



Dear Friends,

I hope you read the bishop's message in last month's newsletter. He calls us to make 2025 a Year of Grace. Grace is unmerited favor, or God giving us gifts that we don't deserve. John Wesley placed God's grace into these categories: Prevenient, Justifying and Sanctifying.

Prevenient grace is the grace that God gives us before we even know we need it or know how to ask. If we consider things that happened in our younger days, we may be able to see ways that God was working in our lives without us being aware. I remember knowing when I was ten years old that God had some kind of call on my life. I would have panicked if I had known that would mean becoming a pastor. God's grace again.

God is the giver of grace. But we, as God's people can be channels of that grace. I encourage you to be aware of the ways God has been gracious to you. And then, let us treat others as we would wish to be treated.

Let us each search for ways to be vessels of God's extravagant grace!

Grace and peace,

Pastor Vicky

Keep praying! February 2025

Dear Friends,

I encourage you to continue to pray daily for all our churches. God is always up to something new, and we want to join in that work! As Bishop Dan Schwerin has called us to celebrate 2025 as a Year of Grace, I want to focus on grace in our Breakthrough Prayer. Remember to listen as you pray. Let me know where **YOU** think God is leading us!

Here's a verse to remember and a new prayer:

John 1:16 From his fullness we have all received grace upon grace.

Loving God, open our eyes to the grace that you freely give us, and help us to share that grace with others. Break through into our lives and our churches with new possibilities. In the hope Jesus offers us, Amen.

Creamed Chicken Dinner



Peace United Methodist Church,
Wheeler, WI

Served at
Our Savior's Lutheran Church
602 Main St., Wheeler, WI

Thursday, February 13th
3:30-7:00 p.m.

Creamed Chicken & Biscuits,
Mashed Potatoes, Coleslaw,
Cranberries, Desserts and
Beverages

Free Will Donation

Carry out or Dine-in

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
Lionel Kegen
Ray Wreford
Harry Christian
Pastor Shannon Mattison

Sister Alegria
Julie Babbit
Sister Confianza
Nancy Smith
Rebecca Harvey

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

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

FEBRUARY

Birthdays

- 1 - Bridgett Kahl
- 2 - Jeremy White
- 10 - Gilbert Krueger
- 15 - Linda Miller
- 15 - Jerod Nelson
- 16 - Gary Knutson

Peace United Methodist Church Wheeler

Worship Service at 11 a.m.

We will have the baptism of Everly Ann Goodell on Sunday, February 9th.

NewsLetter
DEADLINE

Gleaner news is due by
noon on Tuesday, February 18th.
Please contact Tammy Nelson
at 715-505-2657 or
rtsmnelson@hotmail.com with your
news. Thanks.



United Methodist Church of Boyceville

Worship Time: 9:45 a.m.

Scripture Readers for Boyceville

	Reader
February 2	Jim Strupp
February 9	Earl Blodgett
February 16	Carol Cherney
February 23	Marguerite Blodgett

Boyceville Coffee Time

Coffee time will be after church on Sunday, February 16th. Carol Cherney and Sheila Hegeman will serve.



Mission Update

Boyceville Missions received three generous gifts from Food Harvest. The Coat Closet received a donation of \$3000. \$1500 was received for the Veteran's mission project and possibly for other local mission projects. The Blessing Box received \$1500 and a number of boxes of food, toilet paper, aluminum foil and other items. Thank you to the Food Harvest Board for their generous gifts to our mission projects.

We are still waiting to hear from the Veteran's office on specific needs. Carol Cherney is following up with them and hopefully we will know what is needed soon. Soon we will hear from the Wisconsin Conference about the kits they will be collecting this year for Midwest Mission.

Blessing Box

The Blessing Box has been very busy the past few weeks. Thank you to Sheila, Sonya, Carol, Pastor Vicky and Marguerite for keeping the box filled. Thank you to all those who have donated items or money so that we can keep a well stocked pantry to fill the box.

Faith United Methodist Church Prairie Farm

Worship Service at 8:30 a.m.

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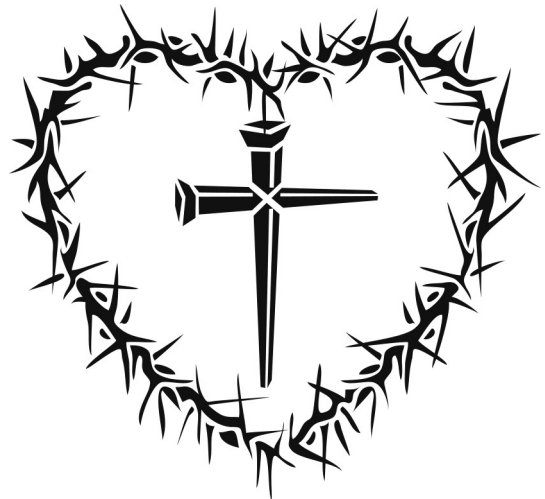
- To all who helped untrim the Christmas tree and put things away.
- To all who sent cards, prayers, and phone calls during my hospital stay and since returning home. I've completed my goals for physical therapy and now it is just means daily doing them to maintain strength.
- To Lay Readers: Jim Strupp, Roxanne White, Bill Wiseman and Robin Burke.
- To Coffee Servers: Roxanne White and robin Burke.

Lay Reader Coffee/Snack

Feb. 2	Open	Open
Feb. 9	Robin Burke	Open
Feb. 16	Bill Wiseman	Open
Feb. 23	Roxanne W.	Roxanne W

For God so loVed the world
 thAt He gave His
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 SoN,
 thaT whoever
 belIeves
 iN Him should not perish
 but havE everlasting life.

(John 3:16, NKJV)





Stewardship Ideas for February February 2025

Valentine's Day is just around the corner — a time to celebrate love. We often think of lines like "How do I love thee? Let me count the ways," or picture roses, cupids, and hearts filling store shelves. But amidst the romance, have we lost sight of love's deeper meaning?

Romantic love is everywhere, yet even that is often reduced to fleeting infatuation. More significantly, many have forgotten the love that Jesus calls us to live out: "Love your enemies" (Luke 6:27), "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:39), and "The one who loves another has fulfilled the law" (Romans 13:8).

This love isn't about warm, fuzzy feelings. Christian love is about action. It's choosing to act kindly, even when our feelings fall short. When someone cuts us off in traffic, we can respond with patience rather than anger. When dealing with a difficult coworker, we can show genuine interest in their life rather than just tolerating their presence.

Often, loving actions lead to loving feelings, not the other way around. Romantic love, for instance, grows deeper through small gestures like holding hands. Similarly, in other relationships, choosing to act with love can foster understanding and compassion over time.

This Valentine's Day, cherish romantic love but also take every opportunity to practice Christian love — through your actions toward neighbors, enemies, and everyone you encounter. It's in these moments that we reflect God's greatest commandment: "Let all that you do be done in love" (1 Corinthians 16:14).

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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.
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