

Upper St. Croix Parish United Methodist Church
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January



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A STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

Active Discipleship January 2024

A University chaplain had an interesting conversation with a student that came to see him one day. He writes:

“I was wondering what I ought to do about the exam,” she said, “then I looked at this bracelet” (here she gestured to the “What Would Jesus Do?” bracelet on her wrist), “and I said to myself,

‘I am going to just say a little prayer, relax, and look after myself.’” And I thought to myself, “I can think of at least a couple of other things Jesus might tell you to do — like get over to the library and get busy studying for this exam.”

Devoid of specific content, insubstantial, vague “spirituality” may be our contemporary Christian undoing. We have rendered Jesus into someone so vague, amorphous, and flimsy that he makes little claim upon us. Jesus has become a fashion accessory, something tied to our wrist, a comfort, never a challenge. What would Jesus do? Whatever we do, it appears.

This short story reminds me of what a challenge Christian Discipleship. It is easy for us to become a member of a church, attend several times a year, give a little money, and to sit back and relax because we all know that God’s grace is free. And yet, we forget that while God’s love is given to us freely, if we allow it to grab ahold of us, it changes our lives. Our priorities are no longer our own, but God’s. We pray that “God’s will be done,” not only in a general sense, but particularly in and through our own lives. This means becoming an active part of our community of faith. Giving our energy to worship, instead of being a passive observer. Actively loving and serving our neighbor, instead of just praying for them and hoping for a miracle. Spending time with God in prayer and study. Letting generosity be the top priority in our finances, not just giving what’s left over after we’ve gotten ours.

Christian Discipleship is a difficult enterprise. Thank God we have grace to support us and strengthen us. And thank God we have a community of faith to help us along and to hold us accountable.

Rev. Jason Mahnke, Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation

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UNITED METHODIST MESSENGER

THE UPPER ST. CROIX PARISH

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January 2024



Pastor Jenny Lee, Ph.D.

“Let’s Replant it!”

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” (Matthew 19:14)

Time flies so fast. It has been 5 years since I moved to Wisconsin. We have experienced many things during this time, some happy and some sad. We have faced the challenges of the pandemic, the loss of many loved ones, and financial crisis. Furthermore, these crises initially threatened our church ministry, but, on the other hand, we have managed to recover. God is still with us, and God’s love has been evident in our church ministry throughout those crises.

While navigating these challenges, we worked together as one parish, supporting and caring for one another. Through this, we realized that we stand firmly in the faith of Jesus Christ. Yes, indeed, we do!

Remember, we are not alone. We, of course, have steadfast supporters, “Emmanuel God,” and the Wisconsin Conference of the United Methodist Church. The United Methodist Churches are highly connectional. I want to remind you how we have overcome these various crises: We received financial support from the Wisconsin Conference of the United Methodist Church in many ways. When Atlas Church faced a financial crisis, the Conference sent us a grant of Equitable Compensation amounting to \$4,636. Additionally, when we were planning Vacation Bible School, the Conference provided us with a grant of \$1,500. Now, as we seek support for youth ministry, the Conference has committed to providing us with a grant of \$1,500. What a tremendous supporter it is! The Wisconsin Conference never forsakes us because we are connected in the Body of Christ. Whenever we have projects for our ministry, the Conference is ready to assist us.

Now, we have a new year. What do you want to do for our church ministry in the new year? What is your vision for our church? I believe that none of us wants to see our church ministry come to a close. However, it’s important to consider the limitations of our situation, such as our aging population and the decrease in the number of members. Let’s refrain from thinking in negative ways. We have already experienced that we can overcome challenges with God’s help, as demonstrated through the success of Vacation Bible School (VBS).

The writer of the Letter of Ecclesiastes says, “There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven” (Ecclesiastes 3:1). It is time to replant the seeds of hope, the seeds of vision, and the seeds of Good News in our ministry. If our churches are aging, we need to recruit younger people through outreach. I mentioned before that without reaching out to people, we can’t revitalize our churches. Let’s proactively go out and invite people to attend our Sunday services whenever you encounter unchurched individuals. Additionally, let’s consider replanting our children and youth ministry and developing unique ministries that align with the gifts God has given us.

