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## United Methodist Messenger

### THE UPPER ST. CROIX PARISH



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### **May 2018**

Beginning in February I prepared a series of easily understandable articles to explain Methodism through my ministerial experiences. I hope these articles will help you better understand Methodism and confirm and develop your faithful identification as a Methodist.

#### Q) What is the nature and mission of the church? What are its primary tasks today?

The origin of the word church is from the Greek, *Ecclesia*, which means 'call out.' The church is the place where people gather to worship and give thanks to God. It is also the place where those who are gathered accomplish the work of fulfilling the will of God. Paul defines the church in 1 Corinthians 1:2, "To the Church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." This means that the church is not about the building, but the people of God who are summoned in the name of Jesus Christ.

The Book of Discipline offers an explanation of the mission and definition of the church: "To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by proclaiming the good news of God's grace and by exemplifying Jesus' command to love God and neighbor, thus seeking the fulfillment of God's reign and realm in the world. The fulfillment of God's reign and realm in the world is the vision Scripture holds before us."

The mission of the church has been entrusted to us to be carried out though worship, edification of believers, and redemption of the world. I strongly believe that these are not just roles. The church does this naturally in the world through believers. We never stay only in the church or our houses, but also go into the world with the Gospel. The church from its beginning has existed for the world, yet it remains separate from the world. It has proclaimed the Word of God and made disciples. The church not only proclaims the Word of God, but also serves as the place where disciples of Jesus grow in faith, witness God's works in fellow believers' lives, and learn God's attributes.



There is an African proverb that says, "It takes a village to raise a child." I think it shows very well the primary work of the church today. For raising a child, we not only need a good church but we also need a good community. We do not stay only at church, for beyond the church we need to connect and serve our community through God's love. Likewise, we need to make an effort to improve social justice in our world.





Calendar of the Upper St. Croix Parish

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
Worship Schedule Wolf Creek: 8:15 am Central: 9:00 am St. Croix Falls: 10:00 am Atlas: 11:00 am Coffee Fellowship 10:00 Every Sunday at Central	Pastor Kookho Kim's Hours Tues: 9-3 Grantsburg Office Thurs: 9-3 Grantsburg Office Fri: Off Sun: St. Croix Falls Worship (unless noted on calendar differently)	Pastor Ran Yoo's Hours Mon: 9-3 St. Croix Falls Office Tues: 9-3 Grantsburg Office Wed: 9-3 Parish Visits Thurs: 9-3 St. Croix Falls Office Fri: Off Sun: Central/Atlas Worship (unless noted on calendar differently)		Colleen's Office Hours Tuesday 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Friday or Saturday 8:30 am -12:30 pm (times vary)	A=Atlas G=Central/Grantsburg SCF=St. Croix Falls WC=Wolf Creek	Check us out on the web at upperstcroixparish.org or on Facebook!
		1 10:00/7:00 AA (WC) May Day	2 6:00 Potluck (G) 6:30 UMW Movie Night- Hidden Figures (G)	National Day of Prayer  National Day of Frayer	4	WI Fishing Opener  GONE FISHIN'
6 11:00 Ad Council (SCF)  Pastors at Provisional Elders	7 s' Meeting in Pine Lake WI	8 10:00/7:00 AA (WC) 6:00 SPRC Meeting (A)	9	Pastors at Ordinatio	n Retreat in Sun Prairie	MN Fishing Opener 8:00 UM Men (C)



# **MAY 2018**

Calendar of the Upper St. Croix Parish

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
13		15	16	17	18	19
11:00 Coffee Fellowship (SCF)		10:00/7:00 AA (WC)	5:00-6:30 Go Fish Fun Night (G)	9:30 Pastoral Prayer during the Burnet County Board		
Mother's		6:30 Ad Council (G)	6:00 Potluck (SCF)	Meeting @ Siren		
						Armed Forces
	Pastor Ran's Clergy S	ession in Rockford IL				Day
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
11:00 Coffee Fellowship (SCF)		10:00/7:00 AA (WC)				
10:30 Fellowship (A)		Deadline to submit June Newsletter information				
12:00 Ad Council (A)						
4:00 Worship @ Good Samaritan						
Pentecost						
27 Peace With Justice Sunday-Special	28	29	30	31		
Offering					WITHOU	TGOD
11:00 Coffee Fellowship (SCF)					SIND	AY
4:00 Worship @ Luke United Pioneer Home					MOURN TEARS	
Trinity Sunday	*** HAPPY ***  MEMORIAL DAY  REMEMBER AND HONOR *******				WASTE THIRST FIGHT SHATTE 7 days wit makes	DAY

