



JUNE *INSPIRATIONS 2019* Pastor's Page

Greetings:

I hope this letter finds you well. As I am writing it, I feel that I finally have a moment to catch my breath. Between grad parties, track meets, finishing up classes for the semester, Mother's Day – May is a busy month. June is just as busy with baseball games, Annual Conference, the Worth County Fair, Father's Day and VBS in Bolan. Life keeps us busy. So how do we keep from going crazy? Find time to rest, Sabbath keeping is an important spiritual discipline. Besides being one of the 10 Commandments, it is an important practice for physical, emotion, and spiritual well being. Sabbath doesn't have to be Sunday either – if you are like me, Sunday is a workday. Find a day, or parts of several days that you can rest and refresh. One of those ways to refresh is through prayer and I want **ALL** of us to participate in this practice. Starting this month, the newsletter will contain a prayer calendar that will list people's names for each day of the month. Pray for those people each day. Ona has figured it out that in a year, each person's name will appear on the calendar 4 times, one of those on your birth month. As members of the Body of Christ, we should be praying for each other and then know that others are praying for you.

Other items to make note of and watch for:

Sunday, June 23rd, service times will switch between Asbury and Northwood. Northwood's service will be at 9am at the Shelter House at the fairgrounds and Asbury will be at 10:30am at the church. The switch is for this Sunday only.

In the years past we have had a joint service during the summer in each community. This year instead of a joint service, each church will have a regular service in the morning with an evening service of praise and worship. The first of these services will be Sunday, July 21st at Oakwood Park in Lake Mills at 5pm. More details to follow in next month's newsletter and Northwood's will be in conjunction with Founder's Day – also more details next newsletter.

God is doing great things in our churches and communities as we faithfully continue to serve. Pray for our churches, our people, and myself – as I pray for all of you, as we continue to be difference makers in Worth and Winnebago Counties and beyond.

Pastor Rob

**Breakfast Food for Thought
at the Bean & Bistro in Northwood
Wed, June 12 at 8 am**

**Lunch Food for Thought
at Ay Jalisco in LM,
June 12th at Noon**



June 2019 Prayer Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Vivian Kvale Jeff Christianson Kathy Christianson Becky Johnston
2 Charise Schwarm Tyler Gasper Anne Skellenger Sandy Stucky Haley Slattum	3 Andrea Ostrander Faith Christenson Wade Fridley Bryan Christianson	4 Harlan Levenson Kaisen Mary Deb Mueller Mike Godfrey Gabe Rogstad	5 Aaron Mannes Daryl Sherman Cody McClanahan Tyce Skellenger Jill Stucky	6 Ben Peterson Tate Grotewold Schipper Emma Taft Shirley Higbee	7 Rylan Heath Malissa Taft Kyle Stucky Glenn Steiff	8 Edward Schwarm Harriet Young Kaylee Taft Ryan Mueller
9 Foster Hartman Anna Budach Ryan Skellenger Bryan Arnold Grace Skellenger	10 Chris Heitland Royce Peterson Michael McColloch Char Hanson Ruth Robb	11 Jeremy Ostrander Alyssa Slattum Mya Peterson Paula Harris	12 Jason Slattum Samuel Erdahl Ryan Williamson Carol Jones	13 Vernon Angel Chad Tiedeman Avery Grunhovd Doris Grotewold	14 Sonja Tiedman Jeanie Grotewold Luella Jaspers Drae Love	15 Cole Christianson Sarah Heath Winona Hennigar Pearle Imler
16 Ashten Love Eric Christianson Karen Abrahams August Madson	17 Lyla Rogstad Breanna Mary Warren Jones Chris Rogstad	18 Daryl Groe Noah Irons Finley Rogstad Dennis Walser	19 Sherrylee Gasper JJ Grotewold Schipper Anna Mae Taylor	20 Ben Irons Betty Vold Wanda Citurs Becky Jacks	21 John Budach Rock Bridges Roger Hermanson Jeff Greve	22 Hudson Ostrander Jill Nelson Margie Barber Dominic Williamson
23 Logan Ostrander Jean Heitland Jackson Grunhovd Sandy Rainey	24 Lynn Lair Kim Bode Nora Mammen Nancy Mathahs	25 Gary Thompson Casey Tiedman Ian Podgorniak George kesler	26 Lillian Young Sue Bridges Cory Stucky Dae Haskins	27 Gary Heimdal Alexander Tiedeman Rhonda Fridley Bradley Jaspers	28 Wayne Roberts David Taft Josh Tiedman Jim Meland	29 Dan Tiedman Betty Lanpap Mary Arrett- Branstad CK Christianson
30 Blake Grotewold Carol Griffiths Cohen Bode Kenneth Nitcher						



What do you need this Summer?

