

INSITES

All about the Multi-Site Ministry of
Woodbury Peaceful Grove United Methodist Church

April 2016

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Mission Trip Opportunity July 31 - August 6

After our fantastic experience last year,
we're going again!!

WPGUMC and Motown Missions are teaming up to sponsor
a one-week mission experience in the Motor City.

Detroit is unique among American urban landscapes, and nowhere is there a
greater need for God's grace and healing.

Anticipated cost for the trip is \$350-400 per person depending on team size.
The cost includes transportation, meals and lodging during the work week at
Metropolitan UMC in midtown Detroit. Scholarships available.

Work projects in 2015 included garage demolition and helping out at the
Michigan Urban Farming Initiative; other fun activities included a tour of the
Ford Rouge truck plant and a Tigers game at Comerica Park.

Here's a chance to be the hands and feet of Christ in the world.

See Motown Missions at <http://motownmission.org/>

If you are interested in participating,
or would like more information, contact
Mark Pellerite (mpell810@gmail.com, 651-739-3337) or
Rachel Hintzman (rahintzm@gmail.com, 651-233-4295)

Sharing the Joy + Living the Faith + Being the Hope

FINANCIAL MANAGER POSITION

As announced in the February Insites, Bill Cranford, the current Financial Manager, will be retiring on June 30. The Core Team has begun recruiting to fill the upcoming vacancy. The position is half-time and requires a **bachelor's degree in accounting or a related field.**

Position Description: the Financial Manager is responsible for all aspects of accounting and financial management for the two-campus church.

Examples of responsibilities include:

- Providing financial leadership to the Core Team
- Preparing monthly financial statements
- Communicating financial information to the congregation
- Processing payroll
- Maintaining accounting records of all funds
- Leading the annual budget process
- Overseeing the electronic giving program

Examples of skills that are required:

- Experience in non-profit accounting and finance
- Ability to interpret and communicate financial results
- Strong organizational skills
- Strong skills in MS Excel and MS Word

If you or someone you know would be a good fit for this position please provide a resume and letter of interest to Pastor Dan Wetterstrom and submit it to apply@wumc-pgumc.org. For details about this position visit the church website BeingTheHope.org under about us/employment opportunities.

Auditions for WINGS Drummer

Woodbury Peaceful Grove United Methodist Church has need of a worship drummer skilled in multiple styles of music (gospel, blues, Christian contemporary, global) to work with the WINGS band. Qualified candidates will have professional or near-professional musical experience, preferably including worship leadership.

Rehearsal Schedule - Weekly on Thursdays 6:30-8 pm; somewhat reduced rehearsals during summer months.

Worship Schedule - Sundays 10 - 11:30 am

Contact - Rick Murphy at 763-360-0715

Auditions for WINGS Substitute Musicians and Singers

Volunteer and professional musicians and vocalists who are interested in working with the WINGS band on a part-time ad hoc basis are also encouraged to arrange for an audition. Substitute musicians have flexibility in selecting weeks they will lead worship, but attend both rehearsal and worship on the weeks they agree to serve. Contact and schedule information is the same as listed above.



SUMMER SOFTBALL TEAMS

Sundays, Starting May 8

Games start at 6, 7, 8 or 9 pm

Bielenberg Sports Complex — **MUST BE 18 TO PLAY**

Cost: \$45

Sign up now for co-ed softball fun. There are seven weeks with doubleheaders and a single elimination tournament at the end. All games are on Sunday nights at the softball fields at Bielenberg Sports Complex. Friends welcome! Contact Amy Fuller at afuller@wumc-pgumc.org.

Nominations Open for Core Leadership Team

WHAT IS THE CORE LEADERSHIP TEAM?

The Core Leadership Team is the group that in another church might be called “the church board,” or “the administrative council.” It is a small group of highly committed volunteers who meet twice a month to guide how our congregation lives out its motivating vision of *Sharing the Joy, Living the Faith, and Being the Hope*.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

This team meets twice a month for one hour, Tuesday mornings at 6:30 am. Their work includes the church business that in the past would have been cared for by the Staff Parish Relations Team, the Trustees, or the Finance Team. Shorter-term “Project Teams” are brought together for major projects such as the Woodbury parking lot re-paving. Positions on the Core Leadership Team have an open term with a recommended minimum commitment of two years.

