

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 4, 2018



Friends in Faith Ministry

“Fly Into Spring”

with Carol McDaniel of the Lafayette County Bluebird Society this Tuesday at 1:00pm.

We will learn about the beautiful eastern bluebird and other native cavity nesting species, discover local bluebird trails and find out how to encourage wildlife in our own backyard.

For all bird lovers and watchers.

Refreshments follow.

Wednesday Lent Services and Suppers

Each Wednesday of Lent we will have services at 1:00pm in the chapel and 6:30pm in the sanctuary.

Dinner will be served at 5:30.

We will have hot dogs and cheesy potatoes.

Welcome to Monroe UM Church

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The office is open

Monday-Friday 8:30am - 4:00pm.

Pastor Randy at home 325-4503

Childcare for infants and preschoolers is available in the nursery during all services.

Coloring books are also available at the back of the sanctuary.

Hearing devices expected to return on March 11.

If you are interested in knowing more about our church, please speak to Pastor Randy or visit the Welcome Center before you leave.

Please join us for treats and fellowship time between services in the narthex.

Education

Sunday School begins at 9:15 in the classrooms.

Easter Camp is March 17 from 9:00am - noon for children in 4K - 5th grade. Join us for crafts, lessons, games, and a snack. The youth group have generously offered their help and I am thankful for the extra hands. Registration sheets are at the Welcome Center and in the CE hallway.

Confirmation Class meets at 5:00pm on Wednesdays.

Adult Class 9:30 Parables of Paul - Paul has his own compelling way of sharing Jesus' message, through the use of the metaphor. Paul's gallery of enriching life-changing story pictures paints for us an indelible picture of the Christian faith. The Parables of Paul examines these wonderful stories at 9:30 a.m. in the library. All are welcome!

Ruth - Set in the midst of one of the most corrupt eras of Israelite history, Ruth is a story about three compelling characters: Naomi, Ruth and Boaz.

Teachers are Pastor Randy at 10:00am in the library and by Karen Booth at 6:30pm in the Hand in Hand room. Chapter 5 - drama in the darkness

Disciple One - Tuesdays, 6:30pm. Corinthian correspondence

10:45 Adult Class - Not A Fan - How do you define your relationship with Jesus? a fan (an enthusiastic admirer who stays in the stands) or a follower?

Fellowship Opportunities

Middle and High School Youth

Sunday & Wednesday 6:00 - 8:00

Team KID - children in K-5th grade meet on Wednesdays at 4:00 in the Rainbow Room. This year they are making a little food pantry. Busing is available from Monroe schools.

MUMC Sports Group - We play volleyball in Fellowship Hall at 7:00pm on Fridays. Everyone is invited to join us.

Young Adult Group - 20's & 30's join to discover Grace in their lives at 6:30pm at Suisse Haus. They study Max Lucado's Grace over appetizers on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. RSVP Betsy at betsyb@stclaregreencounty.org

Troop 180 Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, March 10th, 7:00am - noon in Fellowship Hall. Come to enjoy a great pancake breakfast and support the Scouts!

Morning Light Circle will meet on Wednesday, March 14 at 9:00am in the library.

Peace and Friendship Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 20 at Shirley Erickson's.

Music Notes

Divine Intervention rehearsal Mondays at 5:45

Chancel Choir rehearsal Wednesdays at 7:15

Bell Choir rehearsal Wednesdays at 8:00.

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for new member sponsors who help new members get involved in church, someone to answer questions, and be a friend. Contact Reggie Gamache if you're interested. Next new member class is Sun., March 11.

Quilts of Valor

It costs \$35 to finish a quilt of valor for our veterans. The quilters donate the fabric and labor. We have 20 more veterans to honor in November. If you'd like to sponsor a quilt, please contact Lynn Zimmerman or Doris Schmerse.

Committee Meetings

Mon. March 12: 6:30 Trustees, 7:30 Finance

Tues. March 13: 6:00 Missions

Mon March 19: 7:00 Ad Council

Mon March 26: 7:00 Open Door

Focus on Mission

Please **PRAY** for and **SUPPORT** our special **MISSIONS**

UM Children's Services of WI

Northcott Neighborhood House

UMCOR (UM Committee on Relief)

Redbird Mission in Kentucky

Family Promise

30 Hour Famine - March 16 & 17 the youth will be fasting for famine. The 30 hour event will help us understand what it feels like to do without, while raising funds to help alleviate hunger and its effects.

A table is set up in the Narthex between services for those who wish to donate or would like to know more.

Worship during Lent:

On Wednesdays, we will worship based on psalms related to Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection.

16: You will not abandon my soul to the grave or let your holy one see corruption.

41: Even my close friend... who ate my bread, has lifted up his heel against me.

118: the stone the builders rejected is the cornerstone.
Baruch haba!

Maundy Thursday

22: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Good Friday 7:00 pm community worship service.

Easter Sunrise at 6:15

Daylight Savings Time begins March 11th.

Don't forget to spring forward.

Happy Birthday

Mar 4: Becky Feldt, Fred Kloeping, Lane Scace

Mar 5: Kevin Wells

Mar 6: Teygan McCabe

Mar 8: Ruth Coplien, Sarah Gaulrapp

Mar 9: Mary Jean Blum

Mar 11: Susan Fahrney, Kari Fernstaedt

Happy Anniversary

Mar 10: Kevin & Chris Wells

Attendance: Sunday School 59

Sunday 89 + 71 + 58 + 45 = 263

PRAYER CORNER

Lent is a season of preparation - preparing for the joy of Easter. Let your prayers focus on discarding shallow pleasures to make room for resurrection joy on April 1

We pray for the following members and friends. Our families of the week:

Doc Davis

Carmen Johnson

Aileen Reid

Our homebound member of the week is **Evelyn Binger**. Please send her a card at 616 8th Ave. #233, Monroe.

Our college student of the week is **Anders Nelson**. You can send him a note at 1403 17th Ave., Monroe, WI 53566

Our staff member of the week is **Ruby Clark**.

This week we pray for the safety of our youth.