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A NEWSLETTER OF THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF MADISON



Sunday, October 28, 2012 will be a grand day of celebration for First Church. Our faith community will celebrate 175 years together as a united whole with ONE worship service only that morning at 9:30 a.m. After the service we will view a special presentation highlighting 175 years of ministry and enjoy an Anniversary Brunch served in Fellowship Hall and the Octagon.

With the exception of one adult forum and the Bible Study class, both to be held prior to worship, other adult classes *will not* meet, but activities for children and youth *will* take place during the 9:30 hour as usual. Please put this special morning of events on your calendar and plan to participate in the celebrations on October 28. First Church has been “Downtown for Good” for 175 years and there’s much more to come. That’s worth celebrating together!

Old Testament Study with Pastor Carly

Wednesdays, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

Join Pastor Carly for a no cost, no preparation, come-when-you-can study of the Old Testament. Learn new ways to explore scripture and reach a deeper understanding of the texts. For more details, please refer to the “Shaping, Strengthening and Engaging Our Faith” insert in this issue or online at www.fumc.org.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11 a.m.

OCTOBER 7

World Communion Sunday

Holy Communion

Philippians 2:1-13

“Humble Faith,”

Rev. Carly Kuntz

9:30 a.m. – Chancel Choir

11 a.m. – Keith Lienert, music

OCTOBER 14

Children’s Sabbath

Matthew 19:13-23

“Amber Alert,”

Rev. Tina Lang

8 a.m. – Worship in Chapel

9:30 a.m. – Blessed Brass,

Chamber Choir

11 a.m. – Family Choir

OCTOBER 21

Luke 21:1-4

“The Dreaded Money Sermon,”

Rev. Carly Kuntz

9:30 a.m. – Chancel Choir

9:30 a.m. – Family-Style Worship

Fellowship Hall, Rev. Tina Lang

October 28

175th Anniversary Celebration

9:30 a.m. – ONE SERVICE

Mark 10:17-31

“Economize,” Rev. Carly Kuntz

Handbell Choir

A special program & brunch

will follow worship.

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

Coffee Fellowship 8:30-11 a.m.

First Cup Café – 8:30-9:15 a.m.

We seek to embody grace and hospitality in the manner of Jesus, nurturing our diverse spiritual journeys and joining together as a servant community to help realize a more loving and just world.

Musings

Fall is my favorite season. Trees ablaze in beautiful colors and leaves dancing to the rhythm of wind and rain. The change of season is a time of transition, with the ending of summer and forewarning that winter is near.

As I prepare to pack away my summer gear, I am reminded of the many, wonderful outdoor experiences I had this year. In the spring I went birding by mini-train in Alma, Wisconsin, with the film crew of *Discover Wisconsin* to observe the migrating birds. Later there was camping at Wyalusing State Park, at the confluence of the Wisconsin and Mississippi Rivers, when the air was crisp and flowers were in bloom.

Summer brought camping at Tower Hill State Park in Spring Green, where I awoke to the sound of birds singing. I remember canoeing the Wisconsin River with supporters of the River Alliance of Wisconsin; exploring the Horicon Marsh by canoe, with wildlife staff providing history and insights about the marsh; and canoeing the Bear River with Ernie St. Germain, Ojibwe Elder and storyteller. When I kayaked the Flambeau River and Smith Rapids I took in the stunning sights and sounds of every curve in the river and wildlife nearby. And finally, there was camping in the Chequamegon National Forest and relaxing by the evening campfire with the sound of the rapids, a choir of crickets and a canopy of stars. Spending time outdoors and in nature are how I experience peace, reflection and renewal.

Now as summer transitions to fall, my role at First Church takes me down a new path. I have accepted the position of Outreach Services Director and am working hard to provide leadership in this special area of ministry. Earning my Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Edgewood College and working there for 10 years provided me a wealth of knowledge and inspiration. Many of the Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters had an influence on my views of leadership, particularly service leadership and mission based work. I feel blessed to be a part of the First Church team and look forward to the seasons to come.

