## **April 2022**

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## Happy April, Peace UCC!

We have a busy few weeks coming up! If you haven't taken a look yet, check out the weekly email announcements and other sections of this newsletter for an update on all our happenings here at the church! There are plenty of opportunities to get involved in different areas. This can be a great way to be in community again as we come out of a long, cold winter.

As we move into this spring, I always feel like there's an invitation to rejoice in the messiness. The snow melts causing puddles and mud to pool up all around us. So often we try to stay as clean as possible. How horrible would it be if we were seen with mud on our shoes in public? One of my greatest lessons from the Army was to enjoy the messiness of God's creation. It's this beautiful mess known as Earth that allows us even to worship our God. Where can you take time this month to enjoy the mess?

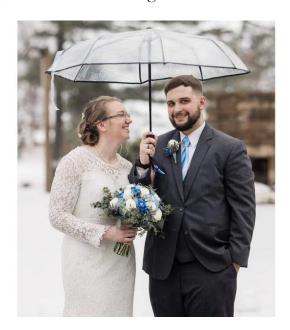
A little life update for you all, Emma and I did indeed get married on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022! It was a wonderful day despite the rain, and we had a blast up in Sturgeon Bay for our honeymoon! Thank you to Skip Robertson for filling in for me that Sunday. This month I also get a short reprieve from seminary classes. My semester ends April 22<sup>nd</sup> with the exception of my Friday class that continues into June and my summer semester begins May 16<sup>th</sup>. I'll be wrapping up with my Hebrew Bible I and Preaching classes and beginning my Gospels and History of Modern Theologies classes.

I hope everyone is excited for all of our upcoming events at the church and has been finding their spiritual needs met during this Lenten fast!

Shalom,

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## Holy Week Schedule

Palm Walk Saturday April 9th at 7:00 AM Palm Sunday - 9:00 AM at Peace UCC Maundy Thursday (w/ Communion) - 6:00 PM at FPC Good Friday - 1:00 PM at Peace UCC



Easter Sunrise Service - 6:30 AM at Peace UCC <u>or Broadcasted on WTCH/WOTE</u> Easter Service - 9:00 AM at Peace UCC



## Palm Walk!

Did you know the last known location we have of Jesus before entering Jerusalem is Jericho? Jericho to Jerusalem is roughly 24 miles apart. In this light, from Gresham to Peace UCC on the Mountain Bay Trail is around 10 miles long! On April 9th starting at 7:00 AM, I'd like to invite

you to join me on our journey to church as we prepare for Palm Sunday! This is still in the planning stages, but if you have any interest in joining this event, please reach out to the church office and let us know so we can start preparing for the proper number of people!

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## **Annual Meetings**

The Wisconsin Conference and Northeast Association Annual Meetings are right around the corner! Our NEA meeting will be April 30th at First Congregational in



Appleton. Cost to attend in person is \$15 or to attend via Zoom is free. Registration is due by April 17th if you are interested in attending. The Conference Annual Meeting will be June 10th to 12th at the Green Lake Conference Center in Green Lake, WI. There are discounted registration rates if you register before May 13th. If you're interested in attending either of these meetings, please reach out to the church office!

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## Coffee Hour

After the wonderful success of fellowship following our congregational annual meeting, the council has decided to bring back coffee hour following our regular church services! We'll have coffee after today's service and a sign-up sheet will be posted for volunteers to provide snacks starting Sunday April 2nd.



## Chili Dinner News!!!



The Chili Dinner was a HUGE success! A BIG thank you to all the volunteers who worked behind the scenes before, during, and after. Our Peace Team really shared their talents and hard work to make this such a great success.

Now a Big shout out thank you to some of our great volunteers. Kitchen crew head Chef Chili maker Henry, assisted by Scott and Earl. Tom and Sue are our experts who cleaned and sanitized the jars and put labels on the lids. Behind the scenes Patti and Jon Roger who assisted in cleaning the kitchen areas, picking up orders at Reinharts, and more!!! I noted a few persons who worked most all of the day were Earl and Bill M.

Special thank yous to many who set up tables, picked up the bread from Fannita's, served, cashiered, baked goodies, cut all those pies, washed dishes, filled quarts of jars with that delicious chili, and clean up, and much more to make this fundraiser such as success!

We did something new where "Chili to go" orders could be picked upstairs instead. This went over really well and many liked that everything was on the main floor. A BIG special thank you to Molly, Darlene, and Penny who went up and down to make sure those quarts of chili were available for pick up.

One of our Chili to go persons, Randy did preorders that were prepaid on a new order form. Then Scott and Jerry delivered 93 quarts worth over \$700+ to the community. Thank you Randy, Scott, and Jerry!

Thank you to those great bakers of Peace Church. We sold out of all the baked goodies! A Big thank you to Marilyn who made all those phone calls.

