



So All May Know Joy

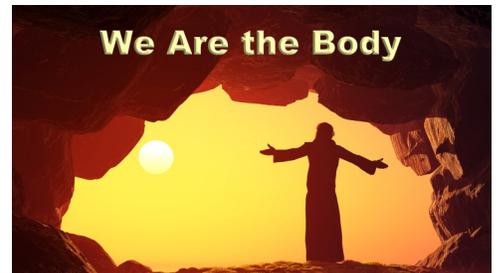
BUMC Weekly Connection—May 27

This Sunday, May 29 @ 9:00 am

Also on Buffalo United Methodist Church's Facebook Page, Twitch & YouTube!

This Sunday - We Are the Body

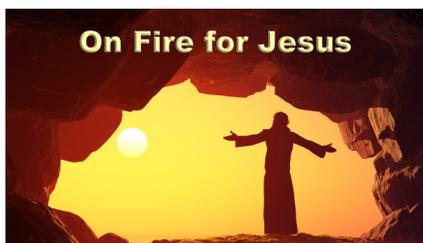
We often decry the state of individualism in the church, and yet it appears from Paul's letters that this has always been a challenge! Being Easter people requires us to embrace the truth that each of us really is a part of the Body of Christ, and that body requires us to be and serve together, yielded together to the Lordship of Jesus.



Scripture Reading

You can easily enough see how this kind of thing works by looking no further than your own body. Your body has many parts—limbs, organs, cells—but no matter how many parts you can name, you're still one body. It's exactly the same with Christ. By means of his one Spirit, we all said good-bye to our partial and piecemeal lives. We each used to independently call our own shots, but then we entered into a large and integrated life in which he has the final say in everything. (This is what we proclaimed in word and action when we were baptized.) Each of us is now a part of his resurrection body, refreshed and sustained at one fountain—his Spirit—where we all come to drink. The old labels we once used to identify ourselves—labels like Jew or Greek, slave or free—are no longer useful. We need something larger, more comprehensive.

I want you to think about how all this makes you more significant, not less. A body isn't just a single part blown up into something huge. It's all the different-but-similar parts arranged and functioning together. If Foot said, "I'm not elegant like Hand, embellished with rings; I guess I don't belong to this body," would that make it so? If Ear said, "I'm not beautiful like Eye, limpid and expressive; I don't deserve a place on the head," would you want to remove it from the body? If the body was all eye, how could it hear? If all ear, how could it smell? As it is, we see that God has carefully placed each part of the body right where he wanted it. 1Cor. 12:12-18 MSG



Next Sunday — On Fire for Jesus— Communion

The ascended Jesus fulfilled his promise to the church by pouring out his Spirit upon them on Pentecost, along with what appeared to be tongues of fire. As Easter people, are we still on fire for Jesus? Would anyone today ever confuse our fruitful expressions of God's Holy Spirit with being drunk?

Sunday Fellowship

Come and join us for Sunday fellowship. Cookies, coffee, juice, and plenty of friendly people.





Other Ministry Updates

- May 29** 9:00 am Worship Service—Memorial Sunday
10:00 am Fellowship
- May 31** 7:00 pm Finance Team Meeting
- June 1** 3:00 pm Guest Connections Team
- June 2** 1:00 pm Game Day
- June 4** 8:00 am Worship Design Team
9:00 am 5th & 6th Grade FSS class
- June 5** 9:00 am Worship Service with Communion and 5th & 6th Grade FSS Blessing
10:00 am Fellowship
10:00 am Eternal Faith Fund Q&A

Your Turn for The Big Build!

Last week, our Sunday School students put words and drawing of prayer and praise onto a poster (on the wall adjacent to Pastor Bill's office). You're invited to enjoy their work and add your own words or artwork as together we build the Kingdom of God!



BUMC Prayer Labyrinth is Open

You will find the Prayer Labyrinth on the grounds behind the church on the north side. Resources to help guide your prayer experience are available in the box. You are welcome anytime!

Faith Stepping Stone REMINDER

5th and 6th grade children & their families should have received a reminder postcard for the rescheduled upcoming Faith Stepping Stone: Communion Class and Blessing. Class will be on Saturday, **June 4th from 9-11:30am** and the Blessing on **Sunday, June 5th**. Please RSVP to 763-682-3538 or Andrea@buffaloumc.com

Support for the Timm Family

While Steve Timm was deployed to Alaska as a chaplain in the National Guard, the Timms are asking for your help. Please pray for Steve's mission to help the service people of Alaska who are struggling with depression. Pray for Paula and their children who will be missing Steve,

especially as they move into a new home without him. You can write them notes of encouragement.

