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The Tidings



March 2022

Pastor Eric will be on Sabbatical from February 7, 2022, through June 4, 2022.

From June 5 through June 11, Pastor Eric will be helping to lead the High School Habitat Trip. He will return to the pulpit on June 12, 2022.

While Pastor Eric is gone, if you have an emergency and need to reach a pastor, please call either the church office at 262-626-4011, or Rev. Sharon Stier at 414-531-0837.

Worship Schedule for March 2022

Wednesday, March 2 - 7:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday – Rev. Sharon Stier and the 9th Grade Confirmation Class

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12 ● Psalm 51:1-17 ● 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10 ● Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Sunday, March 6 - 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. – COMMUNION

Women's Sunday - Jane Anderson preaching

First Sunday in Lent

Deuteronomy 26:1-11 ● Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 ● Romans 10:8b-13 ● Luke 4:1-13

Sunday, March 13- 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. – **Rev. Kim Henning preaching**Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18 ● Psalm 27 ● Philippians 3:17-4:1 ● Luke 13:31-35 or Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a)

Sunday, March 20 - 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. – **Rev. James Schleif preaching**Third Sunday in Lent

Isaiah 55:1-9 ● Psalm 63:1-8 ● 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 ● Luke 13:1-9

Sunday, March 27, 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. – **Rev. Andrew Warner preaching**Fourth Sunday in Lent

Joshua 5:9-12 ● Psalm 32 ● 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 ● Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

<u>Holden Prayer Services</u> will take place on Wednesdays from March 2nd through April 13 at 7:00 p.m. Vocals: Greg Ogi, Sherry McElhatton, Mia Dornacker, Lia Piittmann. Piano: Sherry McElhatton, Guitar: Tom Ogi, Flute: Ellie Baldus

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Happy Birthday! (Ages 1-18)

March 2 Madilynn Jacobs
March 4 Harper Retzlaff,
Waylon Weinreich,

Warren Weinreich

March 10 Landon Luther March 14 Mia Dornacker

March 18 Logan O'Brien-Flasch

March 22 Finley Martin

Birthdays (80 years plus)

March 2 Gloria Liepert (91),

Judy Nonhof (85)

March 11 Mary Billmann (80),

F. Lyn Peterson (85)

March 23 Dolores Terlinden (98)

March 29 Arlene Lemke (80)

Anniversaries

March 3 John & Shelly Oswald (49) March 12 Sarah & Brian Van Beek (17)

March 13 Ruth & Ken Henk (28), Jared & Melissa Polzin (18)

March 26 Robbie & Cheri Manthei (11) March 29 Kathy & Fran Charland (42)

We hold in our prayers the family and friends of those who have entered eternal life:

Michael Gerlach - February 8, 2022, Anna Thill - February 13, 2022

"O Lord, we call upon You in our time of sorrow, that You give us the strength and will to bear our heavy burdens, until we can again feel the warmth and love of Your divine compassion. Be mindful of us and have mercy on us while we struggle to comprehend life's hardships."

Events and Activities

Peace Church Book Group

The Book Group will be meeting on Wednesday morning, March 2, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. in the Music Room. The group will be discussing "In an Instant" by Suzanne Redfearn. Books for the remaining months of the 2021 - 2022 Book Group year are:

April 6: "Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents" by Isabelle Wilkerson

May 4: "Infinite Country" by Patricia Engel

June 1: "The Dearly Beloved" by Cara Wall

For more information on the Peace Church Book Group please contact Lynn Rusch (262-306-4025) or lynnrusch@yahoo.com.

<u>Peace Pantry</u> – It is somewhat more challenging to keep our Peace Pantry supplied during the cold months. Please do not leave canned or glass container foods in the pantry. Cereal, granola bars, frozen dinners, snacks, and paper goods are desired items.

2022 High School Youth Habitat Trip - June 5th-10th

This year we are headed to Frankfort, Indiana

Participants must be at least 14 years old and have completed 9th Grade.

The Cost: \$75 for members, \$100 for non-members

Please use the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board near the parking lot entrance to let us know you plan to participate or contact the office by email: office@peace-ucc.org



Middle School Youth Group

- Friday 3/4 Fellowship, Games, and Dinner at Church (5-8pm)
- Saturday 3/12 Altitude Trampoline Park in Appleton (TBD)

<u>Altar Flowers</u> – Peace Church has not received donations for altar flowers for quite some time and your assistance is needed to continue the tradition. If you would like to honor a person or special event by purchasing the altar flowers for a particular Sunday, please send a check for \$20.00 to Peace Church along with the date and reason (e.g.: in memory of Jane Doe or in honor of John and Jane Doe 30th anniversary).

