



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

Easter Services, April 21: 7:00am & 9:30am

Youth Sunday, April 28: 9:30am Service

- Apr. 7** **5th Sunday in Lent**
Sacrament of Holy Communion
Choir sings at 8:30am
- Apr. 14** **Palm/Passion Sunday**
Choir at 10:45am
Breakfast: 7:30am & 9:45am
- Thurs. April 18** **7:00pm Holy Thursday Worship Service**
- Friday, Apr. 19** **7:00pm Good Friday Worship Service**
- Apr. 21** **Easter Sunday**
7:00am Sunrise Service
8:00am Breakfast
9:30am Easter Service
Chancel Choir at 9:30am
Sacrament of Holy Communion
- Apr. 28** **2nd Sunday of Easter/Youth Sunday (9:30am)**
Choir Sings ¹



A Graceful Mess By: Megan Vollmer

Lenten Self-Reflection

Lent is a time when we should repent and fast. It is also a time to reflect on how we can be better disciples and look at what is getting in the way of us doing that. One area many of us, myself included, probably have room to improve on is forgiveness. Holding grudges and holding onto anger can certainly distract us from following in Jesus Christ's footsteps. He preached forgiveness and followed through in His own actions. Holding onto anger isn't good for our mental, spiritual, or even physical health. We are hurting ourselves and our faith by choosing not to forgive.

Just as it is important that we forgive others, it is also important we forgive ourselves. Of course, we need to ask God for that forgiveness for ourselves, too. Asking for forgiveness and forgiving ourselves is more challenging than forgiving someone else, but it is an imperative step in moving forward and bettering ourselves as people and as followers of Christ. It is what He would do after all. We can use the energy that was previously consumed by anger to grow in our own faith.

*Wonderful
Wednesday*

Wonderful Wednesday Thank You

Dean Pok is "back to work" so...there will be **no more** Wonderful Wednesday meals until October.

A special thank you to the **United Methodist Women** and **Dean & Carol Pok and Family** for providing the delicious meals and to those who came to enjoy the fine food and fellowship.

Parish News



Death

- **Herb Schreiber** on March 8, 2019. He was a member since 1990.

Youth Sunday



Youth Sunday will be observed on **Sunday, April 28**. We will have just one worship service at **9:30am**.

Our youth will lead us in worship. Come and support them as we worship our Lord.

Two Breakfasts to be Held



Pancake Breakfast - Palm Sunday

The Men's group will have a **Pancake Breakfast on Palm Sunday, April 14th**, from **7:30am-8:15am** and also from **9:45am-10:30am**. A free-will offering will be taken. **Menu:** Egg Dish, Sausage, Pancakes, Applesauce Coffee, Milk, Juice and all the fix-in's.

Proceeds are for **Men's Ministries**. Please **sign up** on the bulletin board in the north entrance.

Soulful Sunrise Breakfast

Easter Sunday

Pastor Clarissa and Martin and the Martinelli Family will be serving and hosting their third **Midwestern-Southern Sunrise Easter Breakfast on Sunday, April 21, at 8:00am**. Menu will include grits, bacon, sausage,



Sunday Morning Adult Study

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Studies

Spring - 2019

This Spring, our lessons survey several calls to ministry and the expectations of those called. Call to Ministry - The five lessons for April explore the diverse ways in which Jesus' disciples were challenged to exercise their call to ministry. by witnessing, acting and sharing the Resurrection story.

The Adult Bible Study group meets at **10:00 in the Disciple Room.** The materials used are from Cokesbury Methodist

The following "People at Home" will have April Birthdays:

Happy
Birthday

-Charise Kirst (Apr. 3)

251 Bittersweet Dr., WB 53095

-Bob Edison (Apr. 22)

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107 Cedar Ridge Dr. #N223, WB 53095

--Tom Damp (Apr. 26)

Lenten Soup Luncheon



We will be serving soup following the Wednesday Ecumenical Lenten Service at our church on **April 10 around 12:45pm in Fellowship Hall.**

This will be the last worship service in this Ecumenical Lenten Series.



Lunch Group At the Ridge!

The Lunch Group will meet on **Thursday, April 18, at 12:00 Noon** at Top of the Ridge Restaurant. No sign up necessary. Lunch will be the special of the



Breakfast Group will meet on **Tuesday, April 2, 2019**. Meet at 8:30am at **Copper Penny**, 1700 E. Washington St., West Bend. No sign up is necessary.



Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday

Children and youth are invited to an **Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, April 14**, from **9:45am-10:45am** at the church. Location to be determined depending on the weather.

Donations are needed of plastic eggs and candy. If you can donate, please bring the items to the **church office** by **Sunday**,



Cookies For Our People at Home

On **Wednesday, Apr. 10th**, we will be packing about 50 boxes of **Easter cookies** for our at home people.

How can YOU help??

***Bake cookies** for the boxes, no bars, please as they tend to dry out after being cut and no spicy cookies as they tend to share their spiciness with the other cookies in the box. No large cookies, just small sized only please. **Bring cookies to church by April 9.**

***Help package** the cookies in the boxes. Come to the Fireside room at **9am on Wednesday, Apr. 10th.**

***Help in delivering** the cookies to our at home people.

Any questions, please contact **Katie Glaser, 677-0162.**



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Mark your calendar to join this group of knitters and crocheters on **Tuesdays, Apr. 2 and 16, at 1pm in the Fireside Room.**



Lenten Opportunities

Ecumenical Wednesday Lenten Prayer Services **12:15-12:45pm**

Date	Location	Speaker
4/3	St. Frances Cabrini	Mindy Valentine Davis
4/10 (ends)	5th Ave. UMC (Soup Luncheon at 12:45pm.)	Julie Jennings



Holy Week

Holy Week Schedule Palm/Passion Sunday, April 14

Worship at 8:30am & 10:45am

Breakfast at 7:30 & 9:45am

Maundy Thursday, April 18

Worship at 7:00pm

Good

Friday, April 19

7:00pm

Worship at





Noisy Sunday will be held on April 14.
Bring your extra change for missions.



Mark Your Calendars!

Our annual **Spring Salad Luncheon** will be held on **Saturday, May 4, from 11:00am to 1:00pm.**

Watch bulletins and newsletter for more

Reminder:

There will be no Rummage Sale in 2019.



Thank You!

I want to say **THANK YOU** to so many of you. I don't want to miss anyone so I am not going to list individual names.

You were willing to serve as a liturgist, acolyte, chalice bearer, greeter and coffee server.

Each one of you is a very important part of worship, and I want you to know how much you are appreciated. Thank you.

Jean Krell, Volunteer Coordinator



Address Changes: If you have a change of address, please notify the church office. We are charged for each address change returned to us.
Thank you!

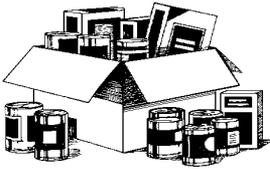
Plastic Bags Still Needed



Prayer Shawl group is asking for clean plastic bags to make mats for the homeless. No need to cut—just bring in clean bags.

We have a nice group so just come and fellowship with us **the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 1pm in the Fireside Room.**

Food Pantry



Don't forget that our local **Full Shelf Food Pantry** needs your donations. Please bring your items and place in the **baskets at either entrance.**

You may also write a **check** payable to Fifth Ave. UMC and indicate Food Pantry on the memo line.

Thank you for your support!

Invite someone to church!

Do you need ...

- ◆ To contact Pastor Clarissa
- ◆ To check service times
- ◆ To see weekly announcements
- ◆ To know when a specific group is meeting



All of this and more can be done on our website!

Check us out at www.faumc.org