



EMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WE WELCOME! WE WORSHIP! WE WITNESS!

MAY 2024 NEWSLETTER

CHECK OUT CHURCH CAMP THIS SUMMER!

There is no place like Wisconsin in the summer! God has blessed us with beautiful trees, sunshine, and lakes. And there is no better place to enjoy these gifts from God

than at one of our great United Methodist Church camps!

Camp is available for all ages; there are even Adult Camps and Family Camps! We have some information about these on the bulletin boards across from the church

office. Registration and more information about Camp Ministries is available

online at wiumcamps.org. Emmanuel has funding available for camp scholarships. If you are interested in camp but would like information about funding possibilities, please speak with Barb Steele or Pastor Ben.

OUR SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 8:45 Sunday School
- 10:00 Worship



Angie Dahl shares about the many opportunities available at camp this summer during worship on Sunday, April 21st.



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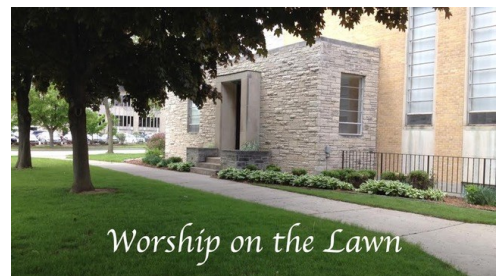
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OUTDOOR JAZZ WORSHIP IS JUNE 30TH!

God gave Emmanuel Church a beautiful front lawn with lovely shade! It has been a great spot to worship outside the past few years with some wonderful music!

Our first Jazz Worship on the lawn will be June 30th at 10 a.m. Folding Chairs will be provided, or you are welcome to bring your favorite lawn chair!

Make outdoor worship a part of your plans and invite friends! See you on June 25th!



ST. JAMES RUMMAGE SALE & BRAT FRY JUNE 7-8

Our neighbors at St. James UMC are holding a Rummage Sale and Brat Fry Friday June 7th from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday, June 8th 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Donations are welcome for the sale if you are doing your spring cleaning! The St. James

church office is open Monday-Wednesday 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. for any donations.

Stop by and visit our friends at St. James on June 7th and 8th and see what goodies the Rummage Sale may have for you!

HUGE RUMMAGE SALE
FRIDAY & SATURDAY JUNE 7th & 8th
 Friday from 8am to 5pm
 Saturday from 8am to 2pm
 Brat Fry 10am - 2pm
 BAKE SALE
 Most rummage 50¢
ST. JAMES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 100 W Capitol Drive, Appleton, WI
 (corner of Capitol Dr. & Oneida St)
 See umcsj.org for details!

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH NEWS

Our Emmanuel United Women in Faith will have a unit meeting June 9 in the Fireside Room following the 10 a.m. worship service.

Our Social Action Day was excellent. There were two speakers, Everett Mitchell, Dane County Judge, works with youth. Peggy West-Schrader, who works with *FREE*, was born while her mother was incarcerated. Kathy Hartke is the Social

Action Coordinator for our conference and was a physician who went to court with some of her patients.

There were 44 in attendance at our District Spiritual Growth Retreat. “Singing the Psalms” was the theme. Barb Mamerow, our District Spiritual Growth Coordinator, made a booklet called “Amazing Facts about the Book of Psalms” and gave one to each person in attendance.

Church Women United will meet Friday, May 3, at Immanuel United Church of Christ in Kaukauna. Registration begins at 9:30, program at 10. The theme of May Friendship Day is “What Does the Lord Require of CW-You?” The speaker will be Courtney Donati from Feeding America.

Our Local Mission project will be working on blankets for Project Linus. Date and time to be determined.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY JUNE 2ND

On Sunday, June 2nd, graduates will be recognized during the 10 a.m. in-person worship service.

If there is a graduate in your family, please notify and the church office and invite them to this special day. Congratulations to all our grads!



WISCONSIN ANNUAL CONFERENCE IS JUNE 8-11

The 2023 Annual Conference is scheduled for Friday, June 8- Monday, June 11 at the KI Convention Center in Green Bay. . The theme is "On Earth as it is in Heaven" – Engaging in Transformative Community Building."

Registration is now open online at www.wisconsinumc.org. Registration per person is \$180. Conference attendance will be available in-person and electronically.

