



BAY VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CONNECTION Newsletter

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Hi! How Are You? It's Been Awhile! Welcome Back!

I am so looking forward to the return of Fall because I love this exchange (the title of this article)! It's great to have a break from the pace and routines of our lives; to plan special trips, welcome visitors from out of town and trek to annual 'play' spots to camp or ride the rollercoaster. I know: if you blinked, you missed it! – Summer! – it was here and gone so quickly this year!

I have heard many lament the lost opportunity of this summer with its weird weather (remember all of that fog in June?), lower humidity and temps and shifting wind patterns (tough on our sailors for sure!).

And yet, around our church community we managed to keep busy with fellowship, fundraising, and weekly worship. We had a great group march in the 4th of July Parade and then watched the Frolics Parade the next week in front of the church. Folks helped with hospitality for 2 Chill on the Hill events, we gathered a nice group for a great summer picnic, and we supported the Jett Riders as they cycled through raising awareness for Duchennes M.D. The softball team had a winning record and we got a great picture of most of the team with Coach Jackie (see the CUBE). Our weekly worship was blessed with many beautiful outdoor services (thanks to ALL who helped with set up/strike), we averaged 80-100 in attendance, welcoming new friends every Sunday and through your faithfulness we've kept our bills and apportionment payments up to date! Additionally, we've raised over \$2,500.00 for program ministry by eating (primarily) and supporting area businesses. The Trustees have used the summer to make our building even better for ministry use: an awning is being added to the Pryor entrance, the lower KK entrance (near the parking lot) is being refurbished,

and the parking lot buffer has been beautified with hostas, replacing dead bushes.

As we transition back into our routines of Fall, let us remember to give thanks to God for Summer (no matter which 'day' you experienced it!).

What's great about this conversational exchange is that there is no judgment in it! People are sincerely glad to see one another around here, glad to hear the stories of all the summer fun and glad to reconnect and refocus toward our shared ministry in this place.

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Hi! How Are You?...

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So, I've caught you up a bit! And, truly, welcome to ALL who return to us AND to ALL who just now begin to experience this community in a NEW season of shared ministry and fun!

Please look through this issue with a prayerful heart asking God to guide and inspire your support and participation. It will surely be, by the grace of God and the goodness of God's Spirit, an abundant and beautiful harvest of joy this Fall as we gather back in this place, together to study, pray, worship and work for the glory of God with our guests and neighbors, partnering churches/agencies, the greater community and in the world. "Hi! Welcome Back!" Amen.

Pastor Kelly

What a Summer!

Hello Church! Any thoughts that summer would be "a slow time" for our church went right out the window as fun and wonderful events seemed to follow one after the other. I want to offer a big "Thank You" to Pastor Kelly and our Finance Team for their tireless work in arranging not only a highly successful silent auction, but also a series of Fun-d Raisers at first Buffalo Wild Wings, then Culver's and finally at Hamburger Mary's.

All of these were great opportunities to not only raise a few dollars for our church but more importantly to provide a time of fellowship for us to get together beyond Sunday morning. The gathering of so many church members to eat together and enjoy one another's company was a great witness to the greater community. It says a lot about who we are as people of faith.

That witness was also made visible as we again took our early worship service outdoors, marched in the 4th of July parade and set up twice at Chill on the Hill, even sponsoring one of those nights. Indeed, Methoducks were in great abundance all summer long!

Certainly one of the highlights of the summer was the overwhelming support shown by our congregation on June 15th as we approved a Welcoming Statement that truly embraces ALL God's children and celebrates our human diversity.

Meanwhile our local ministry continued as we offered Bread & Jam weekly while collecting health items for the Unity Free Clinic, clothing and toys for Kid's Klostet and all kinds of food for the Bay View Community Center Food Pantry. We also hosted the Jett Riders as they cycled to raise money and awareness for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.

Our Trustees team was also hard at work preparing our church for the coming Fall season. Very soon a beautiful canopy will grace the Pryor Avenue entrance, an attractive handrail will help folks coming up from the parking lot and refurbished doors will finally allow for a safe entry into our building from that same parking lot. By the way, have you seen the new Crafter's Room downstairs? It's beautiful!

