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REFLECTIONS

Hello and GOD blessings to you all.

I would like to thank everyone who has prayed for us on our move to the area. It went very well and have a new sense of direction and territory to explore. It is an adventure every day of new beginnings and new blessings. As we start to unpack, I am reflecting on what the bible says about stuff. Our worldly stuff and the baggage we carry around and why? The bible tells us in many places not to worry about our things and the world so much as we should be caring and worrying about our relationship with GOD through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. As I open each box and look inside, I think about those words and I think, do I really need this or that? Sure, there are things we can't do without but others I am like, why did we pack this and haul it up here and now I am wondering where I am going to put it or is it the time to get rid of it now?? Decisions, decisions??? We must make these decisions everyday- what to keep and what do we let go of. It's not just material things, but feelings and emotions as well. What do we keep and what do we give to GOD and let go of, the things we never have to worry or be overwhelmed by? We, as humans, worry an awful lot and keep things in ourselves that we need to let go of. Reflect on those feelings and events that keep us from GOD. Carrie Underwood has a popular country song called "Jesus Take the Wheel". The lyrics express how that works for us. We are spinning out of control and need someone to take control and give us direction and lead us. Look back at the tough times in our lives and how we survived. I know you will see where GOD did take your wheel and helped you through those times. Yes, we are donating some things to places that help others just because we don't need them anymore but hope that someone will. We are helping ourselves and others at the same time and it is a good feeling to have the opportunity to give and let go. Leave the packing and unpacking to GOD and our lives will become less cluttered and complicated. It is up to us. Do we keep it and put it on a shelf or in a closet to become dusty and dirty and out of mind or a thing we keep moving around because we just can't find the right place for it? The right place is with GOD. Let it go and leave those things and walk towards the light of Christ. Hit our knees and give thanks to the one who takes care of us all even when we are out of control and holding on to things that don't matter. Be safe and warm in the months to come for the warmer days are coming. Amen.

Love and Laughter,
Pastor Paul+

→ Charge News ←

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

Please sign up to be a liturgist and share your gifts.

February 2nd

Old Testament

Psalms 15

New Testament

1st Corinthians 1:18-31

Gospel

Matthew 5:1-12

Blessed are We

February 9th

Old Testament

Isaiah 58:1-12

New Testament

1st Corinthians

Gospel

Matthew 5:13-20

Spirit Filled

February 16th

Old Testament

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Responsive Reading

Psalms 119 UMH #840

New Testament

1st Corinthians 3:1-9

Gospel

Matthew 5:21-37

We Have Choices

February 23rd

Transfiguration Sunday

Old Testament

Exodus 24:12-18

New Testament

2nd Peter 1:16-21

Gospel

Matthew 17:1-9

Mountains

February 26th

Ash Wednesday

Old Testament

Joel 2:1-1, 12-17

Responsive Reading

Psalms 51:1-17 UMH #785

New Testament

2nd Corinthians 5:20-6:10

Gospel

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Ashes and Dust

Jane Skaare will be placing a Script order in February. If you would like to take advantage of this easy money making program she will need your information by February 7th.

Jane Skaare
715-595-6025

"Taste of the Tundra"

Sunday, February 1 --11:30a.m

Holcombe United Methodist Church

2/10 mile west off Hwy 27 on County M



Chili Contest....

All are welcome to bring
(by 11:15) a slow cooker of
homemade chili for
judging (at 11:30) and sharing
in a free lunch- at noon (chili,
breads, cookies, bars, beverage).



