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**FEBRUARY 2023 TOWER**

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*Please join us!  
Worship 9:00 a.m.  
Fellowship 10:00 a.m.  
Hispanic Worship at Noon*

**Lent Begins Ash Wednesday,  
February 22nd  
Lent Devotion & Luncheon at Noon  
Fellowship Hall - Each Wednesday  
In Lent Through March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

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Jeff Demet	February	1
Davian Rosario		1
Katie Harrington		3
Denise Bruneau		4
Scout Pelnar		7
Jamie Pehkonen		8
Renee Yartey		16
Joe Almburg		17
Joan Jones		23
Gracie Yartey		25
Jim Aldinger		28



Van & Pat Brown February 17  
 (Congratulations on your 55 years together Van & Pat!)

**NOISY CANS**

Our Noisy Cans are passed during the offering on Sunday mornings. Each month the Noisy Cans proceed benefit a local charity, or project within the church. Last month we collected \$112 for New Beginnings (Assoc. for the Prevention of Family Violence). This month we will collect donations for United Methodist Children's Services.

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*Mission Statement*

*We strive to love God with open hearts, minds, and souls, and to love our neighbors as ourselves.*

*Vision Statement*

*The people of Delavan United Methodist Church are committed to deepening our understanding, living, and sharing of our faith by worshiping God and reaching out to members of the community, regardless of age, race, ethnic origin, gender or economic status, sexual orientation, mental or physical ability.*

*The people of the United Methodist Church*

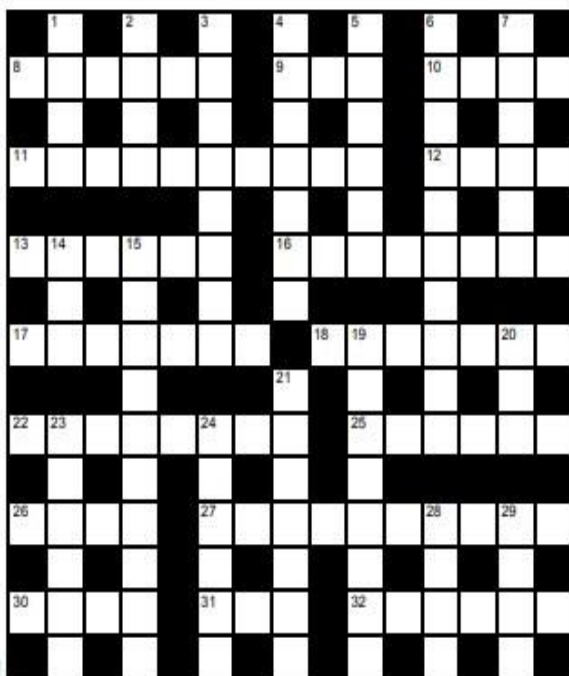
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# BIBLE CROSSWORD II

## Across

- 8 Religious service (6)
- 9 Vessel (3)
- 10 Drive forcibly (4)
- 11 Christ does this for us (10)
- 12 Bethesda was the name of this (4)
- 13 Servant of a prophet (6)
- 16 One who leaves the straight and narrow path (8)
- 17 Check the money (7)
- 18 Fragrant offering; make angry (7)
- 22 Come out from among them (8)



by Philologus

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| 25 Works with clay (6)            | 2 Brother of James; Hardy book (4) | 20 The blind will (3)                                  |
| 26 Main part of text (4)          | 3 Choice by vote (8)               | 21 Regrets; Serpent (anag) (7)                         |
| 27 Chucked it too far (10)        | 4 Evening glow (7)                 | 23 Angels by another name (6)                          |
| 30 Treachery sealed with this (4) | 5 All sing the tune (6)            | 24 Decorates (6)                                       |
| 31 Simon washed his (3)           | 6 To reduce deficiency (10)        | 28 Say it and you will be in danger of the council (4) |
| 32 Migratory grasshopper (6)      | 7 Take no notice of (6)            | 29 Cleanse (4)   |
|                                   | 14 Look at (3)                     |  |
|                                   | 15 Alternative Revelation (10)     |  |
|                                   | 19 Son of Jacob (8)                |  |

## Down

- 1 Standard for the tribe of Judah (4)



Our Lenten Devotion & Luncheons will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. Ash Wednesday is our day to host.

We will have a short devotion followed by a luncheon of homemade soup, bread, crackers, cookies/brownies and beverage.