Since God has created everyone differently, each person and individual church possesses distinct gifts from God. Let’s discover the gifts we have received from God, and based on our unique gifts, let’s serve God and our neighbors.

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FROM THE PASTOR CONTINUED...

I saw a vision for our church ministry through VBS. Let's replant the seed of the Good News in the next generation to ensure the continuation of our church ministry. As Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these" (Matthew 19:14). Through the children and youth ministry, we may extend our ministry and the kingdom of God.

Our mission statement is "Let us make disciples for Jesus Christ in all generations with open hearts, open minds, and open doors for the transformation of the world." We cannot transform the world if we don't first transform our minds and hearts to align with God's will. The apostle Paul confesses, "We can do everything in Him (Jesus Christ) who empowers us!" (Philippians 4:13). Yes, we can achieve it with the faith of Jesus Christ through God's grace! Let's replant the seeds of a new vision in a new year!

Blessings!

Pastor Jenny

12-27-2023
Youth Christmas
Program



UMCOR SPECIAL SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Special Sundays are designated Sundays each year that deepen the connection between the local church and ministries on a global scale. On each unique Sunday, individuals and congregations are encouraged to give to support the church's collective work with a special offering. This includes efforts to:

- ✝ Alleviate human suffering
- ✝ Engage in social justice
- ✝ Strengthen Native American ministries
- ✝ Provide scholarships for higher education

Below is a list of Special Sundays that support the work of Global Ministries and UMCOR. While each Sunday has a designated date of celebration, you can donate to support these special Sundays any time.

HUMAN RELATIONS DAY – JANUARY 14, 2024

UMCOR SUNDAY – MARCH 10, 2024

NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES SUNDAY – APRIL 14, 2024

PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY – MAY 26, 2024

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY – OCTOBER 6, 2024

UNITED METHODIST STUDENT SUNDAY– NOVEMBER 24, 2024



GRANTSBURG: CENTRAL NEWS



Central UMC is holding church services with a Zoom service at 9:00 am on Sundays. We are looking for volunteers to help out at each service. Sign up sheets are available at the church. We appreciate your willingness to help out!

We have started Sunday School after Children's Time every Sunday. We welcome all the kids to attend Sunday School!

We welcome everyone to join us for Coffee Fellowship after service each Sunday.



Jim Loomis 1/14

Pauline Bistram 1/15

Vanessa Harmon 1/16

Briella Reid 1/21

Max Dauer 1/27

Charlie Glonck 1/28

Russ Hammer 1/29



Offering Income through November 2023

Funds Description	November 2023	Year-to-date 2023
General Fund Gifts	\$ 3,560.00	\$ 41,624.84
Loose Offering	\$ 25.45	\$ 529.23
Easter	\$ -	\$ 595.00
Pie & Ice Cream Social	\$ -	\$ 330.00
Total General Funds	\$ 3,585.45	\$ 43,079.07
Special Offering	\$ -	\$ 580.00
Missions	\$ 43.00	\$ 1,282.00
Pastor's Youth Fund		\$ 110.00
United Methodist Men	\$ -	\$ 300.00
All Funds Total	\$ 3,628.45	\$ 45,351.07



GRANTSBURG: MISSIONS & MEETINGS & MISC.

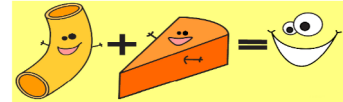


Next Meeting: January 13th

8:00 am at Central UMC

The United Methodist Men typically meet the 2nd Saturday of every month at 8:00 am.

**BE A "BACK-PACK BACKER"! REMEMBER ...
Every Sunday Is MAC 'N CHEESE SUNDAY!**



Can you donate a box or two (or more) of Macaroni and Cheese in support of the Salvation Army's "Happy Kids Back-Pack Program"? This program provides back-packs full of food to help feed families over the weekends throughout the school year. Thanks for caring for those in need in our own community.



