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**NEWSLETTER
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Members & Friends of Dodgeville UMC



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“After taking the bread and giving thanks, he broke it and gave it to them saying, ‘This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.’ In the same way, he took the cup after the meal and said, ‘This cup is the new covenant by my blood, which is poured out for you.’”

– Luke 22:19-20 (CEB)



On October 4th, 2015 we will be celebrating **World Communion Sunday** at Dodgeville United Methodist Church. It is traditionally celebrated the first Sunday of October. This is a celebration that many other Christian denominations will join us in as well. What I appreciate about this special Sunday is that despite our theological differences, many denominations share a deep-rooted passion for the sharing of Communion.



Celebrating the sacrament of Communion is my favorite part of the worship service, when we have the opportunity. You will find this particular Sunday's Communion celebration will likely offer something new for you as we celebrate together.

As a United Methodist pastor, I appreciate our heritage of an **open table**. This means that our service of Communion is not just for those who are members of the church, or members of the United Methodist denomination. A United Methodist service begins with the pastor saying, %Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to

live in peace with one another.+

The open table means that people in all stages of Christian faith are welcome. John Wesley, in his sermon *The Means of Grace* writes:

Is not the eating of that bread, and the drinking of that cup, the outward, visible means, whereby God conveys into our souls all that spiritual grace, that righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost, which were purchased by the body of Christ once broken and the blood of Christ once shed for us? Let us therefore, who truly desire the grace of God, eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.+

Wesley saw Communion as a means of grace. Communion is a way that we can connect with God and experience God's unconditional love.

World Communion Sunday is also one of the six special offerings that the United Methodist Church takes throughout the year. You will find an offering envelope in your bulletin that Sunday. Your offering to World Communion Sunday will help to provide scholarships for national and international graduate students whom God has gifted to learn and to serve. Consider giving generously. For additional information check out: <http://www.umcsgiving.org/ministry-articles/world-communion-sunday>.

Throughout the month of October, we will continue on our journey through the nine fruits of the Spirit that Paul speaks of in his letter to the Galatians: October 4th . Peace; October 11th . Patience; October 18th . Kindness; October 25th . Goodness.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Rummage Sale this month. Let us also celebrate the return of Sunday School to Dodgeville. Check out the article in this newsletter for additional details!

May you all continue to live lives that are an embodiment of the Holy Spirit working in you, as you bear spiritual fruit in the world.

~Pastor Jim

Church Family

News

Adult Fellowship

Adult Fellowship will meet on Thursday, October 8 at the home of Jeanne Kapotas at 6:00 p.m. Please bring a dish to share, table service and beverages will be provided. All adults are welcome to join us. Contact Charlie or Louise Price at 935-7224 with questions.

THANK YOU!

Dear Dodgeville UMC,

Thank you so much for the birthday card with all of those signatures! I smile when I read your names and think of each of you. What a great community of faith you are! I am so grateful for your prayers and support.

Thank you!

Gail Ray

Giving/Attendance Stats

SEPTEMBER		
Week	Attendance	Offering
1	85	\$2,198
2	93	\$3,083
3	73	\$2,301
4		\$

A Note from your Finance & Stewardship Committee . by Scott Godfrey

As I write this note, we are merely a few days from that Fall tradition we've been looking forward to all year. Ah! the air turns crisp and the leaves show just a hint of color and the sense of excitement is palpable in the air. Yes, it's that time year at last....*it's budget time!!*

Go ahead. Let out a whoop or a holler. Get it out of your system. We all know it's been bottled up in there for months. Go ahead! Feel better? Okay. Let's get into the good stuff.

As of August, we are doing much better than just a year ago. There's actual **black ink** in the net income lines! Yes, we've been able to cover our bills and have some left over. This will be a refreshing place from which to kick off the 2016 budget process.

As I type, committee budget worksheets are being turned in and will be the focus of the September and October F&S Committee meetings. In case you're too anxious to await the outcome, feel free to suit up and attend the committee meetings at the following dates and times: Sept. 24th at 6:30pm; Oct. 6th at 6:30pm; and Oct. 22nd at 6pm. If you have questions, concerns or ideas, we really! REALLY want to hear from you while the budget is being created. Truly, we do!

Here's how the budget process works: individual committees submit a 2016 budget worksheet that the F&S Committee reviews. If there are questions, the F&S Committee works out the details with the respective committee, the compiles the individual budget requests into the next year's church budget that is presented to the Administrative Council in October. The Council sets the next year's goals and acts to send the budget to the church membership at the Annual Meeting.

