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THE NEWSLETTER OF OUR LORDS UM CHURCH

Fall is in the air and with that is the exciting time of children starting school and all the newest that brings.

As school starts we encourage you to come check out our spiritual development classes that will be kicking off September 23rd:

Young Disciples - Nursery birth to 4 year

Trackers of Truth Lower - K4 to 3rd grade

Trackers of Truth Upper - 4-6th grade

Confirmation - 7-8th grade

LIVE LIFE - 9th - 12th grade

Family Life - Group for parents

Christian Living - Adults

Sunday Class - Adults

Tuesday Morning Bible class - Adults

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 Office Hours (Mon.-Thurs.)
 8:30am-12:30pm

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Upcoming UMW Events

At the last UMW planning meeting, dates were set for a variety of activities. These activities are summarized below:

Wednesday, September 19, 2018, 11:00 a.m. - Select Books for UMW Reading Program

Each year our UMW unit buys one book from each category (Education for Mission, Leadership Development, Nurturing for Community, Social Action, and Spiritual Growth) of the national UMW Reading Program to encourage people in the congregation to participate in this program. On Wednesday, September 19, at 11:00, a meeting will be held in the Library corner of Fellowship Hall to select the books UMW will purchase from the 2019 Reading List.

Wednesday, September 26, 2018, 10:00 a.m. - Finish Cleaning Church Kitchen

In July, a group of UMW members cleaned out the church pantry. On Wednesday, September 26, starting at 10:00, UMW plans to clean out more of the kitchen: the utensils storage rack and multi-drawer unit next to the stove. Depending on how long this clean-up takes, Crafters may be cancelled.

Wednesday, October 10, 2018, 12:00 - Provide Lunch to Home-Bound Church Members

A number of church members can no longer attend church services on a frequent basis for a variety of reasons. To help them maintain contact with their church family, UMW and Caring Ministries arrange to pick up these members, bring them to church, provide lunch and an opportunity for fellowship, and take them home. A similar lunch was held last spring and was very successful. More details about this event will be given closer to the time.

Wednesday, October 17, 2018, 1:00 p.m. - Christmas Cookies Plus Planning Meeting

For 2018, the traditional UMW Christmas Cookies and Crafts Sale will have a new name - Christmas Cookies Plus - and a different format/layout. A meeting of UMW officers and Crafters will be held Wednesday, October 17, at 1:00 to decide which special items will be made, who will be responsible for which aspect of the sale, and the like. This meeting will take the place of the usual Crafters get-together on that Wednesday.

UMW Reading Program

All the women who participated in the UMW Reading Program at Our Lord's have turned in their reports, which will be sent to the South East District Program Resources coordinator. These women are Shirley Fell (Plan 1), Carol Heinert (Plan 1), Debbie Huyck (Plan 1), Leslie MacIntyre (Plan 1), and Gwenda Szczygielski (Plan 2). They will be recognized at the South East District Annual Fall Gathering to be held Saturday, October 6, at Janesville Cargill UMC.

Book Discussion

On Wednesday, September 19, at 11:00, after selecting the books for the 2019 UMW Reading Program, the attendees will discuss their favorites from the Great American Read. A list of the Top 100 Books was handed out to those women attending; this list can be accessed from the link below. They checked off those books they had already read and decided to read some of those they had not read over the summer. The discussion should be most interesting.

https://bento.cdn.pbs.org/hostedbento-prod/filer_public/gar-phase-2/assets/TGAR_BookChecklist_2018.pdf

Sunday September 16th

Do you like food? friends? Having fun? Then we've got the program for you! Annual church picnic! September 16th is a date you don't want to miss on the calendar.

Our day will begin with a wonderful outdoor service complete with our praise team. Followed by a wonderful potluck lunch along with some great games for children of all ages.

Registration for this event can be done during church September 2nd or 9th, or calling the office at 414-425-7030. When RSVP please let us know if you are able to bring a dessert, side dish or a cold/hot salad.

Invite your friends and neighbors!



Trustees

Church Picnic

For the All-Church Annual Picnic, set-up of the tents, stage, and furniture is scheduled for Saturday, September 15, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Everyone's help is welcome. The All-Church Annual Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, September 16.

Parking Lot

Changing overhead lights in the church parking lot from incandescent to LED is being explored. A few will be installed in early fall as a test. Sealing and striping of the parking lot will be needed in the near future. Suburban Seal Coating provided the least expensive quote. Financing of this project will need to be determined.

Fall Clean-up

A fall clean-up of the church grounds is scheduled for **October 6, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** – **Be sure to bring buckets**, as a bucket brigade will be formed to move the rocks near the Fellowship Hall.

As part of the Trustees fall clean-up day, some fall garden clean-up will be carried out. The plants in the church flowerbeds have been in place for several years and need to be thinned out and/or removed. If you are interested in having any of these plants or have questions about them, contact Gwenda Szczygielski at gm53151@wi.rr.com

Because many of the raspberry bushes in the church vegetable garden were hit by a blight, they have to be removed. Dave Hempel will take the lead to remove these bushes. Contact Dave if you would like to help with this project.

