



BAY VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CONNECTION Newsletter

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Invitations, Opportunities, Introductions

Local church communities form because of common lived experience, common ideals and a common locale. Over the years some stay exactly as they began as generations of families come faithfully through the same doors, sit in the same pews surrounded by the same people doing the same things year after year. Other communities morph as the neighborhood changes, as monies dry up and as buildings deteriorate.

And then there is Bay View United Methodist Church!

Trinity Methodist and Bethel Evangelical United Brethren Churches began their union on June 2, 1968 witnessing to the neighborhood as they walked first toward one another on Kinnickinnic Avenue and then together into the Trinity building, where we are today, and becoming the newly named Bay View United Methodist Church.

Honored heritage, customs and ways of being melded and morphed with good leadership from both laity and clergy alike over the next 49 years, offering a continual presence of ministry, fellowship and service that brings us to realize that our 'shared ministry' is soon to be 50 years old!

I believe the strongest point of this union has been the seamless commitment to it while remaining willing to name the legacy of the individuals and congregations from which we've come. This is not unlike a successful marriage which is made all the stronger when the individuals can freely honor their origins, all while celebrating the new unity and opportunities which birth from it.

Bravo Bay View UMC!

Another in the mighty cache of affirmations that this Church can celebrate is the absolute gift of unconditional welcome that is offered. Surely there have been individuals who have fallen short and situations that can be recalled that have been less than fruitful here. But, overall and above any of these IS a collective experience of universal, unconditional and even a risky fervor to welcome ALL people.

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Invitations...

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Again, Bravo Bay View UMC!

As far as introductions – you’ve welcomed so many among you over these 49 years, and you’ve sent many home with that same loving care. The face of this congregation glows with the palpable, shared experience of God’s love and you have extended that love in countless ways: through Worship, in its various expressions led by diverse and wonderful volunteer vocal and instrumental musicians; Education, as you touch the youngest to the oldest with creative, constructive and, most of all, open dialogue about matters of faith and the world in which we live; Outreach, naming officially in 2013 and continuing to be a Reconciling Congregation, welcoming ALL people into the life of this community; and in Mission, through the many trips away and especially through the Bread & Jam Free Meal offered to our neighbors each Sunday. This rare unity across a wide range of belief, opinion and lived experience IS what makes us great examples of United Methodism at its best and what makes this Church an attractive option for a personal connection.

Friends! I’m seeing another year of celebrating ahead! Rather than focus on the 130th legacy anniversary, I’m feeling a real need to look at 50 years of unity in our United Methodist relationship and ministry. I’ve already looked at the calendar and June 2-3, 2018 is a weekend! Anyone wanna help me cast a vision for a grand event?

Peace be with each of you,

Pastor Kelly

Great Expectations – Take Two

Being a history-minded person, I like to look back from time to time. With that in mind, I looked back at my Connection article from May of last year. That article was titled “Great Expectations” and in it I spoke in part about the expectations that most of the sports world had placed on my beloved Chicago Cubs. I even wondered if this “could finally be “the year?””

Well it certainly was as my Cubs won their first World Series in 108 years. The expectations now are for them to repeat last year’s success, but so far they are not living up to that challenge. It is a long season and I fully expect they will make the playoffs and maybe even clinch another championship.

But it does raise some questions in my mind. Is it easier or more difficult to succeed when everyone expects you to? Do you thrive on pressure or does it get the better of you? Do you work best when you’re up against a deadline or when you can move at your own pace?

Likewise, what expectations do you have for our church community? For our denomination?

These are precarious days as we try to imagine what our United Methodist Church will look like in the not too distant future. Will we still be “United?” Will the Bishop’s “way forward” really become a way apart?

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None of us can honestly predict how that will play itself out. The picture is just too big and too far beyond our ability to imagine. What we can more safely say is that our church, like hopefully all other UM churches, will continue to offer a faithful witness to our neighborhood, our city and our world.

