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MAY 2023 TOWER

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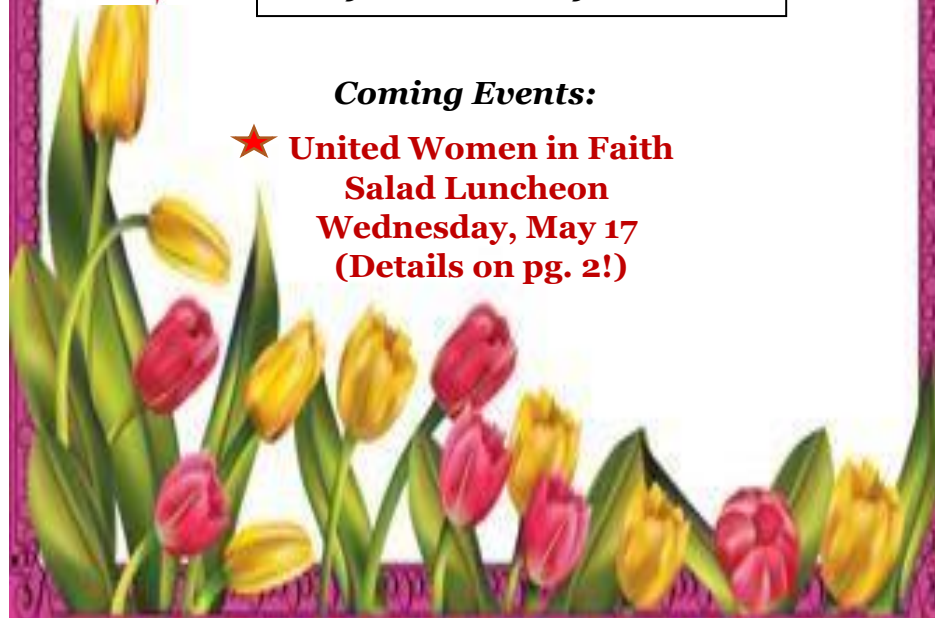
### MAY 2023 TOWER



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

### **Coming Events:**

★ **United Women in Faith  
Salad Luncheon  
Wednesday, May 17  
(Details on pg. 2!)**





*We wish God's blessings to those of you celebrating a birthday or anniversary in May.*

Don August	May 1
Sandy Edmunds	1
Eric Pehkonen	12
August Reddy	14
Jean Hummel	23

Zelbert & Nancy Williams May 22  
(Happy 58<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Zelbert & Nancy!)

#### Noisy Cans

Each month during our Sunday morning offering we collect donations in our Noisy Cans to benefit a local charity. In April we collected for Northcott Neighborhood House; in May we will collect donations for the Food Pantry.



Pastor Angel will be on vacation from Sunday, May 21 through Saturday, May 27. In case of pastoral emergency, please call the church office and leave a message.

#### DELAVAN UMC STAFF

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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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## Wind, fire & spirit

Acts 2 describes the amazing events of Pentecost, when the apostles received the Holy Spirit.

*Directions: The last letter(s) of each word is the beginning letter of the next. Fill in the missing words to complete Acts 2:1-4, NIV.*

1. HEAV
2.  ABLE
3.  AY OF PENTECOS
4.  ONGUE
5.  PIRI
6.  OGETHE
7.  ES
8.  ONGUE
9.  A
10.  IND



"When the <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ came, they were all \_\_\_\_\_<sup>6</sup> in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ came from \_\_\_\_\_<sup>1</sup> and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They \_\_\_\_\_<sup>9</sup> what seemed to be \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup> of fire that separated and came to \_\_\_\_\_<sup>7</sup> on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy \_\_\_\_\_<sup>5</sup> and began to speak in other \_\_\_\_\_<sup>8</sup> as the Spirit \_\_\_\_\_<sup>2</sup> them."

