

Delavan United Methodist Church
213 S. Second Street
Delavan WI 53115

OCTOBER 2024 TOWER

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Please join us!

Worship 9:00 a.m.

Fellowship 10:00 a.m.

Spanish Worship at Noon

COMING EVENTS:

★ Harvest Dinner ★

Wednesday, October 23

4:00-6:30 p.m.

Dine-In or Carry-Out

**HARVEST
DINNER**



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Wednesday, October 23, 2024
4:00 – 6:30 p.m.
Drive-Thru (or) Dine-In

***Turkey & Biscuits, Squash,
 Beans, Cranberry Jello Salad,
 Homemade Dessert***

Tickets \$16.00 per person
For more info call: (262) 728-3644
Office Hours: Mon/Thurs. 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
www.delavanumcwi.org

We need **lots of help** to make this dinner a success! This year we are offering dine-in as well as carry-outs (drive-thru). If you can help, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall. Donations of slab pies, pumpkin or apple bars, butternut squash, and brown sugar are needed. Squash bakers and cranberry salads are also needed. Please sign up to help! Tickets will be available at the church office by October 1.

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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

Live the Fruit of the Spirit



SAVED BY GRACE

Leaders of the early church discussed whether newly converted Gentiles must keep the Law of Moses. How did Peter answer?

Directions: Cross out every third letter. Then write the remaining letters in the blanks below to complete Acts 15:11, NIV.

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 TUHRCOUJGHRTHOEGPRAH
 CEIOFXOUKRLHORCDJSESP
 USGTHWATYWEOARBESPAVLED
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_____." Acts 15:11, NIV



Answer: "No! We believe it is through the grace of our Lord Jesus that we are saved, just as they are." Acts 15:11, NIV



We wish God's blessings to those of you celebrating a birthday or anniversary in October. Please notify the church office of any additions or corrections.

Jesse Guzman	October	7
Mark Karbash		9
Cheryl Davis		10
Angel Rosario, Jr.		13
Dick Martin		19
Joe & Carolyn Matthews (Happy 32 nd Anniversary Carolyn & Joe!)		24
Moe Mawhinney		29
Joe & Phyllis Almburg (Happy 64 th Anniversary Joe & Phyllis!)		29



Thank you to all our dedicated volunteers who helped bring items down from the Sunday School room and from the chapel for the rummage sale, and to all who helped sort and price items, to everyone who helped pack everything up at the end of the sale. Thanks to everyone who donated items for the sale, to Joy Nelson for all the treasures she donated. We couldn't have this fund raiser without all of your help! We made a little over \$1700! **Special thanks** to Cindy Gallup for chairing another successful rummage sale!

October Worship Participants

Sunday, October 6

Ushers: John Behlman, Greg Matthews, Van Brown
Communion: Joanne Howe & Judy Weyrough
Lector: Joan Jones
Greeter: Joanne Howe
Coffee: (volunteer needed)

Sunday, October 13

Ushers: Dick Martin, Don Edmunds
Lector: Moe Mawhinney
Greeter: Moe Mawhinney
Coffee: Van & Pat Brown, Kathy Walter

Sunday, October 20

Ushers: Jim Aldinger, Don August, John Behlman
Lector: Katie Harrington
Greeters: Dale & Gail Thompson
Coffee: (volunteer needed)

Sunday, October 27

Ushers: (to be announced)
Lector: Anita Ryan
Greeter: Dorie Kosche
Coffee: (volunteer needed)

NOISY CANS

Our Noisy Cans are passed during the offering on Sunday mornings, and the proceeds benefit local charities. For the month of September our donations totaled \$96 which benefits Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Walworth County. For October our Noisy Cans will benefit Pastor's Discretionary Fund. Thank you for your donations!

While Samuel and Henry Phoenix could not see forward to 2024, their vision of planting churches in a central location in Delavan has supported a ministry that feeds peoples bodies as well as their minds and spirits. The pantry brings life and support to those who are living on the margins and helps them to move through their present challenges on their way to a better life. As Jesus and the Apostles did in feeding the 5,000, you do also in supporting the pantry through your gifts and donations. And as most of our customer say to us as we deliver their food to them, I say to you, "God bless you."

Please remember that Red Wagon Sunday is October 27th.

Here is a list of popular items that are distributed by your food pantry for you to consider donating:

Hamburger/Tuna Helper	Peanut Butter/Jelly	Tuna
Ketchup/Mustard	Salt/Pepper	Pork & Beans
Sugar/Flour	Tomato Soup	Mushroom Soup
Chicken Noodle Soup	Refried Beans	Tortillas
Spaghetti Sauce w/Meat	Pancake Mix/Syrup	Elbow Macaroni
Stovetop Stuffing	Instant Mashed Potatoes	



Please keep the following members and friends in your prayers. Thank you.

For healing and strength: Don Hummel, Jeannette Boss, Gene Gallup, Jacob Blair, Leona Kruienza, Ann Scott, Jenni Mirus, Donna Boltz, Pat Wierenga, David Rosario, Steve Jones, Scott Jones.