**Pastor Ben will be on a family trip and will not be in attendance this year at Conference. Mike Pfhaler will be attending on behalf of Emmanuel. Please connect with Mike if you have questions about any thing on the agenda. Conference will be livestreamed and available to watch for free throughout the weekend. Links will be posted on our Facebook page.*



INGATHERING FOR 2024 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

2024 Ingathering Updates

New Items Needed & Updated Drop Off Sites List

The conference Mission Motivation Committee is working with Midwest Mission Distribution Center to collect items for Personal Dignity Kits and Home Care Kits. Midwest Mission distributes these items locally, nationally and internationally to those in need during times of crisis. All supplies are given free of charge regardless of gender, race or religion. Although we are focusing on these two kits, we appreciate any items found at midwestmission.org. All items should be NEW – and all kits should have only the items requested.

Home Care Kit (\$20 Value) • Liquid Household Cleaners - 58 - 80 oz. total, No spray bottles • Dish Soaps - 42 - 64 oz total • Liquid Laundry Detergents - 100 - 150 oz total • 1 Scrub Brush - with or without handle • 1 - 5-gal Round Bucket with resealable lid. All items must be NEW & Placed in the bucket.

Personal Dignity Kit (\$15 Value) • 1 Bath Hand Towel - No kitchen towels • 1 Bath Washcloth - No dishcloths • 1 Adult Toothbrush - No multi-packs • 1 Bar Soap - 3 - 4 oz • 1 Shampoo - 12 - 19 oz • 1 Deodorant - 2-3 oz - stick, roll on, or pump • 1 Lotion – 8-10 oz • 1 1-gal Resealable Plastic Bag

Kits and items that make up those kits, should be brought to Annual Conference at the KICenter in Green Bay. The Midwest Mission truck will be there for collection on June 9th & 10th. To process donations efficiently and get them where needed quickly, we ask for a list of the items donated. You can help the person who delivers the items -and save everyone some time- by filling out the Donation Form ahead of time.

Volunteers are needed to check in and load donations at Annual Conference in Green Bay anytime during our drop off hours: Friday, June 7th 10am-4pm and Saturday, June 8th 8am-4pm. Contact bonnieclement05@gmail.com to help.

Our drop off site for any items is St. James UMC in Appleton.



Joe Coenen and Ryan Korb shovel mulch during the workday on Saturday, April 27th.

Kenzie and Morgan Arnoldussen were part of a great crew that spread mulch around the church on Saturday, April 27th!



Ryan Korb and Rollie Schroeder take a “gothic” pose to admire their efforts on the workday on April 27th.

STEWARDSHIP NOTE FROM THE WISCONSIN UNITED METHODIST FOUNDATION

“Paying it Forward”

May 2024

“Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow . . . So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.” Galatians 6: 7, 9

According to the Good News Network, 84% of adult Americans agree with the idea that “what goes around comes around.” Therefore, the same number also say that they will go out of their way to “pay it forward” whenever possible.

Respondents reported that they were doing so in a number of ways, including:

- Treating their loved ones to something special (50%)
- Giving generous tips (48%)
- Helping out a neighbor by carrying their groceries or shoveling snow (46%)
- Donating money to organizations or charities (40%)

In addition, almost four in ten said they volunteered their time to help friends or family or supported locally owned business. The average adult engages in five generous acts per week, which adds up to 260 random acts of kindness each year.

Whether it’s to align their cosmic mojo or simply acting out of human nature, those who pay it forward believe these acts have real effects on more than those on the receiving end. Americans feel better about themselves (49%), their life overall (37%), and feel more confident (22%) when they extend kindness to others.

Rev. Jason Mahnke
Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation

LAY LEADER THOUGHTS

“It’s Good To Be Seen.”

Recently, Pastor Ben shared how a man he often visited would reply to his greeting this way: *“It’s good to be seen.”*

How true. For you. For me. As Pastor Ben shared: *“to be recognized for who we are and where we are at”* in life.

If you feel unseen and a little lost let us know. Pastor Ben will gladly hear you. As your Lay Leader I will gladly hear you. Who you are and where you are at in life matters to our community of Emmanuel.

(The Words of God in Isaiah
43:1)

***“I have called you by name.
You are mine.***

In Christ’s Love+

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