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Inspiring Stories

We come by our “stories” as we live our lives through all ages and stages. How many of us recall favorite stories read to us in childhood? How often do we repeat the memories of summer vacation fun? When do you look forward to sharing about your recent trip to a favorite destination, eager to recall that great meal with special people? Our good feelings during these shared times feed our willingness to risk sharing more.

Anyone recently reminisced about that “trip of a lifetime” taken just after retirement? Who doesn’t have a favorite story about one of their grandchildren on the tip of their tongue? And, how often does the inclusion of a “happy story” at the close of the nightly news give us a hopeful feeling that the world isn’t such a bad place after all?

Friends, our frames of reference, understanding and sometimes, even belief come from the stories we hear, see and read. Remarkably, one story, experienced by many people at the same time bears about as many interpretations as well! That’s the beauty of story: the diversity of our human

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See You in November!

I know...the song is actually “See You in September” but regardless, beginning September 22nd and continuing through the month of October I will be preaching and leading worship at the Caldwell and Elkhorn: Bethel United Methodist churches. I’ll be filling in for a colleague who is taking a short sabbatical.

So why am I doing this? Why would I want to drive fifty miles each way on Sunday morning instead of the five blocks I normally do? Why would I want to be away from all of you for six weeks?

Actually, I don’t want to be away from any of you...but sometimes it’s not about what I want but rather about what I have given my word to do. You see, just as you are members of this church, so am I a member of the Wisconsin Annual Conference, in covenant with all the other United Methodist clergy in the state. That covenant, just like your church membership covenant, brings with it some responsibilities and expectations; namely that we support one another by being good stewards of our time, talents and treasures. In this instance I am able to offer my time and talents to help not only a fellow pastor but one who is near and dear to us here in Bay View. Pastor Joyce Rich entered ministry from this very congregation back in 1998. And really, it’s no different than how you offer yourselves and your gifts to this congregation.

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family in the expression of what we experience.

Likewise, the inspired stories of the living Word, the Bible, bring this beauty to our daily discipleship. The blessed (and often miraculous) gift of our United Methodist tradition is in the willingness to uphold the spectrum in this beautiful diversity of experience. We use the influences of scripture, tradition, experience and reason to develop our understanding of God-with-Us and our call to be God's people in the world loving God, our neighbor and ourselves in life-giving ways.

God's grace heaps upon us as we live into our stories and then risk sharing our stories with others. I pray that we be inspired in our storytelling as people of faith in this community. Be bold, church, to tell YOUR inspiring story!

Let it be so.

Pastor Kelly

See You...

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Beginning October 13th we will be embarking on a three-week stewardship campaign and I was going to be preaching the second of those Sundays. Since I now won't be here to do that I want to share with you a little of what I would have offered that day. I was planning to talk about the various ways we share together in the respective blessings of our beloved community. What blessings are those? They are the individual talents and gifts that God has blessed each and every one of us with. Those gifts and talents have been given to us not to be hoarded but to be shared...shared with our families, our friends, our church community and our world. That's what you're doing when you volunteer your time here at church and it's what you're doing when you put your envelope in the offering plate each Sunday.

We give, I believe, out of a sense of gratitude for all that we've been given. It really is that simple. My prayer is that as a congregation our gifts together will ensure our continued presence here in this community for not only 2014 but for many years to come. May it be so.

See you in November!

Pastor Andy

Reconciling Core Team Update

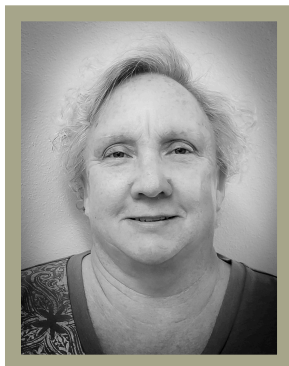
by "Coach" Pastor Kelly

RCT: Pastor Andy, Judy Banta, Dave Ziebell, Pam Drow, Travis Drow, Jackie Blackburn and Heather Haile.

Pastor Kelly is just back from her second coaches training for the reconciling process. We had our second core team meeting in September to learn about Graceful Engagement. This way of being with self and with others allows us to build bridges rather than walls. We found it to be a useful tool for any facet of topical conversation and we look forward to using it in our daily walk as well as in this reconciling journey with our community. We meet again in a few weeks to frame our upcoming community contacts. Our ongoing prayer is to faithfully follow God's call that an inclusive, love-filled welcome be extended to everyone through the ministry we share in this place.