Games and family fun

Pie and Cake Silent Auction

Several Pie and Cake Walks

*Proceeds from the pie/cake walk; pie/cake silent auctions will be donated to
Camaraderie Club to cover expenses of mailing bi-weekly care packages to our local
troops serving overseas*

Missions Committee Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2020 at 1:00 pm

Present: Liz Dempsey, Jim Beede, Mary Beede, Carol Cote, Jerry Vaughn, Pastor Paul Messmer, Cheryl Bingham

Meeting started at 1pm with prayer by Pastor Paul. New members Carol Cote & Jerry Vaughn were welcomed. Passed out Agenda, December meeting minutes, 2019 budget report received from Carla with \$24.12 carry-over to 2020. Mission schedule for 2019 UMC special Sunday offerings (to use in preparing 2020 schedule). Discussed 2020 yearly schedule of six UMC special Sunday offerings {Human Relations (February), UMCOR (March), Native American Ministries Sunday (April), Peace with Justice Sunday (June), World Communion Sunday (October), and UM Student Day (November)} and one Wisconsin conference special offering (Golden Cross - August).

A bulletin insert will be used the first Sunday and an offering envelope the second Sunday of each month with a special offering.

Noisy bucket offerings will continue on the fourth Sunday of each month. These offerings support the work being done at Mujila Falls in Zambia.

Discussed scheduling of special projects for the year.

- Warm socks will be collected mid-January through the end of February.

- Food pantry collection will be done in March and again in the fall.

- Easter egg collection will be done in April to raise funds for camp scholarships.

- Baby bottle collection will be done in May for CareNet (Mary will pick up and return bottles).

- Student collections will be done this fall to benefit our Holcombe school students and our HUMC college students.

- Christmas family collection will be done in December (Liz will work with the school to obtain our family(s) and desired gifts earlier this year.)

Camp booklets, posters, and bulletin inserts have been ordered. Camp scholarships will be promoted by our members this spring to encourage our church & community students to attend one of the UMC camps in Wisconsin.

Taste of the Tundra is scheduled for Saturday, 2/1/2020. Sign-up sheets are out and posters will be ready for distribution this week. Mary will promote the event at church on 1/19/2020 and Jim will promote it on 1/26/2020. All funds raised from this event will be sent to "Support the Troops" project coordinated by the Cornell/Lake Holcombe Camaraderie Club. The group is currently sending 15 packages every 2 weeks to soldiers stationed overseas, all either from the local area or with a local family connection.

Our next meeting will be February 11 at 1pm at the Holcombe church.

Minutes by Cheryl Bingham

Greetings! My name is Tracey and I am the new Administrative Assistant for the charge office at the HUMC. I look forward to serving the congregations of Anson, Holcombe, and Jim Falls United Methodist Churches. Thank you to Jennifer Heidtke and Pastor Paul for your help and great organizational skills which have aided me in completing my first bulletin and Parish Post.

Blessings,
Tracey Larson

⇒ Jim Falls News ⇐

Jim Falls Ad Board Minutes
Jim Falls United Methodist Church
Ad Board meeting – 01/21/2020

Attending: Pastor Paul, Mary, Keith, Bob, Carla, Robbie and Brian

Pastor Paul started the meeting with prayer.

Minutes of our September meeting were not available.
Treasurer's report was discussed and accepted.

Old business:

Trustees: After some discussion, a motion was made by Carla, seconded by Robbie and carried to replace the neon on the cross on our roof at an approximate cost of \$1,000.00. Also needed are new bulbs for the sign in the front yard. Bob then reported that, due to the number of keys that have been distributed and the length of time since we last did this, it may be time to consider changing locks on the church doors. After much discussion, a motion was made by Carla, seconded by Keith and carried to install new door locks and to further separate activity between the food pantry and the sanctuary, a door be installed between the fellowship hall and the narthex. It was agreed to use money from the Memorial fund to pay for these items.

Men's Group: In December, the men's group fund purchased many gift cards to thank several volunteers at the church.

New business:

Dates for our fund raising events were scheduled as follows:

Maple Syrup Supper	04/15/20
Donut Fry	05/22/20
Chicken dinner	06/10/20
Hot Dog stand	09/06/20
Donut Fry	09/11/20
Harvest dinner	10/07/20

After some discussion, it was decided that converting the old secretary's office into a lounge was not needed at this time.

