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# Jumping Ahead

Our mild weather has us jumping ahead to thoughts and actions (Pastor Andy playing tennis outside in February – oh my!) that are more spring-like. I find myself almost depressed by Sally Severson's forecast of snow for this coming weekend, as if we Midwesterners are now exempt from our 'normal' February/March weather.

I have to caution myself back into the reality of where I live and how unpredictable many things, including the weather, can be in our daily lives.

Jesus is about to enter the wilderness of temptation in preparation for his ministry to the least and the lost. His human journey will once again end with the death of the flesh on a criminals' cross – and friends, I implore you here, don't jump ahead! ...continued on page 2

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# About That New Gig

Last month Pastor Kelly graciously asked for three cheers and some prayer for me in my new role as chair of the cabinet of The Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee. I greatly appreciated both her words and especially her continued prayers...as well as yours! I thought I should share a little bit about this organization and why I've committed my time to it.

Forty-seven years ago, Milwaukee was still recovering from the racial unrest that plagued almost every city in our country. At that time a group of clergy and like-minded individuals felt the need to come together in a very public way that would highlight our commonalities rather than our differences. From that initial gathering was born The Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee.

Our United Methodist Conference was one of the first organizations to get on board and continues to be supportive, not only financially, but also by the presence currently on the cabinet of our District

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# Jumping Ahead...

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We are about to embark upon the Season of Lent – our 40 days of journeying with Jesus – in preparation for that glorious fact that there IS an empty tomb!

Our faith secure, let us begin this time together, with intention and discipline, eager to journey as the Church family we are: close, inclusive, and faithful.

This season I am encouraging everyone to take part in the Family Study for Lent. The booklets are available to guide you through each week of Lent using scripture, symbols, activities, discussion, mission, and prayer as prompts for an intentional time together. Gather with those in the pews around you and rotate meeting in your homes one hour a week; gather co-workers to join you for one lunch hour a week; gather friends to begin the day at your favorite coffee shop one day a week, gather your family in your home around the table as you share a meal together. If you want to be in a Lenten family group and need help forming one, please let Pastor Andy or me know and we'll be happy to assist you.

Work the weeks slowly and prayerfully allowing the Holy Spirit to inspire your thoughts and responses, trusting that God is with you always and in all ways.

Let's be examples of the disciplined life of faith and discipleship in community for our children as we journey this season; no jumping ahead into spring or into Easter joy! You are all in my prayers.

#### Pastor Kelly

New Gig...

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Superintendent, Rev. Deborah Thompson, Nancy Lanman - a United Methodist deacon, and myself.

Today the Interfaith Conference includes representation from seventeen different faith traditions and the cabinet which I chair includes some forty-five members. As an organization, one of the best things we've done in recent years has been the Amazing Faith Dinner Dialogue series. I know a number of you have participated in these dinners and everyone came away excited by what they experienced. This is an ongoing program and I encourage you to learn more by following this link: http://j.tinyurl.com/hrk4lwu

So why do I give my time to this?

It's because I believe we are ALL God's children. We might call God by different names but I believe there is but one God over us ALL; and so it only makes sense to me that I reach out to my brothers and sisters, especially to those who have known persecution and been the victims of hate crimes, such as the murder of six people at the Sikh Temple in Oak Creek some five years ago. Plus, it feeds my spirit to be with people who are committed, not only to their respective faith traditions, but to our greater community. After all, we're ALL in this together, are we not?

#### Pastor Andy

### Wowza! Look at those numbers!

Bag



## Bread & Jam Needs You



You can sign up to volunteer by going to

SignUp.com or use the QR code with your
phone, by talking to Jan Kosanke on Sunday
mornings or emailing at:

breadandjam@bayviewumc.org

	Meals Served	Lunch Served
February 5	110	62
February 12	73	53
February 19	60	52
February 26	75	55

Guests Served February 2017

### New First Sunday Forums

On March 5<sup>th</sup>, Kayla Steinke, the new Regional Director of South Shore Interfaith will be here along with Vickie Jensen, their Volunteer Outreach Coordinator, to talk about the great work they do with seniors in our community. In 2015, their volunteers provided nearly 14,000 hours of services to over 900 clients.

On April 2<sup>nd</sup>, Rayna Andrews from Feeding America will be with us. Rayna is their Director of Community Engagement and she is coming to tell us all about the many services Feeding America provides. You may not already know: the vast majority of the food we offer through Bread & Jam comes from Feeding America.