# **GRANTSBURG: CENTRAL NEWS**

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May 6	Steve Briggs	May 6	Bevan Branstad & Bob Bransta
May 13	John Elmgren	May 13	Valetta Walton
May 20	Carol Drohman	May 20	
May 27		May 27	
	Ushers		Altar Flowers
May 6	Ed Boneske	May 6	Kirsten & Ed Boneske
May 13	Lu Doneske	May 13	Misteri & Lu Doneske
May 20	Valetta Walton	May 20	Valetta Walton
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May 27		May 27	
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Rehbein Family All of May



# MAY



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## A GLANCE AT CENTRAL'S **OFFERING INCOME THROUGH APRIL 2018**



Funds		March 2018	Yea	ar-to_Date 2018
General Funds Gifts	\$	3,935.00	\$ :	17,808.50
Loose Offering	\$	171.17	\$	633.97
Upper Room	\$	2.00	\$	7.00
Sunday School			\$	100.00
	\$	-		
Total General Funds	\$4	4,108.17	\$ :	18,549.47
<b>Equipment Replacement</b>				
Fund	\$	284.00	\$	452.00
Capital	\$	50.00	\$	150.00
Missions	\$	85.00	\$	160.00
Specials	\$	222.00	\$	323.00
A/C Fund	\$	-	\$	20.00
Other-Pastors Youth Fund	\$	25.00	\$	125.00
All Funds	\$	4,774.17	\$	19,779.47



# GRANTSBURG: MISSIONS & MEETINGS

#### MAY MISSION: IMAGINE NO MALARIA

Imagine no Malaria is an effort of the people of the United Methodist Church putting faith into action to end preventable deaths by malaria in Africa, especially the deaths of a child or a mother. Imagine No Malaria works in partnership with the United Nations Foundation and The Global Fund. The program is focused on delivering four key components:

- 1. Prevention: Mosquito nets, draining standing water, trimming foliage and proper sanitation are all critical to preventing malaria.
- 2. Treatment: The United Methodist Church has been working in Africa for more than 160 years. The church has the infrastructure of more than 300 clinics and hospitals in Africa. The campaign has the goal of getting appropriate medications and diagnostic tests to those facilities.
- 3. Education: Training local community health workers to educate people on the symptoms and defenses against malaria and how to use mosquito nets.
- 4. Communications: The program provides education on malaria and information through its vast radio network in Africa.

I have witnessed the lose of life of adults, children and unborn babies with my work overseas. I have personally had malaria 4 times and I know the importance of prevention and treatment. I feel is an important mission of the United Methodist Church. ~ Deb Hammer



GREEN THUMB GARDENING PROJECT...Thank you for your support of the Green Thumb Gardening Project. Central Church collect 60 packets of seeds! We pray that these donations provide an abundance of food for those in need.

appreciate all the cleaning and paper donations the church received during the April Showers event. Your donations go a long way in helping defray expenses for Central UMC.



# MAY AD. COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 15th 6:30 pm Grantsburg UMC The Grantsburg Alliance is organizing the Second Progressive Dinner Fundraiser. All proceeds will be given to the Salvation Army's Back-Pack program in Grantsburg. They are currently sending home food for the weekend during the school year with children of 43 families

Event is May 5, 2018. There are 2 groups, Group 1 starting at 4PM and Group 2 at 5 PM. Time at each church is 30 minutes.

Cost: \$15 for Adult and Children 13+, \$7 for Children 6-12, Free for Children 5 and under.

