

THE EBENEZER MESSENGER — July 2023

Monthly newsletter of the Ebenezer Moravian Church
N8095 High Road – Watertown, WI 53094
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COMMUNITY WORSHIP

A minimum of six churches will be participating in a Community Worship, which will be held at Bentzin Square on Sunday, August 13th @ 9:30am. The offering will go to a local mission and will be our service for the day.

Mother Teresa's Anyway Poem

People are often unreasonable, illogical and self centered;
Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives;
Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies;
Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you;
Be honest and frank anyway.

What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight;
Build anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous;
Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow;
Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough;
Give the world the best you've got anyway.

You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and your God;
It was never between you and them anyway.



**DEADLINE for
the August
Newsletter is
Wednesday,
July 19th**

(Earlier is always better.)

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920-248-1029

Megan Weihert: Trustee Chair
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May 28: \$1,673.90

June 4: \$2,205.00

June 11: \$1,641.00

June 18: \$1,965.00

Thank you.



July 2 & 9

Scott & Jill Beerbohm
Jordan Beerbohm

July 16 & 23

Donald & Karol Wesemann
Bob & Tammy Meyers

July 30

Buzz Orval
Diane Schuett
Shelly Degrandt

LOAVES & FISHES

Contact Linda Lippens

The free meal is served every Monday evening, except holidays at the Watertown Moravian Church, 510 Cole Street.

Curbside Pick Up: 4:00 - 4:45 (NO later)
Dining Inside and Carry-out: 4:00 – 5:30

We anticipate hitting 100,000 this year!
On June 7, 2023, we will be celebrating
our 13 YEAR ANNIVERSARY!

We serve a population in need so we need to do what we can to keep serving. Please pray for friends that need food.

MEAL — July

3: CLOSED

10: Hot turkey sandwiches, vegetable

17: Sub sandwiches, chips, cold salad

23: Baked fish, tater tots, vegetable

30: Hot dog & kraut, baked beans

MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE

SERVERS — July

3: CLOSED

10: Hope Lutheran

17: Gina

24: CMG

31: Stan Jones

We have had several groups/organizations retire from helping serve meals. If you are in a group/organization, please consider helping.

Please pass the word that we are looking for people to help serve our weekly Loaves & Fishes Meal. We have a yearly rotation and each group serves twice a year.



ACTIVITY GROUP "C"

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May to July 2023

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Glennis Zastrow - (920) 261-3731



Among friends is holding another card game night at church on Tuesday July 18th at 6:30pm. Euchre will be the featured game. So if you like to play Euchre or would like to learn how to play Euchre, you are invited to attend for a night of fun and fellowship. Bring a friend!

Due to the success of the Sheepshead night CEF is planning to sponsor some type of game night every other month. Watch for new game night information in upcoming newsletters.

Summer Sandwiches in the Park

A healthy lunch will be provided four days of the week to families with children, from June 11 to August 20. Four area churches will provide lunches at four different parks, Tuesday through Friday. Lunch is served rain or shine, from 11:30-12:30.

Books will also be available for kids to take home with them.

- ◆ **Tuesday:** St. Paul's Episcopal Church at the Clark Park shelter
- ◆ **Wednesday:** Good Shepherd Lutheran Church at the shelter in Riverside Park
- ◆ **Thursday:** St. Luke's Lutheran Church at the Clark Park shelter
- ◆ **Friday:** Ebenezer at Timothy Johnson Park

Signup sheets for items needed for this program will be sent around as we build our supplies back up and as they are depleted. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Volunteers are also needed to make sandwiches and to serve the lunches at the park. We meet at Ebenezer at 10am to make the sandwiches, pack the lunch bags with the nonperishable items, and pack everything up to go to the park.

SUMMER



Tuesday
10am to 2 pm
Thursday
10am to 2pm

Please contact Pastor Katie to make arrangements for other times.



- 4 - Karissa Bender
- 6 - Nathan Baum
- 6 - Bohdi Degrandt
- 7 - William Petig
- 8 - Jenna Beerbohm
- 9 - Timothy Pattengale
- 11 - Annabella Caratachea
- 11 - Linda Rabbach
- 11 - Tracy Saxby
- 12 - Piper Finley
- 14 - MaryLou Kopp
- 16 - Monica Meyer
- 20 - John Vesper
- 20 – Annaleyna Van der Linden
- 21 - Jackson Hamann
- 25 - Carolyn (Sue) Kopp
- 30 - Rhiannon Prust
- 30 - Stephanie Schultz



- 11 - Don & Karol Wesemann
- 17 - Dennis & Linda Rabbach

Ebenezer Kids Have you Seen the NEW PLAYSET???

We are so excited to reuse a beautifully built playset from our neighbors. As their grandchildren have aged, the Strauss family in Highland Avenue found they no longer needed their large playset.

Our board was able to purchase this set for a low amount and the family came and assembled the playset for us, even bringing in a cherry picker! We are so grateful for their new-to-us playset and their gracious hospitality in putting it up for us.