WHO SERVES ON THE CORE TEAM?

The current members of the Core Leadership Team include the two appointed pastors, the Finance Manager, and five lay members of the congregation. Two current members are looking to transition out of this ministry, and the team would also be helped by adding one additional lay member. This means that up to three nominations are sought, and self-nominations are very welcome. Core Team members are invited by the Lead Pastor with consultation from existing team members; although they may begin serving at any time, new members are ultimately approved by the church at a Church Conference.

QUALITIES SOUGHT IN NEW MEMBERS

Core Leadership Team members are church members who are faithfully living out the discipleship commitments of supporting the church through their prayers, presence in worship, financial gifts, volunteer service, and witnessing their faith through words and daily life. Core Team members should reflect the diversity of communities and life stages within the church. Excellent communication skills are important, as Core Team members listen to the concerns of congregation members but also help to communicate the vision and plans of the church. Not all members of the team need to be comfortable with public speaking, but this is a helpful trait.

Contact

For more information about the Core Leadership Team or to make a nomination, please contact Rev. Dan Wetterstrom at dwetterstrom@wumc-pgumc.org

Current Core Team Members

Betsy Stites – Chair
Bill Cranford – Financial Manager
Robin Hakari
Sadie-jo Kobussen
Charlie Maier
Ruth Ann Ramstad
Sara Suelflow
Dan Wetterstrom



Parish Nurse Ministry



To find updated events and health related articles go to the church website, BeingTheHope.org, click on resources and then click on parish nurse.

ADULT BEGINNERS EXERCISE GROUP

Wednesdays, Woodbury Fellowship Hall

3-4 pm — \$2 per class/per person

Join this slower paced workout focusing on cardio, balance and stretch exercises. The workout will fit individual needs. Try this class if you need to gain strength after surgery or an illness.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Monday, April 11, 10 am (2nd Mon.)

Woodbury Heritage Room

A gathering for those who have lost loved ones (spouses, parents, siblings, children), and caregivers who would like to share their stories and receive support from others facing similar life changes.

A DRUM CIRCLE & PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

April 1, 15 and 29 (every other Friday)

7 pm Drum Circle, WB Youth Room

7:30 pm Parents Support Group, WB Heritage Rm.

For individuals and families living with Autism/Asbergers and for anyone with disabilities or social challenges who likes music, rhythm and dance. Feel free to come to any part of this event.

THE GATHERING - a group respite for those still living in the community who have memory loss.

WPGUMC is one of the partners assisting with the East Consortium of THE GATHERING at Woodbury Baptist Church. Times: 10 am-3 pm on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. To be a participant: contact Betsy Hoffman at 651-414-5291 or at

bhoffman@lyngblomsten.org. Meal/Grocery

Volunteers Needed: Call Dee Lindblom, at 651-353-6724. Reimbursement is given for food. One-On-One Helper: Contact Jane Beckstrom or Carolyn Klaver, Lyngblomsten at 952-261-5235.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

Stop by for blood pressure checks, consultations or if you have any questions or concerns.

- Woodbury Campus - 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month in the Heritage Room.
- Peaceful Grove Campus - 2nd Sunday of the month after the service.

LIVING THE FAITH

Caring Ministries Brochure Is Available

The Caring Ministry is based on the belief that we are the hands and feet of Christ in our church community. Volunteers serve according to their time and talents. All opportunities can be on a one-time or ongoing basis. Under a more structured approach to this process, the pastors, parish nurse and program staff will recommend persons needing care. Brochures are available at both campuses.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY (TOPS)

Tuesdays, WB Room 208

Weigh-In 6-6:30 pm, Meeting 6:30-7:15 pm

TOPS provides support, fellowship and accountability to those seeking to improve their weight and health. There is an annual fee of \$32 and monthly dues are \$5. All are welcome! For more information contact Deb Hanson at 651-578-1370 or ddandj1@comcast.net.

SUICIDE SURVIVOR SUPPORT GROUP

6-7 pm, WB Rm. 205 (Sept. –May, 2nd Mon.)