Ad Council Meeting

January 16, 2024

6:30 pm Central UMC Grantsburg



UMW had a great Christmas luncheon on Dec. 13th with 9 people in attendance. We had a delicious meal, played fun games, and exchanged White Elephant Christmas gifts. It was a wonderful and fun time!

UMW also led the Advent Craft Group gatherings where we made quilt blankets. Paulie Kratchmer led the Advent Craft Group which gathered three separate times (Nov. 29, Dec. 6, and Dec. 20).

Seven people, including two Atlas members, joined the Craft Group, and made twelve quilt blankets. We will have a future discussion regarding when we are going to deliver those blankets to the Continuing Care Center. Thank you very much to all who participated in these gatherings-the quilts are sure to be appreciated.

UMW's next meeting will be at 1pm on Jan. 10th.

Happy New Year and See you then!

-Mary McNally, President

MISSIONS GIVING

January Mission

Central's January Mission will be collecting money to support the Grantsburg Food Shelf.

Thank you for your support!



ATLAS NEWS

In-person (indoor) worship services held Sundays at 10:00 am. We will have Coffee Fellowship the 2nd Sunday of every month following the service. Sunday School starts at 10:15 am every Sunday.

We will be needing volunteers so please check the sign up sheets if you are able to help. Thank you!



Josie Grimes 1/1
Kenneth Olson 1/13
Renee Tooze 1/26



INCOME TOWARD ATLAS' BUDGET

Offering:

\$ 2540 Sunday Offerings

\$ 609 Christmas Offering

\$186 Sunday School Fund

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

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING



Next Meeting
January 18, 2024
1:30 pm
Atlas UMC

PLANET GREEN INK JET RECYCLING PROGRAM

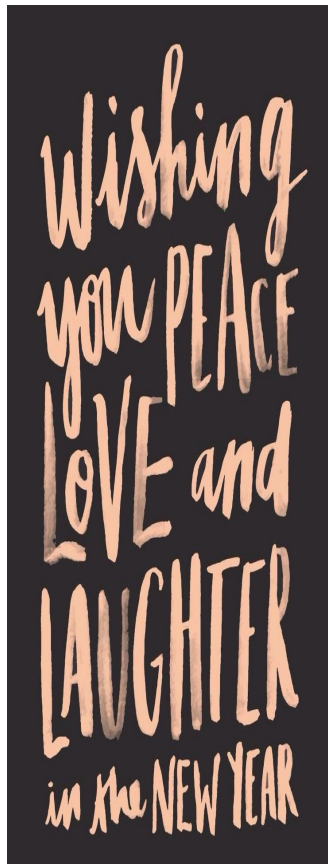
Do you have used ink jet cartridges or old cell phones? Every one that you donate to the church provides extra money to fund Atlas Church's Ministry and outreach.

Thank you for your continued support of this program!





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JANUARY MISSION

Hygiene Kits

In January we will be collecting hygiene kits for Polk County Foster Care.

Deadline Sunday, Jan. 28th.

There will be a sign-up sheet at church for people to sign up for items to donate.

We appreciate your support of our monthly missions.



We are currently operating with two interim food shelf coordinators. We would like to get a full time coordinator. We will train people who are interested. We can always use more volunteer workers as well. If interested please contact Pam Girtz 320-232-7541 Email: girtzp@gmail.com

LOAVES & FISHES FOOD PANTRY

Monthly Report ~ November 2023

Households Served	35
Adults	58
Children	7
Total People	65
USDA Food Received	2,225
NON-USDA (Donations)	\$1,326.35
Volunteer Hours	68



Needs for next month: cooking oil (smaller and larger), mayonnaise, sugar 4# size, bar soap, dish and laundry soap. Personal products for men and women.



HELPING HANDS

Volunteers for the month

Liturgist	Karen Sciacca
Money Counter	Peter Gionis
Usher	Jim Andrews
Bell Ringer	Jim Sciacca
Fellowship	Admin Members
Flowers	Lynn Hanson
Communion	Kathy & Peter Gionis

In-person services will be held Sunday's at 11:15 am. We will have Potluck Fellowship Meal the 2nd Sunday of every month following the service.

Check out our website and Facebook page for details. We hope you can join us!



