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9:00 am to Noon



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Created In The Image of God

LORD, you have examined me. You know me. You know when I sit down and when I stand up. Even from far away, you comprehend my plans. You study my traveling and my resting. You are thoroughly familiar with all my ways. There isn't a word on my tongue, LORD, that you don't already know completely. You surround me—front and back. You put your hand on me. That kind of knowledge is too much for me; it's so high above me that I can't fathom it. You are the one who created my innermost parts; you knit me together while I was still in my mother's womb. I give thanks to you that I was marvelously set apart. Your works are wonderful—I know that very well. My bones weren't hidden from you when I was being put together in a secret place, when I was being woven together in the deep parts of the earth. Your eyes saw my embryo, and on your scroll every day was written that was being formed for me, before any one of them had yet happened. Psalm 139:1-6, 13-16

Wesley Sermon 67, "On Divine Providence," Works 6:318

For he created man in his own image: A spirit like himself; a spirit endued with understanding, with will or affections, and liberty; without which, neither his understanding nor his affections could have been of any use, neither would he have been capable either of vice or virtue. He could not be a moral agent, any more than a tree or stone.

If, therefore, God were thus to exert his power, there would certainly be no more vice; but it is equally certain, neither could there be any virtue in the world. Were human liberty taken away, men would be as incapable of virtue as stones.

Therefore, (with reverence be it spoken) the Almighty himself cannot do this thing. He cannot thus contradict himself, or undo what he has done. He cannot destroy out of the soul of man that image of himself wherein he made him: And without doing this, he cannot abolish sin and pain out of the world. But were it to be done it would imply no wisdom at all; but barely a stroke of omnipotence.

Whereas all the manifold wisdom of God (as well as all his power and goodness) is displayed in governing man as man; not as a stock or stone, but as an intelligent and free spirit, capable of choosing either good or evil.

Our ability to choose is a gift from God our ability to choose wisely and virtuously is the result of *12:1 Therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your spiritual worship. 2 Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God.*

Daily we are to present ourselves to God as a living sacrifice. Moment by moment we are to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit. We are not to live in concert with the values of the world around us but to allow the Holy Spirit to use the word of God to renew our thinking and to transform our lives.

Pastor Victor

Prayer Requests

Remember our church members & friends who are less mobile and are unable to join us as often as they would like, including:

Colony Court Memory & Care Suites: Ann Swenson

Colony Court: Ardella Draheim, Nina Youngberg, Leona Quast, Muriel Jenkins

Lakeshore Inn: Florence Gutknecht, Liz Corchran

Latham Place: George and Lucille Kubista, Elaine Westrum

Koda Living Community: Chuck Youngberg

Prayer Requests from Sunday Worship: Janice Kaupa, Gary Taylor, Marlys and Ken Garness.



Administrative Assistant Hours

Stacy True, Administrative Assistant, will continue to work summer hours of Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to Noon through September 7.

Faith Crafters & Stitchers

Faith Crafters & Stitchers will meet **Thursday, August 9** from **1:00 to 3:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. You may bring a project of your own to work on or ideas for Bazaar 2018! If you have not been to crafters and stitchers in the past, come check us out! Coffee and treats provided. Call Sandy Voshell at 835-4122 with questions.

Hospitality Team

Hospitality Team would like to encourage members of the congregation to join the team. We usually schedule a meeting 6 times a year. Often times we talk about: what movie to show at M&M night, what is a good idea for fellowship events and what should we have to eat! We would love to have more people and their ideas or suggestions.

Faith at the Fair

On July 15 we hosted Faith at the Fair under the Iron tent with old fashioned Gospel Music provided by Bob and "Kozy" and Jerome Broughten and a short sermon. There were 98 people in attendance. See you next year!

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to Florence Gutknecht who celebrated her 101st birthday on July 25!

Fellowship Events

On July 8th we had 'Family Bibles' for a fellowship event. It was interesting to see the different Bibles and to hear the stories that people had about their Bibles.

August 19th - Missions Fair will be held. There will be displays of the different missions that Faith church and UMW sponsor. (See pages 4 - 5 for more information).

On **Labor Day Weekend** the city of Waseca will be very busy with activities. There will be a soap box derby race sponsored by the Masonic Temple on **Saturday, September 1st** and Faith is going to have a stand at the end of the race with water.

M & M Night

The next Meal and Movie Night will be on **September 23rd**. The movie will be 'I Can Only Imagine'.

SAVE THE DATE: UMW Guest Night

August 23rd at 7:00 p.m. will be the **UMW's Guest Night**. All men and women are invited and we encourage you to bring a friend or neighbor with you.

Our speaker will be Heidi Becker from Austin, MN. Heidi and her husband had a baby named Drew (the name means 'warrior'). He was diagnosed with Neuroblastoma in January, 2016 and passed away a year later. During the time of his hospitalization, Drew's family were given a collapsible wagon filled with great supplies such as a homemade quilt, Kleenex, books, DVD's, baby wipes, snacks and more.

