



BAY VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CONNECTION Newsletter

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The Greatest of These is Love

Change is hard. No doubt! This time of year as families are watching children 'fly up' to a new grade level, school building or educational setting there is tension – do they have what they need? Will everything be ready in time? We question the 'rightness' of choices made as students struggle to keep their chins up in the face of the mounting terror as that first day of school approaches.

Learning to make good decisions for yourself or with/ for those whom you love takes lots of time, research, sometimes a little luck and a whole lot of faith. There seems to be irrevocable ramifications for the student's path if the wrong decision is made or the student doesn't thrive in this new setting.

We are not equipped to predict the future. We are, by nature of the community we share, equipped with supportive mentors, wise counsel and a flurry of love that is helpful at best and overwhelming in its circumference about us. Friends, rest assured. Whatever your place in this scenario, regardless of whether you're a parent, an aunt, a neighbor or co-worker-bi-stander, watching folx step out is an exercise of patience, understanding and hope. And, whatever step or situation you face, remember that it is just that – a single step. It may be right or it may lead to another step in another direction or toward another new path.

Hear Paul preaches to the Corinthians, the Ephesians, the Philippians and the Galatians. He is constantly reaffirming and reminding these struggling, sometimes scared and often times challenged (from inside and outside their communities) people about the goodness and faithfulness of God. He says, in 1 Corinthians 13 that no matter how we grow up or how long it takes that we only get a glimpse of God's big picture view of each of us and of creation and that we have to be okay with that. The truth is that there is faith and hope and love AND that the greatest of these three is love!

How cool a gift to know that whenever fear seems to paralyze movement or erase your ability to think clearly that love is there! How important to remember that when you feel alone or abandoned or lost that love is right there, loving you!

For the parents of our new Loving Start Preschool families and our new Co-Directors; for the rising Elementary and Middle Schoolers who are asserting more independence; for the rising High School freshman who step into new environs knowing their place "at the bottom of the heap"; for the rising Seniors who begin their planning beyond this year and for those now living into that plan as College freshman WE have a responsibility to be God's eyes, ears, hands and feet whether these are families known or unknown to us personally. Perhaps not always perfectly, but always with the best of intention, be present to support, uplift, listen, cry and rejoice with each step that is taken and each bit of parental grip that is released. Be eager to ask and ready to listen to 'how it's going' and offer the love of God in your enthusiastic response.

Anchoress, Julian of Norwich offers this salutation and blessing:
"All shall be well. And all manner of thing shall be well."

Let it be so.
Pastor Kelly

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12th Annual Food Walk 2018

Sponsored by The Lutheran Chapel of the Cross and supported by Bay View area churches, businesses, organizations and residents, Food Walk helps feed those in our community who are less fortunate. **Rain** or **shine**, you are invited to participate in the 3K or the 4K walk, September 8th, 10am at the Bay View Community Center: 1320 E. Oklahoma Avenue. Pledge donations are greatly encouraged (see our office for forms), otherwise you may turn in nonperishable food or a monetary donation to count as your registration fee.

From 11am to noon, celebrate at BVCC with ice cream sundaes! Walkers and non-walkers are invited to participate! Don't want to walk, but still want to help out? You can help by donating to the Food Pantry donation jar by the Sanctuary! Any questions about the event, please call (414) 482-1000, or go to lutheranchapelofthecross.com. Recommended food donations to the Bay View Community Center Food and Infant Formula Pantry include:

- Canned Tuna, Chicken or other meats
- Peanut Butter, Jelly
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Canned Soup (including broth and cream varieties)
- Cereal
- Canned Fruits, Canned Vegetables

Hunger Task Force: Stockboxes

Hunger Task Force relies on volunteers to build Stockboxes for Seniors in need. A Stockbox is a box filled with healthy foods that is provided to low-income Seniors free of charge. Each box contains 16 healthy, nutritious items which include cereal, rice, juice, pasta, vegetables and beef stew. 9,000 boxes are delivered to seniors throughout Southeastern Wisconsin every month!

On Saturday, Nov. 3rd 9am-noon they will need 25 volunteers to help with packing Stockboxes. Contact Diane Evans with any questions: (781) 424-1504 (text preferred), or dbevans2@me.com. Please sign up at the Events Board today!