In just a few weeks Pastor Kelly and I will again be at Annual Conference. What might I expect of that time? On the plus side Julie will be with me, which is always good. Also, I will see lots of old friends and maybe make some new ones. Our missional giving will again be recognized as we are one of the select few churches to have met all the requirements of The Rainbow Covenant. On the down side, I imagine there will be the usual spoken and unspoken infighting that has been a part of every Annual Conference I've ever attended. And so, like the rest of life itself, I'll try to hang on to the good and leave behind the not so good. The trick always is to leave room for the Spirit to do its work...both within our communities and churches and most importantly...within us.

May it be so!

Pastor Andy

Bread & Jam: How Do We Keep It Going?



Bread & Jam has been blessed with many committed volunteers who are not members, but rather community partners. Groups including Calvary, Grace Lutheran, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and Kohl's have served on a regular basis. Nearly all the groups listed above do not serve in the summer. As we begin the summer months, we have to find a new source of volunteers.

If you look at the Bread and Jam sign up sheets for June, July and August, you will see they are blank. Each week we need at least 6 volunteers from 1:00pm-5:30pm. Volunteers do not need to bring anything with except a servant heart and hands.

Please consider signing up for one Sunday in June, July or August. Your service would be greatly appreciated and much needed.

Sign up on the events wall or use the QR code. You can also sign up on [our volunteer website](#) or by talking to Jan Kosanke on Sunday mornings, or by emailing her at breadandjam@bayviewumc.org. Bread & Jam volunteers can choose from a variety of shifts between 1pm and 5:30pm on Sunday afternoons.



	Meals Served	Bag Lunches Served
May 7	70	62
May 14	60	44
May 21	65	61
May 28	not recorded	not recorded

Guests Served May 2017

One God • One Community • One Service of Worship!

June 4 @ 9:45am

We're ALL coming together on Sunday June 4th at 9:45am to celebration and worship!

Here's what is scheduled for this service – YOU won't want to miss out!

- It's Pentecost! Wear RED!
- Faith Singers & Chime Choir sing God's praise
- Honoring of our Graduates
- Sunday School Completion & the inaugural Puppet Ministry Play!
- Celebration of Holy Communion
- ALL Church Ice Cream Sundae Bar – hosted by PEP (People Enjoying People)



Summer Worship Services

Sunday, June 4th

Single Service Worship
9:45am
In the Sanctuary

June 11th through Summer

Sundays
8:00am On the Pryor Ave Knoll
(weather permitting)
&
9:45am In the Sanctuary

Sunday, September 3rd

Single Service Worship
9:45am
In the Sanctuary

Sunday, September 10th

Sundays through Winter
8:15am In the Dining Room
&
10:45am In the Sanctuary

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, June 3rd
9am @ Castillo's Restaurant

Annual Conference

Jun 16 - 19
Marriott West, Middleton

Peace with Justice Sunday, June 11 calls for God's Shalom

- Peace with Justice Sunday, created by the 1988 General Conference, is one of The United Methodist Church's six church-wide Special Sundays with offerings.
- Your offering allows The United Methodist Church to have a voice in advocating for peace and justice through many programs in the United States and around the world.
- The Pastoral Care and Counseling Services in Mutare, Zimbabwe, started healing and reconciliation interventions in November 2009.
- The 13-year-old organization offers counseling to communities, individuals and families and training in communications, negotiation and problem solving.
- Please use the special offering envelopes provided in the pews on June 11th.



Update on School Kit Supplies

InGathering

We're almost there! All we need to complete our 60 kit commitment is 20 - single-subject spiral notebooks. That's it! Congrats to ALL of us on another successful year.

Flip Your lid! Sunday, June 11

LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

~Psalm 8

We rejoice and thank the Lord. Let's have some summer fun! Do you need an excuse to celebrate? Why not wear your favorite hat to Church?