We'll wrap up our First Sunday Forum series for the season on May 7<sup>th</sup> with a very special guest: Former Wisconsin governor and longtime friend of our congregation, Marty Schreiber. He will be with us to talk about his book, *My Two Elaines*. This is his story of his wife Elaine's struggle with Alzheimer's and his own journey as her care-provider. I'm sure you won't want to miss this one!

# Special Sunday Worship March $26^{th}$

Rehearsals and classes for this special Sunday WILL still happen and then we'll ALL gather for a special 10:45am service of worship led by Rich Rubietta. (NO Rotation during this service of worship – ALL the kids should plan to worship with their families for the entire service).



Rich led music at the 2016 WI Annual Conference and was an inspiring worship leader! Rich is appointed by the Northern Illinois UM Annual Conference to this very special ministry of music and we are fortunate to welcome him to Bay View UMC. He lives on the love offerings that churches collect and I am sure he will experience the generous hearts of our community on March 26<sup>th</sup>.

Rich combines our musical gifts with his worship leadership, offering a personalized experience to each worship service he leads. Watch the March Green Sheets for more about Rich and please plan to attend worship at 10:45am on March 26, 2017.

# Sunday School Update

NEW for Families: An app that offers fun follow up and parental information about each weeks lessons in Sunday School!

#### Deep Blue Adventure App

Children have fun while learning Bible truths and God's Word to share with friends. The app includes:

- a parental dashboard feature
- mini games with Scripture jumble, trivia, Break Out, and a glider game
- In addition they will find videos, customizable avatars, and fun weekly mini quests.



#### Scope and Sequence for March

**Unit:** Jesus Shows Love

Weekly Lessons: To Ten Lepers; To Zacchaeus; At the Last Supper; In the Garden

Remember to join in with the Family Lent Study! ALL families are welcome to participate! Snap and email a photo of your family engaging an aspect of this Study and send it to Pastor Kelly at

pastorkelly@bayviewumc.org and we'll post it.

# NEW for Lent 2017: Family Study Guides

Lenten booklets are available in the Gathering Space for your small group's guided journey through the Lenten Season. As your group engages in conversation, mission and the suggested activities snap a photo and email to me at:

pastorkelly@bayviewumc.org and we'll post it for all to see!

## Good Friday Tenebrae Service - Welcome

The music ministries team is planning a Tenebrae service for the Good Friday service of worship on April 14, 2017.

This service focuses around 6 theatrical monologues on the passion (death) of Jesus. Our intent is to bring a visual expression to the experience and meaning to the events of Holy Week. The voices are the men and women who either knew Jesus and journeyed with him or who were witnesses to his crucifixion. It is a service not to be missed, so make sure you mark your calendar for Friday, April 13 at 7:00pm.

At the present time, the music team is asking people to participate. If this changes an announcement will be made.

Diane Evans - Music Team Chair

# InGathering School Kits

Last year, we donated sixty relief supply school kits to the Annual Conference In-Gathering. Relief supply kits help provide care for the most vulnerable people during times of crisis. UMCOR collects 6 types of kits for global distribution and cleaning buckets for US distribution after storms, and here at BVUMC, we focus our efforts each year on school kits for children.

After taking inventory of items left over from last year, these are the items needed to send 60 bags this year:

- 141 notebooks (spiral-bound single-subject narrow-ruled)
- 6 12" rulers with metric
- 33 24-count boxes Crayola crayons
- 45-2.5" pink erasers
- 41 school scissors Note: must say Blunt tip on packaging
- 56 individual pencil sharpeners
- 308 #2 pencils, must be unsharpened and without advertising
- 56 school bags (see instruction sheet on Mission Board in Gathering Space)
- \$60 \$1 per bag shipping costs



# Are You Looking for a Volunteer Opportunity?

Are you good with numbers and are you detail-oriented? We have just the spot for you! Our church is in need of a new financial secretary. This person would be responsible for the weekly entry of envelope giving along with the EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) deposits. This person would also be responsible for entering the pledges from our annual stewardship campaigns as well as running quarterly and yearly financial statements. If this sounds like something you would be interested in please see Julie Oren, our Finance chair, for a more detailed listing of responsibilities.

#### SAVE THE DATE!



### **Daylight Saving Time Begins**

Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 2:00am Turn your clock ahead one hour.