**ACTS 2:1-4, NIV**

Answer: 1. heaven, 2. enabled, 3. day of Pentecost, 4. tongues, 5. Spirit, 6. together, 7. rest, 8. tongues, 9. saw, 10. wind

## United Women in Faith

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## SPRING SALAD LUNCHEON

**Wednesday, May 17, 2023**

**11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

### Tickets:

**\$9.00 in Advance \$10 at the Door**

**Dine In or Carry-Out**

**For Carry-Out Orders**

**Call (262) 728-3644**

**Handicapped Accessible!**

**Check out our Website:**  
**[www.delavanumcwi.org](http://www.delavanumcwi.org)**

Please sign up to bring salads and/or desserts, and help with set-up, serving, and clean-up. Sign-up sheets are on the back table in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets are available at the church office or from any UWF member.



## *May Worship Participants*

### **Sunday, May 7**

*Ushers:* John Behlman, Greg Matthews, Van Brown  
*Communion:* Dick Martin & Judy Weyrough  
*Lector:* Jesse Guzman  
*Greeters:* Dale & Gail Thompson  
*Coffee:* (volunteer needed)

### **Sunday, May 14**

*Ushers:* Jim Aldinger, Don August, John Behlman  
*Lector:* Joan Jones  
*Greeter:* Tammy Demet  
*Coffee:* Chris Anding

### **Sunday, May 21**

*Ushers:* Dale Thompson  
*Lector:* Katie Harrington  
*Greeters:* Paul Brandt & Katie Harrington  
*Coffee:* (volunteer needed)

### **Sunday, May 28**

*Ushers:* *to be announced*  
*Lector:* Linda Lemmen  
*Greeter:* Dick Martin  
*Coffee:* (volunteer needed)

## *Prayer* **LIST**

Please keep the following members and friends in your prayers:

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

*For our military:* Nicholas Bell.



United  
Women  
in Faith

## **May 2023 Happenings**

Delavan UWFaith will hold their annual Salad Luncheon Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Linda Lemmen will chair the event. Tickets will be \$9.00 in advance or \$10.00 at the door. Proceeds will go to missions - local, national and international. Sign-up sheets are on back table in the Fellowship Hall. We will not be making turkey salad this year. It was decided to have a variety of desserts besides cream puffs.

Everyone is asked to bring two salads, bars, or cream puffs and help at the luncheon, if possible. Please contact Linda Lemmen at [linda.lemmen03@gmail.com](mailto:linda.lemmen03@gmail.com), Tammy Demet, Barb Foster or Chris Anding if you have any questions. *We will have a short meeting on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in the church library for all those interested in helping with the luncheon.*

Mission u registrations are available on the bulletin board. We will be studying the Lord's Prayer and reading the book, "Living the Kin-dom-Exploring the Lord's Prayer as a Spiritual practice for Social Transformation." Zoom meetings will be held Tues. & Thurs. evenings from 6:30-9 p.m. June 20, 22, 27 & 29, 2023.

Registration for the Zoom event is \$20 and the deadline is June 10, but all will be welcomed until the study starts. The Mission u In Person event will be held July 13-15 starting Thurs. evening and ending Sat. at noon. Reading Program information is available on the Reading Cart in the library. If anyone is interested in helping making a difference in the lives of women & children through United Women in Faith, please contact Linda Lemmen.



# Protecting our Youth in A Digital World

Presented by Dawn Heath-Fiedler



This is a FREE public event

May 21, 2023, at 2:30pm

Elkhorn Area High School Auditorium  
482 E. Geneva St., Elkhorn WI

Contact Pastor Heather Brewer - 715-933-1926 or  
Mary Pekul - 262-374-8507 for more information

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If you have children or grandchildren, this is for you! Today's social media world can be a very dangerous place – get the tools you need to help them stay safe!

## Pastor Angel's Page



## ...As Yourself

Matthew 22:36-37

"Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?"

<sup>37</sup> Jesus replied, "'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.' <sup>38</sup> This is the first and greatest commandment. <sup>39</sup> **A second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'**"

We all deal with relationships throughout our lives. Some are good; some others are not so good. The truth is that we care to establish good relationships with our spouses, kids, parents or even a friend but one relationship some people neglects to work on is the relationship with themselves.