Bob played a phone message from the Lein's thanking the church for the Spanish bibles we had sent for their Mexico Mission.

Pastor Paul would like for us to consider ideas of ways we could use the rooms in the basement to minister to our community and perhaps draw more people into our building. Mary suggested a Christian Pre-K program. Everyone thought this was a good idea and Pastor will talk to someone from the Jim Falls School to see if there is something we could partner with them for.

A motion to adjourn was made by Keith, seconded by Carla and happily approved.

Respectfully submitted by Carla Ingalls

2020 February Birthdays and Anniversaries!

Anson

7 Brian & Melissa Crogg
Beth McIlquham
9 Brianna Griesbach
16 Laura Boos
18 Barb Ginder
21 Darla Crogg
Shirley McIlquham
24 Don Hauser

Jim Falls

1 Susan Karlen
4 Shari Raleigh
7 Kody Dunlap
8 Gary Lazarz
9 Serena Stipek
10 Joanne Nemitz
17 Matthew Pitsch
18 Sam Sorenson
22 Scott Lazarz

Holcombe

1 Mary Beede
5 Mark Cigan
Eliot Dixon
Mike & Kathy Minot
Carol Severson
7 Sandi Lesmeister
Vic Rouleau
10 Brenda Cigan
Jennifer Heidtke
12 Dave Pietenpol
13 Lori Popp
16 Jacob Hillebrand
17 Alice Larson
19 Aron Cote
Elizabeth Hillebrand
Justin Ross
21 Dennis Baker
23 Tate Sauerwein
25 Ronald & Gail
Laudenslager
27 Erma David
28 Jodi Anders



February 2020

Anson, Holcombe, Jim Falls UMCs

H - Holcombe UMC, JF - Jim Falls UMC, A - Anson UMC, P - Pastor,
C - Charge, D - North West District, NW12 - North West Circuit 12,
AC - Wisconsin Annual Conference

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Taste of the Tundra (H) 11:30 a
2 4 th Sunday after the Epiphany Worship w/ Holy Communion 8:30 (H), 10a (JF), 11:15a (A) Introduce New Members (H) (JF) Adult Sunday School 10a (H)	3 Food Pantry (JF) 4-6p	4 Men's Breakfast (H) 7:30a Worship Committee (H) 9a Lay Servant (C) 10a	5 Choir Rehearsal (H) 5p	6 UMW (JF) 1p	7	8
9 5 th Sunday after the Epiphany Worship 8:30 (H), 10a (JF), 11:15a (A) Children's Sunday School 10a (H) Adult Sunday School 10a (H)	10 Food Pantry (JF) 4-6p	11 Missions (H) 1:30p Food Pantry (H) 2-5p	12 Choir Rehearsal (H) 5p	13 UMW (H) 1:30p Ad Board (H) 6p	14 Men's Breakfast (JF) 7:30a	15
16 6 th Sunday after the Epiphany Worship 8:30 (H), 10a (JF), 11:15a (A) Adult Sunday School 10a (H)	17 Food Pantry (JF) 4-6p	18	19	20	21	22
23 Transfiguration Sunday Worship 11:15a (A) w/ Noisy Bucket Offering 8:30 (H), 10a (JF) Children's Sunday School 10a (H) Adult Sunday School 10a (H)	24 Food Pantry (JF) 4-6p	25 Food Pantry (H) 2-5p	26 Ash Wednesday Worship (A&JF) 5p, (H) 7p Choir Rehearsal (H) 5p	27 Worship Committee (JF) 10:30a	28	29

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Bill and Karen Stimeling (HC), Ken Flouro (HC)

Lay member of Annual Conference

Bill Stimeling (HC)

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JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS

HOLCOMBE 8:30 A.M.

JIM FALLS 10 A.M.

ANSON 11:15 A.M.