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## “Travel Safely...Stay Connected!”

I know it seemed like what passed for spring this year was never going to give way to the sun-kissed days of summer that we all love so much but they will be here before we know it! June will bring the end of the school year (which always include some graduations and maybe even a few weddings) and the beginning of summer vacations. Many of us will be traveling, although the price of gas may cut back on some of those road trips! I know that July will be a busy month for me as I will be accompanying our youth on their mission trip to Minneapolis-St. Paul where they will take part in a fantastic urban immersion experience. Then I'll be home for just two days before heading down to Kansas City for my final round

of Course of Study at St. Paul School of Theology.

I wonder where your summer travels will take you? Maybe we can put a map of the United States up on one of our bulletin boards and invite folks to highlight their summer travel adventures. I think it would be fun to see where everyone goes! Even if one doesn't "go anywhere" there is plenty to do and see right here in town beginning with our own Chill on the Hill, Summerfest, the frolics and all the other ethnic festivals. No excuse for being bored around here!

But one of the challenges of a busy summer is staying connected to your church family. Attendance traditionally takes a dip this time of year and sometimes our fi-

nancial giving suffers as well. So please make a point of getting to church when you can, either here at home or wherever you might be. I always enjoy visiting another church when I'm traveling... I've stolen some of my best worship ideas from what I've seen happening in other churches!

Pastor Kelly and I will be working hard to come up with some innovative ways for us to stay connected this summer so when you see an opportunity to come together...take advantage of it! Meanwhile, enjoy the beauty of the earth and travel safely!

Blessings,

Pastor Andy

## Costa Rica Mission Trip Information Meeting

There has been some interest expressed about a mission trip to Costa Rica. I would like to host an informational meeting to get a better idea of how many are interested. Anyone over the age of 18 that has an interest in mission abroad, please join us on June 12th after service in the gathering space. Don't worry if you can't afford it or have never done a mission trip or can't speak Spanish. All of these issues will be addressed. Please come with questions and open minds and hearts. If you have any questions before the meeting or are interested and cannot attend the meeting, please contact Gina Wrobel at 414-817-4478.

*“The measure of giving is not in how much we give, but how much we hold back.”  
-Bradley Call*

## Apportionment Campaign

Blessings and prayers to all for your thankful giving. Because of your faithful apportionment generosity, UMCOR has been at the ready to assist in recent disasters.

Last month's outbreak of powerful tornadoes left a whirlwind of need in its wake—a twister that was quickly wrapped in a flood and threatened with hurricanes.

“There have been tornado outbreaks before, but the outbreaks of 2011 have affected communities in so many annual conferences, most severely in Alabama. And then there's ongoing flooding. There also are wildfires across the Southwest, it's pretty unprecedented in terms of the scope and variety of events—and the hurricane season hasn't even started yet.”

In the past six weeks, UMCOR has disbursed nearly \$200,000 in emergency grants, not including those which are sure to follow on the heels of slow-rolling flooding of the Mississippi River and its tributaries in Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Louisiana.

UMCOR also dispatched staff to the North Carolina, North Alabama, Tennessee, Memphis, Mississippi, and Holston annual conferences to help set up emergency call centers and conduct trainings for early response teams and spiritual and emotional care teams.

UMCOR had been set to travel to Tennessee this month to follow up on recovery efforts in Nashville and Memphis after severe 2010 flooding. That state has been hit this spring by se-

vere storms, tornadoes, and now, floods.

Over the past two weeks, UMCOR's US Disaster Response executive also traveled to Alabama and North Carolina, both hit hard by tornado outbreaks about 10 days apart. Alabama took the brunt of tornadoes and severe storms that blundered through 18 states, especially in the South, between April 21 and 28.

Because of your faithfulness, we are ahead of the pledges expected for the year. With the summer months upon us, please continue to be diligent in your giving. Vacations may interrupt normal giving, so plan ahead by making monthly payments, or consider signing up for EFT payments. Call the church office for information.

Thanks

Finance Committee

## United Methodist Foundation Stewardship Message

Giving is an expression of love and gratitude. -- “Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul...there was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold...and it was distributed to each as any had need. (Acts 4:32-35 NRSV)

When my son was a toddler, he had a favorite song about all the pockets on his overalls. Whenever he lost something, we always checked all five pockets on his bib overalls and, eventually, we'd find the missing treasure!