- -Appetizer at Faith Lutheran
- -Salad at Immaculate Conception (United Methodist Church is working with the Catholic church).
- -Main Dish Grace Baptist
- -Dessert at New Hope Lutheran

Tickets are available at the Grantsburg Public Library or any of the eight Grantsburg Alliance

Churches: -Bethany Lutheran Church

-Central United Methodist Church

-Faith Lutheran Church

-Grace Baptist Church

-Immaculate Conception Church

-New Hope Lutheran Church

-Trade River Free Church

-Zion Lutheran Church



### GRANTSBURG CONTINUED...

## UNITED METHODIST



# United Methodist Men's May Meeting

Saturday, May 12th 8:00am at Central UMC

Devotions: Mike Giles Refreshments: John Elmgren

# United Methodist Women

UMW will be showing the movie "Hidden Figures" after the May 2nd Potluck. The movie will start around 6:45 pm. You are welcome to bring a lawn chair and a guest! All are welcome!



Valetta Walton will be providing refreshments.

The next regular meeting will be held on June 13th at 1:00 pm in the fellowship hall. LuAnne Martell will be hosting.



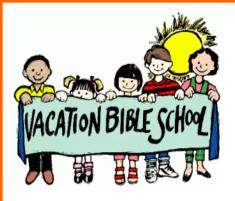
Central will be holding a rummage sale on Friday, June 1st (8am until 5pm) and Saturday, June 2nd (8am until noon) in conjunction with Big Gust Days in the village of Grantsburg.

You may bring donations for the sale throughout the month of May and set them in the large basement room, on the window side. If your have very large items or outdoor type items please wait and bring them in starting May 29th.

There will be a sign up sheet on the church clipboard during the month of May. We will need people to help set up on Wednesday and Thursday before the sale, people to work during the sale and people to help pack up after the sale and get the church ready for Sunday service.

Proceeds will go into the equipment replacement fund towards furnace replacement. Please be generous with your donations, time and purchases.

If you have questions or miss the sign up sheet and can help out call LuAnne Martell at 715-222-3016 or Kim Wheeler at 715-431-1857.



## Save the Date

Mark your calendar for Vacation Bible School from July 31-August 2. Leaders and helpers wanted!

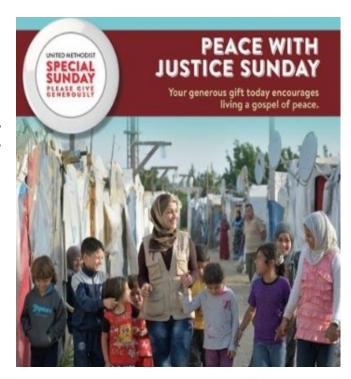
You can contact Kim Wheeler if you'd like to help!

VBS is open to all ages, individuals and families. Watch the bulletins and newsletters for additional information.





Together, we spread the gospel of peace and encourage cooperation locally, in the United States and globally. Special offering envelopes will be available in the bulletins on Sunday, May 27th for those who want to make a donation to help support this special ministry.





# ALTERNATE WAYS OF GIVING

How much do you feel called to return to God to say "thank you" for the blessings you've received? In reviewing your finances and taxes for the year ahead, we invite you to consider the following creative options for meeting your charitable giving goals.



Your Gift	How to Make that Gift	Your Benefits
Appreciated stock, securities, or other assets	Donate stock, securities, or mutual fund shares through the Foundation at no fee.	An income tax deduction and avoidance of capital gains tax. This allows you to make a larger gift than if you made it with cash.
Direct gift of up to \$100,000 from Traditional or Roth IRA	If you're 70-1/2 or older, ask your IRA administrator to make a gift directly to the church or another charity from your Traditional or Roth IRA.	You can make a generous gift that is tax-free and can count for the mandatory minimum withdrawal from your IRA. It is a direct gift to charity, which means you do not pay income tax on the withdrawal. Nor does it affect your Social Security income.
Deferred Gift from an IRA or other Retirement Plan	Name the church or another charity as a beneficiary of the remaining assets after your lifetime.	You'll be able to leave your less heavily taxed assets to family, and others that you love.
Real Estate	Donate property to the church through the Foundation.	Avoid capital gains taxes, receive an immediate charitable deduction, and possibly establish a life income trust.