But you know what I am most happy about? It's the new faces we are seeing in worship on Sunday morning. That's the fruit of our labor and likewise the fruit of the Spirit. I can't wait to see what will happen next!

Blessings,

Pastor Andy

Children's Ministry Report

Friends, any Sunday you're in worship for the moment 'especially for children' you become aware that our census is most definitely at the younger end of the age spectrum. We are blessed with an influx of little hands and feet and hearts that need the loving, patient, consistent example of God's love through story telling, singing and play.

I'm excited to incorporate my first career focus of early childhood/elementary education into the development of ministry programming for young children and families in addition to our regular Sunday School and ministry to children and youth that is already in place.

I have purchased an exciting faith formation resource for children 0-36 months (3 years old) called "Splash" and a new resource for elementary age children called "Spark". I have lots of thoughts and ideas for the program, parent education and small groups, room usage and outreach and I'd love to empower a group to help this vision emerge. So, I am organizing a new team of adults committed to the ministry of faith formation for our children. This team of volunteers will include:

- Sunday School Coordinators: Miss Debbie Bernal and Judie Liebenstein
- Visionaries (3-5) to discuss and dream into the path of children's ministry: meet quarterly – must have computer access.

This team will be working to secure these volunteers for the program year:

- Sunday School teaching adults (2 in each) for an elementary, a middle level and a high school class as our census drives the need. Weekly or on a rotating schedule.
- Three youth group facilitators – Friday night availability

Sunday School Registration

Sunday, September 7 from 9:15-10:15 and classes will be set afterward.

Sunday School 2014-2015

Sunday, September 14 at 9:15am for ALL ages.

If you already feel God nudging you in this area of emerging ministry for our church, don't wait for a call – get in touch with me today: text or call me: 414.378.4012 or email me: pastorkelly@bayviewumc.org.

Thanks be to God for our growing families and our ability to share God's love with ALL of them.

Attention Youth entering grades 6-12:

A one-day experience of UM youth is being planned for Saturday, November 8, 2014 at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells. There is not registration material yet available but mark you calendars now. Also for youth...

NEW GROUP FORMING for YOUTH:

Students entering grades 7 thru 12 and their parents are invited to attend an informational sharing session around the launch of a new, south-side church sponsored, safe and open interfaith group for teens. Calendar now to attend this initial organizing session on Friday, September 19th. The location and evening time will be announced soon so keep an eye on the Green Sheet and The Cube.

Pastor Kelly is seeking 2-3 people, age 21+ to invest in this ministry with teens. Contact her to get more details at 414.378.4012 or pastorkelly@bayviewumc.org

2 Quick & Easy Ways to Support Our Community

by Katy Meyer

P - Pantry collection!

I - In the church coat room!

N - Needs your weekly, ongoing nonperishable food and infant formula donations!

K - Kindness between neighbors!

Collecting Food:

Most needed items are:

Peanut butter
Cereal
Jarred or Canned Pasta Sauce (or tomato paste, tomato sauce)
Tuna
Cans of soup, especially cream soup
Canned Veggies
Canned Fruit
Bags of rice
Full-sized brown paper grocery bags



In addition, the 8th annual FOOD WALK benefiting the BVCC Food Pantry takes place on Saturday, September 6th at 10 AM RAIN OR SHINE. Meet at the Bay View Community Center and choose a 1.8 or 2.6 mile route. Entry fee is a food or monetary donation. Information is on The Cube or call the Bay View Community Center at (414) 482-1000.

Collecting Box Tops for Education & Campbell's Labels:



These small labels off common household products can add up to cash and school supplies for our very own **Loving Start Preschool**. You will be surprised how many items have clip and save labels! Look for Box Tops on packages from: Betty Crocker, General Mills cereals, Green Giant, El Paso, Kleenex, Hefty, Ziplock, Yoplait, and many more. Each box top is worth 10 cents, but don't wait too long to submit them as they do expire. Campbell's



Labels for Education can now be found on many brands including: Post, Pace, Bic, Prego, SpaghettiOs, Dannon, V8, Emerald nuts, Pepperidge Farm, Pop Secret and Swanson.

