#### **OUR SAVIOR'S & GILMANTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES**

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# **Pastor's Corner**

**OUTREACH** 

South Korea celebrates Children's Day and Parent's Day in May. That's why May is called Family Month in Korea. On Parents' Day, most Koreans visit their parents, give them carnations, sing Mother's Day songs, and spend time with them. Before my mother passed away, we used to have frequent video calls to check in on her and pray together. But this is my first Mother's Day without her, and I realize how precious and priceless the love I received from her was. Longing is proportional to distance. The farther away your loved one is, the more you miss them.

Family is a blessing that we should never take for granted. In our busy lives, it's easy to forget the importance of spending quality time with our loved ones. But whether it's a simple conversation, a shared meal, or an activity we all enjoy, family time is essential for building strong bonds and nurturing relationships.

Of course, family is not always easy. Disagreements and conflicts can arise, and relationships can be strained. But it's important to remember that forgiveness, patience, and understanding are key to resolving conflicts and strengthening our family ties.

My youngest son came back from Korea after 5 years. We are having a great time just being with him. Families don't have to do anything special to mean something to each other, just by being there. So let us take a moment to appreciate the gift of family, and to make time for the people who matter most in our lives. "Love begins by taking care of the closest ones - the ones at home," said Mother Teresa. Let us work to build stronger, more loving relationships with our loved ones, and to cherish the moments we share together. Because in the end, it is our family that brings us joy, comfort, and a sense of belonging.

"And whoever does not provide for relatives, and especially for family members, has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever." 1 Timothy 5:8

With love and blessings, Pastor Dr. Hyuntae Kim

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STHAPPY BIRTHDAY Jack Biederman 1 2 Kennedy Thompson 3 **Deb Bruning** 3 Leah Pichler 6 Darrin Ede 6 Karter Johnson 7 Terry Plank (G) 9 Lori Boley 12 Adalynn Richards 15 Lucille Davis (G) 15 Tara Unser Jeremy Poeschel 16 17 **Brogen Unser** 19 Jessica Zingshiem 21 Dawn Moy (G) 22 Susan Sie 24 Iris Baudendistel 24 Debbi Holden 25 **Kayliee Johnston** 26 Breanna Bursaw 28 Royal Ottum (G) 29 Emma Bellemare 31 **Braelee Unser** 

#### May Anniversaries Randy & Dora Johnston $\mathcal{3}$ Randy & Jan Bechel $\overline{7}$ Dave & Debbi Holden 8 9 Mike & Deb Bruning Marvin & Donna Moy 13Ray & Laurie Johnston 15Clarence & Mary Beth Pichler 19 Ronald & Neuretta Molland 23Roger & Christy Mock 31PPY MoThE'S

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# Spring has sprung!



# Gifts of money were given in

memory of Larry Lindsay by family and friends.



#### **May 2023**

#### Chetek UMC.

Pastor reported the Northwest District will be getting a new District Superintendent.

United Women in Faith Report (Linda Johnston, Chair)

Linda reported the United Women in Faith met on March 8 with 11 people present.

They discussed the Dignity Kits which are due by June 1. Information will be put in the bulletin and newsletter regarding the kits.

There will be no Mother/Daughter Banguet.

There will also be no thrift sale in April.

Linda reported she and Lorraine will be working on the Christmas bazaar.

The Aspire event is being held in May.

Debbie Duncanson and Ann Yelle will be attending the Spring Enrichment.

There was an offering for Prayer and Self-Denial.

Trustee Report (Sonny Sandberg, Chair)

Sonny reported the parts are coming out of Canada for the elevator repair and there is no timeframe at present as to when they will arrive. Jim Williams reported we will need people to help with the elevator at Good Friday Services. Sonny will discuss with the representative possibly changing the brain box from level 1 to level 3.

Sonny has contacted Jarrett VanVieet regarding changing the receptacles in the kitchen.

Sonny reported he could not get the Christmas lights out of the ice.

SPRC (Jim Williams, Chair)

Jim has received a resignation letter from Joanne indicating her last day will be May 4.

older members.

Worship Committee (Rita McDonnell absent)

There has been no Worship Committee meeting since last Council meeting. Pastor and Rita have discussed Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter Services.

F3 Report (Dora & Randy Johnston)

Dora reported the children will be singing Palm Sunday and carrying palms.

ried.

supplies.

Old Business

No action has been taken on the Safe Sanctuary policy. Rita McDonnell and Ann Yelle will be working on that.

New Business

We had received an email regarding a new church directory and Kolleen asked for thoughts on this. This will be discussed further at the April Council meeting. It was suggested that we consider just making a list of members.

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Joanne and Jim discussed the current bulletin. Joanne had discussed with Jim discontinuance of mailing the newsletter and only sending by email and have available at the church. Would continue to mail to

There have been more children attending F3 with good cooperation from volunteers.

April 26 will be the last day of F3.

Dora inquired if there is still an interest in defibrillator training, and reported that someone has to check the batteries periodically and sign off that they have been checked.