It's tough to enjoy life when you don't like yourself. People who haven't learned to accept and get along with themselves tend to have more difficulty accepting and getting along with others. Yet, the Bible repeatedly tells us to **"love your neighbor as yourself."** Joyce Meyer said:

*"I personally spent years having a hard time getting along with people, until I finally realized through the Word of God how my difficulty with other people was actually "rooted" in my difficulties with myself."*

Many people live their life helping others that they forget about themselves. They take care of their spouse, children, parent, friends and even church stuff; that they never have time for themselves. If you don't take care of yourself, there will be a point where you won't be able to take care of other people.

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God was very specific when he said “Love your neighbor AS yourself.” If you don’t love yourself, it is impossible to love anyone else.

It’s ok if you take a break to relax, it’s ok if you sit down and do nothing for a while, its ok if you take a little vacation and spend some time alone. These are just some simple things you can do to take care of yourself. Let me remind you of this: *It’s tough to enjoy life when you don’t like or enjoy yourself.* When you learn to succeed in the relationship with yourself, you’ll be well on your way to enjoying life more fully and will be able to do the same thing with others.

*Pastor Angel Rosario*

**Peace with Justice Sunday**  
**Sunday, June 4th**

On Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> we will collect a special offering for Peace with Justice Sunday. On Peace with Justice Sunday, we partner with other United Methodist congregations in a special offering to support advocacy around the world. Peace with Justice Sunday is a faithful expression of shalom in the Bible. It calls the church to strengthen its capacity to advocate publicly in communities and nations throughout the world. The offering is administered by the General Board of Church and Society and benefits peace with justice ministries in the annual conferences and around the world. Half of our gifts stay with local ministries in this conference and half support the work of Church and Society globally. Thank you to our congregation for your support of this mission project.

*Outreach Team/Church Council*

He wondered if he could get some. We were glad to provide bulbs and to hear the story of his success in being on his own again.

*“Stuff the Bus”* is the name of a joint program between *Feeding America and Kids from Wisconsin*. It is a series of concerts by the Kids from Wisconsin this summer to help raise hunger awareness and to collect food for the local pantries. There will be a concert in Elkhorn on Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. Your food pantry will have a booth there that tells of our ministry and the needs we have. We will be collecting food for our pantry there. *“Stuff the Bus”* comes from the goal to have enough food donated to stuff the bus in which the Kids travel around Wisconsin. Please mark the date and share the date with family, friends, and neighbors. We would hope to create greater awareness of the pantry’s existence and its ministry as well as gather food to stock our shelves.

*Food Pantry Sunday* has returned. The last Sunday of each month will be Food Pantry Sunday with the goal of a focused collection day. In the Sunday bulletin the week before there will be a reminder and a listing of most-needed items. While this is the focused Sunday, your pantry welcomes your gifts and support at any time. We thank you for your gifts of food and finances!

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

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|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Peanut Butter (creamy or chunky)  | Corned Beef Hash   |
| Cereal (Sweetened or unsweetened) | Jelly              |
| Hamburger or Tuna Helper          | Granola Bars       |
| Spaghetti Sauce with Meat         | Sugar              |
| Baked Beans                       | Scalloped Potatoes |
| Yellow Mustard                    | Beef Stew          |

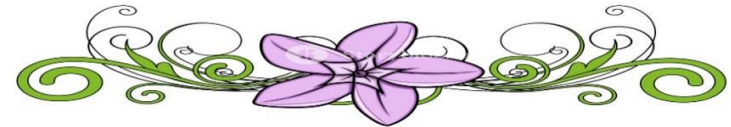


Your Food Pantry makes a difference in the lives of many families. Recently when we were opening on a Wednesday, two women came to our pantry for the first time. Not unusual in itself, but their circumstances tell the story. Their husbands had lost their jobs two weeks before. The women had seen the sign about our pantry, but were embarrassed to ask for food. However, our gracious approach helped them to get food that helped feed their families in a time of crisis. Later that same day, an elderly man came in and asked about food. His daughter, her husband and two children had come to live with them because the husband had lost his job. The man and his wife were retired and eager to support their daughter and her family, but the sudden increase in expenses put a strain on their income from Social Security and pension. Your food pantry made a positive difference in all these lives. All these folks said “God bless you” as they received help. That blessing and gratitude goes to you as you have provided the support for this ministry.