The following churches/groups have agreed to host:

- February 22 (Ash Weds.): Delavan UMC
- March 1: The Monday Club (former Lionesses)
- March 8: St. Andrew's Catholic Church
- March 15: (tba)
- March 22: Creek Road Community Church

Sign-up sheets will be in the Fellowship Hall the beginning of February - please sign up to make soups, donate bread, and cookies/bars, and help with set-up and clean-up.



# WELCOME New Members

On Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, eight new members were received into our church family! Pictured below (left to right) is: Zelbert & Nancy Williams, Denise Bruneau, Joanne Howe, Dory Abellada, and Brian Palenshus. (Not pictured: Susie Pegel and Dorie Kosche)



*Please keep the following members and friends in your prayers.*

*For healing and strength:* Steve Jones, Pastor Eduardo de la Cruz, Nick Gianitsos, the Vasquez Family.

*For our military:* Nicholas Bell

## *February Worship Participants*

### Sunday, February 5:

**Ushers:** John Behlman, Greg Matthews, Van Brown  
**Communion:** Joan Jones & Anita Ryan  
**Lector:** Cheryl Wolfe  
**Greeter:** Cheryl Davis  
**Coffee:** Dory Abellada

### Sunday, February 12:

**Ushers:** Dick Martin, Don Edmunds  
**Lector:** Don Edmunds  
**Greeter:** Sandy Edmunds  
**Coffee:** (volunteer needed)

### Sunday, February 19:

**Ushers:** Jim Aldinger, Don August, John Behlman  
**Lector:** Anita Ryan  
**Greeters:** Cathy & Lindsey Duesterbeck  
**Coffee:** (volunteer needed)

### Sunday, February 26:

**Ushers:** Dale Thompson  
**Lector:** Joan Jones  
**Greeters:** Judy Weyrough & Cheryl Wolfe  
**Coffee:** Carolyn Matthews



*While many of us dream of getting roses and chocolates for Valentine's Day, we've already received the best Valentine there is. Roger W. Hancock couldn't have put it more perfectly when he said: "Jesus is God's valentine, sent to you with love."*



**We believe love in action can change the world.  
We're a sisterhood acting in faith to tackle the hard work of the world without hesitation.**

**We connect spiritual women to act boldly for justice and transform communities.**

“Here I found the purpose I sought and the sisterhood I yearned for.” –  
Ainise Isama'u

These are excerpts from the UW Faith website: uwfaith.org. Your new Delavan UW Faith 2023 Program Book, **Mosaic of Faith, We Are All Part of God's Story** shows our plan of action for Delavan UWF moving forward in 2023 following these guidelines:

**Mission** – United Women in Faith seeks to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship and education so that they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities.

**Vision** – Turning faith, hope and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world.

**Purpose** – To be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, March 23 at 1:00 p.m. in the church library and by Zoom. Bring personal dignity kit items to pack for Midwest Mission. Offering will go for supplies.

We are also invited to a UWF meeting at Milton UMC, 241 Northwise Dr., Milton WI. on March 1<sup>st</sup> and 1 p.m. Deaconess Judy Vasby will present her story in the prison ministry. Please RSVP to one of the officers or Jeanne at the church office if you would like to attend.



*Pastor Angel's Page*

**What should I do, Lord?**

**What should I do?**

Have you ever made that question in prayer?

There are many times in our lives that we need to ask this question to the Lord. If you find yourself asking this question, I have good news for you! You are not alone.

The reality is that worry and anxiety wants to take control during this period of life. Where do we go to find answers, peace, and understanding? What should we do with these feelings? I turn to the word of God because it refreshes me. It gives me hope; it gives me a purpose. One of the people I admire and learned from is Paul. He inspires me when I feel this way. It is not that he is better than Christ, not at all, but certainly, I can learn a lot from him. He wrote in his 2<sup>nd</sup> letter to the Corinthians 4:17-18: *“For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever! 18 So we don't look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen. For the things we see now will soon be gone, but the things we cannot see will last forever.”*

This gives me a lot of hope and helps me redirect my thoughts from what the news and the world talks about. We don't need to accept what we are seeing as if will last forever, For the things that are happening will not last forever, however God's love is forever, Christ's grace is forever, Jesus's sacrifice was enough once and forever and his peace is greater than any imaginable thing.

I hope that this word will encourage you the same way it did to me. I will leave you with the blessing God gave Moses for his people. Numbers 6:24-26: *“May the Lord bless you and protect you. 25 May the Lord smile on you and be gracious to you. 26 May the Lord show you his favor and give you his peace.”*



Your Food Pantry has been very busy this month! On the first three Wednesdays of January we have had 22, 29 and 28 families who have received food from our pantry. Through your generous support and the blessing of a Christian woman named Robin we have been able to meet the needs of the growing number of families. Robin has augmented the items that we have to offer by donating significant amounts of shelf stable foods, frozen meats, fresh produce and eggs. She said that she and her family have received a blessing and that they wish to share it. When we have thanked her on behalf of the pantry and the families that we help, she said, “Thank Jesus.” We have done that many times and we invite you to join us in thanking Jesus for our special angel, Robin.

