



Dear Friends,

In these lovely and hopeful days of birds singing and gardens sprouting, we also have some exciting days ahead. As we continue to plan our work together with Glen Hills Parish, opportunities for renewal are on the horizon. We'll have more voices to learn from and new friends to share ministry with.

When we work together, we'll plan to use our spiritual gifts in a way that will share burdens and multiply joy! I believe it will benefit all the churches.

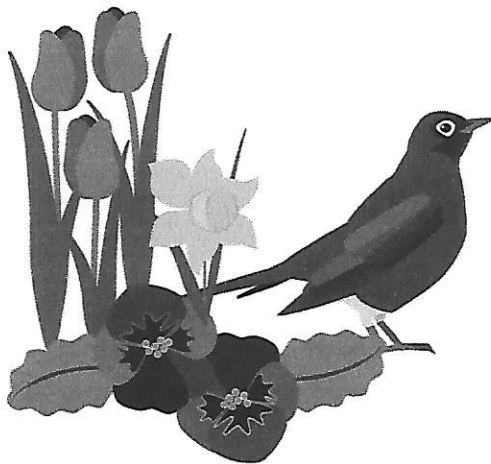
Again, our goal is faithful stewardship of the resources God has given us to have a greater impact for the Kingdom of God in our communities.

For several years, I have encouraged everyone to pray diligently for our churches. Please continue to pray for God's direction.

Please get in touch with me with any questions or suggestions.

Grace and peace,

Pastor Vicky



## Keep Praying! June 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! We need discernment to see where God is leading us, and grace as we seek to follow God's lead. Use the Scripture to guide your prayers. Remember to listen as you pray. Let me know where you think God is leading us, and how these prayers are helping you!

*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.*



## 5th Sunday Celebration

There will be a 5th Sunday Celebration at Pioneer Park in Prairie Farm at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 29th. Entertainment by the UKEE Lutherans'. Potluck lunch will follow. Utensils will be provided. All are welcome! **No services at Prairie Farm, Boyceville or Wheeler that day!**



**Wear RED for Pentecost on Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>!**

### Peace Grilled Chicken Dinner

**Thursday, June 5**


**3:30-7 p.m.**

Grilled Chicken, Potato salad,  
Coleslaw, Cowboy Beans,  
Buns, Beverages and  
Desserts

Free Will Donation

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# JUNE

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

1 - Regina Frisle  
 1 - Jada Kahl  
 2 - Sharon Wyss  
 4 - Shirley Jones  
 14 - Jerry & Kathy Neck (anniv.)  
 18 - Brian Kahl  
 19 - Doreen & Jerry Olson (anniv.)  
 20 - Pastor Vicky & Jim Strupp (anniv)  
 30 - Michaella Kegen

### 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.

# PRAYER

## list

Amanda Roper	Sister Alegria
Carol Cherney	Julie Babbitt
Sister Confianza	Ray Wreford
Nancy Smith	Harry Christian
Rebecca Harvey	Karen Wreford
Heide Otto	Darrell Nykanen
Pete Bodette	
Pastor Shannon Mattison	
The Friends & Family of Matthew Hellman	

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

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

## Newsletter DEADLINE

Gleaner news is due by  
 noon on Tuesday, June 17th.  
 Please contact Tammy Nelson  
 at 715-505-2657 or  
[rtsmnelson@hotmail.com](mailto:rtsmnelson@hotmail.com) with your  
 news. Thanks.



# Flag Day Concert

Saturday, June 14, 2025

Boyceville United Methodist Church

804 St. John Street, Boyceville, WI

***Three Acts!*** starting at 5 pm:

Brady Maska, 5 pm (Contemporary Christian)

Rob Stereo Rules, 6:15 pm (Variety)

Lorn and Royce, 7:15 pm (Gospel, Bluegrass)



Door Prizes and fun for the whole family!

Food and beverages available for purchase



**Ticket Information:**

Adults \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door, Students (under 18) \$5

Advance Tickets Available. Call Sheila H. at 715-702-1235

Fundraiser to support ministry of the church. For more information visit: [boycevilleumc.org](http://boycevilleumc.org)



## **Ingathering Kits Needed**

Listed below are the items for the WI Annual Conference Personal Dignity Kits and Home Care Kits: (You may make complete kits or donate any of the items from these kits.)

**Home Care Kit (\$20 Value)** • Liquid Household Cleaners - 58 - 80 oz. total, No spray bottles • Dish Soaps - 42 - 64 oz total • Liquid Laundry Detergents - 100 - 150 oz total • 1 Scrub Brush - with or without handle • 1 - 5-gal Round Bucket with resealable lid. All items must be NEW & Placed in the bucket.

**Personal Dignity Kit (\$15 Value)** • 1 Bath Hand Towel - No kitchen towels • 1 Bath Washcloth - No dishcloths • 1 Adult Toothbrush - No multi-packs • 1 Bar Soap - 3 - 4 oz • 1 Shampoo - 12 - 19 oz • 1 Deodorant - 2-3 oz - stick, roll on, or pump • 1 Lotion - 8-10 oz • 1 1-gal Resealable Plastic Bag  
All items must be NEW & placed in a 1-gal resealable plastic bag - \$2 donation for toothpaste and carrying bag, per kit  
(Do not include in bag) Give donation to volunteers or mail to Wisconsin Annual Conference.  
NOTE: MMDC requests a \$1 shipping fee for each kit and \$1.50 per bucket for the UMCOR Cleaning Kits.

### **Monetary Donations**

Monetary donations can also be made. **DO NOT** put \$ inside the kits.

