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**March 2018**

**Monthly Newsletter of Bethany United Methodist Church**

*Therefore let us move beyond the elementary teachings about Christ and be taken forward to maturity...*

*And God permitting, we will do so. – Hebrews 6:1a, 3*

*But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever!*

*Amen. – 2 Peter 3:18*

## **Pastor observations**

It's March! Are you thinking spring yet? In Wisconsin we'll need to be patient until we have good stretches of spring-like weather but March 20<sup>th</sup> is the official first day of the season. Are you planning a garden this year? What are you most excited to see grow? What are you hoping to harvest? The joy of springtime is the promise of growth through the summer. Buds on the trees will grow into leaves of shade. Seeds planted become new sprouts to provide food and beauty. Established perennials will come back to their glory and grow even more in this next season.

As you think about your garden or about the things you look forward to seeing grow in this next season of your life, have you given thought and attention to the growth of your faith? Just as God has organized nature towards the cycles of growth, God is also at work to bring about growth in you! But just as a seed cannot sprout until it is planted and a sprout cannot grow without water and nourishment, we cannot grow to our full potential in Christ without intentionally partnering with God's work in our lives.

I believe that this next season of your life can be one of the greatest seasons of growth for your faith as you learn about God's ways and partner with God to take you forward in faith. Don't miss it! Beginning on March 4 and continuing through Palm Sunday on March 25, I invite you to join me at Bethany on Sunday mornings as we experience our new teaching series, "How to Grow Your Faith." Then plan to join me on Sunday April 1 for our Easter Celebration! Also join us on Wednesday evenings for our current 6:00 pm Lenten Services and on Thursday evening, March 25 for Maundy Thursday worship. See the full schedule for details.

Come grow with us at Bethany!

Yours in Christlife,  
Pastor Robb



## **Mark Your Calendar**

### **3.4 Worship 8 & 10:30am**

Holy Communion

Chancel Choir 8:00am

Baptisms 10:30am

### **3.7 Lenten Worship 6:00pm**

### **3.11 Worship 8 & 10:30am**

New Member Sunday

### **3.14 Lenten Worship 6:00pm**

### **3.18 Worship 8 & 10:30am**

Bell Choir 8:00am

Cherub Choir 10:30am

### **3.21 Lenten Worship 6:00pm**

### **3.25 Palm Sunday**

Worship 8 & 10:30am

Chancel Choir 10:30am

### **3.29 Maundy Thursday**

Worship Service 6:00pm

### **3.30 Good Friday**

Ecumenical Worship Service

@ 1:00pm Pilgrim

Congregational Church

### **4.1 EASTER SUNDAY**

# HOLY WEEK



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Palm Sunday /Breakfast March 25**  
**Breakfast Served from 7:30-10:30am**  
**Worship Services @ 8:00 & 10:30am**  
**Sunday School Processing both Services**  
**Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt @ 9:15am**

**Maundy Thursday March 29**  
**Potluck Dinner @ 5:15pm**  
**Tennebrae Worship Service @ 6:00pm**  
**Communion**

**Good Friday March 30**  
**Ecumenical Worship Service @ 1:00pm**  
**Pilgrim Congregational Church**

## Palm Sunday



**Pancake & Porkie  
Breakfast**

**Serving from  
7:30-10:30am  
Freewill Offering**



**United Methodist Women**

**Friday, April 6 9A – 3P**

The UMW Spring Rummage Sale is coming up! Friday, April 6. Keep that in mind as you start your spring cleaning. Toys, clothes, books, household items.... We'll get rid of them for you! Bring your rummage to Fellowship Hall starting Monday, April 2. Please no electronics!