This is an adult support group for those who have lost a loved one from suicide. The group can range from six to 30 participants. Community is welcome. Questions? Contact Chris Caulkins at c.caulkins@comcast.net or check out web site at www.save.org.

For questions or information contact JANE BECKSTROM, PARISH NURSE

Email: parishnurse@wumc-pgumc.org

Urgent messages please contact the church office.

Mission Moments

Native American Ministries Sunday

We were on a mission trip to the Lakota Indian Reservation of Spirit Lake in North Dakota. Touring the reservation, our host and guide led us into a housing development for low-income wage earners. She pointed out the beautiful playground equipment in the center of the compound. Our guide told us a United Methodist work team from Wisconsin had erected the playground set.

She went on to say that while the team was working on the playground, many of the children and youth came out of their homes to watch. After a while, one young teenage Native American boy came to our guide, who was working along with the mission team and questioned her, "Why are you building this playground equipment here?"



She responded, "Because we want the children of this area to have something to play on." The young man continued his questioning. "I understand that, but why are you building that playground here?" She answered him with a different answer, "Because we are Christians, and we want to bring some happiness to this area."

That answer still did not satisfy the young man. "You don't understand lady," he insisted. "Why are you building that playground set in this neighborhood?" She responded, "Because Jesus has called us to love him and we love him by showing that love to others."

Finally, the young man stopped our guide and said, "What I mean is, why are you doing this for us? We are only Indians." At that point, our guide broke down and wept. Hearing her story broke our hearts.

This story did more than break my heart; it also made me more aware of how I need to bestow worth on all people in general, and specifically, how I can bring worth to my Native American brothers and sisters.

The best way I know is to convey in word and deed the worth that God, through Jesus Christ, has placed upon God's children. "For God so loved the world" (John 3:16).

By the Rev. Roger Russell

April 10 is Native American Ministries Sunday. Together through this ministry we empower local spiritual development and educate Native American seminary students to serve God faithfully. We also empower congregations that are finding fresh new ways to minister to their communities with the love of Christ. Through Being the Hope, we are supporting Native American Ministries Sunday.



Children's Ministry

Bible Workshop - 2nd-5th graders
Saturday, April 16, Noon-3:30 pm

All students in 2nd through 5th grade should plan to attend this fun event! A pizza lunch will kick off the afternoon. Then through games, drama, and art, students will practice Bible skills including identifying which Testament has which books, how to find a specific verse and mapping out a time line. Students should bring a Bible from home.



5th Grade Night of Service
Wednesday, April 20, 6:30-8 pm

Meet in the Woodbury Fellowship Hall for games and a service project. Get to know Amy Fuller, Minister to Families with Students. Find out about FROG for next fall. Parents do not attend this milestone with their student, but are encouraged to come for the Worship Service at 7:30. Amy will answer questions about the F.R.O.G. program after the service.



Communion Milestone Rescheduled!
Friday, April 29, 6:30-8 pm

All students in 4th grade should attend this important milestone where they will learn about the sacrament, discover the role of bread in the Bible, and make the bread for Sunday's communion. Older students who have not attended this milestone are welcome. Supper will be served first; at least one parent should accompany their student. Students and their parent(s) will be blessed during the worship service on Sunday and then serve communion to the congregation.

REGISTER FOR SUMMER!

Eco-Kids Camp - Mon.-Thurs., June 27-30
Caring for God's creation through art, science and fun!
Daily field trips including Cascade Bay.
9 am-4:30 pm, completed 2nd-6th
Carpool from WPGUMC to Advent UMC in Eagan.
Cost \$65. Register at www.advent-umc.com.

Vacation Bible School - Mon.-Fri., Aug 1-5
Catch the wave of God's amazing love at Surf Shack!
Discovery time, crafts, games and more.
9-11:30 am, ages 3 years—completed 3rd grade.
Cost \$35. Print out a registration form at
www.BeingTheHope.org.