Steve Timm

551 Harold Bentley Ave Room 100
Fairbanks AK, 99701

Paula Timm (Until June 20)

309 Maple Knoll Way
St Michael, MN 55376

You can also join the meal train by visiting <https://mealtrain.com/o0z858>

Paula would also love to have help loading the moving truck on **Monday, June 20**.

Church Conference June 26, Q&A June 5

A Church Conference has been scheduled for **Sunday, June 26** at 10am for the purpose of voting to repurpose the existing funds currently designated as the Eternal Faith Fund. Our Finance and Leadership Teams are asking for your approval of a specific proposal, which was included with your BUMC Weekly Connection email, is printed in the church lobby, and is available to you by contacting the church office. A 3/4 Church Conference approval of these changes are required because of the stipulations made when the Eternal Faith Fund was established. There will be a question and answer session on **Sunday, June 5** after church, and/or you can address questions to any member of the Finance or Leadership Team, including Pastor Bill.

Prayer Shawl

The Prayer Shawl group meets the 4th Monday of the month at 1:00 in the Church fellowship hall. Our purpose is to bring comfort to people through the knitting/crocheting of prayer shawls, scarves and hats. The group is open and welcoming to anyone who wishes to be part of this simple but caring ministry. Our next meeting is Monday, June 27.

Gardener's

Join our gardening committee! We're looking for volunteers to help with landscape design and weeding. Talk with Jana Reinhart if you're interested.



Other Ministry Updates

Summer Reading in the Park

Hey young families, get ready for some FREE summer fun when our Reading in the Park program kicks off on **Wednesday, June 22, 9:30 to 10:30!** Every Wednesday for 10 weeks we'll meet under the shade of a tree by the playground and enjoy story time, games, crafts and snacks. Our Guest Readers this year include the Rodeo Queen, Mayor Lachermeier, the Dairy Princesses/Ambassadors, a police officer, our



former librarian Amy Wittman, plus readers

from our congregation. Our program is open to all ages with no registration required (because the parent/guardian must stay). Please tell your friends and neighbors about this free community event!

And, congregation families without young children, you can be involved and supportive:

- Volunteer to be a Guest Reader if you have a flair for reading to young children.
- Volunteer to play action games with the kiddos.
- Volunteer to provide snacks. (Individually wrapped, non-sweet such as fruit snacks, fruit cups, crackers, juice boxes, fruit, chips, raisins, etc. Can be frozen.) Quantity of 24 needed each week.

Look for a sign-up on the bulletin board or contact Gloria Farwick glory.b46@gmail.com or 763-213-4042 if you can help or have questions.

Annual Conference Highlights

Tuesday and Wednesday marked the first time in nearly three years that members of the Minnesota Annual Conference Session were able to worship, learn, and celebrate together in-person. In addition to catching up with friends and colleagues, more than 500 clergy and lay attendees



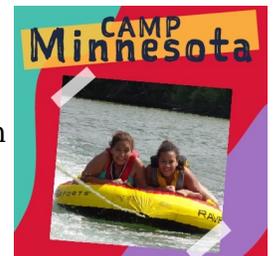
shared about the ways in which God is at work in the Minnesota Conference; approved legislation and a budget; worshipped; celebrated the ordination, commissioning, and licensing of 17 ministers; and celebrated the ministries of retirees and the saints who completed their lives of faith on this earth.

Game Day is Back

If you like to play a variety of board games, card games or dominos, join us in the Fellowship Hall **June 2** and the first Thursday of each month at **1:00 p.m.** Bring a friend!

There is Still Time To Register For Camp!

It is not too late to find your summer camp adventure with Camp Minnesota! Click on the link to check out the [upcoming camp sessions](#) and find an event at your favorite



camp location: Northern Pines Camp, Koronis Ministries, or KoWaKan Adventures. There you will find camp listings and registration information. Signing up for camp is EASY!

There are multiple ways to register for camp: **ONLINE**

Directly access the [Campwise online registration site](#) to register, or search through the complete list of Camp Minnesota [Camps and Events](#). Then click on "Register Online" in the camp description. Contact the Camping Office for login and password assistance.

PHONE

To register by phone call toll-free 855-622-1973, Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

MAIL

Download, print, complete, and mail the [paper registration](#) form to:

Camp Minnesota
122 W. Franklin Ave, Suite 400
Minneapolis, MN 55404

EMAIL

Download, print, and complete, the [paper registration](#) form. Then scan and email completed form to camps@campminnesota.org