Dora asked regarding if we will be having the fair booth again this year. The cost is \$125.00. Randy Johnston made a motion to use money from the F3 account to cover the \$125.00 for the fair booth cost. Sonny Sandberg seconded. Motion car-

They have not yet had a chance to check on cupboards for F3 food/

Lay Member to Annual Conference (Ann Yelle)

Ann reported she had read a print out from Central Lutheran Church regarding the Lutheran position on LGBTQ which dates back many years.

United Church of Christ is accepting.

Pastor Kim closed with prayer.

Motion to adjourn made by Julie Brunsch, seconded by Linda Johnston. Motion carried.



#### Account **Balances** 3/31/2023

Checking \$ 363.52

Elevator Repair \$ 524.00

Local Disaster \$ 390.00

New Ministries

\$ 2,019.80

Christmas Walk

\$11,000.00

Scholarships/Youth Awards

\$ 260.00

Sunday School

\$ 925.18

Total Account Balances

\$15,482.50

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#### OUTREACH

#### **MAY 2023**

### **Highlights from the March Council Meeting**

#### Minutes of Our Savior's Church Council Meeting

#### March 16, 2023

Council members present: Pastor Kim, Kolleen Branger, Ann Yelle, Linda Johnston, Julie Brunsch, Jim Williams, Jan Bechel, Sonny Sandberg, Dora and Randy Johnston.

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Kolleen Branger.

Pastor Kim opened with prayer.

Next Meeting: April 20, 2023, 6:00pm

#### United Methodist Church Calendar

Christian Home Month – May. Asian Pacific American Heritage Month – May. Older Adult Recognition Day - any day in May. National Day of Prayer - May 4. May Friendship Day - May 5. Festival of the Christian Home/ Mother's Day - May 14. Ascension of the Lord - May 18. Ascension Sunday - May 21. Heritage Sunday - May 21. Aldersgate Day - May 24. Day of Pentecost - May 28.

#### Our Savior's United Methodist Church Calendar

Sundays – 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, in-person and online; Communion 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday; cof-fee/sweets 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays.

Wednesdays - F3, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. (No F3 March 22 and April 5, last day of F3 is April 26).

Thursdays - Bible Study, 5:30 p.m., through March (no Bible Study on days of Council meetings).

#### Activities on the Calendar

Sunday, April 2 – Palm Sunday, Holy Communion, children sing.

Friday, April 7 - Community Good Friday Service at Our Savior's UMC, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, April 9 - Easter Worship,

10:30 a.m., choir sings. Wednesday, April 12 - Membership Committee meeting, 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 12 - United Women in Faith, 2:00 p.m. Thursday, April 20 – Council meeting, 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 26 - Choir practice, 6:30 p.m.

#### Secretary's Report

Motion to accept February 2023 Secretary's Report made by Julie Brunsch and seconded by Ann Yelle. Motion carried.

Finance Committee (Kolleen Branger, Chair)

Kolleen reported she had nothing new to report since last Council meeting.

**Executive Summary (Julie** Brunsch, Treasurer)

Checking account totals are as follows: Beginning balance of \$20,153.49; deposits of \$8643.68; interest of \$9.30; expenditures of \$11.069.30: uncleared transactions of \$915.06 with an ending balance as of February 28, 2023, of \$16,822.11. Checking account reconciled with bank statement. Internal account balances are Checking \$12.13; Elevator Repair \$524.00; Local Disaster \$390.00; New Ministries \$2019.80: Christmas Walk \$12,566.00; Scholarships/Youth Awards \$260.00; Sunday School \$1050.18 for balance of \$16,822.11. Other accounts: Building/Restoration \$1966.66; Youth Fellowship Account \$4238.60.

Julie reported she applied for a new certificate of exempt status due to a rule change. Julie has copies of the certificate.

Julie used \$589.59 from the Christmas Walk fund to cover bills for Februarv.

We received a \$196.00 donation

from Thrivent in March.

We received a \$9.27 refund from Vanco. Our previous fee for Vanco was \$11.15 per month and future donations will be \$0.73.

Current checkbook balance is -\$19.18 with \$5108.53 in bills due by the end of March.

Memorial Report (Ann Yelle, Chair)

Balance as of January 31, 2023, \$18,742.05 with credits of \$7.17 and debits of \$196.50 with ending balance of \$18,552.72.

We are still looking for a Financial Secretary.

Motion made by Jim Williams and seconded by Linda Johnston to accept the February 2023 Executive Summary and Memorial Report. Motion carried.

#### Pastor's Report

Pastor reported that Ash Wednesday services were moved to Sunday due to snow.

On Wednesday, March 2, Pastor attended the noon MACA Pastor's meeting.

On Thursday, March 16, at 2 p.m., Pastor performed the American Lutheran Home Communion Service.

On Wednesday, March 1, 8 and 15, from 12 to 1 p.m., Pastor attended Soup and Sermon with Alpha Series.

On Thursday, March 1 and 16, at 9 a.m., Pastor had Clergy Check-In.