Camp MSP East - Tues.-Thurs., Aug. 9-11
Focus on Mission, Service, Purpose while being the hands and feet of Jesus. 9 am-3 pm, completed 3rd-5th.
Woodbury campus of WPGUMC. Cost \$35
Register at www.campminnesota.org (camp #4)

Moose on the Loose

July 12-26, Tuesdays
10 am, Woodbury
No registration needed
Come for an hour of wonderful storytelling, snacks and fellowship.
Mr. Moose will welcome a different friend to read each week.



Student Ministries

Amy Fuller 651-738-2010 afuller@wumc-pgumc.org

SUMMER STRETCH WEEKLY SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP

Students completed grades 5-9 — Friends are welcome!
Wednesdays, June 15 - August 3 (includes Valley Fair day)
Woodbury Campus - Cost: \$125 and after May 1 is \$140
Summer Stretch is a middle school service and fellowship program. In the morning, students and an adult go out to perform a service project. At noon they return to church for lunch, and the whole group attends an afternoon fellowship event. Registrations available at church or register at BeingTheHope.org. Scholarships available.

SUMMER STRETCH INTERNS LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Students completed grades 10 and up

- ⇒ What is it? Interns provide leadership for the Middle School Summer Stretch program
- ⇒ When does it happen? Wednesdays from 8 am-5:30 pm for 7 weeks starting on June 15
- ⇒ Who can apply? Students who have completed grade 10 and up
- ⇒ **What's the cost?** \$60
- ⇒ How do I apply? Contact Amy Fuller

TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST Weekend Retreat

Students completed grades 8 thru 12
July 29 - 31, Woodbury Campus - Cost: \$70

From the moment participants arrive, they are greeted by an energetic team of teenagers and adults. The whole team works together to lead participants in music, games, and activities. Good food and lots of laughter make an enjoyable experience for all. Throughout the weekend participants will get to know more about what God has done for everyone through Jesus Christ. Learn more about the weekend at www.unitedtec.org or contact Dianna Knack at diannaknack@gmail.com.



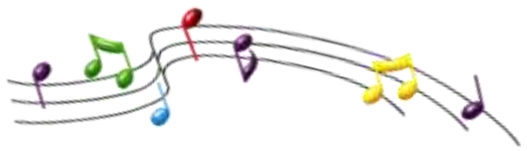
MOUNTAIN T.O.P. MISSION TRIP

Students completed grade 9 and up
Adults of all ages

July 15 - 24, Tennessee - Cost: \$580

Mountain T.O.P. is a service project ministry designed to promote cultural exchange experiences for adults and youth. Participants work with local mountain families in The Appalachian Mountains of Tennessee doing minor home repair such as light construction, roof and porch repair, painting, and yard work. Scholarships available for high school students through young adults.

Woodbury Choir News



Attention Singers! - **FAURE'S "REQUIEM"**

You can perform the Faure Requiem with the choirs in May without joining the choir.

Here's how:

Attend weekly 30-minute rehearsals at the Woodbury campus on Wednesday evenings from 7-7:30 pm from February 3 through May 11, WB Room 203.

Enjoy three performances of the "Requiem" with professional instrumentalists:

Sunday, May 15, 9:30 am at Peaceful Grove campus

Sunday, May 22, 9 am at Woodbury campus

Sunday, May 22, 10:30 am at Woodbury campus

ADULTS & YOUTH WHO LOVE TO SING

Join the Chancel Choir Anytime During the School Year
Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm, WB Room 203

Enjoy the fun and fellowship of singing an eclectic array of music which serves the 9 am Woodbury worship service. Sing everything from spirituals and contemporary anthems to music of the classical masters.

This May, the choir will be presenting Gabriel Faure's "Requiem." The goal is to provide high quality, meaningful music for worship that touches the heart and speaks to the soul. Join us anytime during the year.



You Can Join - **Woodbury Children's Choir**

Grades 1 - 5 — Any Sunday Throughout the School Year!
Sundays, 10-10:30 am, WB Room 203

The Children's Choir is offered to all children in grades 1 through 5. The goal is to provide a convenient, accessible time for children to participate in choir whether their families come to church at 9 am or 10:30 am.

Children's Choir teaches the music of our faith in a fun and motivating musical environment. Your child will receive high quality vocal training as well as musical literacy instruction through the Kodaly approach to music education.