Five reasons to flip your lid and wear a hat:

1. I love my derby hat and want to wear it again.
2. My sports team is doing great this year.
3. I haven't worn a hat in church in years.
4. I just graduated and I want to celebrate the completion.
5. I want to rejoice in the bounty of the earth and the summer season



Hunger Task Force Senior Stockbox Volunteer Team

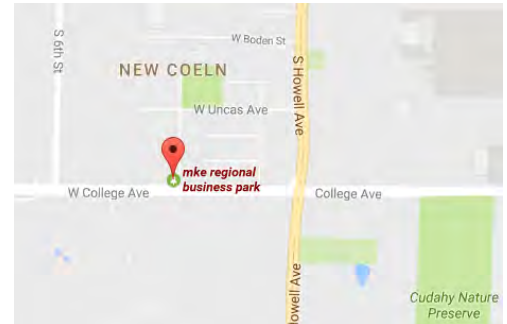


Saturday, June 10th

9am-noon

MKE Regional Business Park

Volunteers will build and fill boxes of basic needs food for low income senior citizens. This box contains 16-17 items which Hunger Task Force provides to almost 10,000 seniors a month. Volunteers will be doing some lifting, up to 30 pounds. You must be able to be on your feet for the activity and bend, stoop and lift. Wear appropriate clothing and shoes.



Our Chill on the Hill Dates for 2017

Extend our brand of welcoming hospitality by helping out in the tent on any/all dates. Signups will be available in the Gathering Space. ALL are welcome!

- June 27 (American Legion Band night)
- August 1 (Family/Non Profit night)
- August 8 (celebrate Pastor Andy's birthday)

The 2017 Chill on the Hill Line Up

June 6: D'Amato, with Bay View High School and Parkside Drum Lines

June 13: Driveway Thriftdwellers, Derek Pritzl and the Gamble, with Derek Sallmann

June 20: Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra, with the Daley Debutantes Baton & Drum Corps

June 27: American Legion Band, with Reagan High School Jazz Experience & Riverside High School Jazz Combo

July 4th: – No Concert – Independence Day Celebrations

July 11: Abby Jeanne, Fainting Room, with Bryn Lorraine

July 18: Charles Walker Band, with Sam Guyton

July 25: Devil Met Contention, Cow Ponies, with Bruce Dean

August 1: Colors of the Alphabet, MYSO Jazz Ensemble, with Slimabeau

August 8: Max & the Invaders, The Revomatics, with HI/Jack

August 15: PILES, Dramatic Lovers, with Mathew Haeffel

August 22: Misha Siegfried and His Band, Don Linke, with Olivia Gonzales Quartet

August 29: De La Buena, with Sara and Kenny

Summer Fun-D Raisers

Culver's Fun-D Raiser



Monday, June 5th 5pm-7pm

Location:

Culver's, 575 W. Layton Ave., Milwaukee, WI
53207
(Corner of 6th St. & Layton Ave.)

Chinooks Game Outing



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Monday, June 26th 6:30pm

Location:

Kapco Park, 12800 N Lake Shore Drive,
Mequon, WI 53097
(Concordia University)

3rd Annual Golf Outing



Saturday, July 15th 12pm

(10:30am Check-in)

Location:

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

Hambingo Night



Wednesday, August 23rd 8pm

(Meet for Dinner Around 6pm)

Location:

Hamburger Mary's, 730 S. 5th St.,
Milwaukee, WI 53204
(Corner of 5th St. & National Ave.)

Fall Fun-D Raisers: Calendar These Dates

Spaghetti Dinner and Fall Craft Sale Saturday, October 28
(Interested Crafters Please Contact Julie Oren)

Secret Angel Gift Shoppe Saturday, December 2

Cookie Walk Sunday, December 10

Children's Ministries Opportunities

Pr. Kelly

For the last 2 years Pastor Kelly has dedicated time and energy toward the development of a solid focus for Sunday School. The *Deep Blue* curriculum is a good fit and our teachers like it. There are several well-established events outside Sunday School, as well: Secret Angel Gift Shoppe, Children's Expression of Christmas, Dr. Seuss' Birthday Read-A-Long, and the beginnings of a puppet ministry began to take shape this year.

