

Helping The People Of Ukraine Through UMCOR

United Methodists and others wishing to provide humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainian people in the wake of the Russian invasion of their country may contribute to Advance #982450, UMCOR International Disaster Response and Recovery. This fund will provide 100% direct assistance to those in Ukraine as well as Ukrainians fleeing to neighboring countries.



To support the people of Ukraine you can give through Bethany Church. You can give through check, cash, or online. Clearly mark as "UMCOR."

None of the Methodist churches in the countries that border Ukraine are very large. Some are part of provisional annual conferences, yet with time and gifts given freely from their congregations, they each do what they can. They accept refugees no matter their status or church affiliation. They welcome all.

In Slovakia, Hungary, Bulgaria and Poland, refugees are being accommodated in church buildings and in the private homes of church members. These churches drive with supplies either into Ukraine or to the Ukrainian border, where Ukrainian helpers take over.

The United Methodist connection at its best encourages everyone along the way to give what they can. Prayers and gifts come from those next door and those far away; presence and service are offered by congregations and members now welcoming refugees. The whole church can give witness to what God can do even in the worst of times.

A few weeks ago, a small newborn girl named Miroslava came into this world, born to parents on the run, welcomed by Polish Methodists, a small bundle of hope for peace in the world today. By Christie R. House

Welcome to Bethany Church

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Join Us For Worship

8:00 AM
Traditional Worship
10:30 AM
Contemporary Worship

Wednesday Evenings 6:00 PM Laity Communion

Online Worship & Connection

Bethanygreenbay.org
Facebook @bethanygreenbay

Connect With Us

Text "Church" to 920-315-8288

Text message rates apply

Join Our Email List www.bethanygreenbay.org

Holy Week At Bethany

Palm Sunday April 10 8:00 am & 10:30 am



Processional and singing by Sunday School, Choir Members, Scout Troops

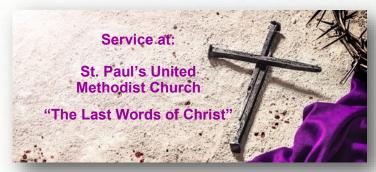


April 13 "Enemies" Worship led by Stephanie Dutkowski

Holy Thursday Worship April 14 at 6:30 pm Communion & Choir



Good Friday Worship April 15 at 1:00 pm Ecumenical Worship



Participating Churches: St. Paul's UMC, New Hope Bethany Church, Salvation Army





Meet the 2022 Confirmands

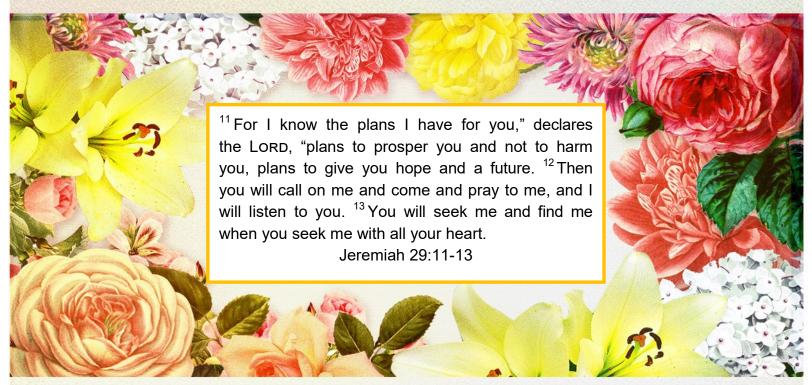
Ava Corey: Ava is in the 9th Grade at West DePere High School. Her parents are Wes and Jamie Corey. She has an older sister, Leah. Ava plays soccer and basketball. She also has a passion for fashion and would like to incorporate that into her future career.

Malina McClintock: Malina is in the 8th Grade at Bayview Middle School. Her parents are Rev. Robb and Ulla McClintock. She is the younger sister of Linnea and Anika. Malina recently shared her acting and dancing talents in her school's production of "Newsies". When she is not on center stage you can find her swimming laps with her local swim team.