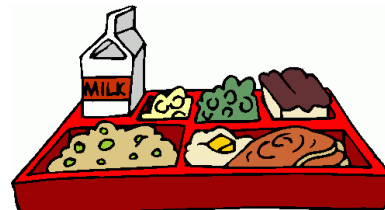
- * Friendship and Laughter
- * Praise and Worship
- * Exploring and Relaxing
- * Horses and Nature
- * Spiritual Growth
- * Challenge and Skills
- * Fun and Adventure
- * Campfire and Prayer
- * Swimming and Canoeing
- * Leadership Development

There is something **special at our 3 Iowa United Methodist Camps** – Okoboji – Pictured Rocks – Wesley Woods. Explore an adventure of **Faith, Fun, and Friendship!**

For information on Summer Camps, see Asbury's Camp Display in the basement Fellowship Hall or contact Rev. Jerry your Camp Ambassador.

2019 LM SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

The Lake Mills Summer Lunch Program at Salem Lutheran Church will begin serving on Monday, June 3rd. Asbury volunteers will serve Monday throughout the summer months. Volunteers are to be at the Salem Lutheran Church kitchen/dining area by 10:45 am on the days you volunteer. Meals are served from 11:00am -12:15am each day. Volunteers stay until 12:45 pm to help cleanup. Volunteers will primarily be serving food and clean-up. You will have the opportunity to eat at the end of the serving period. There is an onsite coordinator who will provide some simple training for volunteers and tell them what they need to do. The cook also will be helpful on those matters. A special thanks to all who have volunteered.



Asbury UMC Noisy Offering – June: Women at the Well Ministry

Women at the Well is a United Methodist congregation which is located within the walls of the Iowa Correctional Institution for Women ICIW, in Mitchellville, Iowa.

Women at the Well is a diverse community composed of women incarcerated at ICIW, men and women from around the State of Iowa who choose to worship with us, and many volunteers who regularly support our ministries and programs. Inmates gather together to share the teachings of Jesus Christ, and to experience the life transforming Spirit of God.

Sunday, June 2nd is 'Kids Against Hunger' Meal assembly day at Asbury United Methodists Church. All members are encouraged to stay after church and help assemble 4,000 meals for distribution to those in hunger around the world. A potluck meal will be served prior during the 10:00 fellowship time (bring one dish to pass) and meal assembly will begin shortly after. Many hands will make for fun and light work, while also fulfilling the nutritional needs of hungry children and families throughout the world.



Asbury United Methodist Church

Administrative Council Minutes

(Unapproved) **Tuesday, May 14, 2019 5:30 pm**

Brad Grotewold, vice chairperson called the meeting to order on Tuesday, May 14th at 5:30 p.m.

The following were present: Pastor Rob, Daryl and Joyce Sherman, Pastor Jerry and Betty Robertson and Harriet Young. Betty gave the devotion "Remember the Sabbath". The March secretary's report was read and approved. The treasurer's report was given. Daryl stated that the balance is \$7,238.33 and April apportionments have been paid.

Pastor Jerry gave a Missions report stating that 1400 pounds of food had been collected for the Stamp Out Hunger Drive. He also stated that Asbury would be serving the Kids on Monday's at the summer lunch program at Salem.

Asbury will be holding a worship service on Sunday, July 21st at 5:00 p.m. at the park. The community is invited to participate. On Sunday, June 2nd Asbury will be packaging Kids against Hunger meals. This will be following a potluck dinner. Watch for more regarding this. Joyce reported that 14 had attended the Lenten study.

Betty reported from the UMW that LaVonne is stepping down as president. If there is anyone interested in taking the position please let an UMW member know.

Joyce will be doing the worship service on May 26th as Pastor Rob will be on vacation. Jerry stated that he will pull the church float in the July Jubilee parade but he needs help getting it out of the shed.

Annual conference will be held on June 7th thru 11th in Des Moines. Pastor Rob, Pastor Jerry and Betty Robertson and Daryl Sherman will be attending from Asbury,

The next meeting will be held on July 9th at 5:30 p.m. Joyce will give the devotions. Motion by Daryl and seconded by Brad that the meeting be adjourned.

Harriet Young, Recording Secretary

Northwood United Methodist Church

Council Minutes

(Unapproved) **Thursday, April 28, 2019 at 11:30 am**

The Northwood United Methodist Church Council met on Sunday, April 28, 2019 following the church service.