The bubble from our nursery will be moving out of preschool and into a combined pre-K/early elementary class. 2 of our current teachers are looking toward milestones this coming year and have elected not to teach.

Good bones have been put into place and our young families are dedicated to the spiritual formation of the children among us. Thanks to all who have given their time this year: Miss Debbie B., Miss Jan, and Miss Wendy in preschool, Miss Jennifer and Miss Judie in early elementary, and Miss Hannah in the older elementary classroom.

Committed youth/adults are needed for both the early elementary (approx. ages 4-8) and the older elementary/middle school classes (approx. ages 9-12) for the 2017-2018 year. At least 4 youth/adults are needed to co-teach/rotate teaching these 2 classrooms. Pastor Kelly will be continuing with the confirmation students who will complete their journey in September 2018.

Sunday School orientation is currently scheduled for Thursday, August 24th at 6:30pm. New teaching volunteers will view the *Deep Blue* curriculum, tour the building, see available resources and have support for classroom preparations as needed.

Rally Day registration will be September 10th and Sunday School will begin September 17, 2017. Sunday School begins at 10am with hands-on lunch packing for Bread & Jam, followed by the beginning circle and then classroom time until 10:50am, so only the beginning few minutes of worship is missed by teachers.

The children's ministry team has also decided to continue with a modified Rotation schedule and volunteers to assist with table fellowship and activities will be needed (this happens during the 10:45am service of worship).

Lastly, Pastor Kelly is praying for that education-loving person, whose gifts for coordinating scheduling, managing ideas, and encouraging volunteers prompt a desire to become involved in children's ministries as a ministry coordinator. If you love children, feel strongly about their spiritual formation, but do not want to commit to actively teach then this IS the leadership opportunity for you! This is a (3) three year commitment involving only one evening meeting per quarter and fairly regular Sunday attendance and communication via email. This role can be facilitated by a duo for support and shared responsibility.

Children are a blessing among us and their spiritual formation is a responsibility for ALL of us. Let us respond faithfully to the needs of the wonderful families in our congregation now, and for every day ahead. Amen.

Sunday School Field Trip

We are planning a family hike and snack at Hawthorne Glen Nature Center, Thursday, June 22, at 6pm. A naturalist will guide us on our hike, which we will follow up with a campfire and s'mores. Please sign up on the events board located next to the usher room if you are interested. At least one parent or guardian should accompany your child/children. Come dressed for the weather with comfortable shoes for hiking through the woods. See Miss Debbie if you have any questions.

Thursday, June 22nd
6pm - 7pm

Hawthorn Glen Nature Center
1130 N. 60th St.

Quotable Leadership

from *Leading Ideas*

“Without change, we live in a stagnant pool of water. Without continuity, we are in permanent white water, without a paddle or a raft.”

~Kenneth H. Carter, Jr.

Caught, Not Taught

The real business of the Church is not just what is sometimes called ‘surplice work.’ Its business is to bind us together – the learned and simple, the strong and the weak – in a great social act of love and worship; to provide a home for the nurturing of the spiritual life. For we cannot get on alone, in religion or anything else. Our spiritual life must be a social life, too. We can each only manage a bit of it – it is far too big and various in its richness for any one soul....

Wonder and love are caught, not taught; and to catch them we must be in an atmosphere where we are sure to find the germs. A living Church ought to be full of the germs of wonder and love.

~Evelyn Underhill from “The Inside of Life” in Collected Papers

2017 May 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	\$14,035	\$17,804	(\$3,769)	\$77,720	\$89,020	(\$11,300)
Apportionment	\$2,032	\$2,482	(\$450)	\$12,269	\$12,410	(\$141)
Totals	\$16,067	\$20,286	(\$4,219)	\$89,989	\$101,430	(\$11,441)

Thank you to all who supported us on our Culver's Night. We ended our year by going to the fire station, having our end of year program and picnic.

