who made the world-famous meatballs on Saturday then helped cook, serve and clean up on Sunday.

UMM Breakfast Meeting
March 9, 8:00 a.m.

All men are invited to attend our monthly meeting for breakfast and fellowship on Saturday, March 9 at 8:00 a.m. in the Wesley Hall.



Personal Notes



Don't Be Dismayed By Imperfection

There's ñan elephant in the roomö that can't be denied by those of us who 1) read the Daily Herald and 2) profess to be followers of God.

Our local area is home to two famous megachurches. Each has done a phenomenal amount of good; each has brought a multitude of people to Christ. Over the past year, however, the Herald has had to report on very disturbing issues at each.

Meanwhile, reprehensible acts by certain Catholic priests have been revealed and reported throughout the world. Readers who do not consider themselves to be especially ñreligiousö might be understandably repelled by it all.

I do believe, however, we can find some helpful insight in the Bible. If there is one biblical passage all your readers may know, perhaps it's the 23rd Psalm, written by King David 3,000 years ago.

David knew we would not be perfect (he certainly wasn't!) He correctly implied that we're often as mindless as sheep. King David wrote ñHe leads me in paths of righteousness.ö Yet, we so often wonder off that path, though it's there ñfor His name's sake.ö

Alas, the founding pastors of those megachurches were found to be far from perfect. Evil priests were hidden by seemingly very good ones.

My own Protestant denomination will soon be struggling with (and probably bickering about) a potentially contentious matter.

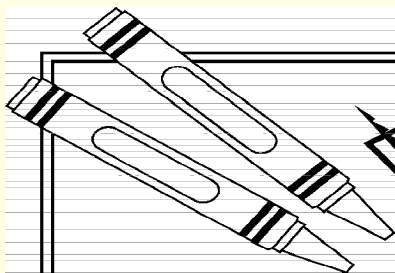
I do worry that those grappling with life's Hard Questions might be turned off to God by the imperfection of all His children.

Yet no one needs Him more. He will truly provide ñgoodness and mercyö throughout their life (just not necessarily pleasure and ease.)

Then, once recognized, that goodness and mercy can be treasured ñall the days of our life.ö

Bruce Bedingfield

as published in the Daily Herald



PUZZLE

Jesus gives us *life*

Through his death and resurrection, Jesus offers the free gift of eternal life.

Directions: Match each clue from Holy Week with the correct image. If you get stuck, look up the Bible verses.

People spread these on the road for Jesus. (Matthew 21:8)



Mary pours this on Jesus' feet. (John 12:3)



Jesus shares this with his disciples. (Matthew 26:26)



This is placed on Jesus' head. (John 19:2)

Soldiers may have used these to compete for Jesus' coat. (John 19:23-24)



Jesus carries this himself for a while. (John 19:17)



Marks caused by these help Thomas identify Jesus. (John 20:25)



While on the cross, Jesus is thirsty and is given this. (John 19:28-29)



This is rolled away from Jesus' tomb. (John 20:1)



These are used to prepare Jesus' body for burial. (Luke 23:55-56)



These remain in the tomb after Jesus rises. (John 20:6-7)



Judas betrays Jesus for this. (Matthew 26:14-15)



Answer: palm branches, perfume, bread, crown of thorns, dice, cross, nails, vinegar on a sponge, stone, linens, spices, silver coins