For our military: Nicholas Bell.



Last month I wrote about the 4 things that are necessary to have a successful food pantry. I focused on volunteers and their vital role in making the food pantry

successful. This month, I want to focus on having a convenient location. Delavan UMC was blessed when the Phoenix brothers founded Delavan, seeking to build a temperance colony, and did a general layout for the city. Several locations around Phoenix Park were designated at church sites: Methodist, Congregational, Episcopal, and Baptist. Through this vision Delavan UMC sits in a prime location to be of service to the community.

The signs on the corner of 2nd and Washington that advertise the Food Pantry have been an important tool to help the hungry find a place that will provide them with food. Several of our customers, and many persons in helping professions (doctors, nurses, teachers, social workers, etc.) know of our pantry because of the signs and their location. Our location benefits many of our walk-in customers who bring a cart, wagon, or backpack in which to take home their food. Being situated in a residential area and not far from several apartment buildings makes it convenient for those who cannot get a ride or don't have a car.

Although many years ago when the church expanded and additional space was added to the church, it's unlikely that anyone was thinking of a food pantry and food distribution when the driveway was built around the east side of the building to connect to the north and south parking lots. That design feature has proved a blessing to the pantry. It allow cars to queue up in an orderly fashion and for customers to get a numbered shopping list to complete as they wait their turn. In addition, walk-up customers can sit on the steps in pleasant weather and complete their shopping list, or in inclement weather come inside and wait in the chapel. As well, our long corridor allows placement of an 8' "Free Choice" table where we have bread items, produce, etc. to choose as their order is being filled. (con't on pg. 12)

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Pastor Angel's Page
From Ordinary to Extraordinary
1 Corinthians 1:26-29

Remember, dear brothers and sisters, that few of you were wise in the world's eyes or powerful or wealthy when God called you. ²⁷ Instead, God chose things the world considers foolish in order to shame those who think they are wise. And he chose things that are powerless to shame those who are powerful. ²⁸ God chose things despised by the world, things counted as nothing at all, and used them to bring to nothing what the world considers important.

²⁹ As a result, no one can ever boast in the presence of God.

God has a purpose with you, God made a plan and you are included in that plan. It doesn't matter what had happened in the past, it doesn't matter how many mistakes you have made; all is part of God's plan.

Think about this for a minute, if we need salvation it's because God knew that we were going to make mistakes and bad choices that would separate us from him. But your mistakes and choices would not change God's plan for your life.

God has always called people to work for him, people that are willing to be used by him, people that obey him at all cost. God is looking for people just like you and me to do this job. You might say: "but I am nobody", "I don't know anything" "I am the least qualified" "I don't know how to do it" "I am good where I am" "I'm too old" These are lies the enemy inserts in our mind to keep us from doing God's will.

Some people often believe they can't speak the word of God, or they can't preach, or they can't teach, or they can't be used by God because they are not good enough, they are not prepared enough, they are not well educated, they're not qualified enough. I have good news for you. You don't need to be an expert in the Bible, you don't need seminary or something similar, you don't need to be educated in order to be used by God. You don't NEED any of that! God will use you how he wants to just the way you are. All he needs is someone with a willing heart that will obey him in everything he says. **GOD USES ORDINARY PEOPLE TO DO EXTRAORDINARY TASKS. Would you be willing?**

Pastor Angel Rosario

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Thank you ❤️

Thank you to everyone who participated in New Day Women's Clinic Baby Bottle Boomerang. Fifteen baby bottles were distributed, then participants filled them with coins, bills, or a check and they were delivered to New Day. Proceeds from the baby bottles will be used to purchase baby supplies (formula, diapers, clothing, etc.) Each and every donation helps!



The Sunshine Fund is a fund set up by the Outreach Team to support our congregational members in need (illness, hospitalization, funerals, etc.) with flowers and cards. If you would like to donate to this fund, please make your check payable to DUMC with the notation "Sunshine Fund". Thank you for your donations!



Our Bible Study meets on Mondays at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We have Bible Study from 11-12, and then go out to an area restaurant for lunch. Please join us!



Pastor Angel will be on vacation from October 18-20. In case of pastoral emergency, please call the church office and leave a message. Messages are checked daily.

Here are a couple pictures from "Plant a Row for the Hungry" and the ice cream social that the Food Pantry had for everyone who donated produce to the pantry.



Ed Foster serving ice cream.



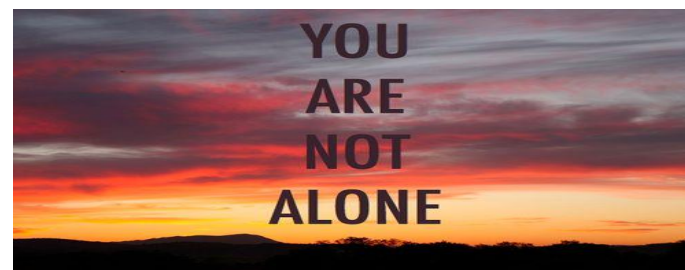
Delavan UWF Happenings October 2024

Thank you to all who donated baked items for the recent bake sale Sept. 20-21 during the rummage sale. Thank you to Chris Anding and Tammy Demet who chaired it and all who helped them. It was a success - we made over \$600. They loved all our baked goods and came back for more. Thank you to those who greeted, ushered, lectured and made food for coffee hour for UWF Sunday, Sept. 8. We had Lisa Jones as our speaker during our worship service and received many positive comments. Gail Thompson, our former church Treasurer, received the special Mission Recognition pin.