# ATLAS NEWS



May 6	<b>Liturgists</b> Toni Koons
May 13 May 20 May 27	Roxane Brock
May 6 May 13	<b>Ushers</b> Roxane Brock
May 20 May 27	Colleen Norenberg
	Coffee Fellowship

#### Cleaning

(Note the date starts with the Sunday to be cleaned and the rest of that week is your responsibility also.)

5/6 & 5/13	Georgeanne Koons
5/20 & 5/27	

PLEASE NOTE THAT FELLOWSHIP AT AT-

LAS IS SERVED FROM

10:30 AM-10:55 AM.

May 6
May 13

Sunday School (Older/Younger Teachers)
Cheryl Olson/\_\_\_\_\_\_Jamie Steffen
/Kristie Olson/Jamie Steffen



May 20

# INCOME TOWARD ATLAS' BUDGET

Maxine Hauble

#### Offerings:

April 1 \$ 1028.50
April 8 \$ 485.00
April 15 \$ No Service
April 22 \$ 525.00
April 29 \$ Unavailable
Total \$ (as of 4/22)



Church Council

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING Sunday, May 20 12:00 pm at Atlas UMC

\$3278.84 - Needed per Month to cover expenses.

**April shortage = -\$ 1240.84** 

Thank you for your faithful financial support of the ministry of Atlas church!

Sunday, May 13th is the last day of Sunday School.



# POTLUCK & SPRING CLEAN

TBD-watch the weekly bulletins for upcoming date!



Coffee Fellowship



## PLANET GREEN INK JET RECYCLING PROGRAM

Do you have used ink jet cartridges or old cell phones? Every one that you donate to the church provides extra money to fund Atlas Church's ministry and outreach. Thank you for your continued support of this program!





#### GREEN THUMB GARDENING PROJECT

Thank you to all who donated supported the Green Thumb Gardening Project. The Atlas congregation donated 41 seed packets!



Your donations will help families help themselves by growing their own food.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Ashleigh Olson 5/4
Colleen Norenberg 5/4
Jason Frenette 5/4

#### MAY MISSION ~ INGATHERING KITS

We will be collecting items for the Ingathering Kits for the Wisconsin Annual Conference from their URGENT NEEDS list.

Please note that all Items need to be **new** and **unwashed**.

#### **URGENT NEEDS**

- Receiving Blankets
- ⊕ Gowns/Sleepers
- ⊕ Onesies
- ⊕ Cloth Diapers





Donations can be left in the basket at the ront of the church. Thank you!

SPRING IS IN THE AIR!



Barry & Colleen Norenberg 5/31

Happy Anniversary

# LOAVES & FISHES NEEDS OUR ONGOING SUPPORT



On Communion Sunday, May 6th you are invited to bring donations for the Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry in Luck. We do keep a basket out for donations brought at any time as well.

May: NON-FOOD ITEMS: DIAPERS/WIPES, LAUNDRY DETERGENT, DEODORANT, TOILET PAPER, ETC.

## LOAVES & FISHES FOOD PANTRY

**Monthly Report ~ March 2018** 

Households Served 80 Luck School District 49
Adults 126 Unity School District 31
Children 37 Other 0

Total People 163 New Families: Unity 0, Luck 2, Other 0

USDA Food Received 1303# NON-USDA (Donations) 1806#

Groceries Purchased 630# Volunteer Hours 60



Items Needed: Peanut butter, coffee, tuna fish and personal items-shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.)

## ST. CROIX FALLS NEWS



# MAY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Naomi McLean Charlie & Joan Zeigler Nathan Murtaugh Peter Gionis 5/6 5/7 5/11 5/15

## Liturgists

All of May Jim Andrews

#### **Ushers**

All of May Marjorie Broker

#### **Altar Flowers**

All of May Betty Doolittle

#### **Coffee Hour**

Helping Hand

May 13 Steve & LeAnn Sylvester
May 20 Administrative Council
May 27 Jim & Fay Andrews

#### Communion / Paraments

May 6 Peter & Kathleen Gionis

### **Money Counters**

All of May Jim Andrews



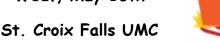
# May Mission: St. Croix Falls School Store.