Memorials Committee Request

Money is available in the Memorials account for a patio or deck at the rear of the church grounds. Further discussion of this potential project as well as a planning team will be needed. If you are interested in this potential project, contact Jane Mackey.

SEPTEMBER 7th-9th Parking Lot Fund Raiser

Still looking for volunteers to help park cars for the soccer tournament. Please contact Elizabeth to sign up for a time slot!

Book Donations

Books donated to the church are used either for the church library, or are taken for the library at the Milwaukee County Jail. For the church library, the book is reviewed to determine if it is suitable for the church library or is already in the library. Any books that are already in the church library or are not appropriate are donated to Goodwill.

For the MCJ library, a change has been made in accepting certain books. It will no longer accept religious books of any kind. The reason for this change is that the MCJ library cannot provide equal amounts of material for all denominations, religious or otherwise. To prevent any legal actions, religious books will no longer be available to the inmates.

Caring Ministries

Overview of Program

Paul wrote in **2Timothy 1:3**: *"I thank my God for you night and day. I constantly remember you in my prayers."* The Apostle Paul remembered his friend Timothy and prayed for him constantly during his travels as a missionary. How precious is a friend who cares enough to pray for others without ceasing. We all know of someone who needs prayers. That person may be a dear friend or a family who is battling a disease or illness, dealing with family issues, struggling with their job, or someone who lost a dear one. As we remember those who are facing trials, let us pray for them to find peace, comfort, and strength to persevere.

At Our Lord's, we are a family who wants to be supportive of our members and visitors, so they will know they are not alone in whatever situation they are facing. Please, do not hesitate to call the office, Rebecca Radick or someone from Caring Ministries: Chris Gygax, Karen Haubert, Leslie MacIntyre, or Lynda McDowell who are all part of God's family who love one another, are willing to be a helper, give a hug and be a friend, to pray and listen often for each other.

Care for Seniors Program

All church members and friends are invited to a special program at church on Sunday, September 23, at 10:45 a.m., to hear Kim Seidl, from Care Patrol. She will speak for about 50 minutes on Care for Seniors who are in their homes or in a community place. She then will answer any questions to offer you peace of mind for when you have to make that difficult decision for yourself, your parent, or a grandparent.



Care for Seniors is a network of people who will help you find the best care and services in our area for those seniors. The people in this network are caring individuals who are with you every step of the way to provide local expert counsel, guidance, and reassurance to help you make the right choices for you and your loved ones. Put this important date on your calendars to come and stay for an informative talk and get your questions answered. For additional details, contact any member of the Caring Ministries team.

[Monday-Funday Fellowship September 17th](#)

The Monday-Funday Fellowship Group meets on the third Monday of each month from 10 a.m. -11:30 a.m.in the Garden Room. Be sure to mark the dates of our fall get-togethers: October 15 and November 19.

We invite you to join us, whenever you can, in this fun fellowship time. Often, all of us feel overwhelmed by the many activities that we put in our lives. When we do so, we can forget about the joys that are nearby, that we often miss in our busy-ness. God wants us to take time to be with others to develop a friendship with other Christians and by doing so we build a closer relationship with God. As stated in **Isaiah 40:3-5**- *"Keep your eyes on the Lord and you will find strength to make the rough places smooth."*

Outreach

[Overview of Outreach Program at Our Lord's](#)

Our Lord's has mission and outreach as a foundation. It has been in the church's DNA for decades. It is a critical part of our future success as a church.

The Outreach team is a small group of members, but we will happily welcome new people. It is exciting to have a part in making a difference in God's world. The Outreach team represents the entire congregation in taking our Christian responsibility out into the world. This is seen in the Rainbow Covenant banner in the vestibule. We provide opportunities for Our Lord's family to touch people locally, nationally, and internationally. We make a difference for children. We connect the congregation to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) when disaster relief is needed.

We connect to mission work. If you have a passion for a cause, feel moved to make a difference, talk to us. You don't have to join Outreach formally if that doesn't suit you. But please do share your ideas with us. We may be able to help organize your ideas into an event that others in our church can join in. New fresh ideas are needed at Our Lord's.

In closing, imagine you are in the church vestibule. There are the Outreach collection containers for food and clothing. There is the Rainbow Covenant banner. And there is you. As you leave the church building and go out into the world, remember that you too are part of the Rainbow Covenant – the Covenant to serve God's people, to serve God's world, and to make a difference by loving others as Jesus loves you!! That is the spirit of Outreach at Our Lord's.

["Gathering" on Saturday October 27th - 9:30am-12:30pm](#)

Please consider volunteering 3 hours of your time for this meal program in our Milwaukee community. Meet fellow OLUMC members along with those from Christ and Memorial UMCs as we work to serve lunch for guests at The Gathering.volunteers, ages 14 and up, each time.

Youth Corner

Sunday Sept 9th Parent/student meeting 10:45-11:15am

Trackers of Truth

We are holding a parent/student meeting for those families who have children in kindergarten to 6th grade. On September 9th at 10:45am - 11:15am in Fellowship Hall.

