# BAY VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# Connection



OCTOBER 2010

# SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Fall Programming
- Fall Schedule
- Fellowship
   Opportunities

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#### THE DISTINCTION OF LAY LEADERSHIP

We, church family, have new steps to take as we look to the 2010-2011 ministry year. Your staff and team leaders have been working hard to streamline our operations, reduce duplication and waste and look creatively at our ministries. Trimming budget, staff and membership is not the way to grow the church. However, these measures can give us a better view of who is really here and what we need to be doing. These are all practical business decisions that can keep us solvent - now I add in my layer - the work of the Holy Spirit in our midst. Prayer is foun-

dational to any administrative action happening on my watch. Bringing God's presence to our conversation, planning and decision making is our first distinction from secular business. The second, which is equally important, is the commitment and use of our gifts in ministry as creative leaders, organizers, supporters and hands on workers everywhere in our ministry. To give of your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness means that a committed response is available to the ministry of our church as you are invited, as new ministry

emerges and as needs arise. This month, alongside the annual stewardship campaign, the Lay Leadership team will be calling every person in our database to personally discuss matching a need of the church with your time or talent. Friends, begin to pray now about the joy and potential for ministry that these conversations will be as we claim God's love and power to grow us as faithful, willing disciples.

Peace to each of you.

Pastor Kelly

# Everybody Needs an "Oasis"

My Oxford American Dictionary defines "oasis" as "a fertile spot in a desert, with a spring or well of water." That's not bad but I think we all imagine in our minds an "oasis" in the sense of what we've seen in countless movies; a nice little area of palm trees and a spring of fresh, cool water suddenly appearing in the midst of a desert journey. That is just the sort of experience we hope to offer you on Wednesday nights beginning September 29th.

We know that our journey from Sunday to Sunday can actually be pretty monotonous at times. If we're working, we get up at the same time each morning, go through the same routine of getting ready and driving to our place of employment and doing probably the same kind of thing each and every day. And if we're not working... the freedom to "do nothing" can get pretty old after awhile.

So maybe we are all in need of a little mid-week oasis, a place of rest and renewal where we are fed both physically and spiritually. A place where we can come together with old friends and maybe even make some new friends. We'll be offering several opportunities to you this fall as part of our oasis experience so I invite you to come and

rest beside still waters, if only for an hour or so. It will give you what you need to complete your week's journey. So I hope to see you under a palm tree soon!

Pastor Andy



#### **Oasis**

Wednesday Nights Beginning September 29

#### FROM YOUR STEWARDSHIP TEAM LEADER: RODGE TAYLOR

Our campaign for the Fall will focus on step taking – prompting every individual to prayerfully commit to:

- I.) a personal step toward connecting with the ministries of our church.
- 2.) a financial step increase in giving to the operating budget, and
- 3.) a pledge step toward erasing our building mortgage

The campaign theme is set to launch on October 3<sup>rd</sup> – posters will set the stage for the literal steps we will prayerfully and joyfully take each week. Then, on October 10<sup>th</sup> the faithful voices of people in our church will offer strength to

our unique calls to service and ministry support. Each week thereafter we will take one step closer toward a powerful commitment Sunday that will involve every person present and the ritual of consecration that will bless each giver and each gift to God's glory for the work and ministry of this church. We'll look at scripture, learn about goal setting and pray for the leading of God's Spirit as we faithfully 'Take a Step' into 2011 and beyond. Plan now to attend worship each week, to pray daily for our ministry and to respond generously to the invitation to 'Take a Step.'

STEWARDSHIP

# WHO ME? Yes, YOU!

God gives every one of us gifts for our lifetime. These gifts don't emerge or erode with age. They only become stale when they aren't utilized in a faith-community setting. The church depends on its people (and remember...we are the church!) to help it thrive and celebrate ministry that brings people to know God in a real way. What is easiest to see is that we're blessed with a beautiful building, on-going worship and weekly programming. What's harder to admit or come to know is the struggle to find volunteers, meet our financial obligations

and plan for the retirement of our longer term mortgage debt.