Blessings,
Karen Andro
Outreach Services Director



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CROP Walk

Sunday, October 21

Registration: 12:45 p.m.

Walk Begins @ 1:30 p.m.

Depart from First Congregational UCC, 1609 University Ave.

Church World Service supports annual CROP Hunger Walks all across the nation. Each year members and friends of First Church walk and offer financial pledges to help children and families worldwide – and right here in the U.S. – have enough food today, while building for a better tomorrow. Our local efforts are making a huge difference – and you can be part of it. The Walk is 1.0 or 3.5 miles. Sign up to walk or make a financial pledge for another walker at the CROP table in the Octagon or online at www.worldchurchservice.org no later than Sunday, October 21.

Landscaping Campaign Deadline: October 1

The fundraising deadline for the FUMC landscaping project is fast approaching. If you have been thinking about contributing to the improvement of the church grounds, now is the time for action. Stop by the table in the Octagon this Sunday, or contact the church office at info@fumc.org or 608.256.9061. If you have already given your support to this project – Thank you!

Thank you, Carol; Welcome, Jim

We want to thank Carol Klukaczewski for serving as our interim Coordinator of Caring Ministries. Carol visited with many people while preparing the position for our new Coordinator. Thank you, Carol, for sharing your faith and gifts with First Church.

Jim Ostrander is the church's new Coordinator of Caring Ministries. Jim brings gifts of organization skills, a caring and generous heart and the ability to recruit and train more people to join this essential ministry. Thank you, Jim and welcome to the staff team.

In the Heart of Our Community: Broken Justice, Broken Minds

Class begins Sunday, October 14 at 9:30 & 11 a.m. in Room 214

The Homelessness Task Force invites members and friends of our congregation to explore the relationship between prisons, homelessness, and mental illness. "Broken Justice, Broken Minds" is a four-week, Sunday morning series followed by a Saturday morning simulation activity where participants are given the opportunity to "walk in the shoes" of a recently released prisoner. Learn more about this series from the "Returning Prisoner Simulation" insert in this issue or online at www.fumc.org and join us on October 14.

October Art Exhibit in the Chapel

Throughout the month of October, as our Homelessness Task Force offers a series of classes focused on prison reform, our Chapel will host an exhibit of art created by a man who is incarcerated with a life sentence. Artist DaRen Morris has been in prison since he was 17 years old. The non-profit organization called Forum For Understanding Prisons came into his life a few years ago. He was in solitary confinement, needing and being denied hearing aids, getting into trouble, and suffering inhumane treatment because of his confusion and mental illness and the system's intolerance and brutality. He has recently lost a bid for freedom. Painting is his refuge. Visit the exhibit in the Chapel to learn more about DaRen's story and to experience some of his art.

"Come As You Are Worship"

**Mondays & Wednesdays
9:30 a.m. | Fellowship Hall**

Join us at 9 a.m. for coffee and donuts prior to worship.

Lunch, Lecture and the Chazen Museum of Art – Sunday, November 11

Join other members and friends of First Church for this very special opportunity. A delicious lunch will be served in Fellowship Hall beginning at noon. After lunch, Daniel Cochran, Harvard Divinity School graduate and current UW doctoral candidate in Art History (and Sunday a.m. Bible Study leader at FUMC) will engage participants in a lecture and discussion in preparation for a 2 p.m. visit to the Chazen Museum.

Offering of the Angels: Paintings and Tapestries from the Uffizi Gallery is the title of the Chazen's current exhibition of 45 rarely seen paintings and tapestries from the renowned Uffizi Gallery in Florence, Italy. The exhibition includes works by Italian Renaissance and Baroque masters such as Sandro Botticelli, Lorenzo Monaco, Jacopo Tintoretto, and Titian. The exhibition highlights the theme of the Eucharist in art from the Creation of Adam and Eve to the Resurrection.

