



Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church
Family Connections

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Our Mission: “We are a welcoming Christian Community where all can experience the saving grace of Jesus Christ. We are growing as disciples of Christ as we teach, support, and nurture one another in ministry to our community and world.



WORSHIP WITH US!

Sundays: 8:30am & 10:45am

United Methodist Women Sunday, Oct. 22: 10am

- Oct. 1** **17th Sunday After Pentecost**
World Communion Sunday/Special Offering
Choir Sings at 10:45am
- Oct. 8** **18th Sunday After Pentecost**
Choir Sings at 8:30am
- Oct. 15** **19th Sunday After Pentecost**
Choir Sings at 10:45am
Handbell Choir at both services
- Oct. 22** **20th Sunday After Pentecost**
10:00am United Methodist Women Sunday
(See details in article on page 3.)
- Oct. 29** **21st Sunday After Pentecost**
Choir at 10:45am

United Methodist Women News

You're invited!

On **Wed. Oct. 18th at 1pm**, we will have a gathering for our "**at home**" people who reside in the Cedar Lake Nursing Home and its other residences. This is an annual event sponsored by the UMW to give our members a chance to see their church family. Just refreshments and a short program, and a chance to visit. It will be held in the **Cedar Bay West Lounge**. Interested in visiting with our people? Contact Ellen Johnson to car pool or for directions. Please add this date to the enclosed calendar.



All Saints Day

All Saints Day will be observed at both services on **Sunday, Nov. 5, 2017**. Please submit any names of those who are **not church members** and who have passed away since last All Saint's Day, Nov. 6, 2016. These names will be mentioned during our worship services. **If those who have passed away are church members, they will automatically be included on this list.**

A Memorial Altar will be available. Please bring photos of those who passed away that we can lay upon the altar. Photos may be taken home after the services. **Deadline is Oct. 24th** to submit names.

Welcome

Greetings,

My family and I are excited for a new year in ministry here at Fifth Ave. The changing colors of this Fall Season mirror the gifts and talents of the Disciples in Christ here in West Bend.

What will we do together? We will worship, study the Bible, while reaching out to our community and the world. Small groups: coffee devotions, women in the Bible, multi generational caroling, movie ministry, walking through grief, and joining the Deacon @ Street Life on Sat. mornings.

These are a few ideas I will work to implement. **What ideas do you have for sharing the gospel?** Stop in my office and lets chat.

Peace My Friends,

Rev. Amy Anderson, Deacon

262-271-7575 cell

Parish News



Deaths

- **Mary Bonath**, father of **Dee (Tom) Ream**, grandfather of **Alison Propson** and **Stephanie (Ryan)**

Crass and great grandfather of **Lexi Crass**, on Aug. 16, 2017.

-**Tom Ream**, husband of **Dee Ream** and father of **Alison Propson** and **Stephanie (Ryan) Crass** and grandfather of **Lexi Crass**, on Aug. 29. He was a member since 1988.

-**Don Gibbons**, husband of Bobette and father of **Tracy (Matt), Goward, Teri (Fred) Kandel & Tim (Shannon)**, on Sept. 5. He was a member since 1962.

Birth

Bentley James Gonwa, son of **Paige** and **Jon Gonwa**, born Aug. 14. Maternal Grandparents are **Jack & Cindy Carter**.



UMW Sunday

Nearly 150 years ago, 8 women in Boston set about raising funds to send a female teacher and a female doctor to India. They had learned from 2 missionary's wives that girls and women in India were not allowed to be seen by male doctors and also not allowed to attend school. Two women (a doctor and a teacher) were hired by these 8 ladies to be of service to the females in India. Thus began the forming of the **United Methodist Women**, presently made up of over **800,000 women around the world** whose purpose is to aid women and children world wide. We raise over \$20 million dollars each year. So when we ask for your assistance to bake for the cookie walk, or donate in any way to our annual pledge of \$5,500 you are helping to promote health and aid to women who are in need in the US and over 100 other countries.

Please join us on **UMW Sunday, October 22nd at a 10am** service to celebrate the United Methodist women of the world and learn about our ancestors who have helped grow our women's society. Coffee and goodies will follow the service.



Two Adults Bible Studies

Covenants With God - This fall, lessons in Adult Bible Studies follow the theme "Covenants with God" and consider the major covenants God made with people. Beginning with Noah and continuing with Abram, Phinehas, and Ezekiel. The covenants form the foundation for the coming Messiah and salvation of the world.

Called Into Covenant With God - The five lessons in this quarter's second unit are drawn from Genesis, Exodus, 2 Samuel and Nehemiah. They illustrate God's partnership with people who respond and agree to obey God's voice. God entered into covenant with Abraham, Moses and David to work through history, establishing a kingdom that brought forth the Messiah.

Please join the Adult Bible study in the Disciple room on Sunday morning from 9:45-10:35. The material we use comes from Cokesbury Methodist Publishing. If you have questions about our Bible Study, please contact Dick Slade or Marolyn Kell.

Our new **Adult Bible Study** series is called *Journey Through the Bible*. This series' focus is an examination of the Bible from three dimensions:

- 1) What does the Bible say?
- 2) What does the Bible mean?
- 3) What does the Bible mean to us?

Each week we will examine each of these avenues of thought as we study the Bible book by book. The first in the series we will be studying is Genesis. We will be meeting in the **Fireside Room**. Please join us as we look deeply into God's Word.



Lunch Group At the Ridge!