Happy shopping! Happy clipping!

Other Mission News

- We will be doing a baby food and formula drive for the many food pantries in our city. You can help by buying new baby food items and jars of formula, and dropping them off in the Gathering Space.
- Please remember to buy extra school supplies for the school bags we will be filling for Annual Conference.
- Friday evenings in October we need hosts for potluck dinners sponsored by Divine Intervention here at the church. Ask Andy for more details.

Look for the RAINBOW!

We will be using different bands of the Rainbow to signify our involvement in and gifts we can bring in sharing our faith outside our walls.



First Sunday Forums

Opportunities for you to learn about all types of Missions and how your apportionment dollars are at work. Beginning the first Sunday in October from 9:30 to 10:15 AM we will have a speaker who is or has been involved with a mission outreach either locally or in another part of the world. The forums will take place in the sanctuary.

- October 5th: Aurelia Schultz will tell of some of her experiences in Zambia
- November 2nd: A staff person from Northcott Neighborhood House will speak about their programs and the people they serve
- December 7th: Deanna Schimko from Colgate UMC will describe work she has led in building wells in Southeast Asia.

Fascinating information awaits your learning and presence. We hope you will be there!

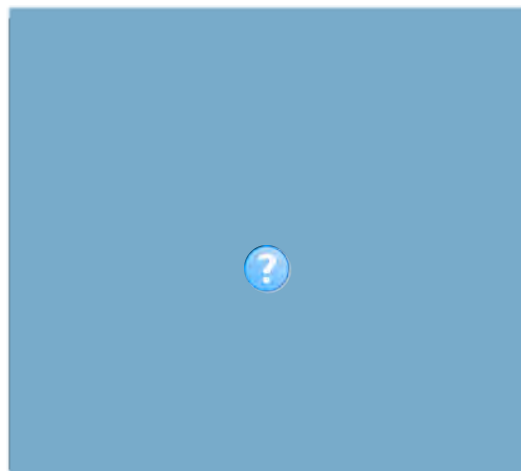
Volunteers in Mission – Winter Camp Cleanup

Work Camp at Beautiful Lake Lucerne Camp will be held September 28th through October 3rd. Projects include painting, repairs, cleaning, winter camp preparations--something for all skill levels. This is where we hold our winter camp. Cost is \$150. Registration is due by September 21st. See Ann Pier for more details.

Are You Interested in Lay Service?

We continue to offer Basic Lay Servant education at Cudahy United Methodist Church.

The class consists of 4 units taken on Sundays from 2-5pm. The first class, offered the first Sunday of each month, must be taken first and the other 3 sessions can be taken in any order. Please register at nowenhoekman@gmail.com. Include your name, email, phone, home church, and the month you wish to start the class. Further information will be sent to you with the registration confirmation.



Who is Eddie Crise? Find out soon! More to come! Work in progress...



Do you know how to recognize the warning signs of a stroke? If you or someone you know is experiencing any of the below symptoms, call 911 right away. It is important to seek medical treatment immediately.

- Sudden Numbness
- Difficulty Speaking
- Severe Dizziness
- Loss of Coordination
- Sudden Loss of Vision
- Sudden Intense Headache
- Brief Loss of Consciousness

Life Line Screening will not be making a donation for every attendee, rather we will make a donation for every person who signs up through one of these exclusive Helping Hands methods:

1. PHONE: 1-800-324-9458

2. ONLINE:
www.helpinghandsforhealth.com

3. FAX: 1-866-628-4857

Protect your health by finding out your risk of having a stroke by participating in the Life Line Screening that will be at Bay View United Methodist Church on **Wednesday, October 1**, 2014. Through ultrasound we evaluate the carotid arteries for the buildup of fatty plaque, which is the leading cause of stroke.

Please note that you must sign up on either the provided registration sheet (available on the flyers) or by calling the special Helping Hands registration number, which is 1-800-324-9458, in order for us to receive our \$10 donation as well. If you prefer to visit the exclusive Helping Hands website to register, you may do so by visiting www.helpinghandsforhealth.com. You must sign up one of these three ways in order to get both the \$10 discount as well as the \$10 donation for our organization.