This is an exceptional opportunity to hear an exceptional scholar and experience exceptional art at no cost right in "our own backyard." The lunches prepared by our kitchen staff are always exceptional too! There is a \$5 fee for the lunch and we'll need to know you're coming so sign up and make your lunch payment online at www.fumc.org or at the Information Desk in the Narthex on a Sunday morning. The deadline for signing up is Sunday, November 4.

Ministry Planning & Budget Workshop

**Saturday, October 13, 9 a.m. - noon
Fellowship Hall**

Church Council members, participants in committees, task forces, ministry teams and all members who are interested are invited to a morning of ministry planning. The emphasis will be on priorities and plans for 2013, and a review of financial information in preparation for the annual budgeting process.

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Rethinking Leadership, Empowering Ministry

FUMC's annual church conference is set for Monday, December 3 at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

At this year's annual church conference, the members of our congregation will be asked for provisional approval of a new policy establishing a Board as the governing body of First United Methodist Church and to affirm a 2013 "trial run" of this governing Board. Rethinking Leadership team members, with input and guidance from many people, are drafting important, related policy, which they will make widely available for your detailed review in early November.

The Church Council discussed the strategic questions that follow at their September 18 meeting. As your Rethinking Leadership, Empowering Ministry Task Group continues pondering these issues, you are invited to add your thoughts to growing lists of relevant ideas. Here are just a few examples.

What VALUES do we need from our leadership? And, what PRACTICES are desirable in our leadership structure?

VALUES:

- commitment to our church's mission
- fiduciary responsibility
- looking ahead to the future (strategic planning)
- transparency

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PRACTICES:

- eager to capture opportunities for growth in faith development and new participation
- good communication
- nimble
- understand the "big picture"

Gardening for Good

The Young Adult Group braved the chilly weather and helped harvest 95 pounds of vegetables at the Catholic Multicultural Center's garden, which provides fresh produce for their Madison food pantry. Thank you to those who participated and to Laura Green for helping coordinate the event. Anyone interested in volunteering at the Catholic Multicultural Center can contact Laura at info@fumc.org.

Get the Red Out and Raise Money for Youth Missions

We need your help. We have an opportunity to raise money for mission trips by selling hot dogs, brats, peanuts, and soda at Badger home football games. We're looking for both youth and adults. If you are interested in helping staff the concession cart, contact Seth at youthya@fumc.org or 608.256.9061. Game days are Saturdays, October 6, 20, 27 and November 17.

New Online Forum

Rethinking Leadership Ideas

An easy-to-use online forum has officially launched. Biweekly meetings of the Rethinking Leadership, Empowering Ministry Task Group will be held during October and November, promising a constant flow of updates, Q&A and related conversations hosted inside the forum. Contact the church office at 608.256.9061 or send an email to council@fumc.org to join this online group. Be an active voice, or simply lurk quietly to stay informed of progress. Get ready to have your vote counted on December 3, as together we prepare for positive leaps forward in 2013.

Family-Style Worship: Sunday, October 21

There is no better way for children to learn about worship or to know it as a vital and important part of Christian life than by being present and participating in the whole of it. This family-style worship service will include storytelling and hands-on activities for children and parents, but it is a service for people of all ages, single and partnered, with children and without. Come and experience God's presence in this intergenerational gathering. Since we hope children will be in worship, there will be no Sunday school classes for preschool children (4-5 year-old class) through grade 5 but the 2-3 year-old toddler class, youth classes, and childcare will all be available. Join your church family for Family-Style Worship at 9:30 in Fellowship Hall on October 21.

SHAPING, STRENGTHENING AND ENGAGING OUR FAITH



SUNDAY OPPORTUNITIES

BIBLE STUDY: EXPLORING SCRIPTURE AND PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Sundays, October 7, 14, 21, 28 @ 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

Daniel Cochran earned his Master of Divinity from Harvard Divinity School and is currently a Ph.D. candidate in Art History at UW-Madison. Each Sunday morning Daniel guides exploration and discussion of scripture passages to be included in that morning's worship.