The Lunch Group will meet on **Thursday, Oct. 19, at 12:00 Noon** at Top of the Ridge Restaurant. No sign up necessary. Lunch will be the special of the day. Join in for food and fellowship.



Breakfast Group will meet on **Tuesday, Oct. 3, 2017** at the **Copper Penny**, 1700 E. Washington St., West Bend. No sign up is necessary.



It's Coming!

November 11th will be the United Methodist Women's annual **Cookie Walk** sale from **9:00 – noon, or earlier if cookies are sold out. Price per pound is \$7.00.** We will also have some yummy, good smelly' cinnamon rolls for sale, as well as homemade candies, breads, jellies and jams. **Pre-order cinnamon rolls by Oct. 30.**

If you can donate cookies (no bars), jam, jellies, candy, breads or any specialty goodies, please fill out the enclosed goldenrod form and return it to the church office or place in the basket in the north entrance..

Your delicious items would need to be **at church no later than 4pm on Thursday, Nov. 9th** so we can get them ready for sale. If you need to get into church before or after normal hours, make arrangements with Ellen Johnson, Ann Cording or Jean Krell. Make sure your cookies are labeled; especially indicate if they contain nuts.

The profits from this event will enable our UMW to complete their mission pledge. **THANK YOU** for your assistance in this event to make it a success.



The Full Shelf Open Pantry is looking for volunteers. Open Pantry is located at 231 Municipal Drive, West Bend 53095. It is open 4:15 - 5:30 Monday thru Friday. Volunteers arrive at 4:00 and are usually done by 6-6:30. You can call 335-0685 for further details.



A Thank You Note

To my Church Family:

Thank you so very much for all your love and support you have given me over these past several months. I greatly appreciate the calls, cards, letters, and hugs that have comforted me.

A special thank you to the ladies who served and baked for Tom's memorial dinner. - **Dee Ream**

Fill the Red Truck!

We will be collecting donations of all produce and vegetable garden surplus on **Sunday, Oct. 1, from 8am to noon**. There will be a red truck parked in front of our church. Donations will be given to our friends at Northcott Neighborhood House. This is a non-profit organization in Milwaukee that provides food, clothing, and shelter to those in need. It is sponsored by the United Methodist Church.



A big **THANK YOU** to **Aimee Liepert** for organizing the expanded coffee hour on Sept. 3. We appreciate all your time spent on this. Thank you to all **who helped Aimee with set up, who brought food and those who helped with clean up.**

We appreciate each one of you for whatever way you helped make this possible.

Welcome Committee



Welcoming Words of Wisdom

KEEP MOTIVATED! It is easy to fall back into a routine. Sit in our same pew, greet the same people who sit in their same pew each Sunday. As you pray, ask God to help you be a disciple for Jesus Christ. Ask Him to let recognize visitors and give you the words that will make them welcome in our church home.

-The Welcome Team

Wonderful Wednesday

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Our Wonderful Wednesday meal will be held on **Wednesday, Oct. 11, at 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall.** Our United Methodist Women will prepare the meal with a **Fall Classic: Chili with fixin's, salad, rolls, dessert, and fellowship.** Please **sign up** in the north entrance. Bring a friend.



Prayer
Shawl
Ministry

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Mark your calendar in August to join this group of knitters and crocheters on **Tuesdays, Oct. 3 & 17 at 1:00pm and Thursday, Oct. 5, at 6:30pm in the Fireside Room.**



Funeral Committee Chairperson

Patti Conley and Fay Lewis are our new Funeral Chairperson Coordinators. Patti's number is 262-343-2882 and Fay's number is 262-334-3957. They will be coordinating the meal/reception with the family and funeral home. Thank you to **Barb Johnson** for taking on this responsibility for many years.



Happy Birthday, Missionary!

We celebrate **Ardell Graner** this month. (Last month it was her husband Gordy.) If you have been watching the Mission bulletin board, you know that their mission is in Dominican Republic where they have been for four years. Quite a change from the mountainous Bolivia where they had spent 27 years! You also know that their big mission activity is solar ovens that they build, with help from the residents. These ovens help with the cooking and gives them a much better variety of nutrition. They also put together curriculum for Sunday School and Bible study. They welcome VIM (Volunteer in Mission) teams. Ardell works in the education field and with the young women. She does the education writing (lessons and guides) and training of teachers.

To support this mission, write your check to the church and designate it for **Ardell #10836Z** or for their project **Advance #3021935** Lost & Found Children of the Dominican Republic.



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“LIKE” Our Church . . .

You already *Like* us at Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church because you *Like* to faithfully come on Sundays, you *Like* to attend our activities and events, and you *Like* the members & friends of your church family.

One way to promote Fifth Avenue UMC to our surrounding community is through Facebook and our church's Facebook page. For those of you with Facebook (FB) accounts . . . Have you "**Liked**" your own church's FB page?

It's easy . . . Search for **FIFTH AVENUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**. Once on our **Page**, hit the "thumbs up" **LIKE** button. Then, go to the "**FOLLOWING**" button, and choose "**SEE FIRST**" (always find the latest posts at the top of News Feed). Next, "**SAVE**" to your own FB home page.

Finally, as you are scrolling through Facebook, when you see posts from **Fifth Avenue United Methodist Church**, PLEASE . . . **LIKE the Post**, and **SHARE POST** (with or without your own comment). You can Like, Post, Share more than once -- Do it Every Time you scroll past one!

If you have any questions, ask Linda Smeaton or any of your FB friends!!