Family Promise needs the following items:

- ~Toilet paper ~Paper towel ~Heavy Duty Clamps ~Twin/TwinXL bed sheets
- ~Garbage Bags (13 gallon) ~Shower Curtains/Liners ~White-out ~Scotch tape
- ~Cases of water ~4 Shower caddy's ~command hooks ~Industrial Mop ~ Dish soap
- ~Disinfectant Spray ~Bleach Tablets (for toilet use) ~6 hampers ~Rags for cleaning

Keep your eyes open for the Family Promise "Giving Tree". Take a tag off the tree, purchased that item and bring the item and tag back to church.

Promise MATCH

Family Promise of Washington County will have one day of online giving to raise funds that help sustain serving homeless families and individuals on March 16, 2022.

You can help strengthen the capacity of Family Promise to provide food and shelter to homeless individuals and families in Washington County by donating to Promise MATCH 2022.

Simply visit FamilyPromiseWC.org, to make a gift to Family Promise and you'll make a difference in the lives of the homeless in Washington County. Your gift will be amplified, thanks to a pool of matching funds generously donated by local Promise Partners. Any gift made during the month of March will be matched. You can help to end homelessness.

So smash that donate button on March 16! If you don't like that option, please mail a check or stop in with your donation in March 2022.

<u>Update from Ventures in People</u>, the organization Heidi Thomas and many others from the congregation support in Haiti: The team of Haitians, Samuel, Joseph, Eddy and another distributed 1040 water filters in January. They went to 10 different areas. A leader was

selected in each area and given \$30. They were trained to help people if they had problems with their filters. They have Samuel's phone number if they need help. It looks like they have a new delivery truck too! Thanks to everyone at Peace UCC for past, present, and future prayers, on-site help, and financial support. Thousands of families are drinking CLEAN WATER this year!!!

<u>Pet Pantry</u> – Free pet supplies and more! The Washington County Human Society understands the financial burden of having pets, especially during these unpredictable times and they are here to help! Come by their shelter during business hours and take what you need. Please pass the word on to those that may be in need. Washington County Humane Society: 3650 State Badger Rd 60, Slinger

Financial Report

Financial Report January 2022

General F	und
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Adjusted Beginning Balance as of December 31, 2021	\$ (24,830)
Receipts	29,132
Cemetery Transfer	0
Internal Transfer	0
Incr/Decr from Investments	0
Expenses	(\$27,872)
Ending Balance as of 1/31/2022	(\$23,571)

Benevolence Receipts

Church World Services	500.00
Peace Pantry	60.00
Dr. Albrecht Free Clinic	500.00
Kewaskum Food Pantry	30.00
Christmas 2022	35.00
Easter	35.00

Total Benevolence Receipts <u>1160.00</u>

Church Kitchen Remodeling Project \$12,147.00

Consistory Meeting Minutes Peace United Church of Christ Consistory Meeting Minutes January 11, 2022

Members present: Paul Behring, Mark Bocher, Kathy Charland, Karen Kletti, Tom Kolb, Becky Manthei, Melissa Polzin, Marnie Winninghoff, Clark Pearson Absent: John Lemke, Lisa Atwater, Brad Preder, Martha Wilson, Ken Singer Also present: Pastor Eric

- A. Call to order: 6:30 pm by Consistory President Kathy Charland
- B. Opening prayer and welcome to new Consistory member (Mark Bocher)
- C. Approval of agenda: Motion to approve: Pearson/Kletti. Carried
- D. Approve minutes from 12/14/2021. Motion to approve Kletti/Behring Carried.
- E. Selection of Vice President and Secretary. Clark Pearson elected as Vice President and Becky Manthei elected at Secretary. These three members will have signature rights at Westbury Bank.
- F. Kitchen Remodel Update: The proposal and cost will be presented to congregation at Special Meeting on January 30, 2022, following the 9:30 service. Motion to approve: Pearson/Charland. Carried.
- G. Special Congregation Meeting January 30, 2022, following the 9:30 service. On the agenda will be 1) affirmation for the of hiring Sharon Stier as interim while Pastor Eric is on sabbatical.
 2) Approve the kitchen remodel budget. 3) Discussion regarding the Memorial Fund decision to move 10% of the fund annually to the general fund.
- H. There was discussion regarding the organization of committees into 5 broad groups (pillars):
 Hospitality/Welcome, Faith Formation/Worship, Mission, Financial, Building
 2 -3 Consistory members will choose which pillar they would like to be part of.
- I. Financial report: Current status reported in the monthly report submitted by Treasurer Cathy Stern and presented by Tom Kolb. Motion to approve Polzin/Kolb Carried.
- J. Pastor's report: Pastor Eric submitted written report. There were no questions or concerns.
- K. Lord's Prayer
- L. Adjournment- 8:22 p.m.

