



EMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WE WELCOME! WE WORSHIP! WE WITNESS!

JULY 2019 NEWSLETTER

**“Travel is fatal to prejudice
bigotry and narrow-mindedness.”
Mark Twain**

I mentioned during the sermon on June 30th about my summer reading at the comic store. A particular line that stuck with me from my “fun” reading was that “We as people need more windows than mirrors.” It was a hit over the head by the Holy Spirit moment!

I know that many of you are enjoying summer travel, for pleasure, business or just to visit family. Travel can be a window for us. A window outside of our family, outside of our community. It can be a way for the Holy Spirit to speak to us about the needs of our world. God can create

windows for us to see so much about our world, and about ourselves.

In 2015 I traveled to Brazil for seminary. The purpose of the trip was to learn about the history, culture, and poverty of a nation different than our own. It was enlightening and wonderful in many ways. But the parallels in Brazil’s history to our own were remarkable: the horror of the slave trade from Africa, the poor treatment of native persons, these things became a window into my own culture.

As you return this summer to your church family at Em-

manuel, bring something back with you. Not necessarily a tangible trinket or souvenir, but a story or an experience about what you saw. Bring a window to share. God has so much to show us. Windows can provide fresh air, sunlight, and new points of view. Safe travels. Bring back a window!

*Blessings
Pastor Ben*

OUR SUMMER

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 9:00 Worship
- 10:00 Fellowship

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OUTDOOR WORSHIP IS COMING AGAIN JULY 21ST!

God gave Emmanuel Church a beautiful front lawn with lovely shade! Its been a great spot to worship outside the past few years with some wonderful jazz music! We already had one great edition so far in June.

We will continue worship on the lawn again this summer on **July 21st, and August 18th.** Worship times and

fellowship will remain the same. In the event of rain, we will come back inside!

Make outdoor worship a part of your plans and invite friends!



MISSIONARY VISIT JULY 14TH

On July 14th, Emmanuel Church will welcome missionary David Makobo from Senegal to worship with us. David is a native of the Democratic Republic of Congo, working in Senegal as an agricultural missionary. Our Senegal mission team did not get to visit with David on our most recent trip, but we did get to see his work!

In Senegal, David teaches farmers how to “grow food in poor soil and how to use modern technologies to

produce more.” He also works with church leaders to assist the mission in realizing its goal of becoming economically self-sufficient through the use of modern agricultural tools and methods. He also works with visiting Volunteer-in-Mission teams.

David will be visit our Wisconsin Conference for about four weeks in July, and will be our guest at Emmanuel Church on July 14th! Join us in worship to hear the story of how God is working in Senegal!



Pastor Ben holds up two eggplant, handiwork of David Makobo in Senegal!

HYGIENE KIT ASSEMBLY– FOLLOWING WORSHIP JULY 7TH

On Sunday, June 30th, Emmanuel observed a “Sunday of Solidarity for Suffering Children” with UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief. UMCOR provided resources to engaged in conversation the issue of children and families being held and treated inhumanely at our southern border.

UMCOR also provided a way for us to act. Although churches are not able to reach the U.S. government holding centers that we hear so much about on the news, UMCOR has been distributing hygiene kits to transitional shelters along the border. In the last three months, over 46,000 UMCOR hygiene

kits have been distributed.

On Sunday, June 30th slips of paper were available, each one for a separate component of the hygiene kit. Thank you to all who took these and will bring items back! We will assemble the items in the library following worship on Sunday, July 7th in the church library.

UMW NEWS



Circle Meetings

The Eve Circle will meet on July 9th. Vida Kollath will be the hostess. Nancy Huolihan will be the program leader.

The Ruth Circle will not meet in July

Mission U

Mission U (formerly School of Mission) will be July 22-25 in Wisconsin Rapids at the Hotel Mead and Conference Center.

Registration and lodging for the four day session is \$425. A commuter registration is also available for \$205.

Scholarships can be requested when completing the application form.

Applications are available at Emmanuel on the UMW table. Registration must be completed by July 1st.

JUNE PHOTOS!



Kassidi Wing and Kate Korb help with crafts in the Fellowship lounge.



Gabrielle Davis was one of many who helped provide amazing meals for us each night at VBS!



We had great weather for outdoor games and sidewalk chalk! Wesley McKee helped lead the games on the front lawn.



Each night at VBS we had games on the front lawn about working together and Building up the kingdom of God!

COTS MEAL DELIVERY JULY AND AUGUST!