LOVING START PRESCHOOL



We have just graduated our 27th class of students at Loving Start. We had another great year with lots of fun and learning. We will offer a 4 ½ week summer program of fun summer activities including 4th of July activities, Silly Stories and under the sea. We still have a few openings for fall.

We hope you have a great summer.

Miss Martha, Miss Debbie, Miss Mary, Miss Karen

June Birthdays



June 1st

Judy Banta

June 3rd

Julie Oren
Arthur Oseland

June 4th

Pauline Bruss
Aiden Evans
Doralin Fortner

June 13th

Todd Oseland

June 14th

Phillip Bailey
Richard Boedecker

Pam Drow
Aiden Torres
David Ziebell

June 15th

Jayce Garcia

June 22nd

Zachary Garside

June 23rd

Jennifer Balfanz
Mary Guardalabene

June 24th



Mary Kitzman

June 27th

Janelle Wagner

June 2017

KEY: AA: Alcoholics Anonymous
 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
28 8:15am Worship 9:15am Coffee Hour 10:45am Worship 2pm Grief Share 3pm Bread & Jam 3:30pm Wedding 7pm AA Mtg	29 7pm AA Mtg Office Closed Memorial Day Observed	30 10am AA Mtg 5:30pm AA Mtg Memorial Day	31 10am Bible Study 6:30pm Faith Singers	1 6pm Bread & Jam Board Mtg 7pm AA Mtg 7pm WBC	2	3 9am Men's Breakfast 10:30am AA Mtg
4 9:45am Worship 10:45am Ice Cream Social 2pm Grief Share 3pm Bread & Jam 4pm Pridefest Choir Practice 7pm AA Mtg	5 5pm Culver's Fun-D Raiser 7pm District 28 AA 7pm AA Mtg 	6 10am AA Mtg 5:30pm AA Mtg	7 10am Bible Study	8 7pm AA Mtg 7pm WBC	9	10 9am Hunger Taskforce Senior Stockbox 10:30am AA Mtg
11 8am Worship 9:45am Worship 2pm Grief Share 3pm Bread & Jam 7pm AA Mtg	12 7pm AA Mtg	13 10am AA Mtg 5:30pm AA Mtg 6pm Trustees Mtg 7pm ALB Mtg	14 10am Bible Study 12:30pm Cards	15 7pm AA Mtg	16 ---- WI Annual Conference -----	17 10:30am AA Mtg
18 8am Worship 9:45am Worship 2pm Grief Share 3pm Bread & Jam 7pm AA Mtg Father's Day ----- WI Annual Conference ---- 	19 1pm Memory Cafe 7pm AA Mtg	20 10am AA Mtg 5:30pm AA Mtg	21 10am Bible Study	22 6pm Sunday School Field Trip 7pm AA Mtg	23 5:30pm Wedding Rehearsal	24 10:30am AA Mtg 5:30pm Wedding
25 8am Worship 9:45am Worship 2pm Grief Share 3pm Bread & Jam 7pm AA Mtg	26 6:35pm Chinooks Game 7pm AA Mtg 	27 10am AA Mtg 5:30pm AA Mtg 6pm Chill on the Hill	28 10am Bible Study 12:30pm Cards	29 7pm AA Mtg	30 3pm Wedding Rehearsal	1 July 10:30am AA Mtg 3pm Wedding

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Help and encouragement after the death of a
loved one

Grief Share is a special weekly seminar and support group
designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one.

Groups are always led by caring people who have
experienced grief and want to help you through the difficult
days ahead. We know it hurts, and we want to help.

Sundays 2:00pm - 3:30pm In the Gathering Space

No Registration Fee; \$20 book supplement

Contact Info at the Church Office

== Hope is here. ♥ Love is here. ☺ Family is here.

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