Children's Choir runs through May 1. Your child will sing at church services three times in 2016.

QUESTIONS ABOUT SINGING IN THE CHOIR?

Contact LaGretta Lunde, Woodbury Choral Director
laglunde@gmail.com or at 612-720-4446

Peaceful Grove NEWS

SUNDAY WORSHIP AT PEACEFUL GROVE

The 9:30 am Sunday morning service at the Peaceful Grove campus provides lay-led services which are creative and heart-felt. Services are designed and delivered by members of the WPGUMC community in a format that allows both the presenters and congregation to explore their spiritual life more fully by being the BODY of Christ in a very real way.

HAPPENINGS at Peaceful Grove

LEADING SERVICES SUNDAY MORNING

April 3 - Communion/Pot Luck – Shelly Lyksett
April 10 - Dick Hansen
April 17 - Cheryl Glazebrook & Muriel Richardson
Mission Moments
April 24 - OPEN

VOLUNTEERS TO LEAD WORSHIP

Have you thought about leading worship on Sunday morning? Please contact Dawn Nippoldt at 651-271-1795 or at nippoldts@usfamily.net if you have an interest.

SCRIPTURE READING & SOUP

Thursdays, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Come study the scriptures and have a bowl of soup with Pastor Dan and a fun group of people.

LUNCH AT PERKINS in Cottage Grove

Wednesday, April 13, 11:30 am (2nd Wed.)
Stop by for lunch and good fellowship at Perkins on E. Point Douglas Drive. For more information contact Muriel Richardson at 651-459-2805 or murielr@usfamily.net.

CRAFT FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Friday, April 8, 2-4 pm, (2nd Friday)
A fun way to get together and work on your craft project or venture into a new one. Questions? Contact Royann Kjellberg at 651-459-1493.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE & CANDY BARS

Muriel Richardson will have these items for sale once a month, before and after church.

BOX TOPS/SOUP LABELS/ INK CARTRIDGES

Collection box and envelope are in the Peaceful Grove office or drop off with Maria Rella in the Woodbury church office. This collection supports Armstrong Elementary School.

ARMSTRONG READING PROGRAM

Volunteers Needed - Ongoing
Volunteers are needed to spend time in the school helping those struggling with reading. Volunteers will read with 1st and 2nd grade students on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9:30-10:30 am. In keeping with policies of District 833, volunteers will need to have a background check. There is a \$17.75 processing fee. Funds are available through church if this presents a hardship. Questions? Contact Paula Christensen at 612-599-6782 or at christensenpaula@live.com.

ARMSTRONG ELEMENTARY SUPPLIES NEEDED

Armstrong is now collecting used small electronics. The first grade teachers are always in need of plastic ice cream buckets. There is always a need for Kleenex, hand sanitizer, baby wipes and Clorox/Disinfectant Wipes. Items can be brought to the Peaceful Grove campus and place in designated areas or leave in the main office at the Woodbury campus.

Has God Blessed You with Abundance?



Perhaps it's time to consider paying it forward!

Please consider a planned gift to your church's Endowment Fund. Your gift will leave a lasting impact on our congregation and our community, enabling WPGUMC to Be the Hope for generations to come.

"A gift opens the way for the giver and ushers them into the presence of the great."

Proverbs 18:16

Beneficiary Form Designation:

Including your church doesn't mean forsaking your children. You can provide for both.

Simply complete the beneficiary designation for your retirement accounts, annuities, or life insurance and include Woodbury Peaceful Grove United Methodist Church in your legacy.

Your planned gift will make a much greater impact than you can imagine. It may also provide you with significant tax advantages.

For more information about planned giving, please visit BeingTheHope.org/Resources or contact one of our pastors at 651-738-0305.

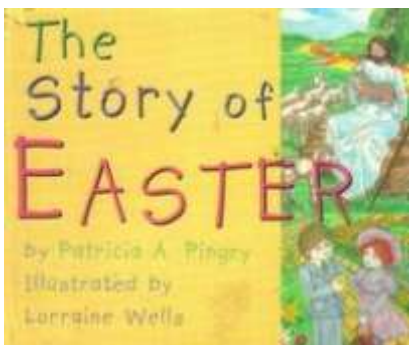
Keep Your Flame Burning

PACK 56 CELEBRATES PINEWOOD DERBY

This is not your father's Pinewood Derby, no not by a long shot. Our chartered Cub Scout Pack 56 celebrates with a high tech track that clocks time to the tens of thousandths of a second. It is then converted to what would be race car speed and all displayed on a large screen. About twenty-five scouts participated plus family members. The highest speeds were over 160 mph. The fans had first class seating to watch it all.