This year's Annual Meeting is Nov. 5th at 6pm and that is where the budget is presented to the membership for approval. In addition to participating at the committee level, the Annual Meeting is your opportunity to ask questions, seek clarification and vote on the budget.

As with the last couple of years, I anticipate the F&S Committee will prepare a narrative budget to accompany the actual budget. Its purpose is to (hopefully) more thoroughly explain the next year's anticipated expenditures in the areas of: general administration; property; program ministries; personnel; and Conference apportionments.

So, now that we've got you all pumped up and ready for the season, get your pencils sharpened, fresh calculator batteries and let's hit the finances field together! With God on our side and the focus of our effort, how can we lose?!

Pictorial Directory

If you would like to be included in our new directory and were not able to be present for our photography sessions, please bring a picture to the office by October 11. Professional photos must be accompanied by a signed release for publication by the photographer.

Financial Report

CURRENT MONTH AUGUST, 2015

Monthly Income	<u>\$13,324</u>	
Monthly Expenses Paid	<u>\$ 8,753</u>	
Net Income for month	<u>\$ 4,570</u>	
Apportionments Paid	<u>\$ 1,363</u>	(included in monthly expenses paid)
Unpaid Apportionments	<u>\$ 829</u>	(not included in Monthly Expenses paid)

YEAR TOTALS THROUGH CURRENT MONTH

Years Income	<u>\$99,272</u>	
Years Expenses Paid	<u>\$92,738</u>	
Net Income for Year	<u>\$6,534</u>	
Apportionments Paid	<u>\$10,974</u>	(included in Years Expenses Paid)
Unpaid Apportionments	<u>\$6,562</u>	(not included in Years Expenses Paid)

TOTAL APPORTIONMENTS DUE FOR YEAR \$26,304
APPORTIONMENTS DUE PER MONTH \$ 2,192

Our goal of meeting 60% apportionment: \$15,783 annual
\$1,315 monthly

Scott Godfrey
Finance Chair

United Methodist Women Happenings

All women of the church are invited and encouraged to attend any of these meetings and/or events. We are hoping that we can gain some new members this year, please consider attending, we would love to see our membership grow. If you have any questions about UMW please contact Charlene Mingst or any one of our current members.

The October meeting of the UMW is scheduled for Thursday, October 1 at 7:00PM in Fellowship Hall. The Executive Board will meet at 6:30PM in the library. Members

of the Evening Star Circle will present the program and members of the Grace Post Circle will serve refreshments. We will elect officers for the coming year.

The Evening Star Circle will meet at 7:00PM on Monday, October 12 in Fellowship Hall. Jeanne Kapotas will be the hostess and Gayl Stewart will present the devotions.

The Grace Post Circle will meet on Monday, October 19 at 1:30PM at Lois Wieland's home. Jean Leigh will present the devotions.

The Annual Fall Rummage/Bake Sale is scheduled for Friday and Saturday October 9th and 10th. Something new has been added- A new American Girl Doll and 2 Fisher-Price toys have been donated to our Rummage Sale. They will be available for Silent Auction bids all day Friday and on Saturday until 10:00 AM. Winners will be notified by telephone if they are not present on Saturday morning. For more information regarding this event please look for the article with all of the details on another page of this newsletter. Please remember that we need a lot of helpers- sign-up sheets are available in Fellowship Hall.

Conference Event:

The Wisconsin Conference Annual Gathering of UMW is scheduled for Friday-Saturday, October 23-24 at the Lake Street UMC in Eau Claire. This year's theme is ~~W~~ Welcomed by God: Welcoming All+. The early registration deadline is October 5th, the fee of \$25.00 includes Saturday lunch. The late registration deadline is October 12th, the fee is raised to \$35.00. Please see Charlene Mingst for more information and registration forms.

Looking ahead to November- the regular meeting of the UMW is going to be moved to Monday, November 2nd. This rescheduling is necessary because of the Annual Charge Conference meeting date (Thursday, November 5).

MISSION & OUTREACH

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SHOEBOX MINISTRY POSTAGE UPDATE: So far we have \$313 on our way to reach \$700, our goal to ship 100 boxes.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School will be starting on **October 11th**. The children will head out while the congregation is singing the closing hymn/song, and the kids will be done by **10:30AM**. Classes will be taking place October 11, 18 and 25, along with November 1, 8, 15 and 22. There will be a break for Thanksgiving that last Sunday.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE THANKS

A big thank you to all the workers who have been so faithful and donors who have so faithfully given blood to the American Red Cross Blood Drives at DUMC these past many years. We have decided the time has come to discontinue this project. I will still be working with Lands' End and Upland Hills Health during their blood drives. Plus there are still many blood drives around town that would be glad to take your blood. It is a wonderful cause. Please continue to donate.

