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

★ Coming Events ★

Town Hall Meeting - March 5 - 10:15 a.m.

Lent Devotion & Luncheons
Held Each Wednesday
Through March 22nd
at Noon
Fellowship Hall

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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 worshipping 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

Live the Fruit of the Spirit

**TOWN HALL MEETING
 SUNDAY, MARCH 5
 FOLLOWING COFFEE HOUR**

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Puzzle!

Slow down and uncover this message and Bible verse, using the code below.

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Answer: We must talk to God and listen for God. “Be still, and know that I am God.” (Psalm 46:10)



We will continue our Lent Devotion & Luncheons each Wednesday through March 22nd at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. Below is the schedule of host churches/groups.

March 1:	The Monday Club (former Lionesses) Speaker: Kathleen Kilkenny
March 8:	St. Andrew’s Catholic Church Fr. Oriol Regales
March 15:	First Baptist Church Pastor Brandyn Simmons
March 22:	Creek Road Community Church Pastor David Bordy



On Sunday, March 19th we will collect a special offering to benefit the administration of UMCOR. As the humanitarian relief and development arm of The United Methodist Church, **the United Methodist Committee on Relief – UMCOR** – assists United Methodists and churches to become involved globally in direct ministry to persons in need. UMCOR comes alongside those who suffer from natural or human-caused disasters – famine, hurricane, earthquake, war, flood, fire or other events—to alleviate suffering and serve as a source of help and hope for the vulnerable.

UMCOR provides relief, response and long-term recovery grants when events overwhelm a community’s ability to recover on their own. UMCOR also provides technical support and training for partners to address emerging and ongoing issues related to disaster relief, recovery, and long-term health and development. Thank you to our congregation for your support of this mission project.
Outreach Team/Church Council



Pastor Angel's Page

Only one more!

*"...Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth.
19 Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations..." Matthew 28:18-19*

What if each and every one of us can commit to reach one more for Jesus? What if we intentionally and purposely make a goal to disciple one person a month and teach them everything Jesus taught us in the scripture? I believe that if we do this, we will be fulfilling Jesus' commandment to make disciples of all nations. It may sound frightening at first, but think about it! We only need one at a time. Only one more for Jesus!

This reminds me Pastor Rick Warren from Saddleback Church in southern California and he is also author of many books. One of his books is "The Purpose Driven Life" on that book he shared this personal story ***"...One of the last nights before my father passed away, while my wife, my niece and I were beside his bed, all of a sudden, he became very upset and tried to get out of bed. Of course, he was too weak, so my wife insisted for him to recline back on bed. Since he persisted in getting up, she asked him, 'Jimmy, what are you trying to do?' He replied: 'I have to bring one more to Jesus! I have to bring one more to Jesus! 'And he repeated that phrase over and over for the next hour. As I sat beside his bed with tears streaming down my cheeks, I bowed my head and thanked God for my dad's faith. At that time, he stretched out his fragile hand, put it on my head and, as if he were giving me an order, he said, 'Bring one more to Jesus..."***

Many times we think that this commandment of making disciples is for the pastor, evangelist, missionaries or the leaders of the church.

Have you ever thought that this commandment may have been intended for you as follower of Jesus Christ? (con't on pg. 4) 3



Our spring Rummage Sale will tentatively be held Friday & Saturday, April 14 & 15. Now is a great time to clean out those closets, attics, and garages and donate your clean, usable items to the church rummage sale. (No furniture or appliances, please!) You may bring your items any time during office hours and place them in the church library.

NOISY CANS

We collect Noisy Cans donations every Sunday during the offering which benefits local charities. In February we collected \$122 for United Methodist Children's Services. During the month of March we will collect donations for Pastor's Discretionary Fund.



For healing and strength: Dorie Kosche, Steve Jones, Pastor Eduardo de la Cruz, Nick Gianitsos.

For our military: Nicholas Bell.



United
Women
in Faith

Delavan UW Faith March 2023 Happenings

Spring is just around the corner. I can already smell the fresh air even though we are still in the ice and snow mode. Have we thought about those who lack personal care supplies, especially those who might have lost their home?

Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Pawnee, IL has sent personal dignity kits to Turkey and Syria and is asking for more supplies and donations. We can plan to help assemble personal dignity kits at our next UW Faith meeting - **Thursday, March 23 at 1:00 p.m.** Attendees are welcome to bring the following items to the meeting to help out:

Personal Dignity Kit

- 1 Hand Towel (no kitchen towels/no microfiber)
- 1 Washcloth (no dishcloths)
- 1 Adult Toothbrush (no multipacks)
- 1 Bar of Soap (3-4 oz.)
- 1 Shampoo (12-19 oz.)
- 1 Deodorant (2-3 oz. stick, roll-on, or pump)
- 1 Re-sealable Plastic Bag (1 gallon size)

Barb Foster, Spiritual Growth, will lead devotions. A volunteer is needed to bring some treats. Thank you and have a blessed day!