If the Sunday offerings in your church aren't quite enough to meet the ministry challenge Christ has given

you, don't give up! Keep looking! Have you checked all the potential pockets of income? Our annual income is one “pocket.” It may be that upfront pocket that's most visible. But, what about the other “pockets” we might check? Have you ever considered checking the “pockets” that hold your non-cash assets when considering gifts to the church?

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# Reality Check

June, in our culture, is a time to celebrate accomplishment – another year of Sunday School is complete, programmed ministries come to an end, students of all ages graduate or advance a grade level and begin to focus on next steps and families look to a more low key time for picnics, swimming and outdoor activities. Things bloom, allergies flair and the Farmer's Markets resume around the area. The cyclic return of our seasonal summer gives us permission to unhinge a bit, to disconnect from long, tired routines and to focus on want to's rather than have to's for awhile.

The church tries to swing with this cycle recognizing that often worship attendance drops as does financial giving. Our early service of worship moves outdoors and the later service is an hour earlier on Sunday to get people out into their day, faster! We suspend Sunday School and our music ministry groups meet less often to let folks rest and relax.

I think it's okay to cycle back a bit, to offer rest to those who faithfully serve throughout the program year (Sept-May). It's healthy to step away from the community and how you relate to it for the purpose of re-charging and rest. What's not okay is to forget – to write off your responsibilities unannounced or to stop your financial support during the summer months.

We need rest and we also need to be encouraging the connection. By communicating your anticipated time away for travel, time up north or a simple day excursion, the church can celebrate, pray for and stay connected to you. We can use Facebook, e-mail and the website to convey calendared events, special occasions and to just say hello, I miss you! And, through electronic giving, the church can continue to stay current with the regular monthly bills, including apportionments, even if you are elsewhere on any given Sunday.

Celebration, moving forward and summer fun are vital for our sense of health and well being. Tending to the church community, our continuing call to serve-to both give and receive and our commitment to welcome and affirm all is on-going, year 'round living as a community of faith. I pray for faith-filled, life-giving fun for each of you here in church and out wherever you are every day.

Let it be so.

Pastor Kelly

## UM Foundation Stewardship Message (cont.)

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Did you know you can make gifts of appreciated stock to your church? By processing gifts of stock through the Foundation Office, you can avoid paying any commission or selling fees, allowing you to make a larger gift to the church! You also -avoid paying any capital gains taxes when you use stock to make a gift.

Have you considered donating "obsolete" life insurance policies that might have been purchased long ago for a reason that no longer exists? What a wonderful hidden treasure!

Would you consider giving the cash saved in a Certificate of Deposit to establish a Charitable Gift Annuity? By making a gift with a CD, you can receive a guaranteed annuity payment each year for the rest of your life. Call our office for the current rates.

Another "pocket" often overlooked is real estate. You can turn assets of property or stock into a Charitable Remainder Unitrust. The trust will pay you 5-8% of the market value of the fund each year for the rest of your life. And, the church and any other qualified non-profit charities you designate will

receive a significant gift at the time of your death.

Call us for details on how we can help. That's our ministry!

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## Support the Summer Youth Mission Trip

Cookbook sales and the purchase of a BVUMC Youth Sponsor wristband are wonderful ways to financially support those who are preparing to travel to Minneapolis in July. Cookbooks are \$10 and wristbands are \$1/day=\$5 total contribution. Thank you, in advance, for your generous financial and prayerful support. - Gina Wrobel

## Chill on the Hill

... begins on Tuesday, June 7th at the Band Shell in Humboldt Park.

The church will again sponsor one Tuesday Chill AND we will participate in the family Chill night as well. This is great neighborhood exposure for our church and an opportunity to showcase any part of our ministry we choose. I am looking for a small team of creative minds and willing hearts to coordinate our presence for Chill. The dates of these special Chills are August 2nd and 9th.



## Loving Start Preschool News

We had a visit from an ambulance because Alex's Mom is an EMT and brought the ambulance to the preschool. We got to go in the "rig" then, she brought her trauma bag and we got to be bandaged. She showed us lots of things she uses. We also went to the fire station and visited with the firefighters.

You probably heard the sweet songs of our preschoolers on May 16th at our End of the Year Celebration; we all had fun at our End of the Year Picnic at Humboldt Park too!

Don't forget! It won't be quiet in the basement in June or July. The summer camp at Loving Start Preschool is full. Continue to enjoy the summer.

Miss Martha, Miss Francine, Miss Joan, Miss Dawn



## Vacation Bible School Opportunities

Circuit 33 will have 2 sights for VBS this summer. Whitefish Bay UMC will offer a daytime VBS the first week of August (1-5) and Summerfield and Central churches will host an evening VBS at Central UMC the last week of July. As details are shared we'll be sure to include them in the weekly blue sheet and on our website.

