

So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—May 19

This Sunday, May 21 @ 9:00 am

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This Sunday — Getting Fit for Jesus

Many of us would like to shed a few pounds but struggle to do so. But while we're focused on the state of our bodies, we tend to neglect the weight of our souls. John Wesley believed that pride is the root of all sin. As Easter people, how can we get fit for Jesus, slimming down to a healthier weight of pride?

Getting Fit for Jesus



Scripture Reading

At one time all the people of the world spoke the same language and used the same words. As the people migrated to the east, they found a plain in the land of Babylonia and settled there.

They began saying to each other, "Let's make bricks and harden them with fire." (In this region bricks were used instead of stone, and tar was used for mortar.) Then they said, "Come, let's build a great city for ourselves with a tower that reaches into the sky. This will make us famous and keep us from being scattered all over the world."

But the LORD came down to look at the city and the tower the people were building. "Look!" he said. "The people are united, and they all speak the same language. After this, nothing they set out to do will be impossible for them! Come, let's go down and confuse the people with different languages. Then they won't be able to understand each other."

In that way, the LORD scattered them all over the world, and they stopped building the city. That is why the city was called Babel, because that is where the LORD confused the people with different languages. In this way he scattered them all over the world. Genesis 11:1-9 NLT

Seeing the I Doctor



Next Sunday — Seeing the I Doctor

The vast majority of us wear glasses or contact lenses, and yet they do nothing to correct our deeper "I" problems. How can we find God in a self-absorbed world? Only when we take our eyes off of ourselves can we see God at work around us and fully become Easter people, joining God in that work.

Sunday Fellowship Check out the coffee, treats and great conversation after worship in the Fellowship Hall.





Other Ministry Updates

- May 21** 9:00 am Worship Service
10:00 am Education Hour—last day
10:00 am Fellowship
- May 22** 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl
- May 24** 6:00 pm SS & Youth Family Picnic
- May 28** 9:00 am Worship Service
10:00 am Church Conference
10:00 am Fellowship

Confirmation is Back!



We celebrate the return of the Confirmation program beginning fall 2023. Pending

input from Pastor Amy, we're planning to pick up where we left off with our two-year program on Wednesday evenings. Families with age-appropriate youth will be receiving an invitation to register for the program within the next month. If you don't receive a letter, please contact Michelle in the office.

Faith Stepping Stone: Graduation

Please save the date for a special celebration of our graduating senior students on **Sunday, June 4th** during worship. Details and invites to graduates and their families will be sent out in the next few weeks!

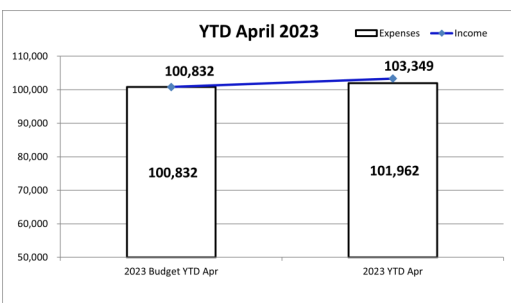


Sunday School & Youth Group: Family Picnic

Please save the date for our end of the year picnic on Wednesday, **May 24th @ 6pm!** Please bring a potluck dish or dessert to share. Hot dogs, beverages and FUN provided!

Finance Team

Giving through most of the year had been a bit



below budget thru March, however April was much higher than

expected due to annual gifts received. Through April, income minus expenses leaves us at a positive \$1,386 YTD. Thank you for your faithful and generous giving.

Work Day

The Property Team will be having a spring workday tomorrow, May 20th, from 10:00 to 4:00. If you would like to help with some tasks around the building, contact Collin at gravleycj@yahoo.com.



Paula Timm Appointment

Bishop Lanette Plambeck intends to appoint Paula Timm to Milaca UMC as 1/4 time pastor effective July 1. Paula will be ministering to the Milaca community in a part time capacity, mainly on Sundays. "I have deeply appreciated the connections and relationships my family and I have made at BUMC. For the time being, our family will continue to call BUMC our church home. We appreciate your prayers as my family and I begin this new adventure in ministry."

Farewell Brunch

Pastor Bill's last worship service with BUMC is **Sunday, June 11**. Plans are underway to celebrate his service to our congregation as he retires. You won't want to miss his last worship service or brunch afterward!

Special Church Conference

On **Sunday, May 28 at 10:00am** (after worship), there will be a special Church Conference for the purpose of affirming the ministry candidacy of Steve Timm as a Licensed Local Pastor (Your SPR previously voted to affirm Steve's candidacy at their regular meeting on April 18). We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall, where you'll have a chance to hear Steve describe his call to ministry. You'll also have a chance to ask Steve questions. A formal vote is required by discipline (using paper ballots). While votes are reserved for members of BUMC, all are invited to share in this celebration of God's work in Steve's life.