This year these ladies learned about our Wesleyan Heritage, discussed the Methodist social principles, and had an introduction to the 66 books of the Bible. We also conducted a joint Advent Study on the Grinch with the Senior High class. This spring we have continued meeting with the Sr High and other young adults to discuss what it means to be a participating member of Bethany.

Malina and Ava will be serving lunch this month at the NEW Community Shelter. They will also be participating at a Wednesday Night Lenten service.

Please join me in welcoming these new members into our Bethany family on Confirmation Sunday, April 24th.



Adopt A Bethany Garden

Bethany's Trustees invite church individuals, families, or groups to adopt a small garden area around the church for 2022. Gardens would need routine maintenance, and watering. Hoses will be hooked up at church, but you are responsible for bringing your own gardening tools. If you do not have tools, but still want to volunteer, please contact Paula Nault at 920-606-5861 or paulanault@gamil.com.

Look for the map and signup sheet in the Narthex! Areas to adopt include:

Church Front Garden
Sanctuary Westside Garden
Flowering Crab Grove
Northside Hosta Beds
Prayer Garden
Adult/ Lower Lounge Hillside Garden
Fire-pit Pine Grove



Bruce Cantrall Travels to Kenya

Even though the Bethany Midwest mission was cancelled in 2022, we still have a member who is off to a global mission this spring!

Bruce Cantrall, a new member of Bethany Church and formerly of FUMC GB, will be representing the Green Bay KenyaHELP Board this May on the KenyaHELP Mission Trip.

KenyaHELP, Inc. was founded in 2003 global mission of the FUMC GB church after a trip to Meru, Kenya the hometown Rev. Grace Imathiu, who was a pastor at FUMC from 2000 to 2002. After a cultural exchange visit in 2002 with Pastor Grace, a group returned to Meru, Kenya to do a Vacation Bible School with Mawanika Methodist Church. On the first day of the school, the team was surprised that so many high school aged young people were at the church. These young people helped lead the event, and the team learned that Kenyan government only pays for education through 8th grade. To get a living wage job, you need a high school diploma, and it costs from \$150-\$250 a year for day school, and \$550 to \$1000 a year for boarding school. This team founded KenyaHelp with the mission to provide scholarships and encouragement for academically gifted, financially need students who could otherwise not afford an In 2008, KenyaHELP incorporated into education. a 501(c)(3) educational nonprofit.

This May, Bruce will embark on his sixth trip to Kenya to work with students in Meru, Kenya. His last trip in March 2020 to Kenya ended dramatically as he and his teammate were on the last flight out of Nairobi due to the global pandemic.

Bruce will visit with the 30 KenyaHELP scholarship students at KenyaHELP's four partner high schools in Meru - Kaaga Girls, Kaaga Boys, Muthara Mixed Day School, and Bishop Lawi Imathiu Secondary School (BLISS). The two Kaaga boarding schools and BLISS day school are chartered by the local Methodist

Churches, while Muthara Day is associated with the Catholic diocese.

Bruce is very excited to be able to attend classes with our students this year at each school. Later in the week, Bruce and the KenyaHELP graduates will challenge the high school students to create "Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens" during the three day/two night KenyaHELP Leadership Retreat held at the Thiiri Community Centre. During the retreat, students will learn about setting goals and developing plans and habit to achieve those goals, perform a community service project, and have a talent show. Most importantly, these students will be establishing lifelong relationships with each other that will provide support, encouragement and motivation.

We invite you to follow Bruce's journey on Facebook by "LIKING" our KenyaHELP.org page. This is a great chance to see the fantastic results of your support! Please remember Bruce and the KenyaHELP team all in your prayers, as Bruce journeys to Meru, Kenya, May 4 - 24, 2022.

The Green Bay based, grass-roots organization with no paid employees. (Mission team members pay all their own fees to travel to Kenya.) KenyaHELP, Inc has over 200 high school graduates so far with over 80 that finished their college or university degrees. Former students are now teachers, engineers, social workers, all kinds of scientists, medical workers and even a doctor! All of these incredible graduates had been sent home from high school regularly because they could not pay school fees. With the partnership of these high schools, KenyaHELP selected them and paid their school fees by fundraising in Green Bay and Wisconsin.

KenyaHELP, Inc. is a Methodist "Global Advance Special Project" - Wisconsin Conference Fund # 7404.