THEOLOGY FOR THE 21ST CENTURY CLASS

Sundays, October 7, 14, 21 @ 9:30 a.m. in Room LL05

The Underground Church: Reclaiming the Subversive Way of Jesus by Robin Meyers is the book being read by this class this fall. Different class members facilitate the discussion each week.

LIVING THE QUESTIONS

Sunday, October 7 @ 11 a.m. in Room 208

The class will view and discuss a DVD clip from the "Living the Questions" series including interviews with prominent theologians, ethicists and scholars. The theme for October 7 is "Out Into the World: Challenges Facing Progressive Christianity."

MY BROTHER'S KEEPER?

Sundays, October 7 and 21 @ 11 a.m. in Room LL05

Faith communities have much to contribute to the discussion of the sort of economic order we live in. Economist Richard D. Wolff's book, *Occupy the Economy* will be discussed. Wolff analyzes the basis of our current economic order and offers a perspective that is more hopeful than some. Analytical Psychologist, Dr. Boris Matthews, will facilitate the discussions.

MID-WEEK OPPORTUNITIES

"COME AS YOU ARE WORSHIP"

Mondays & Wednesdays

9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

Join us at 9 a.m. for coffee and donuts prior to worship.

MEDITATION GROUP

Mondays @ 7 p.m. in the Chapel

Join others to explore the practice of meditation by listening to the CD and discussing excerpts from *The Mystical Life of Jesus: An Uncommon Perspective on the Life of Christ* by Sylvia Browne.

YOGA FOR GOOD

Mondays @ 11:45 a.m. and

Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel

Reach out in yoga poses as you reach out to help the community. A portion of modest class fees (\$30 for six sessions) are donated to First Church's Food Pantry. No previous yoga experience is necessary and mats and supplies are provided. Simply come with comfortable clothing that you can easily move in. Drop-ins are always welcome. Questions? Contact Kathie Nichols at knichols@fumc.org or 608.256.9061.

BROKEN JUSTICE, BROKEN MINDS – *Please see accompanying insert for details*

Sunday, October 14 @ 9:30 and 11 a.m. in Room 214

The Problem: Statewide Statistics and Populations in the Corrections System

A guest presenter from MOSES (Madison branch of WISDOM, a state-wide, inter-faith coalition working to change Wisconsin's criminal justice system) shares information about the "11 x 15 Campaign" to reduce Wisconsin's prison population to 11,000 by the end of the year 2015.

Sunday, October 21 @ 9:30 and 11 a.m. in Room 214

There is Hope: The Local picture of Restorative Justice Programs in Dane County

Guest presenters from the YWCA School to Prison Pipeline and Oakhill Correctional Facility will share information about programs related to at-risk youth, a unique Horticulture Program, the Victim's Circle and various interventions.

Sunday, October 28 @ 8:15 a.m. in Room 214 (Note earlier time)

Solitary Confinement: Torture in Your Backyard

Sister Ester Heffernan, a nationally recognized advocate for prison reform is the guest presenter. A 20-minute DVD from the National Religious Campaign Against Torture will be shown followed by conversation about efforts to correct prison problems in Wisconsin and nationally.

LOOKING AHEAD TO NOVEMBER

WISE WOMEN DO FINANCES

Saturday, November 3, from 9 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

Women of all ages and in all stages of life are invited to a day of learning and sharing. Following the Keynote Address by Lori B. Gervais, CFP, participants will participate in two workshops of their choice covering topics such as investment, budgeting and legacies. Registration fee is \$5 and lunch is on your own. For more details and to register, go to www.wumf.org and click on Register for Wise Women Events or call the Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation for more information at 888-903-9863.