- Cathryn Tredinnick

**Annual UMW Fall
Rummage & Bake Sale**

Friday & Saturday,

October 9 & 10

*Donations may be brought to the church
Wednesday & Thursday, Oct 7th & 8th starting at
9:00AM both days*

CHOIR NEWS

The choir is scheduled to sing on Sunday, October 4th and again on the 18th. We will rehearse on Wednesday, October 7th, in the music room at 7:00PM. We also rehearse at 8:15AM on the mornings that we sing. Please join us!!

If you have any questions about Choir contact
Charlene Mingst (935-5758).



UMW RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE

The annual Fall Rummage/Bake Sale is scheduled for Friday, October 9 & Saturday, October 10.

The hours are: 9:00AM-5:30PM on Friday, 8:00AM-12:30PM on Saturday. The ~~%~~Bag Sale+will be between the hours of 10:30AM-12:30PM on Saturday.

The Bake Sale is to be held on Saturday morning only.

The ~~%~~set-up+dates are on Wednesday, October 7 & Thursday, October 8. Items for the rummage sale can be brought in starting at 9:00AM on both days.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING: TVs, computers, dehumidifiers, or home-recorded VCR tapes or DVDs.

Bake Sale items should be priced and can be brought in on Friday evening or early Saturday.

We will need many workers to help set-up and to work during the sale. Forms will soon be available (in Fellowship Hall) for you to sign up for a shift or two!!

This annual fund-raiser helps us to meet our goals of mission on the local, state, national, and international levels. Thank you to all who will work and also to everyone who donates items to sell.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Dodgeville Ridgeway: Grace UMC annual Church conference will be Thursday, November 5th at 6:00 PM. All members are encouraged to attend.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 LOOSE CHANGE UMW/ Sunday 9:00 AM Worship Service	28 5:00 PM Weight Watchers Meeting in Fellowship Hall	29 6:00 PM P.E.O. Meeting	30 5:00 PM Feeding Friends Suppers 6:30 PM All/One High School Group at Mary Aschliman's House 6:30 PM FF Youth Ministry	1 10:00 AM Prayer Ministry 7:00 PM UMW Meeting	2	3 5:00 PM Ridgeway Grace Worship Service
4 Communion 8:15 AM Chor Rehearsal 9:00 AM Worship Service	5 5:00 PM Weight Watchers Meeting in Fellowship Hall 6:30 PM Trustee Meeting	6 2:00 PM Ridgeway Grace UMW Meeting 6:30 PM Finance Meeting	7 9:00 AM Rummage Sale Prep until 4:00 PM 5:00 PM Feeding Friends Suppers 6:30 PM All/One High School Group at Mary Aschliman's House 6:30 PM FF Youth Ministry	8 9:00 AM Rummage Sale Prep until 7:00 PM 10:00 AM Prayer Ministry 6:00 PM Adult Fellowship	9 9:00 AM Rummage Sale until 5:30 PM	10 8:00 AM Rummage Sale until 12:30 PM 5:00 PM Ridgeway Grace Worship Service
11 9:00 AM Worship Service	12 5:00 PM Weight Watchers Meeting in Fellowship Hall 7:00 PM Evening Star Circle	13	14 7:45 AM High School Testing 5:00 PM Feeding Friends Suppers 6:30 PM All/One High School Group at Mary Aschliman's House 6:30 PM FF Youth Ministry	15 10:00 AM Prayer Ministry 6:30 PM Baby's Gone Too Soon	16	17 5:00 PM Ridgeway Grace Worship Service
18 8:15 AM Chor Rehearsal 9:00 AM Worship Service	19 1:30 PM Grace Post Circle 5:00 PM Weight Watchers Meeting in Fellowship Hall	20	21 5:00 PM Feeding Friends Suppers 6:30 PM All/One High School Group at Mary Aschliman's House 6:30 PM FF Youth Ministry	22 10:00 AM Prayer Ministry 6:00 PM Finance Meeting 7:30 PM Church Council Meeting	23	24 5:00 PM Ridgeway Grace Worship Service
25 LOOSE CHANGE 9:00 AM Worship Service	26 5:00 PM Weight Watchers Meeting in Fellowship Hall	27	28 DEADLINE 5:00 PM Feeding Friends Suppers 6:30 PM All/One High School Group at Mary Aschliman's House 6:30 PM FF Youth Ministry	29 10:00 AM Prayer Ministry	30 Jewell Family Using Kitchen	31 Communion Ridgeway Grace 1:00 PM Eunice Jewell Birthday Party 5:00 PM Ridgeway Grace Worship Service