KenyaHELP Update 2021



Mini Retreat
was held this
year thanks to
our KenyaHELP
Graduate
Council



April Bethany Birthdays

- 2 Chris Demeuse
- 3 Liz Vercauteren, Jamie Corey
- 5 John Thiel
- 6 Robert Pigeon, Lazarus Golden
- 7 Madeline Akbari
- 8 Caleb Stoub
- 9 Sandy Hornick
- 10 Susan Kunze
- 11 Mike Wall, Emma Wiinamaki
- 12 Max Wessley
- 13 Tom Weddle, Matt Nellis
- 15 Diane Hansen, Patrick Fox, Chris Walters, Camden Stuczynski
- 17 Dawson Hoffmann
- 18 Becky Diederich, Donald Nate
- 19 Lorie Giese, Kyle Long, Casey Shaw
- 20 Chris Bournelis, Jan Schlender, Tyler Hein
- 21 Gene Lindauer
- Philip VanLaanen,Beth Haskins, Lisa Nellis, Kalyn DeMars
- 24 Joseph Stoub
- 25 Bill Oroyan
- 26 Susan Arias, Susan Webster
- 27 Rob Boudry, Brian Lauscher
- 28 Lauren Olp
- 29 Mary Haws, Elise Coon
- 30 Alma Webster, Sue Walters

Bethany Celebrates Special Birthdays February



Rev. Pat Green - 94 Years Young Muriel Neumann - 98 Years Young

Phyllis Fraser - 93 Years Young

<u>April</u>

Gene Lindauer - 96 Years Young

Welcome New Members

We welcome the following friends who have become members of Bethany Church. If you are interested in being a member, we will be having another new member Sunday soon!



New members from left to right: Bruce Cantrall, Barbara Bradshaw, Becky Corpal, Justin Corpal



New Members from left to right: Bruce Cantrall, Sherri Steffes, Cheyenne Steffes, Judy Torphy, Kristin (Kris) Kruzicki

Thank You's

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for expressing your sympathy for the passing of my beloved Father, Donald Taylor. Whether you sent a card or a gift for the Memorial Fund for Woodside, your thoughtfulness will always be remembered. Bethany members are truly a caring family. Blessings to you. Barb Taylor

Thank you to all the hands that have helped with various projects, worship services, and ministries at Bethany. Your time and witness to your faith is very much appreciated!

Join Us At Sunday School

Sundays Mornings in the Lower Level 9:00 am Food and Fun 9:15 am -10:15 am Learning about Jesus



Current Theme: Jesus BFF's

Objective:

Kids will learn to be friends who inspire faith in others, and choose friends who do likewise.

Jesus BFFs! Friendship Lessons From Jesus

March 27: Jesus Friend At The Cross—John

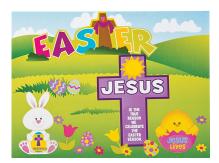
April 3: Jesus Forgave Peter

April 10: Palm Sunday

Sunday School walks into worship waving palms at both services!



April 17: Happy Easter—No Sunday School



Upcoming Dates of Adventure!

May 10th—Last day of Sunday School



2022 Bethany Rummage Sale

Bethany is holding an all-church rummage sale on Friday, April 29 from 8:00am to 3:00pm.

Profits will go to Missions.

We are asking for donations of household items, toys, furniture, clothing, etc.. No electronics please.

Drop off your treasures, and paper grocery bags in the Fellowship Hall starting on Monday April 25, between 9:30am and 2:30pm

Please use the back doors to Fellowship Hall to drop off items.

We need helpers on Thursday, April 28 from 9:00am to 1:00pm to sort and arrange items (no pricing) and helpers on Friday from 8:00am to 3:30pm to check out, bag and clean up.

Free cookies and coffee will be available for the shoppers so if anyone wants to make fresh cookies that would be appreciated. Sign up in the Lobby. We also need paper grocery bags.

This is a great outreach event. Many folks are living on tight budgets and this helps make ends meet.

Any questions? Text or call Heidi 920-606-5634.



