

MILACA UNITED METHODIST

June 2015 Newsletter

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors



Men's Fish Fry Dinner 2015



Reverend
Joyce Slostad



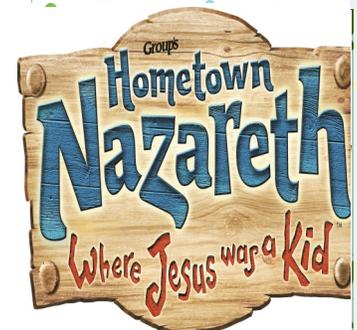
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- Sunday Morning Service
9:30 am
- Coffee & Fellowship
Following Service
- Bible Studies
- Youth Group
- Sunday School
- Vacation Bible School
- UMW



JUNE FROM THE PASTOR

As we enjoy the summer I encourage all of us to not let things crowd God and church out of our lives. Though we take vacation from work and routine – do we really want to take a vacation from our spiritual lives and the One who gives us life? Make a point to worship this summer, whether it is here at MUMC or somewhere else; while vacationing or just visiting different churches or denominations to see what's happening in other parts of the Christian world.

When you read this we will have just celebrated Trinity Sunday on May 31st, I share these words about the unique aspects and yet communal oneness of the Trinity from British hymn writer Brian Wren:

Almighty God, beginning and end;

Giver of food and drink, clothing and warmth,

Love and hope: life in all its goodness - we praise and adore you.



Lord Jesus, carpenter's son;

Lover of outcasts, friend of the poor; one with us yet one with God;

Crucified and risen: life in the midst of death – we praise and adore you.

Holy Spirit, storm and breath of love;

Bridge building, eye opener, living power of Jesus; worker of the oppressed,

God of the unexpected: untamable energy of life – we praise and adore you.

Holy Trinity, forever one, whose nature is community;

Source of all sharing, in whom we love, and meet and know our neighbor,

Life in all its fullness: making all things new – we praise and adore you.

God's Blessings and see you in church!

Pastor Joyce <><

PASTOR JOYCE'S SUMMER OFFICE HOURS



Below is Pastor Joyce's general schedule, but adjustments will be made due to need (ie nighttime meetings & appointments). Please call the office to see if she is in before you drop by – just to be sure she's available.

Mondays – work at home 763-433-2964 hm or 763-742-4241 cell

Tuesdays – 9:30 – 4:30

Wednesdays – 9:30 – 4:30

Thursdays – 9:30 – 4:30

Friday – day off



WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR JUNE

7th – Communion, and New Members joining

14th – Vacation Bible School Celebration

21st – Teacher Appreciation –Potluck following worship

28th – Change Shaker Sunday

NEW MEMBERS JOINING ON JUNE 7TH

We will be welcoming Chet & Tilly Bergstrom into official membership on Sunday June 7th during our worship service. They are also sponsoring the fellowship time.



HOW ABOUT OUR GRADUATES!

On May 17th we honored in worship Taylor Ash and Laura Stobb. They received a gift from the United Methodist Women, we prayed over them in church and had a cake reception in their honor.

Taylor will continue with schooling, and living on the farm with his folks.

Laura will be attending St. Cloud State University and majoring in Biology.

YOUTH *IN* MISSION



DO YOU NEED HELP WITH A PROJECT AT HOME?

Our Youth Group would like to help.

They will have a Mission Week July 11th – 15th and will be doing the following:

Saturday – paver & memorial bench project, deliver Java

& Jesus invites

Sunday – finish paver & bench project, make grilled meal for Java & Jesus

Monday – work in the community

Tuesday – work day for our members

Wednesday – fun day at Bunker Beach in Andover

If you are interested in the youth doing a project at your home on Tuesday July 14th please submit a Youth Mission Project Request Form. They can be found on the table in the Gathering Space and due by June 14th to Pastor Joyce.

YOUTH HOT DOG STAND AT MILACA PARADE

Be sure to visit the Youth's food stand at the parade and partake of a delicious old fashioned grilled hot dog, chips & drink. The Youth Group parents voted to have this year's proceeds benefit the General Fund – the youth want to do their part to help with church expenses – so come support them and your church!



SAVE YOUR RECEIPTS & UPC CODES

In case you didn't know the UMW is asking everyone to save their Teals receipts and the UPC codes from any Our Family products. These are turned in for rebates and the money has been used for mission work as well as helping to pay for things around the church. Place your receipts and codes in the labeled box on the counter in the gathering space – that's all you have to do. We have earned more than \$1500 dollars through this program!