St. Croix Falls
12/10/23
1:30 pm

A New Year's Blessing

May God make your year a happy one,
Not by shielding you from all sorrows and pain,
But by strengthening you to bear it, as it comes;
Not by making your path easy,
But by making you sturdy to travel any path;
Not by taking hardships from you,
But by taking fear from your heart;
Not by granting you unbroken sunshine,
But by keeping your face bright, even in the shadows;
Not by making your life always pleasant,
But by showing you when people and their causes need you most,
and by making you anxious to be there to help.
God's love, peace, hope and joy to you for the year ahead.

- Unknown



ST. CROIX FALLS NEWS

REMEMBER THE FOOD SHELF

On Communion Sundays, you are invited to bring in donations for the SCF Food Pantry... just be sure your food items have not expired.

COMMUNION SUNDAY: 1/7/24



January Mission



The Sailor Hat
Offering will go to
support the Salvation
Army!

Thank you for your
support!



*Peter & Kathy
Gionis*

1/16

HUMAN RELATIONS DAY

TOGETHER

OUR REACH IS BEYOND MEASURE

The United Methodist Church's special giving structure ensures your generosity blesses as many people as possible in sustainable, strategic ways

YOUR DONATION CHANGES THE WORLD ONE LIFE AT A TIME GIVE TO YOUR CHURCH:

Make checks payable to your local church or donate online via credit/debit card at ResourceUMC.org/SSGive



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HUMAN RELATIONS DAY TOGETHER OUR REACH IS BEYOND MEASURE

WHY DO WE CELEBRATE SPECIAL SUNDAYS?

United Methodists celebrate on specific days to unite and make clear the commitment of the church as the people of God, and to give everyone the opportunity to contribute to special programs approved and supported by the Church. For stories on how you make a difference visit UMC.org/yourimpact

HOW DO YOUR GIFTS SUPPORT HUMAN RELATIONS?

We are called to make an impact in communities where our brothers and sisters in Christ lack the resources or tools to reach their God-given potentials. Our gifts are part of building beloved community through faith-based volunteer programs, community developers and programs that work with at-risk teens. For more than half a century, United Methodists have observed this churchwide special Sunday in recognition of the message Jesus demonstrated during his life: **Each of God's children are equally important.**



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MINISTRY TABLETS AVAILABLE

Just a reminder we have ministry tablets available for all churches to use for their members, please let Pastor Jenny know if you would like to use one. Our experiences are that users really appreciate them, they are able to hear and see other members during the service. -Karen Sciacca



MISCELLANEOUS

ZOOM VIDEO WORSHIP SERVICE

9:00 am Sunday's

There will be a parish-wide ZOOM video service at 9:00 am at Central-Grantsburg every Sunday.

The worship materials will be mailed out to those without email, emailed out to everyone in the parish we have email addresses for and posted on our website.

The sermon and ZOOM login information will also be sent with the service material and posted on our website.

The video of the worship service will be posted on the parish Facebook page after the service.

Youth Worship Night

at Wood Lake
Camp

January 24th

6:00-8:00 pm



1/3-5:30pm-8pm
Junior Youth Gathering
(G)

1/10-6:30-8:00 pm
Senior Youth Gathering
(G)

1/17-5:30-8:00 pm
Junior Youth Gathering
(G)

1/31-5:30-8:00 pm
Junior Youth Gathering
(G)

Family Game Night & Dinner

Jan. 12
5:30-8:00 pm

Central UMC
Grantsburg





"Making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" *Ephesians 4:3.*

Our world is facing much division, with issues of wars, responses to major natural disasters, polarization of political stances, and an inability to negotiate a middle ground. As Christians, we must focus on the essence of the Gospel so we can live in the way of Christ. We must obey the prayer of Jesus, Who prayed that His followers might become one – as He and the Father were one.

Suppose the Gospel were divided into “left” and “right” ideologies based on the mantras of our culture. With that, the Church would fail with the first step in following Jesus! Rather, let’s turn our focus to Jesus, Who called us to do difficult things, like truly honoring differences, living united, and even loving our enemies. Only Jesus can be the savior of the world, so let’s obey His often difficult but important teachings that lead to an abundant life.