Shortly after Drew's death, Heidi and her husband began 'Warrior Wagons'. Her presentation goes through their story of Drew and will touch on how they got/get through this dark time in their lives with thankfulness and grace. Heidi will then address their current project and give us information regarding the Warrior Wagons.

More information will be in the August bulletins and newsletter. Please put this date on your calendar so you don't miss it! (Dessert and coffee will be served in the fellowship hall following this presentation.)

Jonah Bible Study

There will be a 6 week study on the Old Testament book Jonah held on Tuesday mornings in the Lake View room from 10:30 - 11:30 beginning Sept 11 led by Duane Griffin. There will be no student book to purchase but please bring a Bible.



SUNDAY AUGUST 19TH AFTER THE MORNING SERVICE

Missions are the way we fulfill the mission of our church...

"Making disciples for the transformation of the world"

We can do this in three ways: through investing our gifts, our talents and our time in the following areas:



The Advance

Advancing hope in Christ's name

.....The Advance is an official program of The United Methodist Church for voluntary, designated, second-mile giving.



.....Most consider an "UMVIM team" to be a volunteer team of United Methodists that go to serve out-of-state or abroad for a short period of time.

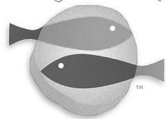


**U.S. DISASTER
RESPONSE**

.....United States Disaster Response Advance #901670 - Support UMCOR's response to disasters in the US.

**INTERNATIONAL
DISASTER RESPONSE**

.....International Disaster Response Advance #982450 - Support quick response to meet emergency needs around the world.

Sharing God's Gifts

Apportioned Funds..... Apportioned giving is a term which describes how the money you give to your church each week is divided and distributed throughout the United Methodist Church.



Programs the Neighborhood Service Center supports: Thrift Store-many 1/2 price days and a monthly auction. Food programs-Food Shelf & Senior Food program, Santa Anonymous made possible by the community donations-provides children with gifts for the Holiday season, Holiday food program, School Supplies for qualifying children, Weekend Backpack program-donations from community of food filled in the backpacks.



The United Methodist Women is the only official organization for women within the United Methodist Church. Founded in 1869, it is "the largest denominational faith organization for women with approximately 800,000 members".

COME CELEBRATE WHAT GOD IS DOING IN OUR WORLD AND COMMUNITY. SEE HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT AND WHERE YOU CAN BE INVOLVED IN ONE OR MORE OF THESE MISSIONS..... AS WE ENGAGE, EQUIP AND EMPOWER PEOPLE FOR MISSION.

THE HOSPITALITY TEAM

Nurse's Notes - Parish Nurse Retires

It has been a true blessing to be your Parish Nurse for the past eight years. Hopefully I have been able to help some of you with your health issues. The newsletters let us focus on a variety of health issues.

I will be letting my RN license go at the end of the year. It's been over 40 years so it is a bit hard to give up.

I'm being patient as God directs me on a different path. Missions has been an interest of mine since childhood. So maybe, that's the way God is leading me.

Some parting thoughts for Better Health

Stay in love with God.

Attend church regularly.

Get 7 - 8 hours of sleep at night.

Avoid junk food, sugar, salt and fat.

Eat at home with family and friends.

Stay active physically, in an activity you enjoy.

Stay active mentally - challenge yourself to learn new things.

Maintain positive relationships.

Avoid negative thoughts (Remember the Serenity Prayer).

Thanks for all your support over the years.

"May the Lord Bless You and Keep You". Numbers 6:27

Best Wishes Always,
Sherry Scholljegerdes

But Whom Do You Say That I AM?

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 Beloved Son
 Bishop
 Branch
 Bread
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 Carpenter
 Chosen
 Christ
 Consolation
 Cornerstone
 Counselor
 Day Star
 Deliverer

Door
 Emmanuel
 Everlasting
 Faithful and True
 First and Last
 Forerunner
 Foundation
 Governor
 Head
 High Priest
 Holy and Just One
 Horn of Salvation
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 Jesus
 Judge
 King
 King of Kings
 Lamb of God

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 Life
 Light
 Lion of Judah
 Lord
 Lord of Lords
 Master
 Mediator
 Messiah
 Mighty God
 Morning Star
 Nazarene
 Only Begotten Son
 Passover
 Priest
 Prince of Peace
 Prophet
 Redeemer

Resurrection
 Rock
 Savior
 Servant
 Shepherd
 Son of David
 Son of God
 Son of Man
 Vine
 Way
 Wonderful
 Word



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Come Worship with Us
We have room.

MONTHLY MEET-UPS:

Elizabeth Circle

UMW Elizabeth Circle will not meet in August. Our circle will hostess the UMW Unit meeting on **August 20**.

Ruth Circle

UMW Ruth Circle will meet **Tuesday, August 14**, from **10:30 a.m. to Noon** at the home of Roberta Walker. All are welcome to attend.