PASTOR'S PAGE (con't)

Jesus is not asking for us to fill a stadium with people that will become disciples, he is just saying "if you love your neighbor as yourself, then share with him/her how great God has been with you." Only one more!

I want to challenge you to practice "only one more for Jesus" this year. Make a goal of sharing the good news of Christ to one person. It could be a friend, or a family member, or a co-worker or may be a stranger at the grocery store. Are you up for the challenge? I know that God will do great things through you!

Pastor Angel Rosario



The Worship Committee will be purchasing Easter lilies to grace our sanctuary on Easter Sunday (April 9). If you would like to honor or remember a loved one by giving a monetary gift in their name toward the purchase of the lilies (the cost of each lily is \$12), please fill out the form included in your newsletter (for those of you who receive it by mail) and either drop it off or mail it to the church.

Extra forms will be on the table in the narthex. A listing of the donors will be included in the Easter bulletin and the May Tower.



Your Food Pantry continues its active ministry. We were open only 3 Wednesdays in February because of the ice storms. As well, an order that was to be picked up on Thursday, Feb. 23 had to be postponed because of the weather and picked up on Monday, Feb. 27. Even though we were open only 3 Wednesdays in February your pantry served 74 families with 122 individuals in those families.

Your commitment and generosity keep our pantry an important source of food for persons who are struggling with food needs. You are one of the major streams that supply our pantry. The other streams are Feeding America, community organizations (Lions, Delavan PD, etc.) and churches (Faith Baptist, Sugar Creek Lutheran, First Baptist, etc.) and a variety of individuals who have “adopted” the Food Pantry as a meaningful way to donate to a cause that supports the people in our community.

When all these streams merge in the Food Pantry, they bring help and health in a caring and respectful way that respects the dignity and value of the customers.

A special blessing happened this February. Your Food Pantry received an endowment gift from the Endowment Fund at Sugar Creek Lutheran. They presented the pantry with a gift of \$1520.00. This gift will help us purchase items such as fresh meat, dairy, and produce that is not available from other sources. We give thanks to join in an outreach ministry with Sugar Creek Lutheran Church.

Thank you for your support of the food pantry through your prayers and gifts of food and finances, as well as providing a convenient location to serve those who are hungry. (con't on pg. 6)

March Worship Participants

Sunday, March 5

Ushers: John Behlman, Greg Matthews, Van Brown
Communion: Van & Pat Brown
Lector: Don Edmunds
Greeters: Van & Pat Brown
Coffee: Susie Pegel

Sunday, March 12

Ushers: Dick Martin, Don Edmunds
Lector: Martha Behlman
Greeter: Martha Behlman
Coffee: (volunteer needed)

Sunday, March 19

Ushers: Jim Aldinger, Don August, John Behlman
Lector: Chris Anding
Greeter: Chris Anding
Coffee: (volunteer needed)

Sunday, March 26

Ushers: Dale Thompson
Lector: Joan Jones
Greeters: Ed & Barb Foster
Coffee: (volunteer needed)



Smile for the Day

FOOD PANTRY (con't)

If you would like to donate specific items, the following are some that our customers regularly request:

Canned Pineapple	Applesauce
Mandarin Oranges	Salsa
Ketchup	Hamburger Helper
Unsweetened/sweetened Cereal	Tuna Helper
Chunky Peanut Butter	Jelly
Salt/Pepper	Spaghetti Sauce w/Meat
Sloppy Joe Sauce	Corned Beef Hash
Beef Stew	Chunky Soup



Lighthearted Blessings

- The biggest joke on mankind is that computers have begun asking humans to prove they aren't a robot.
- When a kid says, "Daddy, I want mommy," that's the kid version of "I'd like to speak to your supervisor."
- Just once I want a username and password prompt to say CLOSE ENOUGH.
- Do you ever wake up in the morning and look in the mirror and think..."that can't be accurate?"
- We celebrated last night with a couple of adult beverages...Metamucil and Ensure.
- Last night the internet stopped working so I spent a few hours with my family. They seem like good people.
- Weight loss goal: to be able to clip my toenails and breathe at the same time.
- Some of my friends exercise every day. Meanwhile, I am watching a show I don't like because the remote fell on the floor.
- Now that we have everyone washing their hands correctly...next week...Turn signals!

- May the hinges of your friendship never grow rusty.
- May the luck of the Irish lead to happiest heights and the highway you travel be lined with green lights.
- As you slide down the banister of life, may the splinters never point the wrong way.
- May you be in heaven a full half-hour before the devil knows you're dead!
- May good luck be your friend in whatever you do, and may trouble be always a stranger to you.
- May the good saints protect you and bless you today, and may troubles ignore you each step of the way.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
HBP = Hispanic Band Practice TOPS=Take Off Pounds Sensibly AA=Alcoholics Anonymous	FH-Fellowship Hall L-Library S-Sanctuary K-Kitchen CR-Community Room		1 9-12 Food Pantry 12 pm Lent Devotion & Luncheon-FH 7:30 pm AA - CR	2	3 10 am AA-CR	4
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