Theological prejudice fractures the light that confronts the darkness. The power to fight darkness is not separation but Christian unity and perseverance in love. Since we are members of the body of Christ, we must work hard and strive to love and understand one another no matter what. Suppose the church continues to divide, follows the cultural ways, and focuses on a narrow-minded ideology that favors only one side. In that case, it will fracture the light of holiness and leave us with nothing distinct from culture.

Let’s take on the way of Jesus! Let’s pray to understand each other, seek ways to strengthen relationships - even through tears, and stay together - even though it may be difficult. I believe that the Holy Spirit is like lubricating oil that grinds away the rough parts and makes us into beautiful and generous people. We are being made perfect in God’s love and grace.

I believe the secret to living as siblings in Christ is to become people of prayer and perseverance in faith. I pray that our most significant work will be to love the Gospel and to bear witness to it so that our efforts will not be only in defense of the institutional church but the fruit of obedience to Christ Jesus.

May the Lord bless you.

Bishop Hee-Soo Jung






ACTIVITY FUN PAGE

I SPY NEW YEAR'S EVE

COUNT HOW MANY OF EACH ITEM YOU CAN FIND AND WRITE THE NUMBER ON THE LINES BELOW.



	_____		_____		_____		_____
	_____		_____		_____		_____
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WOOD LAKE WEDNESDAYS

Come enjoy a time of biblical teaching,
worship & fun with your youth group!

FUN GAMES FRIENDS
WORSHIP CAMPFIRE

WHEN? 6:30PM - 8:00PM

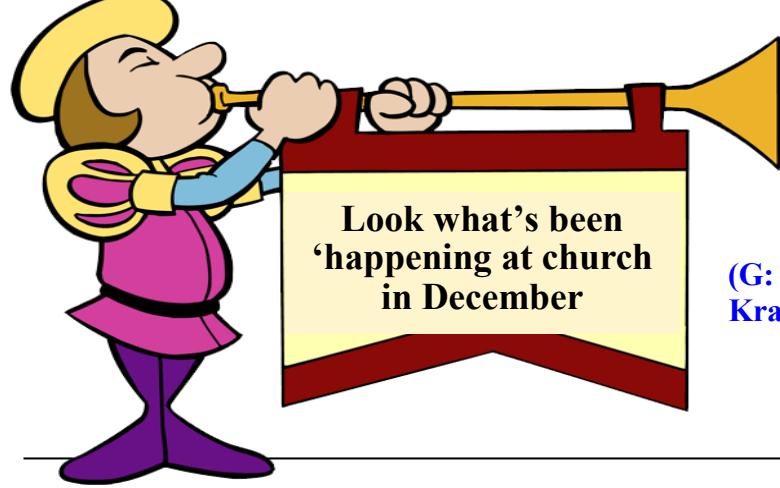
- SEPTEMBER 20TH
- DECEMBER 13TH
- MARCH 20TH
- OCTOBER 18TH
- JANUARY 24TH
- APRIL 17TH
- NOVEMBER 15TH
- FEBRUARY 21ST
- MAY 15TH

Planning on attending? Let us know!

INFO@WOODLAKE.US



WOOD LAKE
CAMP & RETREAT CENTER



(G: Deb Hammer, Paulie Kratchmer, and Kayleen Branstad)



11-27-2023, Decorating the Church for Christmas Central UMC



Soup supper after decorating the church. (Russ Hammer, Deb Hammer, Paulie Kratchmer, Sandra Erickson, Jenni Tober-Stedman, Peyton Smallwood, Willow Nyland, Barbara Loomis, and Derick Stedman)





11-27-2023, Sunday School, (G: Willow Nyland, Peyton Smallwood, Indie Tooze, Lila Tooze and Jenni Tober-Stedmen)



11-27-2023, Children's Time, (Lila Tooze and Pastor Jenny Lee)



Paulie Kratchmer (G)



Pastor Jenny Lee



Paulie Kratchmer (G), Judy Lien (G), Georgeanne Koons (A), Sue Olson (A), Sandra Erickson (G) and Pastor Jenny Lee