BROKEN JUSTICE, BROKEN MINDS - *please see special brochure for details*

Breaking the Circle: Putting Faces on Those Involved

Sunday, November 4 at 9:30 and 11 a.m. in Room 214

BROKEN JUSTICE, BROKEN MINDS - *please see special brochure for details*

Returning Prisoner Simulation

Saturday, November 10 from 9 a.m. until noon in Fellowship Hall

CARING MINISTRIES FORUM

Sunday, November 11 @ 11:00 a.m. in Room 214

ORGAN AND TISSUE DONOR SUNDAY IS NOVEMBER 11

Mark your calendars for this day when we will learn more about these personal and important decisions.

**FORUM ON TRANSITIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM
FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN**

Sunday, November 18 @ 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in Room 214

**OLD TESTAMENT STUDY WITH
PASTOR CARLY**

*Wednesdays, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
@ 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall*

This study will introduce a variety of methods for exploring scripture as we seek a deeper understanding of the context and meaning of many traditional passages. Each week, after Pastor Carly introduces the evening scripture, the class will watch a half hour DVD lecture and then engage in discussion about what we heard and how it applies to our lives. Participants should bring a favorite translation of the Bible with them to class.

FAITH AND REASON

*Tuesday, October 9 @ 7:30 a.m. at
Capitol Lakes, 333 W. Main*

Is not science merely that branch of theology which explores the manner in which God made the universe? This question and a host of others are vetted in gatherings the second Tuesday of each month. Group members facilitate the discussions.

**AGRACE HOSPICE CARE
SUPPORT GROUPS**

In October Agrace HospiceCare will offer several support and discussion groups designed for caregivers and adults grieving the death of a loved one. These sessions are open to the public and are provided without charge. A list of group descriptions and meeting times is posted on the FUMC website at www.fumc.org. All groups are held at Agrace HospiceCare, 5395 E. Cheryl Parkway, Madison.

Returning Prisoner Simulation

Take a walk in the shoes of a person just-released from prison



Madison-area Urban Ministry's Returning Prisoner Simulation is an interactive workshop designed to educate participants about what it feels like for a newly-released prisoner to return to the community.

**Sat. November 10,
9 a.m. to noon.
Fellowship Hall**

STEPS IN THE SIMULATION:

- 1. See documentary video:**
the story of one man's transition from prison back to the community
- 2. Participate in 1-hour role play:**
workshop participants receive a mock profile that describes the life of a released prisoner. Each participant must try to accomplish a list of tasks that newly released prisoners must do when they return home
- 3. De-brief the Simulation:**
Participants discuss their reactions to the simulation workshop

Open to FUMC members, friends and the public. Registrations is required, but thanks to a foundation grant there is no cost.

***Join us for this
incredible, eye-opening
experience!***

Simulation presented by
Madison-area Urban Ministry (MUM)

"I had no idea the challenges that formerly incarcerated people face."



"Prison might just seem easier than trying on the outside.."



"Be as mindful of prisoners as if you were sharing their imprisonment, and of the ill treated as of yourselves, for you may yet suffer as they do."

— Hebrews 13:3

HOMELESSNESS TASK FORCE PRESENTS:

Broken Justice, Broken Minds

The Problem *Statewide Statistics and Populations in the Corrections System*

Sunday, October 14 at 9:30 am and 11 am in room 214

Presenter: *Speaker from MOSES (Madison branch of statewide WISDOM) on their "11 x 15 Campaign"*

The 11X15 Campaign is an urgent call by WISDOM to reduce Wisconsin's prison population by 11,000 by the end of the year 2015. WISDOM is a state-wide, inter-faith coalition working to change Wisconsin's criminal justice system. Wisconsin's system has double the rate of incarceration as Minnesota which has similar demographics and crime rates. We need community based alternatives to incarceration, including drug and alcohol courts, and enhanced mental health services like other states, rather than a prison complex which costs over \$1.3 BILLION per year.

There is Hope *The Local picture of Restorative Justice programs in Dane County*

Sunday, October 21 at 9:30 am and 11 am in room 214

Presenter: Ananda Mirilli, YWCA, School to Prison Pipeline and interventions that work; and Jason Garlynd, Oakhill Correctional Facility, Victims Circle.

