

From the Pastor...

I am looking forward to this summer's outreach to our community's kids. Your Nurture and Discipleship Team is working hard to find new ways to reach kids especially during the long summer months. When school is out, church is on!

The second Wednesday of every summer month (June 12, July 10, August 14) we'll be leading Family Fun Night from 6-8pm. The June and July Family Fun Nights will be at Goodview Park, the August Family Fun Night will be at our church.

This is a great opportunity to show the kids of our community that our congregation cares about them. As we have now had three years of Reading Buddies working in the school as well as Jan, who has worked tirelessly with kindergarteners, over half of the kids at Wyoming Elementary have had contact with at least one person from Wyoming Church!

But before we can enjoy the fun of summertime with the wider community, we have some time to enjoy one another in our church community.

On Sunday, May 12 we welcome Elizabeth R. as she confirms the vows made at her baptism. Elizabeth is the daughter of Lisa and Dennis, the granddaughter of Karen and Ed.

And don't forget to come and be a part of our Spring Clean Up Day the morning of May 18. We'd love you to come and be a part of this annual event that helps us keep our place beautiful.

Throughout the month of May we are celebrating the good news that death does not have the final word in our lives and that through Christ we live a new life in light of the resurrection.

Perhaps you or someone you know needs to hear this good news. As we grow and respond to the good news of Christ's resurrection, our lives change and others can see the hope that we live.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." (1 Peter 1:3)

~Pastor Holly

FMSC MobilePack

On Saturday, April 27, eighteen members and friends of Wyoming Church helped with the Feed My Starving Children MobilePack at Hosanna Lutheran Church in Forest Lake. Many more people helped offset the costs of the Mobile Pack and the costs of feeding children around the world. As of the printing of this newsletter, we don't know the final count of money collected, but we'll keep you posted.



MN FoodShare News

Thank you to all those who donated during the month of March to Minnesota FoodShare. We designate our funds to go toward the Friday backpack food for the Wyoming Elementary students in need. We collected \$2654. Great job! Thank you all!

Thank You

Thanks to all who have been bringing used printer cartridges, Box Tops for Education, and pop can tabs to church. All of these items are being collected by our local Wyoming Elementary School and sent to the appropriate places. By sending these items in, Wyoming Elementary receives money back and savings on items they need for the school and all of that benefits our Wyoming kids. Be sure and bring your cartridges, Box Tops and tabs in the beginning of this month so we can get them to Wyoming Elementary before the end of the school year.



We had another beautiful Easter celebration with the flowering of the cross. (Flowers purchased by Diane, Janet and Carole.)

Behind the Scenes

Once again this year we had a beautiful Easter with the flower garden purchased and provided by these three women. Once again this year we had a beautiful Christmas with the poinsettias purchased and arranged by these three women. What you may not have noticed is all the decorations that happen all around the space, the egg tree in the library, the flowers in the gathering space, the egg garland draped across the mantel, the eggs in the window sill.

You may also not have noticed the change of scenery throughout the year in the front of the sanctuary, up high, off to the left. You may not have noticed that at the beginning of the school year, the decorations above the sacristy change to school books, a globe and school year decorations. Then in the fall and again at Christmas and again at...well, you get the idea. These three women are a group of clever and creative women, who work behind the scenes to help us enjoy different seasons of the year. Who are these women? Diane D., Janet R. and Carole A. They help make our church building and our worship space a better place.

Memorial Day



May Celebrations



Birthdays

- 5/7 Alex R.
Taylor M.
- 5/8 Ersileen M.
- 5/16 Mava K.
- 5/19 Holly K.
- 5/25 Carole A.
Gary G.
Cathy W.
- 5/26 Jenna W.
- 5/27 Ed K.
- 5/29 Marilyn B.
Peyton T.
- 5/30 Fran F.
Lucy K.
- 5/31 Larry M.

Anniversaries

- 5/1 Andy & Shurene E.

*If you do not see your special date, please let Michelle know!