The main focus is on Home care and Personal Dignity Kits this year, but other needs include: Student Kits, Feminine Hygiene Kits, Birthing Kits, Layette Kits, Tornado Kits and Bed Packs. More information about these can be found at [wisconsinumc.org](http://wisconsinumc.org) under Ingathering.

## **Peace United Methodist Church Wheeler**

**Worship Service at 11 a.m.**

### **Peace Grilled Chicken Dinner**

**Thursday, June 5**

**3:30-7 p.m.**

Grilled Chicken, Potato  
Salad, Coleslaw, Cowboy  
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## United Methodist Church of Boyceville

**Worship Time: 9:45 a.m.**

### Scripture Readers for Boyceville

	Reader
June 1	Jin Strupp
June 8	Carol Cherney
June 15	Marguerite Blodgett
June 22	Earl Blodgett
June 29	5th Sunday Svc. at Pioneer Park

### Boyceville Coffee Time

Coffee time will be after church on Sunday, June 15th. Marguerite Blodgett will serve.

### Weaving for the Homeless

Our storeroom is stuffed to overflowing with plastic bags! Not only did our congregations step up and bring bags, but the community responded to the post on Facebook and filled the can outside weekly with bags. We will have a loom from June 29-July 12. Before that a time will be set when folks can come and cut bags into the strips and we can make a big ball of plastic bag yarn to set up the loom for weaving. Watch for the date and time for bag cutting in the bulletin.

## Mission Project for Boyceville - Birthing Kit

### Supplies for the Birthing Kit

- 1 - bar of soap 3-4oz.
  - 1 - hand towel (no kitchen towels).
  - 1 - wash cloth (no dishcloths).
  - 2 - receiving blankets - 28" x 28" to 32" x 32" (no fleece or thermal blankets).
  - 1 - gallon resealable bag
  - \$3 donation for umbilical cord clamps, sterile surgical gloves, and scalpel.
- Place all the items in the bag.

There are quite a few finished birthing kits at the Boyceville Church as well as supplies to make more. **All kits need to be to the church by Sunday May 25.** We will bless the kits and extra supplies before taking them to Trinity UMC to place in the Midwest Missions Trailer for transport to Annual Conference. Thank you to everyone who has made kits, brought supplies, and donated to this project.

**Help  
Support  
Our  
Missions**



# Faith United Methodist Church Prairie Farm

**Worship Service at 8:30 a.m.**

thank you

- To Robin Burke for furnishing/planting/ delivering the pansies for Mother's Day.
- To Janice Salsbury for supplying two kits for the Conference In-Gathering.
- To the United Women In Faith for providing ten kits, and to Margie for getting items needed and then packing them.
- To all others who contributed items for the kits for Conference In-Gathering.
- To Carol Cherney for her excellent dramatization/message from "Photolina" in the Woman at the Well.
- To Lay Readers: Jim Strupp, Frisle's, Bill Wiseman, and Roxanne White.
- To Coffee Servers: Margie Wiseman, Roxanne White.

Welcome  
Summer

## Lay Reader Coffee/Snack

June 1	Bill Wiseman	Robin Burke
June 8	Roxanne W	Roxanne W
June 15	Jim Strupp	Open
June 22	Open	Open
June 29	At Pioneer Park at 10:00 a.m. Entertainment by the UKEE Lutherans'. Potluck lunch will follow. Utensils will be provided. All are welcome!	

## United Women in Faith

United Women In Faith did not meet in May. There were too many conflicts in June, so we decided to switch June/July. Our next meeting will be July 24th at 5:30 p.m. Kathy has the program.

## Please note:

Your quarterly financial report for the end of March was not completed. I ordered new ones in March, but was told they were on back order. I still have not received them. So I think we will just wait until the end of June and will do the second quarter then, too. You will get both at that time.

## A Little Jiggle

June 2025

David tells the story of a time he saw a car stalled at an intersection. The hood was up, and a young man waved him down for help. "I can't get it started," he said, "but if you jiggle the wire on the battery, I think it'll work."

David grabbed the positive battery cable—and it came off in his hand. The cable was clearly too loose. "The terminal needs to be tightened," David told him. "I can fix it if you have some tools."

"My dad says to just jiggle the wire," the young man replied. "It always works. Why don't you just try that?"

David paused, sarcastically wondering why the young man's dad didn't ride around town with him, ready to jiggle the wire whenever needed. Then he said, "If I jiggle the wire, you're going to need someone to do it every time you shut the engine off. But if you give me two minutes and a wrench, we can solve the problem—and you can forget about it."

Reluctantly, the young man fumbled under the front seat, then handed David a crescent wrench through the window of the old car.

As David tightened the terminal, he thought about how many times he'd asked God for a "quick fix" in his own life. *"I have this problem, Lord, and if you'll just jiggle the wire, things will be okay. I'm in a hurry—just get me going again as fast as possible."*

But God doesn't want to just jiggle wires, does He?

God wants to take the time to deal with the real issue—to actually fix the problem. A lasting solution to the struggles in our lives requires full surrender and a willingness to move forward on God's terms. We must cooperate with God—whatever it takes, for as long as it takes.

As the young man drove away with his tightened terminal, David paused and asked the Lord to say "No" the next time he was tempted to ask for a quick fix.

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# JUNE 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Worship	2	3	4	5 3:30-7pm Grilled Chicken Dinner at Wheeler	6	7
8 Pentecost Worship	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Worship 5pm Flag Day Concert at Boyceville	16	17 <i>Gleaner news due!</i>	18	19	20	21
22 Worship	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 10am 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Celebration at Pioneer Park with Potluck Meal	30					

# **The Gleaner**

**June 2025**

**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**



**Return Service Requested**

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