So, the lay leadership team has been asked to talk to each of you this month.

You will be contacted by phone for the purposes of:

- I. Updating your personal information for our data base.
- 2. Inputting your areas of interest for service
- Hearing clearly your availability and willingness to serve in the church

LAY LEADERSHIP SOCIAL ACTION PAGE 3

## CELEBRATE THE POWER OF BRIDGING FAITH AND ECOLOGY

An open house and showcase, created by the Interfaith Earth Network and partners, will highlight the success of local congregations' green teams. Enjoy an afternoon of inspiration and live music (Jeff Bray, Jahmes Tony Finlayson, Holly Haebig), network with green teams

as they exhibit, perform and demonstrate their sustainable living, faith education, and advocacy projects. Children's activities, earth-friendly snacks.

#### Open House and Showcase

Sunday, October 24, 2010 I:00pm - 4:00pm Urban Ecology Center Free: Donations accepted www.interfaithearthnetwork.org

Sunday, October 24, 2010, 1-4 p.m. at the Urban Ecology Center . For all ages. Free; donations to support the work of the Interfaith Earth Network gratefully accepted. See <a href="https://www.interfaithearthnetwork.org">www.interfaithearthnetwork.org</a> for more information.

### COMMON GROUND---SUCCESSES AND ONGOING ACTIONS

#### Health Care Co-op

Designed for small businesses, Non-Profits and Individual Business persons:

- -To purchase affordable health insurance,
- -To force insurance companies to negotiate with the co-op.

This action has involved meetings with reps in DC, discussions with over 150 small businesses or individuals interested in joining. It anticipates use of co-op funds provided for in the national health care bill. A "Roll-Out" is anticipated sometime in October.

#### A Public Action

October 24, 2010 from 2pm to 4pm.

The goal is 1000 members of CG member organization to meet the candidates for offices such as Governor, Assembly, and Senate. The event is non-partisan, but is political. The point is to question candidates about the issues CG is pursuing, especially the Faces of Foreclosure Campaign. Also invited to be present are representatives of the 3 banks; Bank of America, Deutsche Bank and Wells-Fargo.

Even if you are not involved at any other level, your attendance at this event will be significantly helpful in furthering the work of Common Ground. The exact location of the meeting has not been set yet but I will keep you informed. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me or email me at annapier@sbcglobal.net.

#### In Other Mission Committee Efforts

We hope to have a group to walk in the CROP walk. Further info on this will be forthcoming.



#### A Public Action

Non-Partisan, Political event
October 24, 2010
2:00pm to 4:00pm
Location to Be Determined
Contact Ann G. Pier with questions
anngpier@sbcglobal.net

# Spaghetti Dinner



#### **Dinner**

Saturday, October 16 4:30 pm Bay View UMC Dining Room

#### **Tickets**

On Sale starting October 3rd \$7 Adults \$4 Children 2-12 Free Children under 2 Come one, come all to the 2010 annual Spaghetti
Dinner Fundraiser sponsored by the Bay View
UMC Youth Group. The dinner will take place on Saturday, October 16th at 4:30 pm in the Bay View United methodist Church Dinning Room.

Tickets go on sale Sunday, October 3rd. The cost of tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under. Children under 2 years eat free. Tickets can be purchased from a youth on Sundays or at the Bay View UMC church office Monday-Friday. Tickets will also be sold at the door. Money from this fundraiser goes to help fund events and activities such as mission trips, educational outings, and field trips. Please come out to enjoy some tasty spaghetti and support our youth!

