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Welcome to September, Peace UCC!

As I hope many of you know already, we started a project here at the church a few months ago with the Council's approval. We are working to convert one of our two nurseries into a sensory room that the community will be able to use in a variety of ways! This is a very meaningful project and one that I hope will spark creativity and life for other projects in the future. It encourages us to think of our building in a different way and challenges us to meet the needs of our community that we are here to serve. If you haven't, I highly encourage you to watch our service from August 28, 2022, titled "Creating Sacred Spaces." It is posted on our church website (peaceshawano.org), on our Facebook page, and on our YouTube page. The service was crafted around this project and in particular education around how we are hoping to use this new room and what exactly a sensory room is. I thought it would be valuable to share in this newsletter, however, what some of our intentions are for the use of the room.

A sensory room is a space filled with sensory (like the five senses of hearing, touch, taste, smell, and sight) tools to meet different needs within neurodivergent individuals such as those with autism. With modern science we know now about different ways neurodivergent individuals can become overloaded with their senses which can lead to outbursts that seem uncharacteristic to those of us who are neurotypical. Many schools have started incorporating sensory rooms into their daily curriculum for students with sensory needs and have found how that often helps students' focus and reduces their likelihood of experiencing sensory overload. Our main goal with developing our own sensory room is to provide a space like this for families outside of a school setting. In essence, we recognize that sensory needs do not just disappear when a neurodivergent individual is at home and we would like to provide a space where families could exist in a calm and safe state together, not just in a school setting.

With this in mind, we are hoping to partner with a variety of non-profit organizations throughout Shawano to promote this resource for their use once it is complete. We are hoping to advertise it with families who we believe would benefit from its use and we really want this to not just be a space for Peace UCC members, but for the wider Shawano community. We are envisioning hosting nights as a church at least once a month with family-oriented activities and eventually moving towards providing childcare nights for families with neurodivergent youth so they can have a date night or run errands or whatever it is that would best help them to relax. We are hoping this is a life-giving ministry for families who often may feel neglected and let down by the majority of society. Again, I encourage you to watch the service from August 28, 2022, where I explain more in depth about the room, to include showing a video of what a fully realized sensory room may look like, and then go on to root this ministry in the ways Jesus interacted with his community. I hope and pray you all have been well this summer and I look forward to seeing more of you again as vacation season begins to slow down! Let us do meaningful work together!

Shalom,

Ariah Williams



CHARLIE'S RED BARN SEPTEMBER 8, 9, AND 10TH

Volunteers will be needed for grilling, assembly of food, and cashier. There will be morning and afternoon shifts. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board in the Great



Room. For those volunteering at Charlie's you need to wear a Thrivent shirt. They can wear last year's one or get one from Shelley in office. We were able to get a Thrivent card thanks to a gracious church member. You

can get shirts also after church on Sunday September 4th. All volunteers must wear a baseball cap or hair net according to health codes. Thank you for volunteering!!!



SAM25's biggest fundraiser, Empty Bowls, caring hearts is coming up on **Saturday, September 10, 2022 from 10 AM till 4 PM** or until soup/bowls are gone. You may also do a <u>walk-through tour of shelter/clinic</u>. Purchase a hand-painted, ceramic bowl and soup-to-go along with baked goods AND view their ONLINE SILENT AUCTION. Event links: <u>www.sam25.org</u> or on Facebook at

https://www.facebook.com/sam25.org



GIVING ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS

Interested in giving online? Just follow these easy steps!

1. Go to our church website at https://peaceshawano.org

2. Click "Sign In" in the upper right-hand corner of the home page.

3. Sign into your Faithlife account or create one by providing a valid email address and creating a password.

4. Once you're signed in, click on the "Giving" link in the upper right-hand section of the home page.

5. Enter the amount you would like to donate and then select where you would like the funds to go from the drop-down list available.

a. If you would like to donate to two different funds, you don't need to make two separate donations. You can click the button "Add another fund," select the other fund you would like to give to and input a dollar amount for both.

6. Click "Next" once you have decided where to send the funds and the dollar amount.

7. Now you can designate which family you are giving as, input either a debit card or bank account to draw from and decide if you would like to have this be a recurring gift or a one-time donation.

8. You also have the option to cover the processing fee that Faithlife charges by checking the box titled "Cover the processing fees." If this box is not checked, the fees are

deducted from your gift to the church.

9. That's it! Thank you for your generosity and trust that we will use your donations faithfully and fruitfully!



Sunday, September 18th will be our first day of Sunday School with registration that day. Packets have been mailed to all families (including the registration form) with children ages 3 thru 8th grade. If you did not receive the mailing, please contact the church office.

Students in 2nd grade and 8th grade will be receiving bibles during the 9:00 AM worship service this day.

CHILI DINNER PLANNING FOR NOVEMBER 10, 2022



Our last Chili Dinner was March 10, 2022 and it was a big success. Since it is now football season we are getting our Peace Team into practice and warming up for the next Chili Dinner. We are in the planning stages to have the Chili Dinner once again on November 10, 2022. Now with that being said we need to have jars returned to the church.

If you have any of those jars or know where there is some, please return them by the end of October. Thank you to all who have returned their jars!

We are also planning on having raffle baskets and bake sales once again. So if you can assist with the baskets or donate items, or monies to purchase items or gift cards please contact me. If you have a few new items but not planning to use them, please donate to make a basket. Gift cards are also great to tempt those to spend more money on tickets. Miracles happen with your donations and the money multiplies!!! We did over \$800+ on the last raffle and sold out of all the baking goodies. A BIG thank you to those who recycled their raffle baskets too! It is greatly appreciated!!!