Thanks Deb and Pushy!

GIVING

Remember, there are many ways to stay current with your gifts:

- **Auto Bill Pay:** Through your bank or credit union
- **Mail:** Mail check to the church
- **Moravian Ministry Foundation:** See article.

YOUR GIVING MATTERS!

Thank you for your generosity.

Summer Worship!

Remember summer worship is at 9am and runs June, July and August.

We will also be having monthly outdoor worship in our parking lot (weather permitting). Mark your calendars for our Worship on Wheels services which will be: June 11, July 9 & 30, and August 13.



BLESSING BOX

The Blessing Box is in need of donations of personal care items such as toothpaste, toilet paper, deodorant, shampoo, etc. Those items cannot be purchased with FoodShare cards.

With the cost of food going up, it leaves less funds available for these other necessities.

Feel free to drop these items off, leave in the Library, or contact Kris Schefft with questions.kschefft@hotmail.com or 920-285-1048. God is Good.....(say it with me) all the time:) Thank you!



CHOIR

If anyone interested in getting a choir together, please contact me.



Glennis

PRAYER CHAIN

If you have any prayer requests or want to be included on the Ebenezer Prayer Chain, please contact Pastor Katie at (610) 442-3790 OR pastor.kvdl@gmail.com.

The most important thing to remember is to have permission of the person or family before you request it be included on the Prayer Chain. Please use any information you get just for the prayer request.



Noisy Offering Returns!!!!

Have you been saving your change??

Beginning the third Sunday in June, we will be collecting our noisy offering once again! The faces of those who collect may be different, but the impact we make will be the same or greater.

Bring your change on the third Sundays of the month and we will collect funds for important ministries.

Bring your change and make lots of noise as we look to help out others who need our support.



Ebenezer offers online giving through the Moravian Ministries Foundation. The link is: <https://mmfa.info/ebenezer-moravian-church-donation-form/>.





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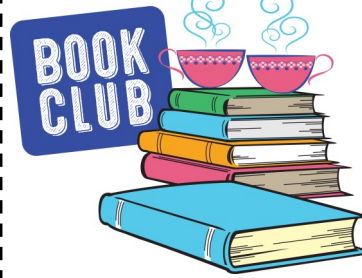
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A feel good story!

'The Backup Plan' by Jill Shalvis is a reunion story of difficult times that break friendships and unique circumstances that bring friends back together. A turn from our recent "heavier" topics, this fictional novel helps you escape life today and get wrapped up in the unique lives of Sunset Cove.

Enjoy the book and come out for a good dinner and discussion. This month, we head to Lake Mills and enjoy dinner at "The Grist."

Are You Tuning In?

Want to worship with us without coming to the sanctuary? You can join us each Sunday on Zoom.

Watch your email for the address and log in a few minutes early. You will see everything on the screen and have the opportunity to share prayer concerns and announcements. It is a great alternative to coming in person.

Thanks so much to our tech people who are working hard at making all worship experiences possible. We may change formats and are still learning each week, but we are so grateful for the opportunity to gather in a variety of ways.

REACHING OUT...

These are members that may not be able to attend church regularly. Please feel free to contact them via mail. If you wish to have your contact information or someone close to you added, please contact Pastor Katie.

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SOS - Get School Supplies!

I know school has just let out, but August will be here soon. August 21-23, the Shared Community Missions Group plans to distribute school supplies for 500 kids! In order to do that, we need the supplies.

Check out the list in the newsletter for the items we need and put them in the box in the narthex. We definitely need backpacks, folders in certain colors, post-it-notes, pencils and more. Check out the list and keep it handy while you are out in your regular shopping. Thanks for taking care of our community kids.

SOS: Supporting Our Students 2023

List of needed school supplies

Revised July 2022

Thanks for helping kids succeed in school !!!

Backpacks

Simple inexpensive 4 function calculator

Scientific calculator (Solar TI-31, TI -30xiis(battery/solar combo \$12-15.00 range (trendy colors are more expensive) also Casio makes scientific calculator that is often now less than 10.00

Crayons-set of 8 large

Crayons-set of 24

Washable markers-set of 8-10 bold colors

Markers set of 8-10 bold colors

School glue bottles

Glue sticks

Scissors (kids 5 inch pointed tip and larger student scissors)

Ruler (preferably inches and centimeters)

Pencil box for elementary and 3 hole pencil bags for older kids

Large pink erasers

Standard #2 pencils

Set of 10-12 colored pencils

Dry erase markers (black and colors)

Highlighters

Protractor/compass

Post-it notes

Red pens

Black or blue pens

Composition books-both wide and college ruled

Index cards

Folders: plastic or laminated preferred, variety of two pocket and center clip styles (red, blue, yellow and green most requested)

Spiral notebooks- wide and college ruled (red, blue, yellow and green most requested)

Loose leaf filler paper-wide and college ruled

1 inch wide and 2 inch- 3 ring binders

Dividers (5 or 10 tab) for three ring binders

Pencil sharpeners (that catch the wood shavings)

Ear buds or head phones for computer use



SOS: Supporting Our Students 2023
REVISED Free School Supplies Information Sheet
DRIVE-THRU FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Hello Families,

Families that cannot afford school supplies for their children are invited to join us.