It's Here!!!! UMW Meeting April 21 at 1:00 pm Lower Lounge

United Methodist Women is now United Women in Faith! The move is part of a refreshing of the organization that includes a new logo and an array of new and improved programs to nurture current members and welcome new women to join to put their love in action on behalf of women, children, and youth.

"This is an exciting time for our organization!" said Harriett Jane Olson, CEO of United Women in Faith. "Looking back, we see the through lines for our organization—faith in God, love for each other and commitment to putting our faith into action supporting women, children, and youth. These commitments have been expressed in different ways at different times using different names, always calling women to world changing action. This combination of a new look, more accessible resources for members and new ways to participate, positions us for impact in our own journeys and in how we engage the world that God so loves."

'Ainise 'Isama'u, United Women in Faith board president, said the changes express the organization's core values in ways that will excite current members and invite new women to join us.

"I'm confident our members will be excited about these changes," she said. "Together we are creating more opportunities for engagement with more women through new programs and updates of long-standing programs that embody our core values. Things change. People change. But God remains, and that continues to be the purpose behind everything that we do in this organization."

The organization remains incorporated in New York as United Methodist Women and is doing business as United Women in Faith.

United Women in Faith seeks to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship, and education so that they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities.

Community Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 9th starting at 1:30

Bethany Church

For kids up to 5th grade!

Visit the Easter Bunny, bring your camera!

The hunt will begin at 1:30 and will be separated by age groups.

After you can take a picture with the Easter Bunny!

Come join the fun!



Please bring your own Easter bag for collecting eggs!! Some eggs will contain big prizes for all age groups!

Serving At The New Community Shelter

Have you thought about helping out on the second Saturday of the month to prepare a meal at the shelter for those less fortunate? Well, you could.

Applying melted butter to bread and adding sliced cheese for grilled cheese and cutting dill pickles to serving size is easy and fun. The new ovens do not require turning the sandwiches. Just watch them brown. Cutting pans of bars and brownies into serving size is something you can do. Serving soup and sandwiches along with pickles, crackers, and potato chips to thankful people is rewarding. Add a banana and dessert will bring a "Thank you" every time.

Make your favorite pan of bars and come join us.
Sign up by calling the church office to help out. It is an act of service that is also fun.

Shared from the heart by Marian Hampton



Bethany Financial Opportunities

Ways To Give From Your IRA

A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) is a strategy for you to transfer funds out of your IRA to a qualifying charity, including Bethany Church, income tax free.



This can be a great method for those looking to give and save on income taxes. Usually, funds leaving your IRA are taxable, but by using the QCD strategy, it is tax-free.

IRA account owners over the age of 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ are only allowed to do a QCD. A QCD is capped at \$100k per IRA account owner per calendar year.

If married, you and your spouse can each contribute up to \$100k from your own IRAs. Here is the good news, a QCD is not limited to your IRA "required" distribution amount for the year as long as it does not exceed \$100k. Also, you don't need to itemize on your tax return (most seniors use standard deduction).

If you choose to perform a QCD to Bethany, you must make a direct IRA transfer from the IRA to the church, payable to Bethany Church. Be careful not to make the check payable to you, then later give those funds to Bethany as these are not considered a QCD.

Using the QCD strategy can be a great way to give! If you have any questions, please contact Dave Demeuse 713-1968 or anyone on the Finance Committee.

Celebration of Paying Off The Church Mortgage

Sunday, April 3rd - Fellowship Hall After 11:00 am worship

It has been a journey!
Bethany has paid off the mortgage!!

In July 2009, we had a mortgage of \$480,000. In January 2021, we made our final payment.

You are invited to join us as we celebrate this faithful milestone in our church history!

We are giving thanks for a faithful vision, dedication, and mission of growing Bethany Church

Heat/Air Conditioning Fundraiser

As we look ahead to the warm summer months of worship ahead, Finance is teaming up with Trustees to announce a new Bethany fundraiser! As some of you know already, our air conditioning for the Fellowship Hall and the adult lounge is no longer in working order and without the purchase of a new air conditioning unit, it could be a very hot summer in Bethany Church.