Sue Olson (A)



Georgeanne Koons (A) and Sue Olson (A)



Judy Lien (G)



Sue Olson (A), Georgeanne Koons (A), and Paulie Kratchmer (G)



12-3-2023, Mitten Tree Sunday, (A: Elli Olson, Wren Grimes, Landon Olson, Copelan Grimes, and Chase Steffen)



12-3-2023, Potluck Fellowship, (SCF: Lynn Hanson, Sharon Asp, Jim Andrews, Jim Sciacca, Kathy Gionis, Peter Gionis, Mark Nelson, Karen Sciacca, and Pastor Jenny Lee)



12-5-2023, Pastor Jenny Volunteers at Loaves & Fishes in Luck

Paulie Kratchmer (G), Pastor Jenny Lee, and Sue Olson (A)

12-6-2023, Advent Craft Gathering
(Continued on next page)





Sue Olson (A)



Georgeanne Koons (A)



Judy Lien (G) and Barbara Loomis (G)



12-6-2023, Youth Gathering-Bible Lesson, (Willow Nyland, Mage Harmon, Leland Snyder, Barbara Loomis, and Sammie Wilson)



12-8-2023, Youth Family Worship and Game Night, (Anneliese Snyder, Barbara Loomis, Leland Snyder)



12-10-2023, AD Council Meeting, (SCF: Lynn Hanson, Sharon Asp, Jim Sciacca, Peter Gionis, Kathy Gionis, Jim Andrews, Karen Sciacca, and Pastor Jenny)



Judy Lien, Mary McNally, Kayleen Branstad, Barbara Loomis, Georgeanne Koons (A), Paulie Kratchmer, Sally Aldorfer, and Valetta Walton.



Exchange of White Elephant Christmas Gifts, (G: Kayleen Branstad and Barbara Loomis)



Gift Exchange. (G: Mary McNally)



Preparing Food, (G: Sally Aldorfer)



Christmas White Elephant Gift, (G: Valetta Walton)



Christmas White Elephant Gift, (G: Paulie Kratchmer)



**Christmas White Elephant Gift,
(Pastor Jenny Lee)**



**Christmas White Elephant
Gift, (A: Georgeanne Koons)**



**Christmas White Elephant
Gift, (G: Judy Lien)**



**12-13-2023, Senior Youth
Worship Night at Wood
Lake Camp**



12-14-2023, Pastor Jenny Volunteers at Loaves & Fishes in Luck





Front Row: Josie Grimes, Colleen Adams-Schween, Landon Olson, Elli Olson, Wren Grimes, Copelan Grimes, Back Row: Cole Steffen, Chase Steffen, Noah Denison, and Jamie Steffen



Narrator: Chase Steffen, Angel: Elli Olson, Joseph: Landon Olson, and Mary: Wren Grimes



A: Colleen Adams-Schween, Ashleigh Olson, and Cheryl Olson



Narrators: Copelan and Chase Steffen, Wiseman: Noah Denison, Joseph: Landon Olson, Mary: Wren Grimes, and Angel: Elli Olson



Grimes and Steffen Families





Mike Denison and Ashleigh Olson



Howard Berenschot, Cindy Olson Berenschot, Sally Ellison, and Scott Olson



Briana & Jared Olson and their Family



SCF: Jim Sciacca, Karen Sciacca, Sharon Asp, Kathy Gionis, Peter Gionis and Jim Andrews



12-19-2023, Ad Council Meeting, (G: Deb Hammer, Russ Hammer, Barbara Loomis, and Pastor Jenny Lee)



12-20-2023, Advent Craft Group, (Sue Olson (A), Judy Lien (G), Paulie Kratchmer (G), and Georgeanne Koons (A))



12-20-2023, Advent Craft Group, (Sue Olson (A), Judy Lien (G), Paulie Kratchmer (G), Georgeanne Koons (A) and Pastor Jenny)