A meeting to discuss and plan the Chili Dinner is scheduled for after church on Sunday September 25, 2022.

A BIG thank you to the Peace Team for all their hard work and let's make it another successful dinner once again.

Carol Fuqua 715-201-0992 landline 909-855-6941 cell

Please remember in prayer the families of:

Roland Dobratz, who died on August 2nd. A funeral service will be held on September 3rd at Peace Church. Lester Schreiber, who died on August 2nd. A service was held on August 11th at

pathy Swedberg Funeral Home.

"I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me will live, even though they die; and those who live and believe in me will never die." (John 11:25)

The **Baptism of Baker Stanley Alan Kunschke** was celebrated on Sunday, August 14th during worship. Baker's parents are Jerritt and Samantha (Acra) Kunschke and big sister, Hadley. May God bless Baker and his family as we work together to raise him in Christian faith!





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



September 1: Jon Meyers September 2: Brenda Schroeder Pepper Dickinson September 3: Corey Jones September 4: Henry Schultz Cynthia Staniforth Jennifer Maglio September 5: Thomas Rindt September 6: Sharon Fischer September 8: Ray Waelchli Jr September 9: Audrey Marohl September 10: Kristine Melton Sept. 11: Robert Engel Jr September 12: William Ecke **Bob Smits** Dave Rindt September 15: James Seifert Amber Marshall Sept. 16: Gretchen Whitehouse September 18: Jay Crawford Patsey Robertson September 22: Shirley Montour Joan Young September 29: Celeste Hansen September 30: Debbie Reinke Debra Ruehle Christina Koch



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.

Anniversaries

September 1: John & Deb Knickerbocker September 8: Randall & Nancy Ladwig September 10: Linda & Doug Baril September 11: Todd & Brenda Laehn September 13: Shane & Ginger Huntington September 22: Kathy & Tom Kuse Sept. 24: Jennifer & Jeffery Cady Sept. 25: Jon & Patti Meyers September 26: Pete & Jan Schroeder Sept. 27: Harvey & Nan Mueller Sept. 30: Tom & Sue Porath



SAFPARC GROCERY CART



SafParc is in need of the following items: peanut butter, canned tuna, potatoes, mixed vegetables, soup, canned fruits (pineapple, mandarin oranges) canned pork & beans, Raman noodles Thank you!

ASSISTED LIVING AND NURSING HOME LISTING

1250 S Evergreen St., Shawano

The Cottages on Golden Pond

Harvey Mueller, Marian Pauly

Oak Haven Assisted Living

Evergreen Care Center

132 Oak Ct., Shawano

Bonnie Moede

[If you are aware of any church member who needs to be added to this list, please contact Pastor Uriah or the church office.]

Shawano Place

1088 Engel Drive, Shawano Betsy Larson, Shirley Montour Wausau Manor Health Service 3107 Westhill Dr. Wausau WI 54401 Bonnie Dickelman-Cannon

Madison Way, Shawano Sharon Popp, Judy Menning, Mary Peterson

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 3rd Wednesday, [Next session, Sept. 21st] ~ 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

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu 1 1:30 PM Worship Communion	Fri 2	3 11:00 AM Roland Dobratz Funeral
4 9:00 AM Worship Communion	5 Church Office Closed	6	7	8	9 1:00 PM Quilters	10 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM SAM25 Fundraiser
	Pastor Uriah will be out of the office Sept. 5 th – 11 th					
7:00 PM AA Mtg	Labor Day			Charlie's R	ed Barn Sept. 8 –	9 - 10
11 9:00 AM Worship W.L. – Bob Gehm 2:00 PM Girl Scouts 7:00 PM AA Mtg	12 Seminary starts up for Pastor	13	14	15 1:30 PM Worship	16 1:00 PM Quilters	17
18 9:00 AM Worship S.S. Registration Bible Presentation 7:00 PM AA Mtg	19	20 6:00 PM Finance	21 10:00 AM Upper Room Confirmation	22	23 1:00 PM Quilters	24
25 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Chili Dinner Planning Mtg 7:00 PM AA Mtg	26	27 10:00 AM Missions	28 5:30 PM Council	29	30 1:00 PM Quilters	

Sunday Worship 9:00 AM Thursday Worship (First & Third) 1:30 PM OFFICE HOURS: Mon. – Friday 9:00 AM till 2:00 PM (715.526.2916)



Opportunities offered through Shawano County

Book Club: The ADRC offers a free book club to anyone interested in attending. If you need a copy of the book just let us know! The book club will be held on the following dates: October 12: at the Shawano Library from 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm. The book being discussed is "The Wounder Healer" by Dr. Omar Reda. This meeting will be discussing the first half of the book. The Second half will be discussed on November 9.

Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body: September 13 from 11:00 am – noon at Shawano County Human Services.

Memory Café (Shawano County): The Shawano County Memory Café meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm.

Caregiver Support Group (Shawano): This caregiver support group takes place at the Shawano Library the 4th Wednesday of each month from 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm. Contact Mary Jo at 715-526-4712 or Kristin Waukau at 715-799-5270 for more information.

Early Stages Support Group (Shawano): This support group is geared towards those in the early stages of dementia. The meetings take place at the Shawano Library the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm.

Brain Check-Ups

A brain check-up is a wellness tool that helps identify possible changes in memory and cognition. Brain check-ups take about 15 minutes and will be held at local libraries from 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm on the following dates:

October 4 - Menominee Library in Keshena

Shawano County UW-Extension is also offering the following events:

Mental Health First Aid: September 3rd from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, virtual. Contact 715-526-6136 to register.

Youth Mental Health First Aid: October 3rd from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, virtual. Contact 715-526-6136 to register.