- The SOS Free School Store will again be set-up at St. Henry Parish parking lot
- Free School supplies will be prepackaged for your children based on the **REGISTRATION form you fill out.**
- **Every family MUST pre-register this year.**

- **Registration forms will be available Monday July 31-Friday August 11th, 2022.**

Registration Forms are available at the following locations:

- Ebenezer Moravian Church and Watertown Moravian Church and Summer Sandwiches in the Park on Friday at Timothy Johnson Park 11:30-12:30 p.m. (Loaves and Fishes supper on Mondays)
- Good Shepherd Lutheran and Summer Sandwiches in Park Wednesdays at Riverside Park 11:30-12:30 p.m.
- Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church (and Watertown Food Pantry, PEP, Laundry program at Easy Wash on 3rd street-Tuesday morning)
- First Congregational-UCC, River City Church, River Valley Alliance, Christ United Methodist Church,
- St. Bernard Catholic Church, First Baptist church
- St. Paul's Episcopal (and Mary's Room) and Summer Sandwiches in the Park Tuesdays at Clark Park 11:30-12:30 p.m.

HOW TO REGISTER FOR FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- You must fill out the top and bottom half of the registration form. A volunteer will sign the form. The bottom half is for you to keep. It will have your appointment time to pick up free school supplies. **YOU NEED TO BRING THE REGISTRATION FORM WITH YOU.**

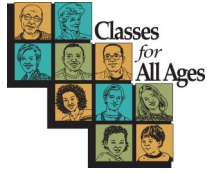
- **School supplies will be given out at St. Henry Parish Center**
300 East Cady Street
Watertown, WI 53094

- On **Tuesday August 22 go to St. Henry's Parish parking lot**—enter from Cady Street for one- way drive thru. **Give us your part of the registration form and we will give you a bag of school supplies for each registered child in your family. We will bring the supplies to your car.**

- Please do not come before your appointment time- we will not give you the supplies early. You may come after your scheduled time. There are appointments from 9:00 to 4:00. We will be handing out supplies to registered guests until 5:00 pm.

We pray for the health of all families and are hopeful that these supplies will help your children be ready to learn in school.

Supplies are provided by members of the Shared Community Mission Group congregations and community donations



Watch for more information and a start-up date when classes resume in September.

Save the Dates!!!!

September 10: End of Summer Splash Block Party Picnic


September 15 - 17: Women's Retreat, Mt Morris with Pastor Katie



IT WAS YOU WHO SET
ALL THE BOUNDARIES OF
THE EARTH; YOU MADE
BOTH SUMMER AND WINTER.

PSALM 74: 17, NIV

JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>Camp Chetek: July 16th - 22nd Camp Winmor: July 22nd - 29th Junior Camp: July 29th - August 3rd</p>						1
2 9am Worship	3 Loaves & Fishes NO MEAL TODAY	4	5 2pm Community Worship Planning Meeting @ Immanuel Lutheran	6 9am Shared Com- munity Mission Group Meeting @ Christ United Methodist Lights & Sirens @ Riverside Park	7 Summer Sandwiches: 10am Pack 11:30-Noon Distribute	8
9 9am OUTDOOR Worship	10 Loaves & Fishes 4:00-4:45pm Curb- side pickup 4:00- 5:30pm Inside dining	11	12	13	14 Summer Sandwiches: 10am Pack 11:30-Noon Distribute	15
16 9am Worship	17 Loaves & Fishes 4:00-4:45pm Curb- side pickup 4:00- 5:30pm Inside dining	18 6:30pm Among Friends Game Night - Euchre	19 5:30pm Joint Board Dinner Meeting 	20 6pm Book Club @ The Grist in Lake Mills	21 Summer Sandwiches: 10am Pack 11:30-Noon Distribute	22
23 9am Worship Communion	24 Loaves & Fishes 4:00-4:45pm Curb- side pickup 4:00- 5:30pm Inside dining	25	26 7:30pm Religion Recovery @ Lyons Pub	27	28 Summer Sandwiches: 10am Pack 11:30-Noon Distribute	29
30 9am OUTDOOR Worship	31 Loaves & Fishes 4:00-4:45pm Curb- side pickup 4:00- 5:30pm Inside dining	LOOKING AHEAD: Plus 50 Retreat @ Mt. Morris: August 10th - 13th Community Worship: Bentzin Square @ 9:30am: August 13th Shared Community Mission Distribute School supplies: August 21st - 23rd Sunday School resumes: September 10th Outside Service & Summer Picnic: September 10th				