Look for more details at the info spot highlighted with the rainbow flag in the Gathering Space.

Ministry with Children and Youth



Meet Miss Debbie!

"I recently retired from teaching special education classes for 32 years with Milwaukee Public Schools. I have been a resident of Bay View for 30 years and will soon become a grandparent for the first time. I enjoy walking my dog, Mickey, planting flowers, and biking.

I am looking forward to working with our Sunday School staff and children this year."

Debbie Bernal is helping with Judie Liebenstein to coordinate our Sunday School Program this year!

FYI: Sunday school is ON! Sunday School 2013-14 has begun! Registration always remains open; see Miss Debbie or pick up a form for each child you'd like to enroll in the Gathering Space.

9:30am and learning time is from 9:30am-10:15am.

The "Quackers Kids Choir" led by Sally Warkaske and Judie Liebenstein, will rehearse during Sunday school time on a scheduled basis and this group will sing in worship occasionally.

The celebration of Children's Sabbath will be on Sunday, October 13 at the 10:45am service. We look forward to joining in celebrating the worship elements provided by the kids. Please be present for this important intergenerational experience!

Jr. – Sr. High CONVO (youth currently in 6th-12th grades) Saturday November 9th is the one-day CONVO experience being held at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells. Registration is \$25.00 and we're asking for a \$5.00 donation for gasoline for drivers as well (total \$30.00 per student for a super fun and faith building day trip!). Sign up on the CUBE by Sunday, October 13th.

Adults willing to provide a road friendly snack or water, chaperone and/or drive (using your insured vehicle) please also sign up on the CUBE and indicate what you are willing to do for the event.

PEP Murder Mystery!

The PEP Group would like to invite you to solve a murder mystery called "A Pryce in Blood" We will meet in the gathering space at church on Sunday, October 13 at 6:00 p.m. This will be our Halloween Party with a chance to dress up as your favorite pirate. You will sail aboard the pirate ship *Retribution*, with unfortunate consequences. Be prepared to eat pirate food. Put on your pirate hat and be ready to solve the murder. Sign up on The CUBE today!



Indoor Tailgate! Packers vs Ravens



Packers vs Ravens on Sunday, October 13th at noon in the Gathering Space. Bring your favorite tail gate food to share (no "favorite" beverages please!) and join with your church friends for fun, fellowship and hopefully a Packer win! Sing up is on The CUBE.

Quilting Bee

We will have a guest to demonstrate hand quilting, Wednesday, October 30th at 7pm. Anyone is invited to come learn. I also want to encourage others to bring their craft projects (knitting, sewing or otherwise). We could help others design quilts for their own use.

Two New “Story-Tellers” In Our Midst!

Welcome, Kenzie and Kai! Kenzie Moebius and Kai Liebenstein were confirmed into the Christian faith and welcomed as the newest members of our church on Sunday, September 29th by our Bishop, Hee Su Jung.

Kenzie is a freshman at Cudahy High School, marches with the band, loves music and regularly attends our early Sunday service.

Kai is an eighth grader at Parkside School. She plays volleyball, loves acting and singing and attends the later Sunday service. Both Kenzie and Kai love to bake and have plans for launching a shared ministry here at the church in the future!

These new members have stories to share, church! Seek them out, listen to them and then share your story with them. Growing together in faith is the goal for ALL of us as we journey in our discipleship.

Church Membership Directory Is In!

Stop by the Gathering Space to pick up a copy of 125th anniversary edition church membership directory. Don't forget to check out what's new on The CUBE and enjoy a refreshment while you're there.

The Other Bay View UMC

As we were prepping for our 125th anniversary potluck celebration we received an email from an unlikely source: Pastor Cody Natland of Bay View United Methodist Church...of Mt Vernon, Washington that is.



Not only do they have the same name - it turns out, our Mt Vernon counterpart was celebrating their very own 125th anniversary the same weekend!

So now we find ourselves with the unique opportunity to partner with them as our “sister church”. What do *you* think? Send us an email at officeadmin@bayviewumc.org with “Sister Church” in the subject line.