#### THIS WEEK



### Ash Wednesday Worship

Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00pm In the Sanctuary

### **Bay View United Methodist Church**



#### When

**Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 12:00pm** (Check-in begins at 10:30am)

#### Where

South Hills Country Club 3047 S. 27th St, Franksville, WI 53126

**Registration open now** 



### **Registration Information**

4 person teams

#### Early Bird Registration\*

(Thru April 30<sup>th</sup>) \$90/person

#### Registration\*

(After April 30<sup>th</sup>) \$100/person

#### **Dinner Only**

(4:30pm) \$15/person

\*Prices include giveaways, green fees, cart, lunch, 2 drinks, and dinner

# **Easter Flowers**

Spring will be here by the time Easter arrives and we want our worship space to show new life and joy through the Easter Flowers!

Easter Flower orders need to be in to church by March 19th, 2017.

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		Price	# of plants	Subtota
Lilies	(5-7 blooms)	\$10.75 x	Nie Co	
Azaleas*	(6½" Pot)	\$22.00 x		
Cyclamer	n (6½" Pot)	\$10.75 x		
Gerbera	Daisy (6½" Pot)	\$10.75 x		
Hydrange	ea (Pink or Blue) (7" Pot)	\$22.00 x		
Mums* (6	5½" Pot)	\$10.75 x		
Rieger Be	egonia (6½" Pot)	\$11.00 x		0.0
Tulips or	Hyacinths* (6½" Pot)	\$11.00 x		<b>3</b> 9
Miniature	Rose (61/2" Pot)	\$13.00 x	<u> </u>	
Daffodils	(yellow) $(6\frac{1}{2}$ " Pot, 7-8 flowers)	\$11.00 x		
	(yellow) (6½" Pot, 7-8 flowers) Coleus* (6½" Pot, Foliage)			
		\$9.00 x		
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### A Simple Way to Give

By entering the Amazon website through Amazon Smile, you can donate to BVUMC without additional cost to you. It's an easy way to give.

This link will take you directly to smile.amazon.com.

Login and Type "Bay View United Methodist Church" to begin shopping.



### You shop. Amazon gives.

- Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice.
- AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service.
- Support your charitable organization by starting your shopping at smile.amazon.com



2017 February Giving Record						
Fund	Rec'd This Month	Needed Monthly	(Short)/ Over This Month	Rec'd This Year	Needed So Far This Year	(Short)/ Over This Year
General	\$13,665	\$17,804	(\$4,139)	\$30,542	\$35,609	(\$5,066)
Apportionment*	\$2,009	\$2,482	(\$473)	\$4,584	\$4,964	(\$380)
Totals	\$15,674	\$20,286	(\$4,612)	\$35,126	\$40,573	(\$5,446)

Loving Start Preschoolers in the Panda Room have been learning to care for baby dolls: bathing them, changing them, and taking them on walks. You may see large bodies in the hallway as the Butterfly room learns about what is inside our



bodies. We are learning about our bones, muscles, blood vessels, and digestive system. In March we look forward to some Leprechaun magic and a trip to Classic Slice Pizza.

Open House and Fall Registration is March 19th from 12:30-2:30 pm for new students for the 2017-18 school year. If you know of a child who will be 3 by Dec 31st, please tell them about our school. Potty training is not required. Last year we filled our 3 year old classes by the end of March, so tell your friends and neighbors to call for a tour soon.

Miss Martha, Miss Debbie, Miss Mary, Miss Karen



# March 2017

AA: Alcoholics Anonymous

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ALB: Accountable Leadership Board

FSF: First Sunday Forum - Missions LSP: Loving Start Preschool MLCS: Main Level Concert Series

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
29 8:15am Worship 9:15am Coffee Hour 9:30am Adult Study 9:30am Chime Choir 10am Sunday School 10:45am Worship 12pm New Member Mtg 3pm Bread & Jam 7pm AA Mtg	30 8:45am LSP 7pm Adult Study 7pm AA Mtg	31 8:45am LSP 10am AA Mtg 5pm Mardi Gras Pancake Supper 5:30pm AA Mtg 6:30pm Craft Club	l 8:45am LSP 10am Bible Study 6:30pm Faith Singers 7pm Ash Wednesday Service	2 8:45am LSP 7pm AA Mtg 7pm WBC	3 8:45am LSP 7pm NA Mtg	4 10:30am AA Mtg
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March

### Holy Week Services



Palm Sunday 8:15am 10:45am

Maundy Thursday 7pm

Good Friday 7pm

Easter Sunday 6am Sunrise 9am 10:45am



#### WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAYS:

8:15am Worship 9:15am Coffee Hour/ Sunday School 10:45am Worship



Please Recycle

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday 8:30am - 1:30pm Tuesday through Friday 8:30am - 2:00pm