In addition, please take just three minutes to learn more about Life Line Screening by watching this short three-minute video: <http://www.lifelinescreeningblog.com/introduction/>

PEP Outing: Art Museum Trip

PEP is hosting an outing on Saturday, September 20th. Everyone will meet at the church at 12:30pm and carpool to Racine Art Museum on from there. Admission cost to the museum is \$3.00 for seniors and \$5.00 for adults. Sign up is on The Cube.



Flower Arranging Class

Come join our flower arranging class. We will meet for two Tuesdays on September 9 and September 23 from 7-8 p.m. The cost will be \$20. You will need to bring scissors (heavy duty kitchen shears are best) a small vase (about the size of a juice glass) and your imagination. Information on basic flower care for arranging, use of containers, styles of arranging and small and large arrangements will be covered. Call Kitty for more information (483-6539). Sign up is on The Cube.

The Mums Are Coming

Yes! Beautiful chrysanthemums will be for ready for pick up on September 7th in the church library.

The flowers will help support the Southeast Area Interfaith Neighborhood Outreach Program.

Cost is \$8 per plant.



Music Ministries First Rehearsal



Wesleyan Bells

August 28th

Faith Singers

September 4th

Praise Band

September 11th

September 4th - No Bells Rehearsal





WHEN IS MILES FOR MEALS 2014?

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2014

8:30 am Registration

10:00 am Run/Walk begins

11:00 am Awards Presentation



HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO REGISTER?

There is no registration fee for team participants who join in the 2 mile walk. If your team members wish to join the 5K run, they will each need to pay the registration fee of \$20 (by September 12) or \$25 (after September 12).

WHERE IS MILES FOR MEALS 2014?

Milwaukee Miles for Meals 2014 will take place in Veterans Park along Milwaukee's lakefront at 1010 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive. The event happens rain or shine, so please dress for the weather. Enter Veterans Park from Lincoln Memorial Drive, turning east onto Lagoon Drive. The run/walk will start at the parking lot at the end of Lagoon Drive. Free parking is available in the parking lots off Lagoon Drive, along Lagoon Drive and along Lincoln Memorial Drive.

ONLINE REGISTRATION

Online registration is administered through First Giving. Donating through this website is simple, fast and secure. It is also the most efficient way to support your fundraising efforts.

Visit www.firstgiving.com/feedingamericawi/mkem4m . Click the green **Join Now** button. Enter the number of people you are registering at this time next to the appropriate registration type and click **Register**. Fill out the account information and click **Create Account** if you're new to the site. If you've used FirstGiving before, click **Have an account?** Sign in on the right, and enter your email and password. Answer the registration questions, including reading and agreeing to the waiver and click **Next**. If you would like to fundraise as part of a team, find your team on the list and click **Join**. You will receive a confirmation email regarding your registration. If you've registered other participants, they'll automatically receive confirmation emails with a link to create their own fundraising pages.

Send emails to your family and friends inviting them to get involved in Miles for Meals. Ask them to join your team. If they can't join, ask them to support you with a donation. Please share your efforts on Facebook and Twitter. Online fundraising enables donations to be accepted via credit card. Funds raised by teams and individuals can be easily tracked online. We will tally all contributions from your team members to determine your team total.

It's Not Too Early to Make Your Holiday and Everyday On-Line Shopping Count!



What if you could buy the things you need online and give to your church at the same time at no cost to you or your church? Welcome to UMCmarket, a shopping portal that pays a commission of 1% to 9% to your church with zero effort

on your church's part and no increased costs to you. How does it work? Simply create an account at UMCMarket.org and designate the church of your choosing. Then when you're ready to buy, just log into your UMCmarket account and shop at any of the partner retailers and, PRESTO, a percentage of the sale is given to the beneficiary you designated in your account settings. There's an add-on for your Web browser to make the process even easier. VOILA! You're done and ready to shop! Sign up today at UMCmarket.org

Save the Date!