#### **Our Kids Need You!**

Attend an IMPORTANT meeting Sunday, October 3, 2010 9:30-10:30am LL Dining Room

#### CHILDREN/ YOUTH

Learn about the vision for:
Our cradle roll/nursery ministry
Our Sunday School program 2yr-18yr
Our Youth program plan for 2010-11
Our new Urban Confirmation program

Hear about the needs Ask questions Volunteer to help/resource

# Urban Confirmation: 6-12th graders who are not confirmed

Pastors Andy and Kelly have joined with several other Milwaukee area United Methodist pastors to develop a joint program for confirmation. Plans began last spring with the submission of a grant request to the UM Foundation in Sun Prairie. We got the grant and moved ahead with the program! Parents and students are invited to a one hour informational meeting to be held on Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at Noon .

# **Loving Start Preschool News**

Have you noticed lots more good noise in the basement weekday mornings and Tuesday and Thursday afternoons? It's because preschool has started again! We have been growing and are almost completely full in the mornings.

September was a busy month of settling in to our routines. We have been getting to know our new and returning students. We also held a family picnic in Humboldt Park at the end of the month, to celebrate fall with student families.

October will bring many opportunities to explore nature as we watch the leaves begin to change. We will be venturing off to Outpost to buy apples for child-made applesauce.

We are so excited about our school year!

FELLOWSHIP PAGE 5

#### Are you Ready for Some Football?

Come watch the Packers and Lions duke it out with us on October 3, at



out with us on October 3, at Noon. We will be meeting in the Gathering Space. There will be food and beverages.

Please sign up at the Cube, so we can get an accurate number for food.

## Tai Chi

Free introductory work shop on
Tai Chi Chuan
at Tippecanoe Presbyterian Church.
Wear comfortable, non-restrictive clothing & flat-soled shoes.
Monday, October 4
6:30 pm

Enjoy a free introductory workshop on the study of Tai Chi Chuan as a therapeutic practice for health, healing and wholeness. Learn the inner workings of its ancient techniques that maximize the body's own resources and inherent potential offering numerous benefits. The instructor is Christine Grimm who has over 25 years experience in practice and 10 years experience in teaching.

New beginner classes start Monday, October 11th.

RSVP by October I Contact Christine 414-801-1962 Or christine.grimm@yahoo.com



# A Walk at Holy Hill

Join the Young at Hearts for a walk and lunch at Holy Hill.

Enjoy fall colors and a country meal at the Fox & Hounds on Saturday Oct 2, we will be leaving church at 8:30am. We need drivers and riders. We will be returning at our leisure Sign up on the sheet at the Cube.

If you have questions call Sara Lewin at 414-207-0370

## Come and Enjoy the Magic International Steinway Artist Steve Hall

Please join us for a variety of great sounding, heartwarming, uplifting music played from the heart at:

St. Lucy's Catholic Church 3101 Drexel Avenue Racine WI 53405

Monday, October 18, 7:00 pm

A free will offering will be taken, with proceeds benefiting St. Lucy's Community Needs Program.

For further information, Contact: Russ Grady (262) 554-8523

# Keystone AA Open Meeting

Congregation members and friends are invited to the Keystone AA group meeting on October 21, at 6:00 pm. Monika V. & Chris V. will be speaking, and refreshments will be served.

#### The Talent/No-Talent Show is coming!

November 19, 2010.

All are welcome and are encouraged to be a part.

Look forward to it!

# **October**

# Birthdays



- 3- Kathleen Kronenberg
- 6- Lauren Cigale
- 6- Brenda Comp
- 7- Kate Krempel
- 8- Paul Kowalsky
- 10- Kerri Daub
- II- Matthew Miniscalco
- II Sally Neutzel
- II- Wendy Schultz
- II-Sally Warkaske

- 12- Arthur Handel
- 12- Nicci McKean
- 15- Gregory Decker
- 15- Louise Feiertag
- 19- Angela Jackson
- 21- Eleanor Decker
- 28- Scott Elliott
- 28- Hertha Kornkven
- 30- Thomas Lelivelt
- 31-Kim Elliott

#### Welcome New Arrival!

Etta Claire Nafziger
Daughter of Jeremy and Rachelle
Sister of Oliver
Born September 18, 2010

7lbs 15oz 21in long

# Stewardship Report

Offerings for August: \$12,912.60

Offerings needed each month: \$18, 146.58

Total received (January—August): \$105,736.83

Total Needed (January—August): \$145,172.64

Year to date deficit: - \$ 39,435.81

Please give generously.