2015 SUNDAY SERVANTS

Week	DATE	Communion	Media	Film	W. Assist	Greeters	C Moment	Cafe	Accompanist
1	10-4-15	Berryman	Tom	Matt	Jeff A	Judy Halverson J&B Oxnem	Mary Ellen	Mary Aschliman Mary James	Ginny Special Music: Choir
2	10-11-15		Zach	Maggie	Kevin	D&N Mortimer Dona Ray	Jeanne	Starr Family	Al, Scott, Matt Special Music: Jeff A
3	10-18-15		Starrs	Steve	Mary Ellen	J&B Oxnem Dona Ray	Sarah	Vacant	Jan K Special Music: Choir
4	10-25-15		Mary	Chip	Terry	D&N Mortimer Dona Ray	Juanita	Deb Short Dawn VanEpps Bobbi Butteris	Al, Robin, Matt Special Music: Band
1	11-1-15	Dunhams	Tom	Steve	Jan	S&J Colden H Rideout	Mary Ellen	Vacant	Ginny Special Music: Choir
2	11-8-15		Zach	Maggie	Jeff A	C&P Forrest M Scultze	Sarah	Starr Family	Al, Scott, Matt Special Music: Jeff A
3	11-15-15		Starrs	Steve	Peggy	S&J Colden H Rideout	Jeanne	Diane Carroll Julie Colden	Ginny Special Music: Choir
4	11-22-15		Mary	Chip	Kevin	C&P Forrest M Schultze	Juanita	Penny Edwards	Al, Robin, Matt Special Music: Band
5	11-29-15		Tom	Steve	Terry	S&J Colden H Rideout	Mary Ellen	Mary Lou Oxnem Ginny Gorsline	Ginny Special Music: Bell Choir

LIVE2LEAD

On Friday, October 9th, People's United Methodist Church in Oregon, WI will be hosting the 2nd annual Leadership Simulcast called, "Live2Lead," from 7:45 - 11:45 a.m.

Last year, we had almost 100 leaders in attendance - from both inside and outside of the Church - and the response was tremendous. People were equipped with new perspectives and practical tools that they could use in their churches, and both professional and personal lives.

If you're interested in finding out more about this year's event or registering, visit www.peoplesumc.org/L2L.

Blessings,

Jason Mahnke
Pastor
People's UMC
Oregon, WI

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

*Please see bulletin board for more information
on these events...*

DECYFER DOWN

Lancaster High School Auditorium
September 27, 6:30 PM
608-723-2267

2015 HEALTH & WELLNESS EXPO

Friday, September 25 9:00-Noon
Hidden Valley Community Church

WYOMING VALLEY HYMN SING

2 PM to 3:30 PM, October 4
Wyoming Valley School of Cultural Arts
6306 State Hwy 23

PLEASE PRAY:

Theresa Davis – lymes disease
Kenny & Lois Dobson – health issues
Jessica Olson's family – lymes disease/back
Adam – health improving
Karli Gorsline – cancer treatment
Marjorie Hilts – cancer treatment (chemo)
Bonnie Oxnem – severe back pain
Schlueters
Ann Deaton
Tony Vielhuber – recovery from surgery
Kevin Cleary – heal from cancer
Diamonte – heart surgery
Ginny Gorsline - vertigo

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1** Chris Beerkircher
- 1** Kory Beerkircher
- 2** Jeanne Kapotas
- 6** Deb Short
- 13** Jan Aschlimen
- 13** John Oxnem
- 19** Barbara Cullen
- 17** Tonia Puckett
- 23** Shianne Carroll
- 24** Sarah Godfrey
- 28** Jessica Gorsline
- 28** Rebecca Gorsline
- 30** Renee Weber

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OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 10** Josh & Alycia Hathaway
- 12** Ben & Mary Berryman
- 15** John & Bonnie Oxnem
- 19** Mike & Renee Weber
- 20** James & Deb Short
- 21** John & Lesley Houck
- 25** Don & Dee Dochnahl