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February 24, 2019 - April 06, 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Feb 24</i></p> <p>No Youth Group</p> <p>Famine Sunday</p> <p>9 am SS/Worship 10:30 Worship Nursery</p> <p>6:30 PM Bowling @Poplar Creek</p>	<p><i>Feb 25</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study @ Panera</p> <p>7:30 PM Nar-Anon Family Group</p>	<p><i>Feb 26</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Woman's Book Study</p> <p>6:30 PM Reading the Bible Group</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal</p>	<p><i>Feb 27</i></p> <p>5:00 PM Cherub Choir</p> <p>5:20 PM Joyful Noise</p> <p>6:30 PM Redeemer Ringers</p> <p>7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>Feb 28</i></p> <p>8:30 AM TOPS</p> <p>11:00 AM Brookdale Service</p> <p>7:15 PM UMW Bible Study</p> <p>7:30 PM Bound for Recovery AA Mtg</p>	<p><i>Mar 1</i></p>	<p><i>Mar 2</i></p>
<p><i>Mar 3</i></p> <p>9 am SS/Worship 10:30 Worship Nursery</p> <p>4:00 PM Confirmation Class</p> <p>5:30 PM Youth Group at ORUMC</p>	<p><i>Mar 4</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study @ Panera</p> <p>7:30 PM Nar-Anon Family Group</p>	<p><i>Mar 5</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Woman's Book Study</p> <p>6:30 PM UMW Quarterly Meeting</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal</p>	<p><i>Mar 6</i></p> <p>5:00 PM Cherub Choir</p> <p>5:20 PM Joyful Noise</p> <p>7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service</p>	<p><i>Mar 7</i></p> <p>8:30 AM TOPS</p> <p>7:15 PM UMW Bible Study</p> <p>7:30 PM Bound for Recovery AA Mtg</p>	<p><i>Mar 8</i></p>	<p><i>Mar 9</i></p> <p>8:00 AM UMM Breakfast Meeting</p>
<p><i>Mar 10</i></p> <p>9 am SS/Worship 10:30 Worship Nursery</p> <p>5:30 PM Youth Group at ORUMC</p> <p>6:30 PM Bowling @Poplar Creek</p>	<p><i>Mar 11</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study @ Panera</p> <p>7:30 PM Nar-Anon Family Group</p>	<p><i>Mar 12</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Woman's Book Study</p> <p>6:30 PM Reading the Bible Group</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal</p> <p>7:00 PM Staff Parish</p>	<p><i>Mar 13</i></p> <p>5:00 PM Cherub Choir</p> <p>5:20 PM Joyful Noise</p> <p>6:30 PM Redeemer Ringers</p> <p>7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>Mar 14</i></p> <p>8:30 AM TOPS</p> <p>9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry</p> <p>6:15 PM Pack #195 Bear Den Meeting-Rm 1</p> <p>7:15 PM UMW Bible Study</p> <p>7:30 PM Bound for Recovery AA Mtg</p>	<p><i>Mar 15</i></p>	<p><i>Mar 16</i></p>
<p><i>Mar 17</i></p> <p>9 am SS/Worship 10:30 Worship Nursery</p> <p>1:30 PM Soup Kitchen</p> <p>6:00 PM The Gathering @ Prince of Peace Lutheran Church</p>	<p><i>Mar 18</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study @ Panera</p> <p>7:30 PM Nar-Anon Family Group</p>	<p><i>Mar 19</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Woman's Book Study</p> <p>6:30 PM Trustees Committee</p> <p>7:00 PM Finance Committee</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal</p>	<p><i>Mar 20</i></p> <p>5:00 PM Cherub Choir</p> <p>5:20 PM Joyful Noise</p> <p>6:30 PM Redeemer Ringers</p> <p>7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>Mar 21</i></p> <p>8:30 AM TOPS</p> <p>7:00 PM Ad Council</p> <p>7:15 PM UMW Bible Study</p> <p>7:30 PM Bound for Recovery AA Mtg</p> <p>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</p>	<p><i>Mar 22</i></p>	<p><i>Mar 23</i></p>
<p><i>Mar 24</i></p> <p>No Youth Group</p> <p>9 am SS/Worship 10:30 Worship Nursery</p> <p>6:30 PM Bowling @Poplar Creek</p>	<p><i>Mar 25</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study @ Panera</p> <p>7:30 PM Nar-Anon Family Group</p>	<p><i>Mar 26</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Woman's Book Study</p> <p>6:30 PM Reading the Bible Group</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal</p>	<p><i>Mar 27</i></p> <p>5:00 PM Cherub Choir</p> <p>5:20 PM Joyful Noise</p> <p>6:30 PM Redeemer Ringers</p> <p>7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>Mar 28</i></p> <p>8:30 AM TOPS</p> <p>11:00 AM Brookdale Service</p> <p>7:15 PM UMW Bible Study</p> <p>7:30 PM Bound for Recovery AA Mtg</p>	<p><i>Mar 29</i></p>	<p><i>Mar 30</i></p>
<p><i>Mar 31</i></p> <p>UMCOR Sunday</p> <p>No Youth Group</p> <p>9 am SS/Worship 10:30 Worship Nursery</p>	<p><i>Apr 1</i></p> <p>7:00 PM New Life Bible Study @ Panera</p> <p>7:30 PM Nar-Anon Family Group</p>	<p><i>Apr 2</i></p> <p>Election Day</p> <p>10:00 AM Woman's Book Study</p> <p>7:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal</p>	<p><i>Apr 3</i></p> <p>5:00 PM Cherub Choir</p> <p>5:20 PM Joyful Noise</p> <p>6:30 PM Redeemer Ringers</p> <p>7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>Apr 4</i></p> <p>8:30 AM TOPS</p> <p>7:15 PM UMW Bible Study</p> <p>7:30 PM Bound for Recovery AA Mtg</p>	<p><i>Apr 5</i></p>	<p><i>Apr 6</i></p>