Thus, we're asking for everyone's financial generosity to help raise the approximate \$20k to purchase this new air unit. Bethany hasn't had a fundraiser in quite some time and thought this is the ideal time to reach out to Bethany's supporters to rally and raise funds for this project! The Trustees have already done their work preparing for this new purchase and now we're looking for the generosity of our members and friends. We're hopeful we can raise the necessary funds in time and to have a comfortable building this summer.

To donate to the "Air Conditioning Fundraiser"

- 1. Give online at bethanygreenbay.org/give Choose "Air Conditioning"
- 2. Place your donation in the giving kiosk
- 3. Send financial gift to Bethany Church, Air Conditioning in the memo line.
- 4. Text your giving to 920-315-8288
 Choose "Air Conditioning"

Of course, gifts can also come in alternative forms, such as IRA "QCDs" and appreciated investments as well.

Thank you in advance for keeping Bethany in your prayers as we keep you posted in our progress!

Dave Demeuse, Finance

CAT (Survey) Results Discussion and Sharing

Sunday, April 3rd

Worship, food, fellowship, and results. Childcare will be provided.



10:30 AM:

Communion and Praise Music 11:00 AM: Lunch provided and a Special Celebration 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM:

Presentation of results by Rev. Dr. Jaye Johnson

Bethany Church April Calendar 2022

For updates to this calendar please call 920-494-8801 Visit us at www.bethanygreenbay.org & Facebook @bethanychurch

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| Sunday | | - | - | | | |
| 8:00 AM Online & In Building Traditional Worship 9:00 AM Fellowship in FH & LL 9:15 AM Sunday School & Confirmation | 6:30 PM Scouts | 12:30 PM Prayer Shawl - LL 6:30 PM Women's Emmaus- Z 8:00 PM | 30 5:15PM Potluck Supper 6:00 PM Worship Rewind 6:00 PM Worship & Communion | 9:00 AM Men's Coffee 10:00 AM Women of the Bible | 1 | 9-12 PM Leadership Gathering |
| 10:30 AM Online & In Building Contemporary Worship Praise Band | | Men's Emmaus -Z | 6:30 PM Emmaus 6:30 PM Choir 7:30 PM Bells 7:30 PM Praise Team | 6:30 PM Pastor Cast | | |
| 3 Holy Communion 8:00 AM Online & In Building Traditional Worship w/ Choir 9:00 AM Fellowship in FH & LL 9:15 AM Sunday School & Confirmation 10:30-11:00 AM Online & In Building Contemporary Worship 11:00 AM Lunch & Celebration 12:00 PM CAT Presentation | 6:30 PM Scouts | 5 9-1 PM District Clergy Gathering 12:30 PM Prayer Shawl - LL 6:00-8 PM District Lay Laity 6:00 PM Trustees 8:00 PM Men's Emmaus-Z | 6 5:15PM Potluck Supper 6:00 PM Worship Rewind 6:00 PM Worship & Communion 6:30 PM Marketing 6:30 PM Emmaus 6:30 PM Choir 7:30 PM Bells 7:30 PM Praise Team | 7 9:00 AM Men's Coffee 10:00 AM Women of the Bible 6:30 PM Women's Emmaus- Z 6:30 PM Pastor Cast | 8 | 9 10-12:00P Serve Lunch at New Community Shelter Community Event 1-3 PM 1:30 PM Easter Egg Hunt |
| 10 Palm Sunday 7:30A-10:30A Pancake & Porky Breakfast 8:00 AM Online & In Building Traditional Worship With Processional 9:00 AM Fellowship in FH & LL 9:15 AM Sunday School & Confirmation 10:30 AM Online & In Building Contemporary Worship With Processional | 6:30 PM Scouts | 12 12:30 PM Prayer Shawl - LL 5:15PM Finance 6:30 PM Ad. Council 8:00 PM Men's Emmaus -Z | 13 5:15PM Potluck Supper 6:00 PM Worship Rewind 6:00 PM Worship & Communion 6:30 PM Emmaus 6:30 PM Choir 7:30 PM Bells 7:30 PM Praise Team | 9:00 AM Men's Coffee 10:00 AM Women of the Bible 6:30 PM Holy Thursday Worship 6:30 PM Women's Emmaus- Z | 1:00 Good Friday Worship At St. Paul's UMC | 16 |
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