## March Birthdays

- 1 Jerry Blean, Rev. Pat Green, Mary Vinger, Nora Oleniczak
- 2 Terry Vercauteren, Stephanie Dutkowski, Silas Duval
- 3 Raina Diederich
- 4 Matthew Viegut
- 5 Aileen Nimmer, Matthew Lauscher
- 6 Steve Goetz, Lillian Luepke
- 8 Greta Missbach
- 9 Tom Anderson, Jaclyn Peters
- 10 Franklin Arias, Christine Wiinamaki
- 11 Shannon Ryerson
- 12 Muriel Neumann
- 13 Rebekah Balliett
- 14 Sherman Demeuse, Zona Akbari, Nicole Gardner
- 15 Dede Mattek, Samuel Wessley
- 17 Emilie Enke, Eli Anderson
- 19 Constance Riggle, Lester Howard, William Seidl, Jamie Luepke
- 20 Aila Wiinamaki
- 24 Wayne Muchow, Steven Baumann, Quinn Diederich, Leah Corey
- 25 Katie Reschke
- 26 Karl Spiegelberg, Frank Green, Brian Ciochetto, Kim Voskuil
- 27 Roberta Atkinson
- 28 Clarence Hoffman, Mike Paque, Shelley Jonet, Barbara Beck
- 29 Donn DeNamur, Michael Jonet

## Worship Service at Tender Hearts Assisted Living

Tuesday – March 20<sup>th</sup>

300 Cardinal Lane Green Bay WI 54313  
9am in Building 1 and 10am in Building 2  
(Coded entry – wait at door)

Members of our Caring Ministry Team will be leading these Worship Services. Communion will be served. All are welcome.

## Easter Flower Orders

Orders for Easter Flowers will be available through March 18<sup>th</sup>. We are offering Tulips & Daffodils for \$14.00 each. Order forms are available in the Worship Bulletins or by calling the church office. Please make your check out to Bethany UMC and in the memo portion write "Easter Flowers".



# Missions Update

**Our March Mission Project is for:**



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## Special Sunday offering on March 11

This offering is taken on the fourth Sunday in Lent and provides major support for immediate assistance in the wake of natural and human-caused disasters and helps support ongoing ministries of food, shelter, health and peace. UMCOR (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing) giving allows 100 percent of designated gifts to be used for the specified disaster response or other ministry. You may also use your offering envelope – under Step #3 – in Other – write-in UMCOR. Thank you.

## January Missions for the New Community Shelter raised \$1,147.14

### AshCares

Bethany UMC has chosen AshCares as one of our on-going ministries to help school-aged children in our Ashwaubenon community.

### New Community Shelter

We serve lunch on the second Saturday of the month. Please sign up in the Lobby to help.

### Kingdom Come Food Pantry (Oconto Falls)

Non-perishable items only. Please place donated items in the basket provided at the church entry.

### Used Glasses & Pop Tops

Containers located in Fellowship Hall

### Boy Scout Troop 1563

Aluminum Can collection 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday



**Sunday March 11**

# FAQs

**Pastor** Robb McClintock 494-8801  
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### **Sunday Morning Schedule**

8:00 Worship Service  
9:15 Friends & Food - Fellowship Hall  
10:30 Worship Service

**Church Office** 494-8801

**Hours** Monday – Thursday 9:30am–2:30pm

**Newsletter Items Due** by Third Sunday

**For Visits (Home or Hospital) or for Prayer Requests** Contact the church office @ 494.8801

**Bethany UMC Email**

[bethanyumcgb@outlook.com](mailto:bethanyumcgb@outlook.com)

**Bethany UMC Website** [BethanyGreenBay.org](http://BethanyGreenBay.org)

**WI United Methodist Conference**

[wisconsinumc.org](http://wisconsinumc.org)

Bethany UMC is in the North East District. We are a part of Circuit #3.

## Blessings For Bethany

Celebrate the blessings in your life! Honor someone and bless our Bethany Church.

Blessings are posted by the entry doors and in the monthly newsletter.

You may present a gift in any amount for:

- † In remembrance of a loved one
- † A person who has offered you care
- † Celebration of good news
- † In praise of God's love for you

Cards are located at the main entry. Place it in a "pocket" on the wall display. Submit your check to the church office as a "Blessing for Bethany."