Quotable Leadership

from the Lewis Center for Leadership

"Distrust every claim for truth where you do not see truth united with love."

-Paul Tillich

Thank You for Another Successful Year for Bay View UMC!

We had an *awesome* time FUNdraising for Bay View United Methodist Church at this years Golf Outing. We raised over \$3,000 for BVUMC thanks to your participation! Thank you for making this another fun and successful year!





Kelly Heipel: Coordinator of ALL

Hello! For those of you who may not yet know, I am Kelly Heipel and I started in June as the Ministries Coordinator for Families and Events, but I have since been deemed “Coordinator of All”, as shown by my title on the office door. I was blessed to have this opportunity after deciding to step away from teaching. I worked in MPS as a 5th grade teacher for the last several years. I am married



to a wonderful guy named Eric, and I am mom to Ethan and Lucy. We also have a dog named Betty T-Rex. I am excited for

what is to come and for the opportunity to get to know all of you more through my work here.



I wanted to take a moment to provide some updates on our most recent events and give a quick “thank you”. I am so thankful to everyone who has welcomed me into this new role and contributed to our 2 most recent events; the 4th Annual Golf Outing and HamBINGO. In this new position, I am able to fully see just how generous and involved the people at Bay View United Methodist Church are! THANK YOU!

4th Annual Golf Outing

Our 4th Annual Golf Outing was a success! We were able to raise over \$3,000 in order to continue our mission of providing services and opportunities to our community and church. A huge thank you to all of the golfers who came out, to several people who made very generous donations for our raffles, and to all of the volunteers who made the day run so smoothly. I was so overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity of our patrons, it was truly a beautiful thing to witness.

HamBINGO

HamBINGO was so much fun! If you weren’t able to make it this time, make sure you do not miss the next event! The night was full of laughter, great people, great entertainment, and BINGO! The event raised just over \$500! It was definitely a successful and entertaining evening.

I am currently working on some upcoming projects/events, so make sure to look for announcements from me- coming soon. I am always available to talk if you have some ideas for fundraising or have ideas for the church. I can be reached by email at Kelly.heipel@bayviewumc.org. I am in the office, but I do not have set office hours so if you would rather talk in person, just let me know and I can make sure I am available.

The Heritage Campaign 2018

In 1986, when the Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren denominations joined to form the United Methodist Church, two Bay View congregations, located within a mile of each other, concluded merger discussions and agreed to form Bay View United Methodist Church.

Ministry flourished, but eventually the building's shortcomings became increasingly obvious, and by the third decade after the merger, consideration was being given to relocating to an entirely new structure. Parking, multiple accessibility issues and inefficient heating were all just a few of the building issues that needed consideration.

It was in 1998 that multiple problems with the church building and the potential for a new to a new location were brought before the congregation for discussion. A potential move was overwhelmingly relected, in favor of remaining at our current location. Of course, that meant major changes, architectural plans, and bidding. Demolition and construction began in 2000. ***Contractors who bid on the job had recommended replacement of the roof, but the cost of replacement would have pushed the total cost of remodeling well beyond acceptable limits.***

While everything beneath the church roof had been upgraded, renovated or replaced, the roof itself remained unimproved. Over the next 17 years, piecemeal repairs were necessary when damage and leaks occurred. Church trustees realized that repair bills from 2013 through 2017 had exceeded \$14,000, which in-turn led them to vote to recommend replacement of the entire roof. Their recommendation has been approved by the BVUMC Accountable Leadership Board. Tear down and replacement began in the Spring of 2019.

Now, in 2018, we need to assure the our ministry continues by putting a sound roof on our church. The new roof will cost about \$375,000. Our capital campaign aims to raise a \$1000,000 down payment before the start of construction next Spring. The remaining \$275,000 will be covered by a ten-year mortgage, with monthly payments of just under \$3,000. This will be a challenge, but we've managed to raise funds to repair our church, and we can do it again!

You have the opportunity to be a part of preserving our heritage. Your financial support can play a big part in our commitment to serving the Bay View Community.