Next meeting: February 8, 2022, 6:30 pm Full consistory

C. Pearson

Pulpit Supply Profiles – Pastor Eric Sabbatical 2022

Rev. Franz Rigert served as pastor to Pilgrim UCC in Grafton for nearly 20 years until he was called by the Wisconsin Conference of the United Church of Christ to serve as Conference Minister. (2/13)

<u>Rev. Sharon Stier</u> is a recently retired pastor who served congregations in Illinois and Southeastern Wisconsin. Worship leadership, Christian Education, Youth, Family Life, Pastoral Care and Mission ministries were included in her work with these churches. She also serves as Secretary of the Board of Directors of Habitat for Humanity of Washington and Dodge Counties. (2/20, 3/2, 4/10)

<u>Rev. Julie Jennings</u> is the current Vice President of Spiritual Care and Wellbeing at Cedar Community in West Bend. Rev. Jennings previously served as the Chaplain at Every Child's Hope in St. Louis, MO, which is dedicated to preventing child abuse, treating emotional trauma and mental health issues, and providing aftercare and follow-up services. (2/27)

Rev. Kim Henning served as the beloved head pastor at Grace Congregational UCC in Two Rivers for over 33 years until his retirement in August 2021. (3/13, 5/1)

Rev. Jim Schleif served in the Navy and had a 28-year career in commercial nuclear power before pursuing a true sense of calling to ministry. He served as pastor at St. John's UCC in Hartford and Slinger. Rev. Schleif currently serves at the UCCI (United Church Camps Inc.) Director of Ministry and Site Operations. (3/20, 4/24, 5/22)

Rev. Andrew Warner serves as Director of Development for the Wisconsin Conference of the UCC. Before joining the conference staff in 2019, Andrew served for 22 years as pastor of Plymouth UCC of Milwaukee. Andrew also serves as a Generosity Outreach Officer of the national setting of the UCC. (3/27)

Rev. Dr. Julie Mavity Maddalena, is the Chaplin at Lakeland University in Sheboygan County. Dr. Mavity Maddalena also serves as the Ethicist in Residence, Director of the Ulrich Center and is an Assistant Professor of Philosophy and Religion at Lakeland. (4/3, 5/15)

Rev. Russ Knoth is a retired Pastor of the United Church of Christ. Rev. Knoth also serves as the volunteer Police Chaplain to the Menomonee Police and Fire Department since 1989. Rev. Knoth, a member of Peace Church, serves as a frequent visiting minister to Peace UCC. (4/14, 4/15, 4/17, 6/5)

<u>Chaplain, Rev. Emma Landowski-Sancomb</u>, a former Kewaskum resident, served as the Resident Chaplain at SSM Health Saint Louis University Hospital until she recently accepted the position of Chaplain at Ascension. (5/8, 5/29)

Lenten Service and Holy Week Calendar

Ash Wednesday - March 2nd

7:00 p.m. Holden Evening Prayers with Communion

Wednesday Midweek Lenten Worship

7:00 p.m. March 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, April 6th and 13th – Holden Evening Prayers with reflections by this year's 9th grade Confirmation Class Music by Greg Ogi, Eric Ogi, Sherry McElhatton, Mia Dornacker, Lia Piittmann, and Ellie Baldus

Palm Sunday, April 10th

8:00 a.m. Worship 9:30 a.m. Worship

Maundy Thursday, April 14th

7:00 p.m. Worship with communion remembering the Last Supper

Good Friday, April 15th

1:00 p.m. Service of the Word

Easter Sunday, April 17th

8:00 a.m. Sunrise Worship with Communion 9:30 a.m. Worship with Communion

<u>Peace Church's Lenten/Easter Offerings</u> will go to the following organizations: Kewaskum community food pantry shared with Full Shelf West Bend, Albrecht Clinic, UCC Disaster Relief, Malawi (Africa)