Each month, the number of families we serve increases slightly. Some folks come for a while when they’re struggling and then we never see them again. Other families are regular as they are on fixed incomes and have few resources. This month, there was a Vanguard Utility Locating Service car in the line for the pantry. We thought he was caught in the traffic, however, he was there because he was a graduate from the Spirit of Hope Men’s Shelter at our church who had found a job and an apartment. He had used the pantry before while he was homeless. His new apartment was missing several light bulbs and he remembered that the pantry gave out light bulbs.

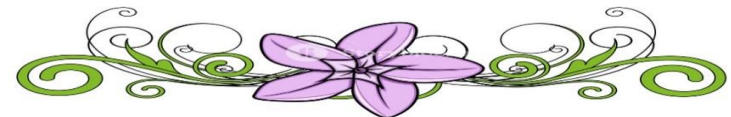


The Outreach Team is supporting the Sunshine Fund, which is a fund set up to support our congregational members in need (illness, hospitalization, funerals, etc.) If you would like to donate to this fund, please make your check payable to DUMC with the notation “Sunshine Fund.” Thank you!



*Thank  
You!*


*Thank you to all our volunteers who came to help with the spring clean-up! Our resource room looks so organized and clean, and the south entrance looks great! Thank you all for sharing your time and talents to help with this project!*



## Final Exams

A 96-year-old lady was a faithful attendant at my women’s Bible studies. She came with her lessons prepared and knew all the answers. One day a tactless member asked her, “Why do you work so hard on these lessons when you’re so old and it doesn’t matter?” Little Bess Elkins looked up and said confidently, “I’m cramming for my finals.”



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
HBP=Hispanic Band Practice	1 11 am Bible Study at Tana's	2 5 pm TOPS (FH) 7 pm Hispanic Bible Study (FH)	3 9-12 Food Pantry 7:30 pm AA (CR)	4	5 Cinco De Mayo (Phoenix Park) 9 am OA (L) 10 am AA (CR)	6 Cinco De Mayo Phoenix Park
7 9 am Worship 10 am Fellowship 10:30 am HBP 12 pm Hispanic Worship (Phoenix Park)	8 11 am Bible Study at Tana's	9 5 pm TOPS (FH) 7 pm Hispanic Bible Study (FH)	10 9-12 Food Pantry 1:30 pm Delavan Serv. League (FH) 7:30 pm AA (CR)	11 1 pm UWFaith (L) 5 pm FINANCE COM. (L)	12 9 am OA (L) 10 am AA (CR)	13
14 Mother's Day 9 am Worship 10 am Fellowship 10:30 am HBP 12 pm Hispanic Worship	15 11 am Bible Study at Tana's	16 5 pm TOPS (S) 7 pm Hispanic Bible Study (FH)	17 9-12 Food Pantry 11-1 UWF SALAD LUNCHEON (FH) 6 pm COUNCIL 7:30 pm AA (CR)	18 11 am OUTREACH TEAM (L)	19 9 am OA (L) 10 am AA (CR)	20
21 9 am Worship 10 am Fellowship 10:30 am HBP 12 pm Hispanic Worship	22 11 am Bible Study at Tana's	23 5 pm TOPS (FH) 7 pm Hispanic Bible Study (FH)	24 9-12 Food Pantry 1:30 pm Delavan Serv. League (FH) 7:30 pm AA (CR)	25	26 9 am OA (L) 10 am AA (CR)	27
28 9 am Worship 10 am Fellowship 10:30 am HBP 12 pm Hispanic Worship	29 Church Office Closed 	30 5 pm TOPS (FH) 7 pm Hispanic Bible Study	31 9-12 Food Pantry 7:30 pm AA (CR)			

TOPS = Take Off Pounds Sensibly; AA = Alcoholics Anonymous; OA = Overeaters Anon.

FH = Fellowship Hall; L = Library; CR = Community Room; S = Sanctuary