## Friday Nights Free?

Nothing but reruns to watch on Friday night? Then come out to McCarty Park (84th and Cleveland) and watch the Faith/BVUMC Softball team play! Games start at 6:30pm.

## Summer Worship: Kitty Schaefer – worship team leader

Summer Worship – 8:00am and 9:45am begin June 12

Worship celebration times change for the summer to help everyone have more time for worship AND summer fun (although not mutually exclusive!) on Sundays. Our Sunday School program also breaks for summer and so we shorten the fellowship time between services.

The 8am service will again be held outdoors on our “grassy knoll” at the Pryor/Clement corner. Please bring your BVUMC folding chairs and blankets – it’s casual and conversational!

The 9:45am celebration happens in the main level Sanctuary.

Summer Worship Music Note: Sue Neiderheiser – music coordinator

Music ministries will ring and sing a bit less often; join in the walk-in “Summer Singers” choir (watch for dates/times) and the music team welcomes individual/small group musical offerings anytime!

Some Summer Worship Notes: Pastor Kelly

June 12 and 19 will welcome guest speakers to the pulpit.

June 26 – ONE SERVICE at 9:45am so that the whole community can celebrate the music ministry offered by Gary Aubry who is retiring after 10 years on our staff.

July 3 – Independence Day weekend theme and a very special birthday tribute!

July 10 – Mission Trip blessing and departure for Minnesota

July 24 – “Christmas in July”

## Music Ministry Notes

We are truly blessed with deep and wide musical gifts in this place! Our vocal and bell choirs, our Praise team, our instrumentalists, the orchestra and our children are expanding the experience of worship with their beautiful arrangements led by our capable, gifted staff and volunteer directors. Thank you, each one of you, for your commitment to the work, rehearsal and regular attendance through this ministry!

We congratulate and celebrate the great work our organist, Rebecca Rehorst, who coordinated an absolutely wonderful concert afternoon to celebrate music ministry and to raise on-going funding for the care/maintenance of our organ. We want to acknowledge the extraordinary gifts offered by Gwen Schultz in memory of her mother, Aurelia that erased the outstanding loan for the organ rebuild coordinated several years ago.

We also want to extend a personal invitation to the entire church community to be in worship on Sunday, June 26 at 9:45 (only one service that day) to celebrate Gary Aubry who is retiring as our Director of vocal music. It will be a special day!

# June Birthdays



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|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 - Judy Banta              | 9 - Kenneth Prott      | 22 - Zach Garside      |
| 2 - James Lombard           | 13 - Todd Oseland      | 23 - Jennifer Balfanz  |
| 3 - Julie Oren              | 13 - Renee Romfoe      | 23 - Mary Guardalabene |
| 3 - Arthur Oseland          | 14 - Richard Boedecker | 24 - Mary Kitzman      |
| 4 - Pauline Bruss           | 17 - Ron Schultz       | 26 - Max Greenberg     |
| 4 - Doralin Fortner         | 20 - Layla Brezinski   | 29 - Erin McReynolds   |
| 6 - Stacey Thieme           | 21 - Nancy Miller      |                        |
| 7 - Charlotte Bethke Sprong | 21 - Sarah Williams    |                        |

OTHER NEWS

## 4th of July Parade

Pastor Kelly turned in the contract of intention to participate in the Bay View July 4th Parade – which happens on Monday, July 4th, the theme is 100 years of family, fun and freedom.

Help with promotional announcements and coordinating our participation on parade day would be much appreciated!  
Please contact Pastor Kelly.

## Assistance Needed

Our Gathering Space is used almost daily throughout the program year as a place for meetings and fellowship for church ministries and community meetings. This room is comfortable, beautiful and in need of a good, professional carpet cleaning over the summer. Please see Pastor Kelly if you are willing to underwrite this need.

## Thank You

- ... to Al Eckoldt for coordinating and growing our mid-week meal/fellowship ministry called Oasis.
- ... to Judy Banta for her vision and leadership on the Outpost area face lift. Phase two will come after students are finished for the summer – would you like to help?!

## Remember to Pray

- ... For pastors, Andy and Kelly and your lay member to Annual Conference June 12-15.
- ... For Rev. Amy DeLong as the trial date nears – June 21-23.

## Summer Camp

Are your kids signed up to go yet? Church scholarships are available!