The Raffle was a big money maker this year. Thanks to all who donated prizes and gift cards. I noted that some baskets have been returned already for next raffle. Feel free to drop off your baskets at the church.

I have to say when writing my thank you notes to volunteers, I realized that about 60 members of Peace Church were part of this dinner by donations, working, enjoying our great chili dinner, getting the word out, and more. Now that is quite a Peace Team!!! Our newest team members are Pastor Uriah and Emma. Welcome!!!

Also a thank you to Church Council for being so supportive and working behind the scenes as well. A very BIG thank you to Shelley as she works her magic for this fundraiser.

Now for the numbers: We served about 180 dining in with about 100 to go orders besides those that were delivered. Some quarts of chili in to go containers and cartons of milk were delivered to Safe Haven. We still were selling chili this week with more money coming in. The money totals are \$838 for the raffle and \$468 for the bake sale. We did have increase in food costs but we still are at a net profit total for dinner of about \$3,200+. We are still calculating numbers to date this week.

Again thank you to our Peace Team!!! Carol Fuqua, Chili Chairperson Opportunities We generally meet one of the last Tuesdays of the month, but are flexible about members schedules. Meetings usually last an hour.

If you are interested, please contact Mary Bohm at 715-853-6577.

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## **MEMO: PEACE UCC TREASURER**

To: Congregation

From: Joel Whitehouse

Date: 3.14.22

RE: 2021 Valentine's Day Fund Raiser

Just a follow up to the question from the Annual Meeting about the 2021 Valentine's Day fundraiser income. There was a total of \$665.00 raised by the fundraiser and that was entered into the General Fund Giving account line and it should have been entered into the Other Fundraiser – Gross Income account line.

I reopened the 2021 books and made the correction.

For those following at home, two lines in the final report for 2021 were adjusted by this correction:

<b>Account</b>	<u>Name</u>	Before Adj.	<u>After Adj.</u>
400.000	General Fund Giving	\$120,660.00	\$119,995.00
480.000	Other Fundraiser – Gross Income	\$2,416.00	\$3,081.00

Thank you to Carol for catching this! I appreciate having extra eyes looking over the reports and numbers. As usual, if anyone has a question on the books let me know.

Thank you, God bless and be safe.

Joel

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### Save the Dates!!!



\*\*On September 8, 9, and 10, 2022 Peace UCC will once again be serving those great burgers and brats at Charlie's Red Barn.

\*\*On Thursday November 10, 2022 we will have our usual Chili Dinner.

\*\*We will be needing volunteers for both events so please mark your calendars. A BIG thank you to all our volunteers

on the Peace Team. Also items will be needed for the raffle so start working on those items. Just giving you notice to save those dates!



## April 2022 Birthday and Anniversary List May God Bless You on your Birthday & Anniversary.



April 1: Kathy Anker Marcus Whitehouse

April 5: Nathan Falk April 6: Sheri Balke

April 10: Chad Montour

April 11: Rose Maglio

April 13: April Tainter Nancy Wynveen

April 16: Janalee Gansen

April 17: Russ Blom

April 18: Carol Bohm Staber Cook

April 19: Harvey Mueller Karah Peterson

April 20: Sarah Swedberg

April 21: Patti Francis Natalie Hein

Lydia Maglio

April 22: Myrtle Gayhart Lori Smits

April 23: Jenny Suprise

April 24: Ashley Weishoff Gerald Thorpe

April 26: Lee Crawford

April 27: Tom Naeyaert

April 29: Jeffrev Reinke

April 30: Lynda Mutter

#### **Anniversaries**

April 7: Tom & Sharon Fischer April 11: Dennis & Penny Ladwig April 13: Skip & Patsey Robertson April 26: David & Julie Nelson April 27: Bob & Amanda Hannes

## SAFPARC GROCERY CART

SafParc is in need of the following items: \*\*Any and all hygiene items (toothpaste, toothbrush,

deodorant, soap, shampoo etc.)

\*\*Canned meals such as spaghettios, ravioli, soup (something that doesn't NEED to be heated up.) Thank you!





Electronic Giving - a simple and convenient way to make your offerings. Peace United Church of Christ relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis. For more information, contact the church office.

## **Upper Room Devotional Conversation and Prayer**

Christ said that where two or three gather in his name, he is present. (Matthew 18:20). Meetings are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, [Next session, April 20th] ~ 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. (Great Room) Upper Room Devotional material is available in the Great Room. All Welcome – bring your friends

- No preparation necessary More information: talk to Bonnie Suprise

## ASSISTED LIVING AND **NURSING HOME LISTING**

[If you are aware of any church member who needs to be added to this list, please contact

Pastor Uriah or the church office.]