Single Worship Service
Sunday, August 31
9:45am

Ad Council
Monday, September 8
7:00pm

Report on Summer Fun-d Raisers

Silent Auction		1,295.50
Buffalo Wild Wings		125.30
Culvers		250.00
Hamburger Mary's	Ham-Bingo	801.00
Macy's	Shop for a Cause	80.00
		2,551.80

Thanks to all who participated in the Summer *Fun-d Raisers*. We did so well that we are ecstatic! Here's where we stand, with the completion of the final auction bids to close August 31st. The Finance Team truly appreciates all those who gave of their time, talents and treasures.

Julie Oren
Finance Team Leader

2014 Giving Record						
Fund	Rec'd This Month	Needed Monthly	(Short)/Over This Month	Rec'd This Year	Needed This Year	(Short)/Over This Year
General	\$11,914	\$17,181	(\$5,267)	\$95,873	\$120,267	(\$24,394)
Apportionment	\$2,219	\$2,314	(\$95)	\$17,887	\$16,198	\$1,689
Totals	\$14,133	\$19,495	(\$5,362)	\$113,760	\$136,465	(\$22,705)

Loving Start Preschool is starting its 25th class! We are bringing back our afternoon class on Tuesday and Thursday and welcome Miss Nicole as our afternoon assistant. We are adding an art studio as an inspiring place for our children to create. Stop by and take a look. We are adding a new birthday "ritual" to honor each child's birthday. Students will walk around the sun (a fabric floor cloth) the number of times they have been on earth as we sing a special song. We look forward to an exciting year with many new students, returning students and younger siblings of former students.

LOVING START PRESCHOOL



Miss Martha, Miss Dawn, Miss Karen, Miss Mary, Miss Nicole

Upcoming Birthdays

September 2nd
Daniel Warkaske

September 4th
Alexandra Romfoe

September 5th
Lauren Niemiec

September 6th
Joe Purpero

September 8th
Sue Kreider

September 13th
Jean Barden
Fionna Grumley
David Longe

September 15th
Megan Erickson

September 20th
Eric Tranmal

September 25th
Barbara Holdorf
Everett Miller
William Paul

September 26th
Edith Kimber

September 28th
Terry Garside

September 29th
Peter Jackson

October 3rd
Kathleen Kronenbeg

October 5th
Shirley Mae Zeller

October 6th
Brenda Comp

Calendar 2014

September

KEY:
 AA: Alcoholics Anonymous
 ESCP: East Side Chamber Players
 FSF: First Sunday Forum - Missions
 LSP: Loving Start Preschool
 NA: Narcotics Anonymous
 PEP: People Enjoying People
 SECA: South East Clergy
 SPR: Staff Parish Relations
 WBC: Wesleyan Bell Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
24 August 8:00am Worship 9:45am Worship 3pm Bread & Jam 7pm AA Mtg	25 7pm AA Mtg	26 10am AA Mtg 5:30pm AA Mtg	27 10am Bible Study 12:30pm Cards Ministry	28 9:30am Grief Share 7pm AA Mtg 7:30pm WBC	29	30 10am Grief Share 10:30am AA Mtg
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7 8:15am Worship 9:15am Coffee Hour 9:20am Sunday School Registration 10:45am Worship 3pm Bread & Jam 7pm AA Mtg	8 8:45am LSP 6pm Finance Mtg 7pm AA Mtg 7pm Ad Council	9 8:45am LSP 10am AA Mtg 12:15pm LSP 5:30pm AA Mtg 6pm Trustees Mtg 7pm Flower Arranging w/Kitty	10 8:45am LSP 10am Bible Study 12:30pm Cards Ministry 7pm Craft Ministry	11 8:45am LSP 12:15pm LSP 6pm Praise Band 6:30pm Faith Singers 7pm AA Mtg 7:30pm WBC	12 8:45am LSP 4pm Suzuki Strings 7pm NA Mtg	13 10am Grief Share 10:30am AA Mtg
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ALL Are Welcome at
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☰ Hope is here. ♥ Love is here. ♻️ Family is here.

FALL SERVICES:
8:15am Worship
9:15am Coffee Hour &
Sunday School
10:45am Worship



Please Recycle

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday, Tuesday
Thursday, Friday
8:30am - 2:00pm

Wednesday
8:30am - 1:30pm