

From the Pastor...

Our congregation is launching an exciting new initiative this summer called Family Fun Nights. With the help of the Nurture and Discipleship Team, we are planning fun and interesting gatherings for children out in the community on the second Wednesday of each summer month, with food, games, crafts, songs and stories. The first two are being held at Goodview Park, the last one, in August, will be held at our church. Look for more information about these events in this newsletter.

I'm excited to launch this Family Fun Night initiative. Since my arrival at the church 4 years ago, we haven't had any weekday summer activities specially targeted for our elementary age kids. This will be a fun chance to have our kids and all the kids of the community together to have some fun and learn a little about God's love for all.

I went to a workshop many years ago, whose theme was "When school is out, church is on!" The leaders were trying to encourage us to think about ways to engage the kids in our churches and in our communities when young kids have a lot more free time to engage with the church in fun activities. One of the challenges of summer scheduling is figuring out when to do things when everyone is in town and not off on some family vacation. We're hoping that this monthly offering of Family Fun Night will allow many different kids to have some fun with the guidance of our Nurture and Discipleship Team and others from our church.

One realization I had, when thinking about doing something with the elementary school kids of the community is that, because of Reading Buddies, members of our congregation have had significant contact with half of the children at the elementary school. Starting three years ago, six church members began with first and second grades, meeting with their students every week. This year we still have all of first grade and half of second grade covered by Reading Buddy members of our church and those we started with three years ago are completing third and fourth grades!

What a great legacy and positive influence we have had on the children in our community!

I encourage you to consider helping with, bringing your kids and grandkids to, and praying for the ministry of these Family Fun Nights. We are excited that God is doing a new thing in our midst!

Joyfully,
Pastor Holly



Congratulations!

Congratulations to our confirmand, Elizabeth, as she completed two years of confirmation instruction and professed her faith before the gathered community on Sunday, May 12. May God bless you!

Behind the Scenes

If you've ever wondered who keeps the grounds looking so nice in the summer, you need look no further than Lonnie Nelson. Every summer week without fail, he comes and mows the lawn and does various other yard tending as needed. Next time you see our beautifully mowed lawn, be sure and thank Lon for his work!

Thank You

Thanks to all who helped with this year's Spring Clean Up Day on Tuesday evening, May 14. Thanks, volunteers, for all your good work!

UMCOR Sunday

Thank you to everyone who contributed to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) Sunday to cover the cost of their expenses so that in a time of crisis, all of our donations go directly to the people in need. This year we collected \$590.

June Celebrations

Birthdays			
6/1	Ron L.	6/14	Gracie A.
6/2	Gloria K.	6/15	Jan F.
6/3	Lisa R.	6/19	Barb B.
6/6	Henry S.	6/21	Dave A.
6/10	Kathy L.	6/25	Pastor Holly
6/11	Kristin I.	6/28	June D.
6/13	Diane D.	6/29	Corrie A.
	Russ J.	6/30	Marti G.
	David W.		

Anniversaries

6/10	Bud & Shirley J.
	Gordy & Rita P.
6/21	Denny & Nancy H.
	Tom & Bernie S.
6/25	Myron & Bea Z.
6/29	Gary & Marti G.

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



Emma Norton

You are invited to support Minnesota's own Emma Norton Services, which helps house homeless families, single women and offers support for those suffering mental illness, medical impairment and/or a substance abuse disorder and helps them gain independence and self-sufficiency. During the summer months we will have a jar available in the entryway of the church for you to drop your pocket change into to help support this worthwhile ministry that changes the lives of women and children needing a boost up out of difficult circumstances.

FMSC MobilePack

We collected \$1356 for Feed My Starving Children ministry. We also had 15 people from our church help pack food on April 27. It was a wonderful event enjoyed by all the WUMC food packers. Thanks again to all who packed or helped to cover the cost of food packed.

Graduation Open House

You are invited to an Open House in celebration of the High School graduation of Alaina (Allie) Boettcher on Friday, June 7th, 6-10pm at 3549 172nd Lane NE, Ham Lake, MN 55304. Alaina will graduate on June 4 from Blaine High School and in the fall will continue her education at Mankato State, pursuing Spanish Education, while minoring in Linguistics and Finance.