Evergreen Care Center

1250 S Evergreen St., Shawano Harvey Mueller, Marian Pauly

Oak Haven Assisted Living

132 Oak Ct., Shawano

Bonnie Moede, Roland Dobratz.

The Cottages on Golden Pond

Madison Way, Shawano

Sharon Popp, Judy Menning, Mary Peterson

Shawano Place

1088 Engel Drive, Shawano Betsy Larson, Shirley Montour

Wausau Manor Health Service

3107 Westhill Dr. Wausau WI 54401

Bonnie Dickelman-Cannon

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9:00 AM Worship COMMUNION 7:00 PM AA		<b>5</b> Worship Committee Mtg	6	Noon – Soup & Substance AT Peace	Shelley off	9 7:00 AM Palm Walk
10 Palm Sunday 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM SUNDAY FUNDAY 2:00 PM Girl	11	12	13	6:00 PM	<b>15</b> 1:00 PM Good Friday Service	16
Scouts			/	Missions AT Charlie's Red Barn April 14-15-16		
17 EASTER 6:30 AM Sunrise & 9:00 AM Worship	18		10:00 AM Upper Room	1:30 PM	<b>22</b> 1:00 PM Quilting	23
7:00 PM AA						
9:00 AM	6:00 PM	<b>26</b> 6:00 PM Council	27	1:30 PM	1:00 PM Quilting	30 Conference Annual Mtg Appleton
7:00 PM AA						

## Peace United Church Of Christ

Council Meeting Minutes February 23rd 2022

Members Present Joel W. Bill H. Brenda M. John Meyer Bob Gehm Pastor Uriah ABSENT Paul Cross and Bob Smits

Bill Harkey called meeting to order at 6:08pm

Pastor Uriah led Opening Devotions

Additions to meeting agenda None

Motion was made by Bill Harkey, seconded by Joel Whitehouse to allow Sam25 to use the church parking lot for their annual flower sale on May 19th Motion approved unanimous.

February meeting minutes.

The articles of clothing we plan to purchase for Peace Church is not a fund raiser it was noted that members of the congregation can purchase the clothing as a way to promote our church within the community.

The word wedding was misspelled. Once corrections were made a motion was made by Bob Gehm, seconded by Brenda Maglio to approve December minutes. Unanimous Vote.

## Treasurers Report.

Finance committee meeting was canceled due to weather and was rescheduled for March 1st. Joel is preparing financial reports for the annual meeting which is on March 13th.

January deficit was discussed and the 2 main reasons for the deficit were the fact that we paid our property and workers compensation insurance for the entire 2022 year and as a council we agreed to compensate Pastor Marilyn her full salary and benefits for the entire month of January.

Joel is going to work with Kerber Rose to handle our entire bookkeeping operations for the church. Target date is June 15th 2022.

President's Report- Bill is preparing for the annual meeting.

## Pastor's Report

Pastor Uriah has had 4 mentoring sessions.

Committee meetings that were canceled due to weather have all been rescheduled to later dates.

Next Sunday Fun Day is planned for March 20<sup>th</sup>. He is planning on starting a youth group for the church with a bowling event tentatively planned for the end of March. This could possibly include other churches in Shawano and the surrounding community.

Ash Wednesday service will be held at First Presbyterian church and Thursday Lenten services will rotate with soup and substance between Peace Church and First Presbyterian church beginning March 10<sup>th</sup>.

Maunday Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter services have been planned.

Pastor Uriah expressed concern with the fact that the online viewers and well as some members attending worship in person cannot hear in very well.

The sound system continues to be a work in process.

Our Wifi is fading in and out in the pastor's office and he will contact Cellcom to see if anything can be done to correct the issue.

Pastor Uriah has expressed a need for a pianist and Brenda Maglio is preparing and advertisement to get the word out to help us find one. Pastor Uriah also expressed the need for preparing the altar for communion. The Altar guild committee will be contacted.

He is expressed that we have potential new members for the church and will set up a new member course for the nearby future.

He has started homebound visits and has reached out to the visitation committee to help out with visits. There is a conference pastors meeting scheduled for March 31st and we are also planning a fellowship meal following the annual Meeting on March 13th

Pastor Uriah would like to plan a game night for the Congregation in the future.

Pastor Uriah's installation service will be held May 15th or May 22nd.

Bill Harkey discussed embroidering options for the shirts that we are planning to order.

Bob Gehm discussed that the UCC conference has offered their annual stewardship material for the year and has ordered the material for the fall stewardship drive.

Bob also stated the he will address the congregation at the annual meeting and give quarterly updates.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm Next meeting March 23rd at 6pm. Respectfully submitted by Bob Gehm.

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Giving link for the UCC's Humanitarian effort in Ukraine.: <u>Ukraine Appeal - United Church of Christ (ucc.org)</u>