We will be collecting hygiene items and toiletries for the St. Croix Falls School Store, providing items for students in need.

Thank you for your support!

## **POTLUCK**

6:00 pm Wed., May 16th



...all are welcome!



## Symptoms:

POTLUCK

-bounce off the walls chattiness
-a severe lack of focus
-pleas to stay out longer at recess
-longing glares out the window
-belting renditions of Olaf's beloved
song "In Summer..."
-teachers feeling like Charlie
Brown's teacher "Waa...waa.waa"

Diagnosis: Spring Fever

# ST. CROIX FALLS



SCF/TF Rotary, MidWest One Bank & Music On The Overlook present

Wannigan Days 2018

The 60th Anniversary River Spirit Celebration Taylors Falls, MN & St Croix Falls, WI

July 20-22, 2018



### Music on the Overlook

Fridays in Downtown St. Croix Falls at 6:30 pm

Check out their Facebook page: Music On The Overlook St Croix Falls, WI or their website for more information ... http://www.musicontheoverlook.com/





































### Readers & Greeters

May 6 Linda Chouinard

May 13 Donna Blair

May 20 Barb Davidsavor

May 27 Myrna Westen

### Coffee Fellowship

May 27

Cleaner for May All Month:

# MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

Mon., May 28th 11:00 pm followed by lunch at 11:30 am

### FREE WILL OFFERING

Please join us if you are able!

REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED



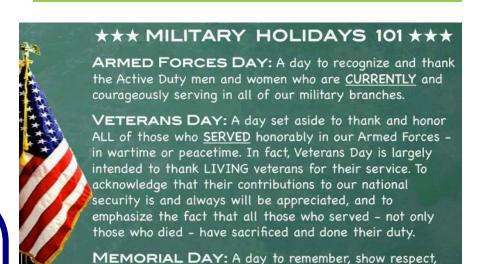
ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL

# Wolf Creek News

# REMEMBER THE FOOD SHELF

On Communion Sundays, you are invited to bring in donations for the SCF Food Pantry. Canned vegetables, fruit or meat, fruit juice, cereal, peanut butter and jelly, kid-friendly soups, personal hygiene items ... just be sure your food items have not expired.

**COMMUNION SUNDAY: May 6th** 





and honor the brave men and women who DIED while in

service to our country. They paid the ultimate sacrifice and are missed by spouses, children, parents, extended family,





#### GIVING

Questions for a Money Autobiography, Pt 2 May 2018

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:7)

#### From Writing a Money Autobiography by Dan Dick

A money autobiography is a reflection process on the role and influence of money and material possessions in our life. It challenges us to explore the past to see how our attitudes, assumptions, and values concerning money and wealth were formed.

#### Values Questions concerning money & wealth

- In what ways are you a spender? A saver? In what ways are you generous? Stingy?
- Although money can't buy happiness, what are some of the things money can buy that bring happiness?
- What do you like best about money? What do you like least?
- What things in life are worth more than money? How does your lifestyle reflect the relative importance of these things to money?
- How has gender influenced your thinking about money? What differences do you see in how men and women relate to money?
- Which of the following words best communicates your attitudes and feelings about money? Why? Money is... power, security, hope, love, pleasure, prestige, dirty, value, anxiety, identity, a tool, freedom, protection, evil, comfort, fun.
- Reflect on times when you have given to meet the needs of another.
   Or, when you were on the receiving end of a gift? How did you feel?

It is useful to create a money autobiography journal to record your thoughts, reflections, and feelings. Then, you can return to the money autobiography journal months and years afterward.

