

Bellringer

Sherman Avenue United Methodist Church July 2019

From The Pastor:

A Christian goes on vacation for the same reasons that everybody else does. We all need to get away from everything back home for a while, to be refreshed in our zeal for life. In some respects, however, a Christian on vacation should be different.

Christians on vacation don't consider worshiping God as something they only do "back home." They should take the time and make a real effort to find a place for worship. Christians on vacation should be able to find the "rest" of a worship service more enjoyable than a fish on the line or another two hours of sleep.

Christians on vacation can become as refreshed for their work as a child of God as they do for their job. In visiting other churches, you might find a church that is in need and you could find yourself performing "Christians labors of love" for another church. In doing so, you just might find a new energy for Christ on vacation.

Christians on vacation can also return with new perspectives on their home congregation. Every few years, each of our ministers should be given time off, a sabbatical, to rest from constant service, as well as a chance to visit other churches and bring back new ideas and zeal to put into action. I know every time I come back from my time away, I am loaded with new ideas!

So, as you plan your summer vacations this year, take time to slot in visiting other churches on Sunday morning. You might be surprised at the blessings you will receive. And don't forget, "whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

Save this date and help celebrate Jabez School's sixth anniversary!

August 17, 2019 @ 12:00

Meet the Board of Directors and see what has been accomplished in just six years.

Lunch will be provided at 12:30.

The program will start at 1:30. Bring a friend!!

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Sherman Avenue UMC Round Table Discussion On The Morality Of Marijuana Laws A Smashing Success!

On Wednesday, June 12th Sherman Avenue UMC opened its doors to the discussion on the morality of marijuana laws. Marijuana laws have been a salient issue in the United States. A wide range of doctrinal positions dot the religious, political, and social landscape.

This amazing panel of powerful women shared with us amazing insight. The panel consisted of Representative Melissa Sargent, Madison Urban Ministry Executive Director Linda Ketchum, and community activists Dana Pellebon, Cynthia Hart, and Caitlin McGahan. The panel discussed the state of marijuana laws in the United States, and the disparities that exist within their enforcement. It was a powerful evening full of energy and wonderful conversation.

We had between 20-25 members of the community attend, which included many of our fellow church members. A big thank you to everyone for your support! Also, a couple who attended the discussion, also attended church service the following Sunday. Praise and blessings!

Since the beginning, Sherman Avenue United Methodist Church has always been at the forefront of social justice, and this is just another example of what Sherman Avenue United Methodist Church can do!

Cub Scout News from Judy Kreft


Cub Scouts are out of school and not meeting at the church until around the last week of August when adults plan the next school year calendar of events. The Cub Scouts spend three days of day camp at Token Creek county park and have a monthly activity including a trip to the Zoo.

Scouts BSA, girls and boys in their separate troops, are doing a conservation project for community service work (Citizenship in the Community merit badge). They will select hours of work in local parks, Cherokee, Warner Park, and other local areas. Tuesdays this summer they are getting in 10 mile bike rides and longer. They meet Thursdays year round and have a monthly outing including summer week-long camping.

My country, 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrims' pride,
From ev'ry mountainside
Let freedom ring!

Happy Independence Day Everybody!

July 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 6:00 United Methodist Women	3 4:30 Bible Study 6:00 Band Practice 6:00 Prayer Group 6:00 Meditation TC 6:30 Book Club	4 	5	6 6:30 Men's Group
7 8:30 Adult Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:45 Sunday School 11:30 Worship 12:30 Hmong Men	8 6:00 Stephens Ministry	9 6:45 Communications	10	11	12 6:00 Hmong Ministry & Youth Bible Study	13
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21 8:30 Adult Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship Breakfast 10:45 Sunday School 11:30 Worship	22 Bellringer Deadline 6:00 Stephens Ministry	23 6:30 Outreach & Missions	24 4:30 Bible Study 6:00 Band Practice 6:00 Prayer Group 6:00 Meditation TC	25 9:00 Copy & Fold	26 6:00 Hmong Ministry & Youth Bible Study	27
28 8:30 Adult Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:45 Sunday School 11:30 Worship	29	30	31 4:30 Bible Study 6:00 Band Practice 6:00 Prayer Group 6:00 Meditation TC 6:30 Bible Study with Rev David	Summer musicians are needed to provide music for our 9:30 am worship. Please contact Barbara Zanoni if you are available		

July Birthdays

7/3 Virginia Frederick
 7/8 Melissa Mooney
 7/10 Kyle Van Pelt
 7/11 Linda Jungbluth
 7/31 Mildred Wilson

July Anniversaries

7/4 Nancy & Brooks Brown
 7/29 Melissa & Chris Mooney

These are the dates that are in the database. If you find that your name is not included with the Birthdays or Anniversaries, please contact Cyndy Hoffmann.

Please take a moment to remember our homebound members

Linda Jungbluth (B-day 7/11)
 Deerfield Place, 15 State St, Deerfield, WI 53531-9530

Justin Kramer (B-day 12/13)
 1601 Wheeler Rd #208
 Madison, WI 53704-7056
 608-416-5343

Ralph Stinson (B-day 8/6)
 4218 Green Ave
 Madison, WI 53704-1124
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Christian Education Opportunities

Anyone interested in learning about God's love is invited to join any of these classes at any time.

Early Adult Sunday School meets on Sundays at 8:30 in the Youth Room.

Sunday School for All at 10:45 The Adult Class meets in the Choir Room. The Children's Class meets in the Youth Room.

Wednesday Bible Study begins at 4:30. This is an ongoing study of the Old and New Testament.

The Youth Group meets Wednesday and Friday. Please check the Bellringer and Bulletin for activities, topics and times.

Dinner with Rev. David will continue on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:30 in the Parsonage.

Mid-Week Meditation The call in number is 1-641-715-3836. The access code is 486727.