Since February of 2015 Emmanuel has been in a missional relationship with our neighbors at the COTS transitional shelter. Every other month (or approximately 6 times year) we have extended the fellowship of our Wednesday night table 20 men at the COTS shelter. We are grateful to all who have made donations, helped cook, and helped deliver in past. COTS called Emmanuel with several needs for this summer, and we will be responding with a meal for 20 men on **July 31st, August 9th, and August 23rd**. You can help with these meals by contrib-

uting financially, offering a dessert, or helping to deliver. Contact our Meal Prep Team to help— Denise Linstedt, Audrey Lunday, Kathy Abel, and Marilyn Zylstra.

COTS is invested in the long term success of those they work with; they are teaching live skills such as budgeting, cooking, and gardening. COTS has an “after-care” program to follow up with its clients after they are out on their own again in the outside world.

COTS is continuing to expand their programming to transition persons out of homelessness, financial literacy, and after care. Emmanuel will welcome on a speaker from COTS on Sunday, August 4th to hear about some of their new programs. Be with us in worship to hear more about what God is doing in our community through our neighbors and partners!

CHECK OUT CHURCH CAMP THIS SUMMER!

There is no place like Wisconsin in the summer. God has blessed us with beautiful trees, sunshine, and lakes. And there is no better place to enjoy these gifts from God than at one of our great United Methodist Church camps!

Camp is available for all ages; there are even Adult Camps and Family Camps! We some information about these camps

in the church office. More information about Camp Ministries is available online at wium-camps.org. Emmanuel has funding available for camp scholarships. If you are interested in camp but would like information about funding possibilities, please speak with Barb Steele or Pastor Ben.



SCRIP FOR ALL YOUR SUMMER ADVENTURES!

Gas to get around. Groceries for a quick meal to grill out. A run to Target for a summer birthday party. Dinner at Culvers or Perkins on the way home from church.

You can do all of these things **AND contribute to Emmanuel Church at the same time** through the SCRIP program. Through the SCRIP program you purchase a gift card (at church for face value) to your favorite retail-

er, gas station, and grocery store. Use these gift cards in your daily doings as you normally would. Meanwhile, these retailers are returning a portion to Emmanuel!

We are grateful for all of the work of our amazing Scrip Team, Paul Sagers and Barb Steele. Paul is at the Scrip table following worship every week and would be happy to answer any questions you may have. Shop with Scrip and give to Emmanuel Church!



Groceries, Gas, Shopping and more...

NEW DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT FOR OUR NORTH EAST DISTRICT



Effective July 1, the Reverend Kate Croskery Jones will move from the North West District to become District Superintendent in the North East District. Kate is beginning her fifth year as member of the Appointive Cabinet, and this move will allow her to be close to her home in Neenah. Kate is a competent, capable, and caring leader – an excellent mixture of gifts and talents for the work of District Superintendence. She brings a comprehensive knowledge of the Annual Conference and The United

Methodist Church.

Kate comments, “It has been an honor and joy to serve as the North West District Superintendent. The United Methodists of the North West District taught me so much about being the church. I have been touched by the faithfulness of the people in this district and delighted by the collegiality of the clergy and their love and support of one another.

The stunning beauty of God’s created world in the NWD has eased the burden of long drives and time away

from my husband. Yet, I am ready to go home and live with my husband in Neenah and to serve the North East District. The pain of saying good-bye is eased by the appointment of Barb Certa Werner. She is wise and faithful, tough and tender-hearted. She will make a great DS. The North West District will be in good hands.

I am looking forward to building new relationships and serving in the North East District (and living with my beloved!)”.

(story from wisconsinumc.org)

SAVE THE DATE FOR SENEGAL GOLF OUTING! AUGUST 14TH

The 8th annual Senegal Golf event with our circuit churches has been scheduled for Wednesday, August 14th. Cost for golf and Cart will again be \$50 per golfer or \$27 per mini golfer. Sponsorships are needed to support the Senegal ministry! Sign-up details for all three of these opportunities are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Invite your friends to join us for this fun and important day in our Circuit!



Matt Buchman calls his shot at the 2018 outing



Our Senegal Golf Team at the 2018 outing.

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COMING UP AT EMMANUEL!!!!

- July 4th Independence Day (Church office Closed)
- July 7th Communion Sunday and Hygiene Kit Assembly
- July 9th Eve Circle Meeting
- July 14th Missionary Visit— David Makobo
- July 18th Emmanuel Serving at Salvation Army
- July 21 Outdoor Jazz Worship
- July 28th Lynn Kollath Preaching
- July 31st COTS Meal Delivery
- August 9th COTS Meal Delivery
- August 14th Senegal Golf Outing
- August 23 COTS Meal Delivery