



ATM Inside: Acceptance, Truth, Mercy

Dear Friends,

Romans chapter 14 speaks of welcoming those who may be weak in faith or who have different views on fasting and worship. V.19 states: *Let us then pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding.* In other words, we love and accept people for who they are and where they are in their spiritual growth.

“Truth” may seem to be a simple concept, but we are quite prone to embellish, exaggerate, and spin the truth. Ephesians 4:14-15 tell us: *We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine by people’s trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ.*

Mercy is defined as “compassion or forgiveness shown toward someone whom it is within one’s power to punish or harm.” Ephesians 4:32 teaches: *Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.*

Acceptance, Truth, and Mercy are what we’re advertising on our sign at the Boyceville church. Let’s strive to make it a reality in all three churches!

Grace and peace,

Pastor Vicky

Keep Praying! July 2024

Dear Friends,

Let's not forget that when we want God to do something, we join him in the work by fervently praying and by doing our part. Let us continue to pray daily for our churches! Our prayer-prompt Scripture for this quarter:

I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:19

There are colorful cardstock copies in the back of the churches if you'd like to post them somewhere in your home or office.

Let me know how these Scriptures are helping you to pray, and please share answers to your prayers. If you have other suggestions for praying together, please get in touch! Let's build one another up in our faith.

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Good luck to everyone who is participating in the St. Croix, Dunn and Barron County Fairs this year!



- 2 - Jonathan Zebro
- 3 - Amy Walk
- 6 - Casey Wilcox
- 7 - Nick Carufel
- 7 - Ryan Dummer
- 11 - Brenda Smith
- 11 - Rosanne Wurtzler
- 12 - Karen Smith
- 14 - Nancy Schlottman
- 16 - Allan & Amy Walk (anniv.)
- 17 - Anita Smith
- 17 - Megan Zebro
- 21 - Daren Smith
- 22 - Christina Salsbury
- 30 - Jim & Christina Salsbury

NewsLetter
DEADLINE

Gleaner news is due by noon on Tuesday, July 23rd. Please contact Tammy Nelson at 715-505-2657 or rtsmnelson@hotmail.com with your news. Thanks.

Combined Service

Sunday, July 14th Dairy Days in Prairie Farm at 11 a.m.

This year we 're inviting all three churches to the ecumenical service! We'll join our friends in the backyard of the United Lutheran Church in Prairie Farm at 11 a.m. Holy communion will be celebrated. A sloppy joe meal with homemade desserts will be available for a free will donation. Bring a lawn chair! It's always a joyful occasion — be there!

Baked Potato Bar

Tuesday, July 16

4-7 p.m.

At the Ridgeland Farmer's Market

Baked potatoes, many toppings,
cookies, milk and water

Free will offering

Sermon by Phone

The Boyceville church is offering a Sermon by Phone service. Each week you can call into our Sermon by Phone telephone number and listen to the scripture reading and sermon. The phone number is 715-309-5114. This is a Menomonie number, and it is a local phone number for Boyceville and Wheeler. There is no charge to listen to the sermon. The sermon will be available to call Sunday after 4 pm. Each service will be available till the following Saturday afternoon. If you have any questions call Marguerite at 715-651-7880.

Sermon by Phone - call 715-309-5114. The message will change each week, but the phone number stays the same.

The sermon is also available on the United Methodist Church of Boyceville facebook page: and their website: boycevilleumc.org.



Amanda Roper
Carol Cherney
Darcy *Hafele*
The Rihn Family

Sister Alegria
Julie Babbit
Sherri Williams

Victims of natural disasters
Our shut-ins & those in nursing homes

A reminder: Please remember our
shut-ins with calls and cards.

United Methodist Church of Boyceville

Worship Time: 9:45 a.m.

Scripture Readers for Boyceville

The lay reader on Communion Sunday is asked to help Pastor Vicky with communion

	Reader
July 7	Jim Harvey
July 14	No service at Boyceville
July 21	Carol Cherney
July 28	Jim Strupp

Jim Harvey will be the usher in July

Boyceville Coffee Time

There will be no coffee time on July 14th due to Dairy Days service at Prairie Farm. Coffee Time will be after the service on July 28th and Marguerite Blodgett and Carol Cherney will serve.

The Boyceville Ad Council will meet at noon on Sunday, July 21st.

Mission Project for July & August

Operation Back to School

We know it was just a few days ago that the kids had their last day of school. Seems way too soon to be thinking about school supplies. But it won't be long till local stores have shelves of school supplies front and center. For many years Boyceville and Peace have supported WestCap Operation Back to School project. All sorts of school supplies are needed, notebooks (wide and narrow ruled), lined paper (the same as notebooks), colored pencils, regular pencils, markers (washable preferred), crayons, highlighters, three ring binders, erasers, pencil boxes and bags, and more. If you don't want to shop cash is welcome. We give all cash donations directly to WestCap and they use it to buy what the need in bulk. One year our donations went to buy sturdy backpacks at \$5 each. A very good price. Items need to be to the churches by early August. We don't have the exact date we need to turn items into WestCap yet, but will get that information out once we have it in hand. Thank you.