We continue to develop our relationship with Feeding America and learning how to best use them as one of our food resources. Van and Ed recently got a tour of the reorganized facility on Fond du Lac Ave. in Milwaukee. Switching to a “pick-up” or delivery only system allowed them to convert the former space that had been used for in-person shopping to an area used for sorting donations by their expanded volunteer program.

As well, Kroger Co. (Parent Corp. of Pick ‘n Save and Metro Markets) has a large dedicated area in Feeding America’s warehouse with 4 Kroger employees that process all the items that are donated. Kroger is the largest donor of surplus food to Feeding America. Other donors include Trader Joes, Sendik’s, Sam’s Club, and Wal-Mart.

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## Lenten Practices

For nearly 2,000 years the 40-day season of Lent has been used by God’s people to remember the events of Jesus’ crucifixion and resurrection. We encourage you to take on these daily spiritual practices which can help protect from distraction and increase our ability to hear from God.

**Monday: Make no purchases.** Most of us can buy things whenever we need them. Take a day to fast purchases.

**Tuesday: Make a personal contact.** Our lives can be busy. Many of us are in such a rush that we don’t have time for relationships. Write and send a hand-written note. Make a phone call to an old friend. Have people over for a meal.

**Wednesday: Fast noise.** We are constantly barraged with noise from our TV, radio, social media, and ads. Embrace silence so God’s voice may be loud in your life. Turn off your car radio. Take a break from social media. Keep the tv off today. As you do, speak out your prayers and listen for God’s still voice.

**Thursday: Add an extra hour of sleep.** We are designed to need sleep. Rest is one of the greatest gifts God gives us. Go to bed an hour early. If you can’t sleep, lie in bed and pray or read your Bible.

**Friday: Fast a food of your choice.** It is easy to become addicted to sweets, caffeine, and constant eating. Choose to fast a meal or a food of choice.

**Saturday: Add an hour of physical activity.** When we take care of our bodies we take care of the temple of the Holy Spirit. Go for a walk.

**Sunday: Celebrate in worship!** Participate with the community in the 9:00 a.m. service!

## FOOD PANTRY (con't)

### THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT



FAITHFULNESS

GENTLENESS

GOODNESS

JOY

KINDNESS

LOVE



PATIENCE

PEACE

SELF-CONTROL



### It's Chili Time!

Don Edmunds will be making his wonderful chili the weekend of Super Bowl Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. The chili will be for sale during coffee hour that Sunday. All proceeds will benefit the church. If you would like to purchase some chili, but won't be able to make it to church that Sunday, please call the church office at 262-728-3644 to reserve your container of chili.

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| Canned Pineapple             | Applesauce       | Salsa     |
| Hamburger Helper             | Tuna Helper      | Sugar     |
| Chunky Peanut Butter         | Salt/Pepper      | Jelly     |
| Spaghetti Sauce (w/meat)     | Sloppy Joe Sauce | Beef Stew |
| Corned Beef Hash             | Chunky Soup      |           |
| Unsweetened/Sweetened Cereal |                  |           |



# February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
HBP=Hispanic Band Practice	<b>Pastor on vacation Feb. 8-15</b>		<b>1</b> 9 am Food Pantry 7:30 pm AA (CR)	<b>2</b> 6:30 pm Pastor Lilliannett's Bible Study (FH)	<b>3</b> 10 am AA (CR)	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> 9 am Worship 10 am Fellowship 10:30 am HBP 12 pm Hispanic Worship	<b>6</b> 1 pm The Monday Club (FH)	<b>7</b> 6 pm <b>OUTREACH TEAM</b> (L) 5 pm TOPS (FH) 7 pm Hispanic Bible Study	<b>8</b> 9 am Food Pantry 1:30 pm Delavan Serv. League (FH) 7:30 pm AA (CR)	<b>9</b> 9:30 am Friends of the Library (FH) 5 pm <b>FINANCE C.</b> 6:30 pm Pastor L's Bible Study (FH)	<b>10</b> 10 am AA (CR)	<b>11</b>
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FH = Fellowship Hall; L = Library; CR = Community Room; S = Sanctuary  
 TOPS = Take Off Pounds Sensibly; AA = Alcoholics Anonymous