Jim Wells, Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation

Visit the Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation at www.wumf.org or Facebook/wumf.org Or call 1-888-903-9863

## **Burnett County Emergency Food Shelves and Distributions**

**Grantsburg Area Food Shelf No cost** 

Serving residents of the Grantsburg School District Open Thursday 9:30am-11:30am; **EMERGENCIES ONLY** on Tuesday 9:30am-11:30am Allowed to come 2 times a month

Located between the Library and the Village Hall Office, 320 South Brad St., Grantsburg, WI



Indianhead Community Action Agency- "Connections" No cost

Serving all Burnett County residents
Open 10am-3pm Monday, Tuesday & Friday
Located in Webster next to the Holiday Gas Station
(715) 866-8151

Ruby's Food Shelf- Siren No cost

Serving residents of the Siren & Webster School Districts
Open 10:00am-2pm Monday & Friday
10:00am-4pm Wednesday
Closed Thursday

\*\*You`re asked to be there at least 30 minutes before close Located at 24534 State Hwy 35/70 (Ruby`s Secondhand) (715)349-RUBY (7829)



"If you love me, feed my sheep."

**Ruby`s Monthly Food Distributions** *Bring own boxes or baskets Donation: \$20* For dates, times, and locations (no location restrictions at this time), visit <a href="http://www.rubyspantry.org/distribution/distschedule.htm">http://www.rubyspantry.org/distribution/distschedule.htm</a>

**Second Harvest Food Distribution** *No cost* 

First and Third Thursday of every month Starts at 11:00am until food is gone Located at Connections in Webster (next to the Holiday Gas Station) This distribution is offered to appear in n

This distribution is offered to anyone in need of food; please help get the word out

St. Croix Chippewa Commodities Distribution

24663 Angeline Ave., Webster 349-2195, Becky Reynolds

Food distribution: Monday to Thursday 7:30am-4:30pm

(Native American Income Eligible Only)

Closed first week of each month for inventory. Can only receive one time per month. A variety of items are available each month and may include canned meats; juice; canned foods; dry goods; frozen meats; cheese; rice and pasta; fresh produce.

## **Polk County Food Shelves**

#### **Amery**

Amery Food Shelf—230 Deronda Street, Amery

Food Shelf is located in the old Amery Regional Medical Center Building. Call (715) 268-5999 before 12:00 noon on Wednesday. Leave name and number on voice mail. Open Thursday 2-6 pm.

Area of service: Amery school district only

The Congregational Church—201 Harriman Ave. North, Amery

Food distribution: 9-10:30 am every 2nd Saturday of the month . Registration is 7 am to 9:30 am. **715-268-7390 Special note:** No economic restrictions; however, a \$20.00 donation is asked to help cover the cost of the truck.

**Ruby's Pantry –www.amery.ucc.org** or office.ameryucc@gmail.com Area of service: County wide



People Loving People --- 103 E. Main Street, Dresser

Monday and Saturday 11 am – 1 pm Wednesday 2 pm – 5 pm

Phone: 715-501-4657



Family Pathways Food Shelf—1100 Wisconsin Ave South, Frederic Phone 715-327-4425

Open Tuesday 9 am—6 pm, Thursday 9 am—6 pm, Saturday 9 am—12pm For best service please call for appointment.

#### Luck

Loaves and Fishes Interfaith Food Pantry—300 North 1st Street, Luck Pantry is located in the back of the DBS Hall

Open Tuesday & Thursday 11 am—1 pm

Phone (715) 472-2003

Area of service: Luck & Unity School Districts

#### Osceola

The Open Cupboard Food Shelf—402 2nd Avenue, Osceola

Call for appointment: **715-294-4357** Open Monday-Friday 8 am – 5 pm

(The Open Cupboard also has used furniture & clothing)
Area of service: Osceola & Dresser school district

#### St. Croix Falls

St Croix Falls Food Shelf—809 Pine Street, St Croix Falls

Call United Methodist Church with questions: 715-483-9494

Open Monday 9 am—11 am Thursday 3 pm—6 pm Friday 9 am – 10 am Area of service: SCF school district, Dresser elementary, Centuria, Cushing

& portions of Balsam Lake & Taylors Falls

Family Pathways Food Shelf—2000 US Hwy 8, St Croix Falls

Phone: 715-483-2920

Open Monday 9–5 pm, Tuesday 9-5 pm, Wednesday 12 pm– 6 pm, Thursday

9-5 pm, Friday 9-5 pm, & Saturday 9-Noon