Jason Garlynd is on the staff at Oakhill Correctional Institution, Oregon, and provides training and leadership to schools and agencies working with at-risk youth, restorative justice initiatives and returning prisoners. He will share information about Oakhill's community outreach and the positive, hopeful components of the Horticulture Program at Oakhill. He will also describe the Victim's Circle. We also hear of The School to Prison pipeline and our neighbor, The YWCA, is actively engaged in identifying and understanding what interventions work and those that do not work. An example of what does work, LaFollette High School's Talking.

Solitary Confinement: Torture in Your Backyard

Sunday, October 28 at 8:15 am in room 214

Presenter: Sister Ester Heffeman, *a former teacher at Edgewood College*

Highlights of previous efforts dating from the 1970's to correct prison problems in Wisconsin and nationally by Sister Esther Heffernan, long time proponent of prison reform.

"Solitary Confinement : Torture in Your Backyard" (20 min. DVD) from National Religious Campaign Against Torture (NRCAT) will be shown. This video tells the story of people of faith in Maine who advocated for limits to the use of prolonged solitary confinement. Their efforts helped secure a 70% reduction in 2011 in the number of prisoners held in prolonged solitary confinement in Maine.

Breaking the Circle *Putting a face on those involved; Getting to know incarcerated individuals.*

Sunday, November 4 at 9:30 am and 11 am in room 214

Presenter: Judith Adrian *Human Issues/COR Program, Edgewood College*

Judy Adrian will read excerpts from the book she is working on called IN WARM BLOOD. It is the story of seeking to understand her father's imprisonment for the armed robbery committed on the eve of his society wedding, and his subsequent pardon gained through family power and connection — privilege. The journey of understanding has come about through correspondence with DarRen Morris, a Kenosha man incarcerated for life at age 17; a man who never really had a chance for a non-violent life.

DarRen's art will be on display in the chapel through the month of October.

Chocolate Bars for Halloween

The International Ministry Team now has a large supply of Equal Exchange's fair trade, organic, mini chocolate bars. These bars make for great treats for the trick-or-treaters visiting your home on Halloween. The bars are available Sunday mornings from the Team's coffee sales table in Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$2 for a bag of 10 bars.

Frances Hauser's 100th

Frances Hauser, a longtime member of First Church, invites her friends to her 100th birthday celebration on Sunday, October 14. The reception is from 2 – 4 p.m. at the Zor Shrine Temple, 575 Zor Shrine Place. (Just north of the W. Beltline near REI Outfitters.)

Thanks to the "Worker Bees"

The Trustees would like to thank everyone who gave up their Saturday morning on September 8 to spiff up the building. The term "white tornado" comes to mind as we think of all the work that was accomplished in such a short time. The kitchen was deep cleaned from top to bottom. (Bobbi Reynolds remarked that the convection oven is now cleaner than it was when we bought it!) Every wood surface in the Sanctuary, Narthex and Chapel was cleaned and polished. Conference rooms were dusted, Sunday School tables and chairs were scrubbed, and every window in the Narthex area was washed. It was a productive morning and the results were satisfying.

Those helping on September 8 were:

Dennis Anderson	Nicki Miller
Mary, Brian and Brett Andreas	Paul and Laura Nagel
Fred Brancel	Kathie Nichols
Lori, John,	Jim Ostrander
Eric and Anna Bowman	Bobbi Reynolds
Brad and Emma Crowley	Gene Thieleke
Tricia Hillner	Brian Webb
Kathy Maldegen	Chuck Wineland
Bev and Bruce McCulloch	Don Wolf
	John Zurovitch

Habitat Build in El Salvador, February 2013

First Church's International Ministry Team has decided to join Habitat for Humanity of Dane County's upcoming trip to El Salvador rather than sponsoring our own trip back to El Salvador in 2013. This trip is part of Habitat Dane County's new three year partnership with Habitat El Salvador.

The trip will be February 2 - 10, 2013. We will be constructing Habitat houses in Ahuachapán, El Salvador, at or near the Getsemaní Community.