## New Directories...

...Are available in the Gathering Space, or you can call the office and Erin will send you one.



# JUNE 2011

Key:

- SPR = Staff Parish Relations
- SECA = South East Clergy Association
- Oasis = Mid-week meal & fellowship
- Outpost = Outpost Alternative High School
- Key. AA = Keystone AA Group
- YAH = Young At Hearts

The BVUMC Calendar is available ONLINE! <http://bayviewumc.org/calendar.html>

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>29</b> 8:15am Worship 9:15am Sunday School Coffee Hour 10:45am Worship 3:00pm Bread & Jam 7:00 pm Sun Night AA	<b>30</b> <i>Memorial Day</i> Office Closed	<b>31</b> 8:30am Outpost 10:00am AA 5:30pm AA	<b>1</b> 8:30am Outpost 3:00pm SECA 6:00pm Praise Band 7:15pm Faith Singers	<b>2</b> 8:30am Outpost 7:00pm Key. AA 7:15pm SPR Mtg	<b>3</b> 8:30am Outpost	<b>4</b> 10:30am Women's Freedom AA 4:30pm Japan Benefit Concert
<b>5</b> 8:15am Worship 9:30am Sunday School Celebration 10:45am Worship 3:00pm Bread & Jam 7:00pm Sun Night AA	<b>6</b> 8:30am Outpost 7:00pm Ad Council	<b>7</b> 8:30am Outpost 10:00am AA 5:30pm AA 6:00pm Music & Min	<b>8</b> 8:30am Outpost 12:30pm Card Ministry 6:00pm Praise Band 7:30pm Faith Singers	<b>9</b> 8:30am Outpost 7:00pm Key. AA	<b>10</b> 8:30am Outpost	<b>11</b> 10:30am Women's Freedom AA
<b>12</b> 8:00am Worship 9:45am Worship 12:00pm Costa Rica Mission Mtg 7:00pm Sun Night AA  WI Annual Conference	<b>13</b> 8:30am Outpost  WI Annual Conference	<b>14</b> 10:00am AA 5:30pm AA 6:00pm Trustees 7:00pm Yarn Ministry  WI Annual Conference	<b>15</b> 8:30am Outpost 6:00pm Praise Band 7:15pm Faith Singers  <i>July Connection</i> <i>Articles due</i> WI Annual Conference	<b>16</b> 7:00pm Key. AA	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 10:30am Women's Freedom AA
<b>19</b> 8:00am Worship 9:45am Worship 7:00pm Sun Night AA	<b>20</b> 8:45am LSP Summer 6:30pm Finance Mtg	<b>21</b> 8:45am LSP Summer 10:00am AA 5:30pm AA	<b>22</b> 8:45am LSP Summer 12:30 Card Ministry 6:00pm Praise Band 7:15pm Faith Singers	<b>23</b> 8:45am LSP Summer 7:00pm Key. AA	<b>24</b> 8:45am LSP Summer	<b>25</b> 10:30am Women's Freedom AA
<b>26</b> Retirement Celebration 9:45am Worship 11:00am Youth Mission Mtg 3:00pm Bread & Jam 7:00 pm Sun Night AA	<b>27</b> 8:45am LSP Summer	<b>28</b> 8:45am LSP Summer 10:00am AA 5:30pm AA 7:00pm Yarn Ministry	<b>29</b> 8:45am LSP Summer 9:00am Connection 3:00pm SECA 6:00pm Praise Band	<b>30</b> 8:45am LSP Summer 7:00pm Key. AA	<b>1</b> 8:30am LSP Summer	<b>2</b> 10:30am Women's Freedom AA

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## June 5th: It'll be a big day!

-Pastor Kelly

The fire of Pentecost will ignite our worship and fellowship in many ways today!

- Christian Education Teachers Celebration and Sunday School Promotion Breakfast  
9:30am, LL Dining Room
- Sunday School Promotion Celebration  
10:45 worship, ML Sanctuary
- Welcome for New Members  
10:45 worship, ML Sanctuary
- Honoring our graduates  
10:45 worship, ML Sanctuary
- Celebration of Holy Communion  
8:15 worship, LL Dining Room  
or  
10:45 worship, ML Sanctuary

## Summer Worship Begins June 12

**8:00 am**  
Outdoors  
**9:45am**  
Sanctuary

## Office Hours

**8:00 am — 1:30 pm**  
Monday - Thursday

**8:00 am — 1:00 pm**  
Friday



Thanks for recycling!