## Our Bethany Family

The Baptism of Silas Duval was celebrated on February 4<sup>th</sup>. Silas is the son of Rebekah Balliett & Tomas Duval. Grandson of Fred & Lana Baliett.

We offer our sympathy to the family of Audrey (Gerald) Elsner. Audrey passed away on February 17<sup>th</sup>.



## March Preaching Plan

### Sunday, March 4, 2018

Scripture: Matthew 8:1-10

Title/Theme: "How to Grow Your Faith  
pt. 1 - What Big Faith Can Do"

Key Idea: *Faith is not belief without proof, but trust without reservation (D.Elton Trublood)* Imagine how different your outlook on life would be if you had absolute confidence that God was with you? Imagine how differently you would respond to difficulties, temptations, and even good things if you knew with certainty that God was in all of it and was planning to leverage it for good. That's the kind of faith God wants to grow in you.

### Sunday, March 11, 2018

Scripture: Matthew 7:24-28

Title/Theme: "How to Grow Your Faith  
pt. 2 – From Knowing to Doing"

Key Idea: It's one thing to know a lot about exercising and another thing to actually go to the gym. It's one thing to know a lot about nutrition and another thing to eat healthy. In the same way the Christian life isn't just about knowledge. When our actions intersect with God's faithfulness, our faith grows. It's obedience that makes all the difference.

### Sunday, March 18, 2018

Scripture: Matthew 14:13-21

Title/Theme: "How to Grow Your Faith  
pt. 3 – Pursue Your Personal Ministry"

Key Idea: Have you ever committed to help out with something you felt totally unqualified to do? There's something powerful that happens when we trust God to help us pursue a call to serve others. When we get out there and do God's work, faith grows!

### Sunday, March 25, 2018

Scripture: James 1:2-4

Title/Theme: "How to Grow Your Faith  
pt. 4 – The Power of Pivotal  
Circumstances"

Key Idea: Life is full of surprises - some good, some not so good. But each unexpected event that comes our way is actually a divine opportunity  
– for our faith to grow!



## Lenten Services at Bethany Wednesdays @ 6:00pm

### Series: "Give it Up!"

- March 7      Preaching: Keith Sager  
Scripture: Mark 14:41-50  
Topic: Give it Up!  
Part 4: Give up Running Away
- March 14     Preaching: Lana Balliett  
Scripture: Luke 19:1-10  
Topic: Give it Up!  
Part 5: Give up a Bad Habit
- March 21     Preaching: Mary Vinger  
Scripture: Luke 6:23-36  
Topic: Give it Up!  
Part 6: Give up Pettiness



# SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

## **Palm Sunday, March 25th**

Students meet in Fellowship Hall before 8:00am worship service starts. Students will be processing at 8:00am Worship Service  
9:15am Meet in the Sanctuary for Praise Songs & Easter Egg Event  
10:30am Students processing at 10:30am Worship Service



## Sunday, March 4

11:30am All Church Potluck followed by the  
**Talent Show**

Thank you to everyone who is participating in the Talent Show! Bethany is blessed to have many Sunday School students and adults willing to share their God given abilities! Thank you to Zona Akbari for coordinating the event.

Thank you for everyone who volunteered to help make this show happen.

## Upcoming Dates

March 18<sup>th</sup> Cherubs sing  
March 18<sup>th</sup> Penny war ends  
March 25<sup>th</sup> announcing the winning class for Penny Wars  
March 25th Palm Sunday and Easter egg event  
April 1<sup>st</sup> No Class Happy Easter  
April 29<sup>th</sup> Confirmation  
May 13<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day and Last day of Sunday School

Happy Easter from the  
Sunday School Teachers and Helpers!  
No class on April 1st

## **Mission Madness**

**Penny Wars 2018**

**February 18th through March 18th**

### Donations going to:

**Senior High Youth for their mission trip to Washington DC**

Penny Wars is a friendly competition between our Sunday School Classes to see which class can raise the most money for the Mission Trip. We are asking the Congregation to participate in this Mission Madness. Place coins into the paint cans located in the Lobby. Cans are labeled with the name of the Sunday School Classes.