There are a limited number of spots still available on this trip, and they will be filled on a first come, first served basis. **The deadline for registering is November 1, 2012.** The estimated trip cost is \$2,000, which is all-inclusive, including Habitat fees and donations for building supplies, etc.

Pick up a copy of the trip flyer at the Information Desk on Sunday or contact the church office at info@fumc.org or 608.256.9061 for details.

First Church continues to support the micro entrepreneurship initiative and reading group at the Getsemaní Community.

7th Annual United Methodist Service Day – Saturday, October 13

Join us October 13, from 8:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a day of service to our community. The day will start with a short worship service at Bethany UMC, and afterwards we will head out to job sites across Madison. All you need is a willing spirit, a compassionate heart, and love for your neighbor. For more details, including a link to online registration, visit this event on our church website at www.fumc.org or stop by the table in the Octagon on Sunday.

October is Domestic Abuse Awareness Month

One-third of all law enforcement cases are in response to domestic violence incidents. Over the past year, there were several domestic violence-related homicides here in Wisconsin. And many abuses go unreported.

We all share responsibility to take care of those who are victimized. Domestic Abuse Intervention Services (DAIS) is there for people at the darkest and scariest times in their lives. When someone needing help contacts DAIS 608.251.1237 or info@abuseintervention.org they will find people to support them and remind them they are not alone.

On Sundays in October, the United Methodist Women will have a table in the Octagon with reading materials and purple ribbons for you to wear. So stop by, pin on a ribbon, and let's show that we support and value the victims, and reject this crime of violence by the abusers.

Church Women United Forum – Friday, October 5 First Baptist Church, 518 N. Franklin Ave., Madison

9 a.m. – Gathering & Coffee
9:30 a.m. – Welcome & Announcements
10 a.m. – Program: *Mental Health In Aging*, presented by Faith Lerner, Mobile Outreach to Seniors Team

Lions and Tigers and Bears, Oh My!

Our children will help children and families of the world through their annual contribution to UNICEF. You can help our children help others by dropping spare change, or even some green, from your wallet into the orange UNICEF pumpkin that will be in Fellowship Hall throughout the month of October. Thank you for modeling and helping our children learn about generosity.

Joys & Concerns

Please remember these FUMC members and friends in your prayers: Elizabeth Stahmer, Les Zank, Joan Wolf, Margaret James, Judy Metz, Donna Berthold (Kay Knipfer's aunt), Bonnie Landgraf and Mary Anderson.

We offer our prayers and support to members and friends of our congregation who have recently lost a loved one:

- Millie Webb's father, Russell Griffin, died August 30.
- Kirsten Held's mother, Annette Held died September 8.
- Nikki Miller's brother Dan died September 12.

Congratulations to Ryan and Erin Pence on the birth of their son, Mason Ray on September 12. Proud grandparents are Bruce and Bev McCulloch.

Congratulations to Ross and Heather Vitale, whose daughter Fiona Violet was baptized Sunday, September 23.

Homeless Outreach Ministries Needs Your Help

We have an immediate need for the following items for our homeless guests. These will be collected in the grocery cart located in the Narthex on Sunday mornings or may be dropped off at the church during business hours Monday through Thursday.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

- Fresh fruit for the *To-Go Meals* we serve our homeless guests Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to noon.
- New, unopened travel size deodorant and soap and regular size shaving cream for our Shower Program, which we offer to homeless guests Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 a.m. to noon.

Please contact Karen Andro, Outreach Services Director, with any questions at 608.256.4646, ext. 16 or kandro@fumc.org.

FUMC Building Hours

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Monday – Thursday: 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Friday – Saturday: Closed

Food Ministry Hours

Food Pantry Hours
Mondays & Wednesdays
9:30 a.m. – Noon
Tuesdays & Thursdays
5 - 7 p.m.