Church replica: Eventually, individual shingles reflecting your contributions will be added to the "roof" replica!



Sunday School

Registration Begins Sept. 9th

Registration for Sunday School is on September 9th, and Sunday School begins September 16th at 10:00am. We are looking for teachers who enjoy working with children of all ages, so if you are interested we would love to have your help! We are also looking for someone to join Debbie in the nursery Sundays from 9am to noon— please see Jan Colson for more information.



“Mittens and More” Community Service Drive

Donations Accepted Until October 31st

Last year, Milwaukee PBS collected 13,360 mittens, gloves, hats and scarves of all sizes for children and families in need with the help of donations from the community. Unfortunately, the need for these items has always exceeded the supply— that’s why we are happy to accept donations here at BVUMC to help those in need keep warm during the Winter season. We will be accepting donations until October 31st; please contact Diane Evans with any questions at (781) 424-1504 (text preferred), or dbevans2@me.com.

Bread & Jam

June and July

Sign up on [our volunteer website](#) or by talking to Jan Kosanke on Sunday mornings, or by emailing her at breadandjam@bayviewumc.org.

Sign up on the events wall or use the QR code.



	Meals Served	Bag Lunches Served
June 3	80	55
June 10	79	50
June 17	91	48
June 24	96	50
July 1	76	50
July 8	100	55
July 15	93	51
July 22	81	54
July 29	66	50

LOVING START PRESCHOOL



This year Annie Espinoza will be sharing the directorship and teaching position at Loving Start Preschool with her good friend, Miss

Debbie. They have taught together for many years. Miss Annie is bilingual, received her teaching degree from UW-Milwaukee and has also worked as a teacher of religious education at St. Anthony's Parish. She enjoys music, dancing, and art, and has a loving and supportive family that include her husband Rick and her three children: Lucas, René, and Paul.

Miss Debbie is a familiar face to us, as she has been teaching for 4 years with Miss Martha.

"I love the child friendly atmosphere. I wanted to continue many of the existing ways LSP teaches our students: the nature inspired themes, small group lessons, exploring with art, music, stories and of course climber room fun!" -Miss Debbie

Loving Start Preschool will be starting up soon with Parent Orientation on Wed., Aug. 29th at 6:30pm. There are only a few spots open for the upcoming year! Miss Mary and Miss Karen are returning to teach in the Panda room, while Miss Debbie and Miss Annie will teach in the Butterfly room. Miss Martha has been busy training our new co-directors Miss Debbie and Miss Annie all summer, so please welcome Miss Debbie and Miss Annie as the new co-directors of Loving Start Preschool!

August and September Birthdays



August 4th
Susan Rice
August 7th
Andy Oren
August 8th
Margot Brylow
Sharon Felber
August 10th
Peggy Greenberg
August 12th
Nancy Radtke
August 16th
Anna Bierer
August 18th
Eryn Jackson

August 20th
Peter Krempel
Janet Kumbier
August 21st
Ronald Jackson
August 22nd
Melva Mayo
August 23rd
Gordon Steckler
August 24th
Deborrah Baldwin
Stephen Babinec
August 27th
Noah Moebius

September 2nd
Daniel Warkaske
September 8th
Sue Kreider
September 11th
Eric Heipel
September 13th
Jean Barden
David Longe
September 20th
Eric Tramal
September 25th
Barbara Holdorf
September 29th
Peter Jackson

August 2018

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SPR: Staff Parish Relations
WBC: Wesleyan Bell Choir Rehearsal

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19 8am Worship 9:45am Worship w/ Summer Singers 3pm Bread & Jam 7pm AA Mtg	20 1pm Memory Cafe 7pm AA Mtg	21 10am AA Mtg 5:30pm AA Mtg	22 10am Bible Study 12:30pm Cards Ministry	23 6:30pm WBC Rehearsal 7pm AA Mtg	24 TBA WBC Rehearsal	25 10:30am AA Mtg Women's Freedom
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August/September
2018

We're on the web:
bayviewumc.org

== Hope is here. Love is here. Family is here.

FALL WORSHIP
SERVICE SUNDAYS:

8:15am

10:45am



Please Recycle

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday

8:30am - 2:30pm