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AMERICAN	MEMORIAL
ANTHEM	MAY
CEREMONY	PATRIOTIC
COMMEMORATE	REMEMBRANCE
FLOWERS	SACRIFICE
FREEDOM	SALUTE
HONOR	SOLDIERS



Troutlily Fest

Troutlily Fest, a benefit for New Pathways, is Thursday, May 23, 6-9pm at Erickson Farmstead, 1376 161st Ave., NE, Isanti. Celebrate spring, gear up for your favorite outdoor activities and help local families experiencing homelessness, all at the same time. One \$50 ticket includes dinner, entertainment and a ticket for the door prize drawing. The evening will also include a silent auction, raffles and games. Please contact New Pathways to purchase tickets or explore sponsorship possibilities. New Pathways can be reached at 763-691-0121 ext. 7 or newpathwaysmn.com/trout-lily-fest.

A Benefit for New Pathways, Inc.

Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.
- Proverbs 31:30

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Confirmation Sunday

Confirmation Sunday is Sunday, May 12. We will be confirming Elizabeth R. during the worship service and having a congratulatory cake before worship during Fellowship Time. Confirmation is a time when our Middle School youth confirm the vows their parents made on their behalf at their baptism. Confirmation class is a time to learn more about our faith and confirm for ourselves that we "believe in Jesus Christ our savior, put our whole trust in his grace and promise to serve him with people of all ages, nations and races." We encourage you to be present and support Elizabeth on this important step in her faith journey!

Spring Clean Up Day

Spring Clean Up Day is Saturday, May 18 at 9 am. Please come and help spruce up the grounds as we get our church into shape for the rest of spring and summer. There will be jobs for people both inside and outside the building. Come and help take care of your church building for an hour, or for as much time as you're able to give. Clean up should end around noon. Treats and coffee provided.

UMCOR Sunday

UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) Sunday is Sunday, May 19. This Sunday, formerly known as One Great Hour of Sharing, is our annual opportunity to contribute to UMCOR's administrative costs so that when disaster strikes, 100% of our disaster offerings go to the people in need. Please give by marking your check (written to Wyoming United Methodist Church) or envelope 'UMCOR.'

Exciting News!

We have some exciting news about summer plans for our community's children! We are working hard in our Nurture and Discipleship Team to create Family Fun Nights this summer!

On the second Wednesday of each month: Wednesday, June 12, July 10 and August 14 from 6-8pm we will be hosting Family Fun Nights. The first two events will be at Goodview Park, the last one on our church grounds. Each night we'll provide a simple supper (hot dogs, chips, a drink and a treat) then offer activities based on a theme (Camping, Stars & Sparkles, Splish Splash) followed by a song or two and a story. The evening will end with cleaning up the space where we've been playing and then a drawing for a prize for all those who help with the cleanup.

Our plans for the first of these events is well underway. We are offering a variety of activities including knot tying, clothespin tag, marshmallow toss and nature prints as well as a scavenger hunt.

We're hoping that people from our church, grades 7 and older will help host this fun event targeted to elementary kids and younger. This is a great way to help our wider community have some good clean fun this summer. And we're likely to have a lot of fun, too.



Worship in May

Throughout May we are celebrating the good news of the resurrection as we celebrate the season of Easter. Easter is an entire season, not just one Sunday (witness the fact that each of these Sundays in May is called a "Sunday OF Easter" not a Sunday after Easter). The Season of Easter continues through the first Sunday of June, giving us a 50 day Easter Season to celebrate and ponder how we are to live as faithful disciples of Christ.

May 5

Fishing Opener
John 21:1-19

May 12

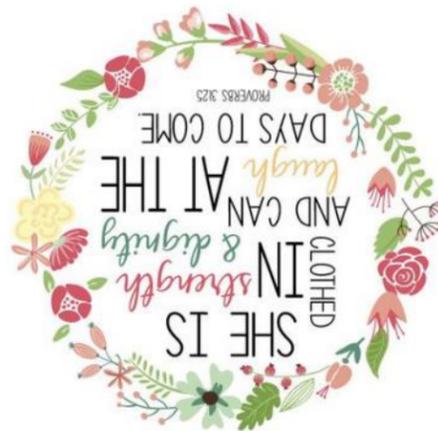
Festival of the Christian Home/Mothers' Day
Solomon's Porch
John 10:22-30

May 19

Guest Preacher, Denny Hebrink

May 26

Peaceful
John 14:23-29



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