## Support our Students Away...

...By sending a letter, card and well wishes to Ross Jackson, who is attending college. His address is: Ross Jackson

3519 Federal Drive Apt #203 Eagan, MN 55122

...Also by checking Hannah Jackson's blog, while she is in Germany. Access the blog through Hannah's Facebook Page.

OTHER NEWS

# **Celebrating Faithful Steps**

#### **Baptism**

Emma Rose Edlebeck September 12, 2010

#### **Confirmation/Membership**

ErynRae Jackson Maya Lee Elliott September 26, 2010

#### **Altar Cloth**

The altar cloth used on October 3 is a gift from the Fortner/ Grossman family. Caroline Grossman embroidered the cloth for many hours as a gift to her daughter, Doralin, 35 years ago. Dorie wishes that the church use the cloth on occasion, as needed.

CALENDAR PAGE 7

# OCTOBER 2010

Key:

SPR = Staff Parish Relations

SECA = South East Clergy Association
Oasis = Mid-week meal & fellowship
Outpost = Outpost Alternative High School

Open Door = Open Door Free Clinic @ Unity Lutheran

Key. AA = Keystone AA Group

#### The BVUMC Calendar is available ONLINE! <a href="https://www.bayviewumc.org/BVUMC/Calendar.html">www.bayviewumc.org/BVUMC/Calendar.html</a>

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 World Communion 8:15 am Worship 9:15 am Sunday School Coffee Hour Starbucks DG 9:30am Children/Youth Mtg 10:15 am Alleluia Bells 10:45 am Worship 12:00pm Football Game 12:00 pm Youth Group 3:00 pm Bread & Jam 7:00 pm Sun Night AA	8:30 am Outpost 8:45 am LSP 6:30 pm Tai Chi Workshop 6:45 pm Bible Study	8:30 am Outpost 8:45 am LSP 9:30 am AA 5:30 pm AA 6:00 pm Music Min 7:15 pm SPR meeting	6 8:30 am Outpost 8:45 am LSP 11:30am Alive Now! 3:00 pm SECA 5:00 pm Oasis 5:00 pm Open Door 6:00 pm Praise Band 7:00 pm R&R Bells 7:15 pm Faith Singers	8:30 am Outpost 8:45 am LSP 6:45pm Wesleyan Bells 7:00 pm Key. AA	8:30 am Outpost 8:45 am LSP 8 8:30 am Outpost 8:45 am LSP	2 8:00 am Holy Hill Walk 10:30 Women's Freedom AA 9 10:30 Women's Freedom AA
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E-mail: pastorandy@bayviewumc.org

Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors. ™





#### Fall Oasis Schedule

The Oasis kitchen is open to everyone each Wednesday from 5:00 -6:30pm. Come a share a simple meal, great fellowship and the pleasure of somebody else doing the cooking for you!

Fall 8 week Oasis session: September 29 – November 17

Kitchen open: 5-6:30pm Class time\*: 6:30 – 7:15pm Faith Singers: 7:15pm

Advent study session: December I- December 22 The kitchen is closed so that everyone can prepare with hope, peace, love and joy for Christmas!

\*Pastors are leading discussion on Robin Myers' book **Saving Jesus from the Church** 

Winter Oasis begins Wednesday, January 12! Save the date!

#### **Office Hours**

8:00 am — 1:30 pm Monday - Thursday

8:00 am — 1:00 pm Friday



Thanks for recycling!