Reading Buddies

We've wrapped up another fruitful year of Wyoming Elementary School Reading Buddies and we thank you, congregation, for your support. This year we had 14 Reading Buddies for grades K-3! This is the first year we've had more Reading Buddies from the greater community than from our church. What a great way to partner with the community and help our kids. The people from our church who continue to support our kids through Reading Buddies are: Joyce M., Jane D., Karyla P., Carol S., Donna K., and Holly A. From the community we have: Marilyn R., Nancy B., Crystal F., Andrea K., Cheri O., Suzanne N., Sara B. and Deb R. Each Reading Buddy visits their classroom weekly and helps children practice reading out loud.

We hope to have even more Reading Buddies next year and encourage you to ask any one of us about our experience. Each of us gets so much joy from being Reading Buddies. Come join us!

Family Fun Night!

Join us for 3 Family Fun Nights this summer!
Each night has a different theme and will include a light supper, games, crafts, songs & story. This is a **FREE** event hosted by Wyoming UMC.



'Camping'

Wednesday, June 12th
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Goodview Park, Wyoming



'Stars & Sparkles'

Wednesday, July 10th
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Goodview Park, Wyoming



'Splish-Splash'

Wednesday, August 14th
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Wyoming UMC, Wyoming



* All children must be accompanied by an adult.*

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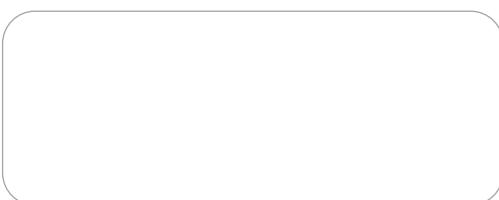
New Men's Golf Group

You are invited to join a Men's Golf Group on Tuesdays, beginning June 4, at Falcon Ridge Golf Course in Stacy. Tee time is 9:30 am. If you have questions, call Myron Z. at 651-257-4294 or Bea at 612-270-1396.

Seeking Worship Music Director

We are seeking a new Worship Music Director, as our former Director has moved out of the area. Our Worship Music Director will lead a contemporary worship service (and mid-week rehearsal) 3-4 Sundays a month. For more information or to submit an application, contact: office.wyomingumc@gmail.com.

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Senior Recognition Sunday

Senior Recognition Sunday is Sunday, June 2. We will be recognizing our graduating seniors during the worship service. If you are a graduating senior or know someone who is graduating that has been a part of our congregation, let them know we want to honor them on June 2.

Guest Speaker, Dave Nuckols

On Sunday, June 2, we have the privilege of hearing from a guest speaker, Dave Nuckols, Minnesota Annual Conference Lay Leader and our Lay Delegate to General Conference. He will bring us the morning's message as well as meet with us in the Fellowship Hall following worship to bring us up-to-date on what is happening around the Minnesota Annual Conference regarding the way forward as we address the church's relationship with our LGBTQ brothers and sisters. You are invited to worship and stay for the potluck and dialogue that follows.

New Directory

We're creating a new pictorial directory and we want you to be in it! June 2 and 9 we'll be taking pictures both before and after worship. Please contact the church office to sign up for your picture time. Also, please let us know of any corrections to your contact information.

Discovery Time

Discovery Time for Kids this summer will be a time during the normal Sunday morning Sunday School time for elementary age and pre-school kids to have a time of games, crafts and some outdoor fun, all sprinkled with God's love and wisdom. Be sure and bring your kids with you to worship on Sunday mornings and at the end of Teaching Time early in the service, send them off to grow in faith and fun!

Annual Conference

This year's Annual Conference of the Minnesota United Methodist Church is June 18-20. Bea Z. and Holly A. will be representing our church at this gathering, with Nancy H. coming along to keep those two in order! Please pray for fruitful discussions and a blessed time of worship, workshops, legislation and strengthening the connection with our Minnesota United Methodist sisters and brothers.

New Pathways Hosting

Our next opportunity for hosting New Pathways families is June 30-July 7. Because it's a holiday week for many, we'll need extra help to fill in the gaps. Please mark this week on your calendar and start thinking about how you can be a part of loving your neighbor this summer. As of the writing of this newsletter we are expecting 8 people (3 adults and 5 children) to stay with us.



Worship in June

June finds us with two guest preachers beginning and ending the month. In the middle, we'll explore the stories of Pentecost, Trinity Sunday and Jesus healing the Gerasene Demoniac. You are invited!

June 2

The Lost Son
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
Guest Preacher:
Dave Nuckols

June 9

Spiritual Abundance
Acts 2:1-8, 12-21

June 16

Blessed Trinity
John 16:12-15

June 23

Tell the Story
Luke 8:26-39

June 30

Guest preacher:
Bea Zaruba