Members present: Terry Steinmetz; Bobbi Hooks; Nancy Mathahs; Karen Abrahams; Bobbi Bendickson; Margie Barber and Pastor Rob.

Bobbi Bendickson reported that it was time for the church parsonage funds from that sale to be reinvested in the Church Building Account. Motion by Terry, 2nd by Margie that we keep one-half of the funds to be used to pay the necessary bills for repairs and the remainder to be reinvested. Motion carried.

Motion by Terry, 2nd by Bobbi Hooks to hire Duane Abrahams to mow the church lawn at a rate of \$15.00 each time. Motion carried. Times to be turned into Nancy, church treasurer to be paid.

Discussion of the Lions Club use of the fellowship hall for meetings and meals. They would be hiring someone outside of the church to prepare and serve the meals. It will be on a trial basis as there were questions on how much extra janitorial work and use of the kitchen equipment that would be.

Pastor Rob has expressed interest in a Community Garden to be planted just east of the church. Several students from the Northwood-Kensett High School would come on their annual cleanup day on the morning of May 8th to prepare the ground and will be supervised by Pastor Rob.

Meeting adjourned.

Karen Abrahams, Council Secretary



LM SUMMER DAY CAMP 2019 at SALEM

Salem Lutheran Church will again be offering a summer day camp for area children July 15 through morning of July 18th. A Meal for the community will be planned for Thursday night closing program at Oakwood Park. The leadership team this year will be from Ingham Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp. There is room for 30 children.....**Registration & health forms are now available in the Camp Display Area of the basement Fellowship Hall at Asbury UMC.**

Mission u

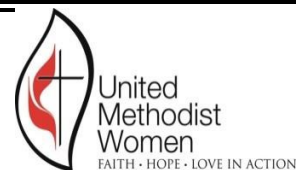
Learning Together for Transformation of the World

July 21-23, 2019 -Summer Mission u

October 18-20, 2019 - Fall Mission u

CONTINUING OUR LEGACY: 150 years of serving women, children and youth

1 Corinthians 13:13 (NIV): And now these three things remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.



The United Methodist Women (UMW) Mission u summer and fall events are wonderful opportunities to study current issues impacting society based on recent mission study topics. Whether you are young or old, laity or clergy, a UMW member or not, a first timer or attend every year, you are invited.

Adult Studies include:

Spiritual Growth Study:

Practicing Resurrection: The Gospel of Mark and Radical Discipleship.

This study explores what it means to live a life of radical discipleship today, using the Gospel of Mark as the foundation.

Special Anniversary Study:

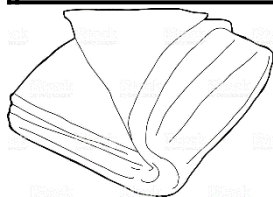
Women United for Change: 150 Years in Mission

United for Change is the first in a two-year study commemorating United Methodist Women's 150th anniversary in 2019.

Social Issue Study: What About Our Money?

"What About Our Money" explores how we relate to money within the context of our faith.

Registration forms may be found online at www.iaumc.org/missionuformerlysocm. We accept registrations up to the time of the event, but appreciate them as soon as possible. Registration costs include all meals except breakfast.



CWS [Church World Service] BLANKETS HONOR CERTIFICATE

Asbury UMC has been awarded an Honor Certificate for Church World Service Blankets given in grateful response to their contributions made through the Children Noisy Offering and donations by the congregation to the Thanksgiving Ingathering of 2018. Rev. John L. McCullough, President & CEO Church World Service (The Award is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway just outside the north door of the church sanctuary.)

Kudos to Postal Patrons on National Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive

A special thanks to the generous support of Lake Mills area postal customers on National Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive on Saturday, May 11th. L.M. City and Rural Letter Carriers along with the help of Boy Scout Troop 44 collected 1400lbs. of food for the Lake Mills Food Shelf.



Julie Imus
Shelly Skellenger
Ed Monson
Donna Lair

Tami Hooks
Sidney Kvale
John Scherb
Carole Yocum
Kathy Voorhes

our military and their loving families,
the unemployed, Iowa UMC Cabinet and Bishop.

Lake Mills Care Center...

Carol Griffiths

Lillian Smith

Good Shepard Mason City...

Ivan Olson

In Our Thoughts...

Lutheran Retirement Home in Northwood...