On Wednesday, March 15, at 9:30 a.m., Pastor attended the Circuit Meeting at Ono UMC.

On Monday, March 20, at 11 a.m., Pastor attended the Wisconsin Annual Conference Harmony Choir first rehearsal at Columbus UMC.

On Thursday, March 23, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Pastor attended Bishop's Day Apart for Clergy at

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** WORSHIP IN THE PARK

#### Sunday, July 16

10:00 am Combined Worship at Rainbow Lake Park in Gilmanton

Potluck to follow



## Alana Bishopp Nicholas Lindemoen Maxwell Marten Santana Nelson sofia sandberg Kennedy Thompson Nicholas Thompson

#### **High School Graduate Recognition**

Sunday, May 21 10:30am at Our Savior's

Congratulations, Graduates! We are so proud of you!

Molitor Molland

Dana & Mildred Yelle, *by Ann Yelle* —In memory of Parents Jerry & Olga Olson. Siblings Larry, Natalie, Gwendolyn & Theodore. Nephews Ryan, Jeffery, & Thomas, by Randy & Debbie Duncanson and Family

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### Thank you to those who provided flowers for **Easter worship**:



#### Gilmanton:

—In remembrance of Cheryl Dieckman, by the Jim Dieckman family

—In honor of my parents, Bernie & Margy Davis, by Barbara Davis

—In Loving Memory of my dear husband, Lambert Molitor, my dear parents, Robert and Mavis Hart, my dear maternal grandparents, Allan and Inez Phillips and my dear paternal grandparents, Clate and Rebecca Hart, with everlasting love from Cheryl

—In loving memory of Larry Molland, by Sharol

#### Our Savior's:

—In memory of Irvin Yelle, Eldrid & Evelyn Branger,

—In memory of Parents Bob & Marion Duncanson, Brother Roger & sister-in-law Mavis Duncanson, by Randy & Debbie Duncanson and Family

—In memory of parents Milo & Vera Duncanson and Merlin & Julia Sandberg, by Sonny & Linda Sandberg —In memory of Eldrid and Evelyn Branger, Orville and Ruth Klevgard, and Kathy Goodrich, by Jay and Kolleen Branger

—In memory of Frank, Lueann and Randy Yule and Casper and Margaret Bechel, by Randy and Jan Bechel —In memory of Lawrence & Irene Crawford and Steven Crawford, by Terry Stiner

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OUTREACH

# **MAY 2023**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 <i>Holy Communion</i> 9:00 am Gilmanton Worship 10:30 am OS Worship	8	9	10 12:30pm Membership Committee 2:00pm United Women in Faith 4:30-6pm Sharing Table at Central	11	12	13
14 <i>Mother</i> 's Day 9:00 am Gilmanton Worship 10:30 am OS Worship	15	16	17	18 6:00pm Council Meeting at OS	19	20
21 9:00 am Gilmanton Worship 10:30 am OS Worship - <i>High School Graduate</i> <i>Recognition</i>	22	23	24 6:30pm Choir practice at OS 8:00pm Bacca- laureate Service at Mondovi HS	25	26	27
28 8:30 am Gilmanton Choir practice 9:00 am Gilmanton Worship—Choir sings 10:30 am OS Worship— Choir sings	29 Memorial Day	30	31			

# Worship Service Helpers

	Worship Leader	Greeters/Ushers	Money Counters
May 7	Brendan Williams Terry Plank (G)	Bill & Karen Lier	Kolleen Branger & Jan Bechel
May 14	Dannica Zingshiem Terry Plank (G)	Linda Johnston & Terry Stiner	Bill Lier & Donna Moy
May 21	Rita McDonnell Terry Plank (G)	Mary Beth Pichler & Jan Bechel	Deb Bruning & Mary Beth Pichler
May 28	David Boley Terry Plank (G)	Randy & Dora Johnston	Jay Branger & Linda Johnston

#### PERSONAL DIGNITY KITS

The UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH is askin Personal Dignity Kits for Ingathering 2023

Collection bins are located in the hallway by th office and under the back table in the sand

We will be collecting items thru June

#### Please include the following in your

- 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 1-gal Resealable Plastic Bag

All items must be NEW & placed in a 1-gal re plastic bag. Please follow the list exactly beca cannot use them if they are not packed as per the list provided.

Thank you!



#### **Camera Operators: Lori Boley & Saul Ness**

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1. <b>kit:</b>	<ul> <li>will be Thursday, May 4.</li> <li>Kolleen Branger, Financial Secretary, will be taking over all of the financial duties. There will be more information soon as far as secretarial coverage</li> </ul>	-00 00 00 00 00 00			
esealable ause they ed	and office hours. Thank you for being so welcoming and for giving me the opportunity to serve as your church secretary for the past year and ten months. The time has gone by so fast! Retirement is calling me once again. Now I'll be able to spend some more time at home with my dear elderly dog, Buster.	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00			
	I wish you all the very best! Blessings, Joanne Erickson	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00			
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