SUMMER GIVING

Summer is upon us. The days will be longer, the weekends will seem shorter and the attendance on Sunday mornings will be lighter. Summer is a time of change from our usual routine, a time for getting away from home, a time for vacations and recreation. We need the rest and relaxation of summer as much as we need the routines and activities of the rest of the year. Attendance gets lighter as does the giving, but the needs of God's ministry remain the same, **please be sure your giving is current especially over the summer months.** If you're

not able to be in church because of vacations or time at the lake or cabin, please mail in or drop off your tithes and offerings at the church office.



HIGH CHAIRS & BOOSTER SEATS NEEDED



Our Java & Jesus meal & worship has multiple babies & toddlers and we only have 1 high chair at church. Do you have an extra high chair or booster seat around your house or know of one that someone might want to donate? We could sure use them to make our littlest guests more comfortable.



KEYS, KEYS, WHO HAS A KEY??????

The Trustees would appreciate the return of church keys that are not being used or if you have one from when you were the Chair of a committee, but are no longer it would be best to return it. We currently don't have extra keys, but realize there are many keys out there. So to save the church the time and finances to make more keys please consider returning yours to the office. Many thanks.





I hope everyone had a nice Memorial weekend. Sounds like we might get some more rain but at least it is warming up.

On Tuesday May 12th we served 75 ladies at Christian Women. It is our largest group in about two years. It was so good to see so many ladies and they are getting more new ladies each month.

The booster is all hooked up for the dishwasher and it is working great-no more wiping dishes. Brian (Jenson-Anderson) said we are to run a cycle of water through after booster is turned on. That way there will be hot water when you start doing the dishes.

Sunday May 17th we honored our two graduates, Taylor Ash and Laura Stobb during the worship service. We served cake, punch, and coffee during fellowship after the service. Again, congratulations to both of you and the very best for the future.

There was a pretty good turnout for the high _ in April! We served about 80 ladies and the proceeds were about \$560, a little less than last year. We will be deciding on what charities it will be divided up between at our June UMW meeting at Sue Olson's on June 18th. Our potluck lunch and our last meeting until fall.

Mission U too is at St. John's University at Collegeville, MN July 14th-17th and July 18th. Anyone wishing to go must have their reservations by June 30th. All reservations are being taken online. Contact Peggy Crooms or Pastor Joyce to register you. I am unable to go this year but am hoping to next year.

Christian Women is June 9th at 9:30 AM.

UMW potluck at Sue Olson's

June 18th 12:00 Noon.

Until next month-God blessings.

Audrey Bowe, UMW President

June Calendar Items:

June 2nd – Pastor Leading Elim Home Worship 6:15pm

June 4th – Ministerial meeting 8:30am

June 6th – Missional Journey Workshop in Sartell 10:00-4:00pm

June 7th – New Members Join

June 7th – Decorating for VBS after church

June 8th –12th – Vacation Bible School

June 9th – Christian Women

June 11th – No Council meeting

June 14th – VBS Sunday

June 14th – Java & Jesus 6:00pm

June 18th – UMW Picnic @ Sue's 12:00 noon

June 18th – Milaca Parade Youth Food Stand

June 26th – Wedding Rehearsal

June 27th – Stobb Wedding

June 28th – Youth & Parents Meeting 10:45am

June 28th - Change Shaker Sunday

June 28th – Newsletter items due

High Rise Meal Thursday, June 11th Price

\$4.00 Meal at 11:30

Please be there by 11:15

Baked chicken breast/bun with lettuce & tomato, baked beans, cole slaw, chocolate chip cookie.



Decorating for VBS will be on Sunday, June 7th and will begin immediately after church. We can use help, as we will be moving pews, setting up tables, shop areas, backdrops, etc.



Birthdays:

1- Matthew Slostad

1- Sam Walbridge

2- Stacy Coughlin

2- Lynne Olson

3- Yosiea Cooper

5- Joyce Slostad

8-William Barnes

10- Neva Hoffman

14- Mike Hoffman

16- Terry Wade



18- Dorothy Moe

20- Sarah Johnson

21- John Day

21- Junia Hillcrest

23- Myla Tolmie

28- Delores Quam

29- Annie Bunger

Anniversaries:

14—Ron & Audrey Bowe

24—Ron & Corky Webb