To-Go Meal Hours
Monday thru Thursday
9 a.m. – Noon

Water, Water Everywhere

The Summer Sunday School Mission Market was a huge success. Our donation of \$452 was accepted with great thanks by the water project. We are excited because once our donation is put to use, the water project will send us details about where our donations are being used. Thank you to the congregation for supporting our project. We will keep everyone up-to-date on the water projects and their progress.

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Next Chimes Deadline

The next issue of Chimes will be published **Thursday, November 1**. The deadline for submitting articles is noon on **Monday, October 15**.

Recurring Calendar Items

Yoga for Good Sessions
Mondays at 11:45 a.m. in the Chapel
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel

Meditation Group –
Mondays at 7 p.m. in the Chapel

UMW Deborah Circle –
Tuesday, October 9 at 6:30 p.m.
at the home of Ellen Webb.
Contact the church office at 608.256.9061 or info@fumc.org for details.

Game Days – 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 1 p.m. in Room 208.

Choir Rehearsals

Handbell Choir –
Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
Chancel Choir –
Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Room
Family Choir –
Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Music Room

Toddler Playgroup – 1st & 3rd
Fridays at 3:30 p.m. at James Madison Park (weather permitting).

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Middle School Fall Getaway – October 13-14

Camp Lucerne

Horseback riding, outdoor and indoor games, hiking, low ropes course, campfire, music, spiritual experiences, and staying in the NEW youth lodge. Sound like a great time? Then invite your friends and contact Seth Schroerlucke at youthya@fumc.org or 608.256.9061 to sign up.

Sr. High Convo – November 9-11

Marriott Madison West

Join hundreds of other youth from across the state to hear inspiring words from Bob Lenz and rock out to music by Loftland. Invite friends and sign up by November 1 by contacting Seth Schroerlucke at youthya@fumc.org or 608.256.9061.

Thank You, Molly & Welcome, Ruthie

Molly Breunig recently (and joyfully) secured a full-time teaching job this fall, which means she'll be leaving her post as Christian Education Assistant. Thank you Molly, for the excellent work you did leading children and volunteers through the summer program and for being willing to continue to share your gifts as a weekly Sunday School teacher. First Church is blessed by your presence and the gifts you share.

We are also blessed to have Ruthie O'Rourke filling in as interim Christian Education Assistant. Ruthie is the mother of three young children and a member of Bethany UMC, where she has served as a teacher and mission volunteer. She is graciously stepping in to help keep things flowing smoothly as we continue to grow our ministries with children and families. Please offer your words of thanks to Molly and welcome to Ruthie.

UNICEF Carnival

On Sunday, October 28 our congregation will celebrate our 175th Anniversary with a special morning of activities, including one worship service at 9:30 a.m. Middle and high school youth will help our young children learn about the important work of UNICEF as they enjoy games and special activities during the Sunday school hour. After Sunday school and worship, everyone is invited to the Anniversary Brunch in Fellowship Hall. Hope to see your children at the UNICEF Carnival and Anniversary Celebrations on October 28!

Children & Youth

Children's Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.

Children come to 9:30 a.m. worship and go to their classes after the Pastor's "Conversation with the Children."

Toddlers Age 2 and 3 – Room LL19

Preschoolers – Room LL17

Grades K-1 – Room LL10

Grades 2-3 – Room LL15

Grades 4-5 – Room LL11

October 21 – Family-Style Worship

Service at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall for Preschool – Grade 5

October 28 – UNICEF Carnival

Childcare on Sundays

Available 9:15 a.m. – Noon

Infant – 2 years: First Floor Nursery - Room 104

Toddlers age 2 and older:

Lower Level - Room LL12

Youth

Youth Sunday School Meets at 9:30 a.m.

Middle School: Room LL02

High School: Room LL04



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Badger Concessions Fundraiser for Youth Missions

If you attend a home UW Football game this season, stop by the Gate 9 concession cart on the N. Breese Terrace sidewalk. FUMC youth and adults will be selling hot dogs, brats, peanuts, and soda. We receive 10% of the profit so make sure to buy your snacks there.