



## New London United Methodist Church News

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### To Know Who Are We

This October we have a unique opportunity in one week to celebrate World Communion and to meet together for our annual Church Conference. It is an opportunity to remember who we are as a people of faith. For we are both members of a world-wide fellowship of believers and members of a particular local church. We are Christians and United Methodists. We are called to witness to the work of God globally and locally, and to experience the love of God for all of creation and for each of us.

I look forward to sharing Holy Communion and holy conferencing with you!  
Pastor Joyce

### How Do I Reach Pastor Joyce?

If you want to avoid the disappointment of not finding me at the office when you stop by, you can call before you come, or make an appointment so I'll be ready to see you. If you need to leave a message you can leave a voice mail message at church (920) 982-4703 or on the parsonage answering machine (920) 250-5543.

### World Communion

Come and celebrate World Communion on Sun., Oct. 6 and Mon., Oct. 7 as we join together with millions of Christians around the globe in Holy Communion. We are all part of one body: the Body of Christ! And our special gifts for mission in October help to fund: World Communion scholarships (50% of total offering, with at least one half going beyond the U.S.); the Ethnic Scholarship Program (35%); and Ethnic In-Service Training Program (15%).

### Disaster Response

In Wisconsin we have lived through a record breaking month of precipitation in September – but we were still horrified by the destruction caused by hurricane Dorian and other storms that inundated communities with steady rain and wind whipped tides. Additional flooding occurred along major river systems that have been at, or above, flood stage for too many weeks this year. To support United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) in responding to these disasters you can make a check out to our church (NLUMC), and designate on the memo line that it is for UMCOR disaster response in the U.S. (Advance #901670), or international disaster response (Advance #982450). Thank you for your generous and compassionate gifts.

### Fair Stand Success

Thank you for helping and donating for the fair stand. With the changes we made we had good work flow and sold out of most of our meal choices. We had income of \$13,925.85 and expenses of \$6,873.16. Our thanks to Chris and Steve Thompson for all the years they have given their energy and devotion to coordinating our work at the fair stand.

## October Mission: World Communion (special envelopes)

### Ongoing Missions

We are always collecting food for the Community Cupboard; we have our penny jar for the Mission of Hope House; and candy bars for all of our missions of the month.



### Church Conference on Tues., Oct. 8

This year we will be having a Church Conference (instead of a Circuit Conference) with our assigned District Superintendent, Rev. Tsuker Yang on Tues., Oct. 8 starting at 6:30 PM. All church members are invited to participate in the Church Conference and to vote on matters pertaining to NLUMC. You are invited to share light refreshments while the Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) meets with the District Superintendent at 6:00 PM. If you have questions about the Church Conference, please talk to Pastor Joyce.

### A Meal and Conversation on October 20 and 21

You are invited to enjoy fellowship over a meal, conversation about the first three quarters of the year, and be asked to provide input on plans for special services and events that are coming up in the final months of this year. You can do this on either Sun., Oct. 20 at 11:30 AM (after the 10:15 AM worship service); or on Mon., Oct. 21 at 5:30 PM (before the 6:30 PM worship service).

### Community Thanksgiving Meal – Coming Soon!

This year's free Community Thanksgiving Meal will be on Thurs., Nov. 28 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, here at NLUMC. Our coordinator, Sheila Lee is gearing up to work with all the fine community volunteers who make this meal possible. Sign-up sheets for food items and work areas will be posted soon.

### Scrip Cards!

We have the Scrip card you might be looking for if you are planning your fall or winter vacation away (airfare, hotel); planning a shopping day or a night out. Check out our inventory as it changes weekly with new cards available. If you would like a Scrip card that we don't keep in stock we can order that card for you. Thank you to everyone that uses our Scrip program.

### News from Our Library

October is the perfect month to curl up with a good mystery. Thanks to a recent donation we now have six titles in Joanne Fluke's best selling Hannah Swensen mysteries. Hannah is the owner of a shop called The Cookie Jar. She keeps stumbling upon dead bodies and then feels compelled to find out who-did-it. The book titles are all dessert related such as "Sugar Cookie Murder" and "Key Lime Pie Murder." As an added bonus, each book includes a number of recipes— the index in the back of the books will help you locate them. Some of the books in this series have been made into movies shown on the Hallmark Channel.

Check the fiction section (F) to find them.