### **Winning Sunday School Class**

The Class that raises the most Donations for the Mission Trip will Present the Senior High Youth, that Are participating in the Mission Trip, With a check during both church Services on March 25.

### **About the Youth Mission Trip**

This June, 8 Senior High Youth and Adults from Bethany will join with Sidekick Missions on a trip to Washington DC. The group of nearly 100 will work in small groups on painting, roofing, and light construction. We will be living out the Commandment of Jesus by serving others! The trip will include one "fun day" that has yet to be detailed. The cost of this trip is only \$500 and includes all meals, lodging, transportation and a T-shirt! This is our first youth mission trip in many years and we hope that we enjoy our time so much that we do another trip in the near future!

**Bethany United Methodist Church**  
**March 2018**      **Mission Project: UMCOR**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 9:30A Men's Coffee 6:30P Emmaus	2	3
4 Communion Sunday  8:00 Worship— Chancel Choir  9:15 Friends & Food – FH 9:15 Sunday School  10:30 Worship – Baptisms  11:30A Potluck followed by our Talent Show	5  1:00P What So Ever Circle  6:30P Boy Scouts  6:30-9P Adult Study	6  9:30-Noon Adult Study  12:30P Prayer Shawl Ministry  5:30P Worship Mtg Fellowship Hall	7  5:15P Potluck Supper  6:00P WORSHIP Service  6:30P Chancel Choir Rehearsal  7:30P Bell Choir Rehearsal	8  9:30A Men's Coffee Fellowship Hall  6:30P Emmaus Adult Lounge	9	10  10:30A Serve lunch @ NEW Shelter
11 Daylight Saving Time  8:00 Worship – Chancel Choir  9:15 Friends & Food – FH 9:15 Sunday School  10:30 Worship - Baptism	12  6:30-9P Adult Study  6:30P Boy Scouts	13  9:30-Noon Adult Study  12:30P Prayer Shawl Ministry  6:15P Education Mtg  6:30P Trustee Mtg	14  5:15P Potluck Supper  6:00P WORSHIP Service  6:30P Chancel Choir Rehearsal  7:30P Bell Choir Rehearsal	15  9:30A Men's Coffee Fellowship Hall  6:30P Emmaus - AL	16	17
18  8:00 Worship – Bell Choir  9:15 Friends & Food - FH 9:15 Sunday School  10:30 Worship – Cherub Choir  Penny Wars End	19  6:30-9P Adult Study  6:30P Boy Scouts	20  9A & 10A Worship @ Tender Hearts  9:30-Noon Adult Study  12:30P Prayer Shawl Ministry  5:30P Finance Mtg  6:30P Ad Council	21  5:15P Potluck Supper  6:00P WORSHIP Service  6:30P Chancel Choir Rehearsal  7:30P Bell Choir Rehearsal	22  9:30A Men's Coffee  6:30P Emmaus - AL	23	24  Prep for Palm Sunday Break- fast
25 Palm Sunday  Pancake & Porkie Breakfast  8:00 Worship  9:15 Friends & Food - FH 9:15 Sunday School  10:30 Worship – Chancel Choir	26  6:30P Boy Scouts  6:30-9P Adult Study	27  9:30-Noon Adult Study  12:30P Prayer Shawl Ministry  1:00P Newsletter Assembly – K	28  6:00P Communion  6:30P Chancel Choir Rehearsal  7:30P Bell Choir Rehearsal	29 Maundy Thursday  9:30A Men's Coffee 5:15P Potluck Supper 6:00P WORSHIP Service  6:30P Emmaus - AL	30 Good Friday  Ecumenical Worship Service 1:00P Pilgrim Congregational Church	31