Blessing Box

The biggest needs in the summer are breakfast and lunch items for kids. Many children in our area receive breakfast and lunch at school and a weekend meal bag from WestCap during the school year. During the summer family budgets are challenged to meet the extra expense of providing for the kids at home. Foods that a child can make for themselves are needed to stock the box. Cereal, toaster pastries, breakfast bars, instant oatmeal, peanut butter, jelly, canned pasta, canned soup, and treats like pudding and microwave popcorn are popular. And with the kids at home paper products go at a faster rate as well. Cash is welcome too, the mission team at Boyceville is happy to shop for you. When we keep the Blessing Box well stocked, our neighbors know they can rely on finding help when they need it. Thank you.



Ingathering for Annual Conference

Our three churches put together 21 Personal Dignity Kits and 5 Home Care Buckets. Earl and Marguerite delivered the kits to the Midwest Missions trailer at Trinity UMC in Elk Mound. We haven't received the total items for Annual Conference yet. We will be sure to share them when they are sent out. Thank you to everyone who supported this mission project.



Food Harvest Ministry News

The next Food Harvest Ministry distribution will be from 8-9:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 20th at 1002 Main St., Boyceville, WI. Items will be boxed and ready for pick up. Volunteers are needed to unload the truck and pack boxes on Thursday, July 18th.

Faith United Methodist Church Prairie Farm

Worship Service at 8:30 a.m.



Thank you to:

- To Robin Burke and Pastor Vicky for their service in representing our church at Annual Conference.
- To Lay Readers: Robin Burke, Bill Wiseman, Roxanne White, and Frisles
- To Coffee Servers: Robin Burke, Barbara Bender, Roxanne White, Frisles

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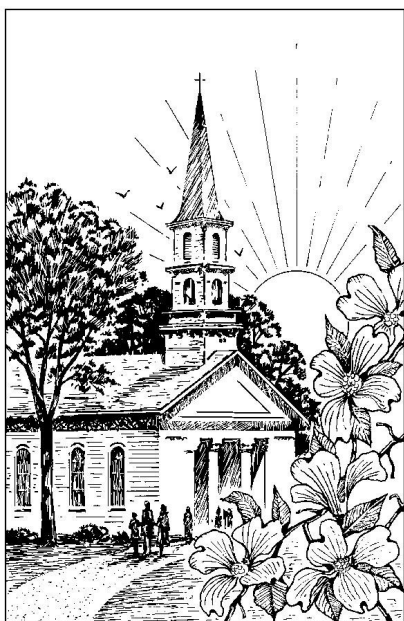
	Lay Reader	Coffee/Snack
July 7	Bill Wiseman	Open
July 14	Ecumenical Service	
July 21	Roxanne W	Roxanne W
July 28	Open	Open

United Women in Faith

United Women In Faith have not met since the last Gleaner due to different conflicts. Plans are to meet June 27th. Our July meeting will be on the 25th with Margie having the program. We decided last Sunday that we will bake the cookies for the Farmer's Market in the Ridgeland Park on the 16th. We would probably need about 15 dozen. Would you be willing to make 3 or 4 dozen and have them in a plastic bag? If they are small, 2 to a bag, or 1 large one per bag. Bring to the RCC by noon that day. Let Barb know by the 10th, so we will know what to expect. We can bag them, if you can bring them. Thanks.

Faith Administrative Council will meet at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 18th.

**Peace
United Methodist Church
Wheeler
Worship Service at 11 a.m.**



Peace Mission Thrift Shop

Thrifting Hours:

Fridays: Noon—5pm

Saturdays: 9am—2pm

**701 West 2nd Ave., Wheeler,
WI**



Thank you to everyone who helped make our grilled chicken dinner a success. We couldn't do it without you. Thank you!



There's a Song in the Air July 2024

In his short book titled *Life Together*, Dietrich Bonhoeffer writes about how to sing as a community of faith. In his instructions, he lists out some of the “destroyers of unison singing . . . that must be rigorously eliminated.” In his list, he talks about people who try to be heard above everyone else and those who try not to be heard at all. In his thoughts, he then adds a third group. “There are the less dangerous foes of congregational singing, the ‘unmusical,’ who cannot sing, of whom there are far fewer than we are led to believe.”

After many years of attempting to sing, I have learned that I am a part of Bonhoeffer's third group. Although I've tried different types of songs and different pitches, I just can't seem to get it right. What finally convinced me of the fact that I cannot sing was a comment by one youth early in my ministry. He was a reader for a service one Sunday morning and sat next to me behind the lectern. After the service was over and we were standing in the Narthex, he turned to me and said, “Jason, you should never join the choir.” (If you need more evidence, check out the Foundation's video on Socially Responsible Investing. Both Foundation President Krystal Goodger and I have “singing” parts.)

In all reality, music is God's gift to humanity. Even for those of us who are lacking in musical talent or expertise, we are able to listen to and enjoy wonderful music, contributing through our silence.

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Newsletter of Boyceville, Prairie Farm Faith and
Wheeler Peace United Methodist Churches
Pastor Vicky Strupp
Parsonage: 715-749-6351
Prairie Farm: Faith Worship Service 8:30 a.m.
Boyceville Worship Service 9:45 a.m.
Wheeler: Peace Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Welcome

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