Submitted by: Jane Martinson



If we missed your celebration - Call 920-982-4703 to let us know

### October Celebrations

#### Happy Birthday

Felicia Ramos	10/05	Bexley Witzel	10/06
Kendall Heise	10/11	Glenn Bigford	10/15
Kiara Swinford	10/17	Dee Sorenson	10/19
Lisa Bork	10/20	Fran Barrington	10/24
Rosella Bigford	10/24	Gordy Gabrielson	10/24
Tammy Klinzing	10/26	Matthew Luebeck	10/30

#### Happy Anniversary

Jane & Jamie Schlieve	10/02	Jon & Terri Heise	10/15
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#### Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who has sent cards, gifts, and done things to help me move along in the healing process! Your loving kindness is much appreciated.

I'm told it is a slow process to build back stamina and to decrease the level of soreness, but I hope to continue to make good progress over the next few months. It would also be really helpful if no one "shares" any colds, coughs, or flu with me – because any coughing or sneezing makes everything around my lung and in my ribs ache. So if I try to keep a "healthy distance" from you, that's why! – Pastor Joyce

#### SPEAKER'S PANEL

Saturday, October 12, 2019 from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. at Shawano: Church on the Hill United Methodist Church, 1000 Engel Drive, Shawano, WI. All are welcome to join us for a time of sharing and exploration of the Traditional Plan passed at General Conference 2019 and the future of the United Methodist Church. A grassroots group of clergy and laity are sponsoring a discussion panel. You will have the opportunity to be blessed by hearing from a "Speaker's Panel" that will feature ten speakers from a wide diversity of backgrounds and who bring a wide diversity of perspectives.

There will be a moderator to facilitate questions and answers from the audience and make sure we maintain a loving, respectful tone. Please take time to be with us for this important work of trusting God and each other as we journey through our challenges together. Please call Shawano: Church on the Hill at 715.526.5380 or email Claudia Deede at revcjdeede@hotmail.com to reserve your place at this discussion or should you have any questions.

#### Naming the Saints

In worship on Nov. 3 and 4 we will remember the 'saints' who have gone before us. To include the name of a family member, neighbor, co-worker, or friend who has passed away since our last All Saints Day Celebration (Nov. 4-5, 2018) please CLEARLY PRINT their name(s) on the lines below and drop this slip of paper into the offering or mail it to the church office by Oct. 29.

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#### Here are Some Service Opportunities!

**Greeters or Coffee Hour Host:** Can you shake someone's hand and say "Good Morning" or hand out bulletins? Can you make coffee? Can you set out bake goods? Your abilities are needed.

**Community Cupboard:** Please feel free to drop off donations of non-perishable food items in our shopping cart. Needed items include: hamburger helper, boxed potatoes, mac n cheese, pasta, canned pasta, beef stew, canned chicken, canned fruit, baked beans, soups-all kinds, saltine crackers, stuffing mix, cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, jam/jelly, condiments. Please be generous, some of our neighbors, including many children, are hungry!

**Fellowship Needs:** Can you bring something for our Fellowship time: juice—all kinds; fruit snacks; healthy snacks—like carrots or celery, fruit, nuts; applesauce; pudding cups; coffee creamers—regular and flavored; cookies; crackers; napkins, paper towels; boxes of tissue. Please drop these off in the church office at any time.

#### United Methodist Women News

**UMW Purpose:** United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom and whole personhood through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission in the global missions of the church.

The United Methodist Women will be holding their annual fall salad luncheon and bake sale on Wednesday Oct. 2 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The ladies of the church should have received a letter in the mail with two tickets to either sell or use themselves; if they can't be used please destroy them. There is a signup sheet for salads or bars posted on the bulletin board in Cottrill hall. We have had wonderful cooperation from women of the church in past years and know we will again this year. We will also have a bake sale. We ask that you package bakery in small packs, 4-6 bars. We will also have our gently used holiday decor sale, plus any items that are decorative such as dishes, knick knacks etc. NO CLOTHING PLEASE. If you have any questions call Ila Fermanich at 920-982-3155.

Please have all salads and items to church by Noon on Tuesday or by 9:00 AM on Wednesday. We will have a table in front entry way if someone wants to bring items on Tuesday night or Wednesday morning before 8:00 AM. We will be setting up at 3:00 PM on Tuesday.

Our next meeting will be Oct.17th, 9:00 AM at Marly's.

#### Prayers

Please keep our Circuit Partners in your prayers: Clintonville UMC; Seymour/Cicero: New Life UMC; Center: Emmanuel UMC; Waupaca Area Regional Ministry; Manawa UMC; Iola UMC.

With our members or family members who are looking for work.

With all of our Service Men and Women who serve here and abroad for our freedom.

For all of our shut-ins who can't make it to church on a regular basis.

With Rose Brazil and family on Dale's passing on Tuesday September 10.

With Kevin Bowers and Nancy Gretzinger as they are at Brewster Village.

With all of the people who have been dealing with storms (snow and rain).