Trackers of Truth is a program designed to develop the basics of Christianity in our children, instilling in them a knowledge of where truth is found, examples of Biblical "Trackers of Truth," and a desire to seek truth for themselves. This program will begin Sunday, September 23rd at 10:50 to 11:30 am and will run most Sunday's until the middle of May.

LIVE

LIVE Curriculum helps you disciple teenagers by immersing them in who matters most: Jesus!!! The relationship students develop with Jesus during their teenage years will shape the rest of their lives, which is why your job as a youth pastor is so important. By helping students encounter Jesus every week, you're influencing a future generation of leaders whose passion for Jesus will transform others from the inside out. If this interests you please join us September 9th at 10:45-11:15 am at Our Lords UMC for our parent/youth meeting! This is for all youth 9th grade to 12th grade!! Registration will occur at this event. This program will begin Sunday, September 23rd at 10:50 to 11:30 am and will run most Sunday's until the middle of May.

TNT Tuesdays

Tuesday night Teens is coming back! Starting September 18th from 7-9pm at Our Lords UMC. This is a space for youth 7th grade on up to come to the church and enjoy the company of other teens. Each Tuesday is guaranteed to be fun with food, faith and friends.

Christian Disciple Farm - Follow up

We had a successful mission trip to Christian Disciple Farm this past August. Even despite the rain and mud much laughter and strong friendships were formed between our church and other churches that came. If you are interested in the helping with the planning of the 2019 Christian Disciple Farm please be on the look out in the November SALT for ways you can help!

Sunday Worship

Sept 2nd

9:30am - Traditional Worship
w/ communion
10:30am Fellowship

Sept 9th

9:30am - Traditional Worship
10:30am Fellowship

Sept 16th

8:15am - Praise Team
9:30am - Praise Worship
11:00am - Church Picnic

Sept 23rd

9:30am - Youth Worship
w/ communion
10:30am - Fellowship

Sept 30th

9:30am - Wildcard Sunday



September Birthdays

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| Karlee McCanna | 2nd |
| Matthew Darnall | 12th |
| Don Makkoo | 13th |
| Lynda McDowell | 17th |
| Linda Rann | 20th |
| Linda Suminski | 22nd |
| Tom Mehring | 23rd |
| Roberta Stockton | 24th |
| Mike Meyer | 26th |
| Carl Wege | 26th |
| Tony Suminski | 27th |
| Gwenda Szczygielski | 28th |
| Courtney Metrich | 29th |
| Sandra Falk | 30th |

We are in the process of updating all of our contact lists for Our Lords. Please email Susan Brown sue@ourlordsumc.org if we missed your Birthday this month. Also, if you have a new email or address please email the office at office@ourlordsumc.org with your new information. Throughout the summer, there will be contact lists out on Sunday mornings that you can check and confirm that all information is correct. Thanks for your help!



Our Lord's United Methodist Church Administrative Council Minutes--Aug. 7, 2018

Prepared by Amy Kesler

Present

Keith Aurand, Susie Brown, Paul Davis, Pat and Chuck Garrigues, Perry Huyck, Amy Kesler, Andrew Krier, Jane Mackey, Rebecca and Mark Radick, Dave Smith, and Joe Whyms

Opening

Chuck made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 5, 2018 meeting. Paul seconded the motion and the minutes were passed. The meeting began with a prayer by Pastor Keith.

Finance – Joe Whyms

Income for June was \$21,995, under budget by \$2,958, while expenses for June were \$24,522, under budget by \$430, resulting in a negative cash flow of \$2,527 for the month. Income for July was \$26,305, under budget by \$1,979, while expenses for June were \$25,020, under budget by \$3,263, resulting in a positive cash flow of \$1,285 for the month.

Year-to-date income was \$157,655, under budget by \$30,617, while expenses were \$179,467, under budget by \$8,804, resulting in a negative cash flow of \$21,812 year-to-date. This equates to an average monthly negative cash flow of \$3,116 for the seven months. At this rate, we will deplete our undedicated cash in October, 2018.

Perry recommended a task force be formed to look at our financial situation and make both short and long-term recommendations. Joe and Pastor Keith will be meeting during the next couple of weeks to discuss next steps. All are welcome to participate.

Trustees – Jane Mackey

Jane provided the following update:

- Two bids to restripe the parking lot have been received.
- Volunteers will be needed to set up the annual outside worship and picnic on Sept. 15, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- We are trying two LED light bulbs in the parking lot.
- Fall cleanup will be scheduled on Oct.6, 9:00 a.m. –12:00 p.m.
- The Memorial committee is proposing a patio that will be further evaluated.

Outreach – Pat Garrigues

Upcoming events were shared including Thanksgiving Food basket collection and additional needs for the Gathering. Watch for more information.

SPRC – Dave Smith and Pastor Keith

Going forward all staff salaries will be transparently shared in the monthly financial summary. To begin future staffing discussions, Keith reviewed the role of a Church Administrator. The role will be considered as two part time positions. As a next step, Pastor Keith will create a staffing proposal that can be reviewed by email.

The next Our Lords UMC Administrative Council meeting will be held on **Sept. 4, 2018 at 7 pm.**