We will be having our last meeting of the year on Thurs. Nov. 21 at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. A brief program of Thanksgiving will be planned and our World Thank Offering will be collected.

Following are questions from our October program about the sacredness of the land upon which we plant our crops and food sources: *How can farming be a form of church? Can farming/gardening be a form of church? If so, how? If not, why not? Read Acts 2: 42-45. What makes a church a church? What creates our spiritual connectedness to one another? How does growing food allow us to interact with the land and with each other that challenges our notions of what it means to be inhabitants of the earth and spiritual caregivers to one another?*

Those are questions to think about. One person made the argument that the church of the future will be on farms. Her explanation was that the experience of farming and connection to the land and people is something spiritual. The other person was challenging the notions of the idea of “church” at all. The conversation was a great exploration of basic human needs of sustenance and relationships while also grappling with the ideas of what is larger than us that connects us to all living beings. I lived on a farm for many years and experienced that connectedness to nature. We lived by the beat of nature and its seasons in the Drifless Area. What are your thoughts? See you at the next meeting, Thursday, Nov. 21 at 10 a.m.



In many sources, the author of the hymn “Never Alone” is listed as anonymous, but in several, Ludie Carrington Day Pickett (1867-1953) is credited. The words powerfully capture the assurance that amid life’s storms — sin, temptation, danger, loneliness, care — and, finally, even at the end of this life, Jesus promises to be with us. Two stanzas proclaim:

I’ve seen the lightning flashing
and heard the thunder roll,
I’ve felt sin’s breakers dashing,
which tried to conquer my soul;
I’ve heard the voice of my Savior,
He bid me still fight on:
He promised never to leave me,
never to leave me alone.

The world’s fierce winds are blowing —
temptation’s sharp and keen;
I have a peace in knowing
my Savior stands between;
He stands to shield me from danger
when all my friends are gone:
He promised never to leave me,
never to leave me alone.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		9 am Food Pantry Quarterly Mtg. (L) 5 pm TOPS (FH) 7 pm Spanish Bible Study (FH)	9-12 Food Pantry 7:30 pm AA (CR)	6-8:30 pm Bethel Bible Study at Chapel on the Hill	9 am OA (L) 10 am AA (CR)	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9 am WORSHIP 10 am Fellowship 10:30 am SBP 10:45 am Choir Prac. 12 pm Spanish Worship	11 am BIBLE STUDY (FH)	10 am TRUSTEES (FH) 5 pm TOPS (FH) 7 pm Spanish Bible Study (FH)	9-12 Food Pantry 7:30 pm AA (CR)	6-8:30 pm Bethel Bible Study at Chapel on the Hill	9 am OA (L) 10 am AA (CR)	3-9 pm Rosario Event (K, FH)
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9 am WORSHIP 10 am Fellowship 10:30 am SBP 10:45 am Choir Prac. 12 pm Spanish Worship	11 am BIBLE STUDY (FH) 5 pm FINANCE COM. (L)	5 pm TOPS (FH) 7 pm Spanish Bible Study (FH)	9-12 Food Pantry 6 pm COUNCIL (L) 7:30 pm AA (CR)	6-8:30 pm Bethel Bible Study at Chapel on the Hill	9 am OA(L) 10 am AA (CR)	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9 am WORSHIP 10 am Fellowship 10:30 am SBP 10:45 am Choir Prac. 12 pm Spanish Worship	11 am BIBLE STUDY (FH) HARVEST DINNER PREP	5 pm TOPS (FH) 7 pm Spanish Bible Study (FH)	9-12 Food Pantry 4-6:30 pm HARVEST DINNER 7:30 pm AA (CR)	6-8:30 pm Bethel Bible Study at Chapel on the Hill	9 am OA (L) 10 am AA (CR)	
27	28	29	30	31		
Red Wagon Sun. 9 am WORSHIP 10 am Fellowship 10:30 am SBP 12 pm Spanish Worship 2:00 p.m. SPRC (L)	11 am BIBLE STUDY (FH)	5 pm TOPS (FH) 7 pm Spanish Bible Study (FH)	9-12 Food Pantry 7:30 pm AA (CR)	Happy Halloween 6-8:30 pm Bethel Bible Study at Chapel on the Hill		

SBP – Spanish Band Practice; TOPS – Take Off Pounds Sensibly; OA – Overeaters Anon.; AA – Alcoholics Anon.
 FH – Fellowship Hall; L – Library; K – Kitchen; CR – Community Room