12-20-2023, Youth Gathering, Rehearsal for Christmas Program





12-24-2023, Christmas Eve, Atlas UMC

christmas eve SERVICES

12-24-2023, Christmas Eve, St. Croix Falls UMC



12-24-2023, Christmas Eve,
Central-Grantsburg UMC



12-7-2023, Joan Zeigler and
Pastor Jenny



12-21-2023, Joan Zeigler (SCF) and
Pastor Jenny Lee

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

Dresser

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

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

Phone: 715-501-4657

Frederic

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

Phone: **715-557-1653**

Open Monday 9 am—11 am Wednesday 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



NEW

FEED MY NEIGHBOR Community Food Pantry

316 Wisconsin Ave. - Centuria, WI
Open to Polk County Residents

Open:

Monday 2 to 5pm

Tuesday 5:30-7:30pm

Thursday 10am to 20pm

Saturday 9-11am

People can visit this pantry twice a month.

**YOU give them
something
to eat. Mt 14:16**



Burnett County Emergency Food Shelves and Distributions

Grantsburg Area Food Shelf *No cost*

Serving residents of the Grantsburg School District

Open: Tuesdays 9:30-11:30am

Thursdays 9:30-11:30,

Third Thursdays 4:00-6:00 pm

Emergency food is always available through the emergency window. Allowed to come 2 times a month
Located between the Library and the Village Hall Office,
320 Brad St., Grantsburg, WI 54840.



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)



Ruby`s Monthly Food Distributions *Bring own boxes or baskets Donation: \$25*

For dates, times, and locations (no location restrictions at this time), visit <http://www.rubyspantry.org/distribution/distschedule.htm>

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 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.



John 21:15-19

January

2024

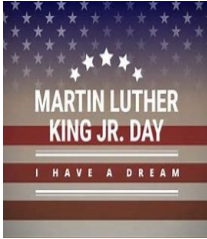

Calendar of the
Upper St. Croix
Parish

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
Pastor Jenny's Office Hours Tuesday: 9am - 5pm at Grantsburg Wednesday: 10am - 2pm at SCF & 3pm - 7pm at Grantsburg Thursday: 11am - 4pm at SCF Friday: by appointment only		Colleen's Office Hours <i>(Times are approximate)</i> Remotely: Tuesday's 8:00 am-4:00 pm Friday's 8:00 am-12:00 pm	 <p>May the faith of God be with you this year. May the peace of God surround you, and may you be blessed each day!</p> <p><i>Happy New Year</i></p>			
Communion Sunday/Blessing Service 9:00 Worship & Zoom Service (G) 10:00 Worship (A) 11:15 Worship (SCF)	1 New Years Day 	2	3 5:30pm-8pm, Junior Youth Gathering (G)	4	5	6
7 9:00 Worship & Zoom Service (G) 10:00 Worship (A) 11:15 Worship (SCF)	8	9	10 1:00 pm, UMW Meeting (G) 6:30-8:00 pm, Senior Youth Gathering (G)	11	12 5:30-8:00 pm, Youth Family Worship and Game Night (G) 	13 8:00 am UM Men's Meeting (G)

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14 UMCOR Human Relations Day (<i>Special Offering</i>) 9:00 Worship & Zoom Service (G) 10:00 Worship with Coffee Fellowship Following Service (A) 11:15 Worship & Potluck Fellowship Following Service (SCF)	15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day 	16 10:30 am-1:00 pm, Pastor Jenny Volunteers at Loaves & Fishes in Luck 6:30 pm Ad Council Meeting (G)	17 5:30-8:00 pm, Junior Youth Gathering (G)	18 1:30 pm, Ad Council Meeting (A)	19	20
21 9:00 Worship & Zoom Service (G) 10:00 Worship (A) 11:15 Worship (SCF) 12:15 pm Ad Council Meeting (SCF)	22	23 10:00 am Deadline to submit Newsletter and Calendar information  6:30 SPRC Meeting via Zoom	24 6:00-8:00 pm, Youth Worship Night at Wood Lake Camp	25 12:00-2:00 pm, Diversity Council Meeting	26	27
28 9:00 Worship & Zoom Service (G) 10:00 Worship (A) 11:15 Worship (SCF)	29	30	31 5:30-8:00pm Junior Youth Gathering (G)	