Finance & Stewardship

Envelope Fund Designations

You may wonder why you need to indicate on your envelope how to split your offering since you broke it down on your pledge card last fall. The counters need this information when they are counting so that they can list it correctly on the sheet

which goes to the treasurer. The treasurer then updates the category in the budget and the funds will be used only for that purpose. If the funds aren't designated on the envelope they will automatically be credited to the "General Fund", which is the fund we use to pay the church's regular, and sometimes unexpected, expenses. Although we don't want to change any designations at this point in time, please check the pledge/giving information on the bottom of this quarterly statement to see if the funds have been designated as you had originally pledged. If not, perhaps you can adjust them in the final quarter.

Jeannie Schultz - Financial Secretary

Think Greater!

Financial Giving Beyond Our Walls in 2013	
\$650	Bread & Jam
\$410	Oklahoma Tornado
\$380	One Great Hour
\$373	Divine Intervention
\$134	Caring/Sharing
\$95	Native American
\$95	No More Malaria
\$85	Peace with Justice
\$18	UNICEF
\$2,240 Thank you for sharing!	

Our challenge this year is to "live, give, and love... beyond all expectations." This means all of us are called on to do more - a little or a lot. To give more time. To commit more energy. To share more of our resources. To step out of our comfort zones and not just do things, but do GREAT things to honor and glorify God.

The Finance Team has asked that we particularly keep our "Building Fund" in mind this year as you consider and pray about next year's pledge. It is important to know that unless you specify in your pledge AND on each envelope that you want a portion of your money in the "Building Fund" we can not put your money towards the mortgage. Our Mortgage is coming down...but we can't do it without you.

Thank you for all your time, talents, and treasures, enabling us to be a part of this community for the past 125 years.

Judy Banta - Stewardship Team Leader

Loving Start has begun its 24th year with 38 children. We have many returning families and new families too. We have been settling into the class routine, learning about germs and doing a lot of painting and playing. The families gathered at Humboldt Park for a potluck picnic and had a great time getting to know one another. The children at Loving Start learn social skills, problem solving, readiness skills, and most of all a love of learning. Check out our website to see some of what we have to offer; www.lovingstartpreschool.org. We are looking forward to a great year!

LOVING START PRESCHOOL



~ Miss Martha, Miss Mary, Miss Dawn, Miss Karen

October Birthdays

3rd

Kathleen
Kronenberg

11th

Wendy Schultz
Sally Warkaske

21st

Eleanor Decker

6th

Brenda Comp

15th

Gregory Decker
Louise Feiertag

28th

Scott Elliott
Hertha Kornkven

7th

Dave Haefner
Kate Krempel

19th

Angela Jackson
John Stroleny

30th

Thomas Lelivelt

8th

Paul Kowalsky

31st

Kim Elliott

10th

Kerri Daub



Set Your Clock Back



**Daylight Saving Time
Ends
Sunday, November 3rd
2 am**

Calendar 2013

October

KEY:

LSP: Loving Start Preschool
 Outpost: Alternative High School
 SECA: South East Clergy
 SPR: Staff Parish Relations
 Wesleyan: Wesleyan Bells
 WF AA: Women's Freedom AA
 PEP: People Enjoying People
 NA: Narcotics Anonymous

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 9:15am Adult Study 9:15am Sunday School & Coffee 10:45am Worship feat. Bishop Jung 3pm Bread & Jam 7pm AA Confirmation Sunday	30 8:45am LSP 6:30pm Music Ministry Mtg 7pm AA 7pm Adult Study	1 8:45am LSP 10am AA 10am Circuit 33 12:15pm LSP 5:30pm AA 7:15pm SPR Mtg	2 8:45am LSP 10am Bible Study 3pm SECA Mtg 6pm Adult Book Study	3 6pm Praise Band 6:30pm Faith Singers 7pm Keystone AA 7pm Wesleyan Bells	4 8:45am LSP 7pm NA Mtg	5 10am Grief Share 10:30am WF AA
6 8:15am Worship 9:15am Sunday School & Coffee 10:45am Worship 3pm Bread & Jam 7pm AA World Communion Sunday	7 8:45am LSP 6:30pm Finance Mtg 7pm AA 7pm Adult Study	8 8:45am LSP 10am AA 12:15pm LSP 5:30pm AA 6pm Trustees Mtg	9 8:45am LSP 10am Bible Study 12:30pm Card Ministry 7pm Quilt Ministry	10 8:45am LSP 12:15pm LSP 6pm Praise Band 6:30pm Faith Singers 7pm Keystone AA 7pm Wesleyan Bells	11 8:45am LSP 5:30pm Violin Lesson 7pm NA Mtg	12 10am Grief Share 10:30am WF AA
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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