George Kesler

Norma Kay Martinson

Nancy Whitesell

The Pines— Winona Hennigar

Sandy Nitcher

Bernice Estes

Wanda Citurs

(any names added to the prayer list will be kept on for 3 weeks unless the office is contacted with updated information to keep on for an addition amount of time. Thank you. NorthwoodUMC@msn.com)

Northwood Sunday Schedule

10:30 am Worship Service-N

11:45 am Fellowship –N

**Asbury Sunday Schedule**

9:00 am Worship –A

10:00 am Fellowship –A

Sun**Mon****Tue****Wed****Thu****Fri****Sat**

						1
2 Regular Service	3 9am-Noon VBS in Bolan	4 7pm Joint SPRC at NWD 9am-Noon VBS in Bolan	5 5:30 pm UMW-A 9am-Noon VBS in Bolan	6 9am-Noon VBS in Bolan	7 Annual Conference 9am-Noon VBS in Bolan	8 Annual Conference
9 Regular Service Annual Conference	10	11	12 Food 4 Thought 8am Bean & Bistro-NWD Noon Ay Jalisco- LM	13 10am Council Meeting-N	14	15
16 Regular Service	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Northwood Ecumenical Worship at the Fairgrounds 9am <u>Asbury Worship</u> 10:30 am	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Regular Service						



SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NORTHWOOD

2019	2-June	9-June	16-June	23-June	30-June
Scripture Reader	Sandy Olson				
Ushers	Mike Godfrey & Wade Bendickson	Mike Godfrey & Wade Bendickson	Wade Bendickson & Bob Perry	Wade Bendickson & Bob Perry	Wade Bendickson & Bob Perry
Coffee Servers	Nancy & Patrick Mathahs	B&W Bendickson and Bob & Verla Perry	Margie & Jack Barber	Sherry Schmitt & Karen Abrahams	Betty Chapin & Barb Walser
Communion Steward	Bobbi Hooks				

We are always in need of volunteers! Check the sign up sheet in Wesley Hall to let us know when you can help. **If you find that you are unavailable to help on the Sunday assigned, please trade with someone else on the list** and let the Office know (641-324-1557).

STAFF PARISH PASTOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

If you have concerns or compliments regarding the church, please talk to Pastor Rob first. If you talk to Pastor Rob and still have a concern, please contact a SPRC member.

ASBURY UMC

2019

Betty Robertson
Joyce Sherman
David Taft
Richard Schwarm
Megan Peterson
Scott Nelson
Donna Lair

NORTHWOOD UMC

2019

Bobbi Bendickson
Karen Abrahams
John Greve
Mary Christianson
Mike Bode

Church Attendance

Worship	<u>N</u>	<u>A</u>
28-Apr	47	115
5-May	40	52
12-May	32	50
19-May	30	56
26-May		

***If you have any compliments about your church,
share them with everyone!***

Happy Birthdays! Happy Birthday! Happy Birthday!

Asbury

5 Harlan Levenson
6 Aaron Mannes
6 Ben Peterson
8 Edward Schwarm
10 Foster Hartman
10 Chris Heitland
13 Jeremy Ostrander
14 Jason Slattum
15 Vernon Angel
15 Sonja Tiedman
15 Cole Christianson
15 Ashten Love
18 Lyla Rogstad
18 Daryl Groe
19 Sherrylee Gasper
21 Ben Irons
21 John Budach
22 Hudson Ostrander
22 Logan Ostrander
23 Gary Thompson
23 Lillian Young
23 Gary Heimdal
25 Wayne Roberts
29 Dan Tiedman
29 Blake Grotewold

Northwood

4 Deb Mueller
5 Cody McClanahan
17 Warren Jones
19 Arnie Griffith
23 Sandy Rainey
24 Kim Bode
24 Ian Podgorniak
26 Cory Stucky
27 Rhonda Fridley
29 Lisa Jensen
30 Mary Arrett-Branstad
30 Cohen Jace Bode



Making Possible the Proclamation of Christ's Peace

Moved by Christ's love to pursue reconciliation and peace, honoring the dignity of every individual made in God's image, The United Methodist Church is unwilling to turn a blind eye to injustice. The special offering on **June 23, 2019** for Peace with Justice Sunday makes our critical kingdom work in the world possible. Your gift to Peace with Justice Sunday enables The United Methodist Church to have a voice in advocating for peace and justice through a broad spectrum of global programs. Together, all of us can make a difference by sowing seeds—and yielding fruit!—of peace.

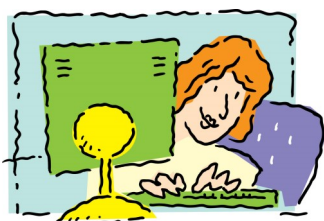


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*We appreciate receiving
your articles for
upcoming church events!*

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send the information via email
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