What are you reading in 2016? May I Recommend

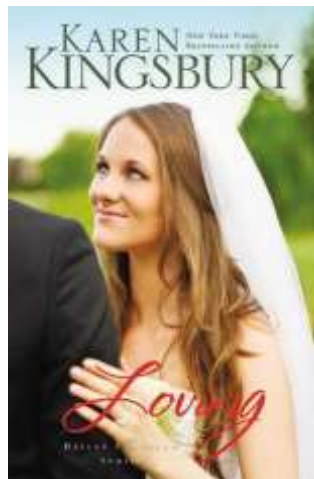
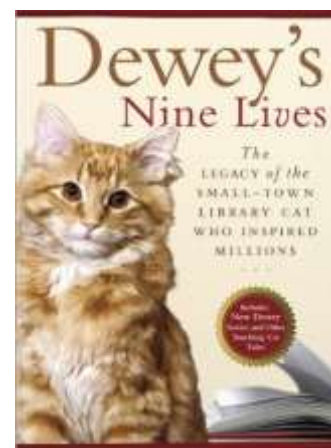


The Story of Easter by Patricia A. Pingry

When we think of Spring we look forward to baby animals being born, flowers beginning to bloom and warm weather returning. Easter also brings thoughts of Jesus and his life as our Good Shepherd. In this well illustrated book you will find all the parts of His life and how it all affects us. A good book for your young children to share! *Reviewed by Jackie Easton*

Dewey's Nine Lives: The Legacy of the small-town library cat who inspired millions by Vickie Myron and Bret Witter

Remember Dewey ReadMore Books, who dropped into the book return of a small town library in Iowa? Well Dewey is back again with a few more stories about himself and his owner. But added to that are nine more tales about cats. Each tale is different depending on the cat's personality and the circumstances of the owner. Some cats are reacting to alcoholism, poverty, post-traumatic stress disorder, alienation or loneliness. There doesn't seem to be a situation that can't benefit from the presence of a particular cat. I'm a dog person but even I can see the advantages of these particular cats. Let's see what you think about this. *Review by Barb Haberman*

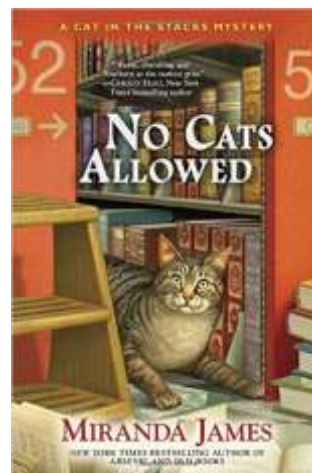


Loving by Karen Kingsbury

God has a plan for all of us and Bailey Flanigan believes he has a plan for her wedding day, but who has God picked out for her husband? You will find a prayer that reveals itself in the final choice. She has experienced the glamour of dancing in a show on Broadway and acting in a movie but she keeps being drawn back to her home in Bloomington, Indiana and the children's theater work she loves. Will she follow Brandon in marriage, even though it means life in the public eye of a movie star, or will she go back to her first love, Cody, in Indiana? Maybe one of these men will change. Hope you read and enjoy as I did! *Reviewed by Jackie Easton*

No Cats Allowed by Miranda James

Combines a kindhearted librarian hero, family secrets in a sleepy Southern town, and a gentle giant of a cat that will steal your heart. This is as southern as grits. Worth a try, even if you are a northerner. If you wonder why I am reviewing two cat books when I am a dog person, it just happens. These books reached out to me. *Reviewed by Barb Haberman*



Life is better when we share it with others!

Happenings



FAITHBUILDERS¹ Study for Women
Wednesdays, 10-11:30 am Woodbury Rm. 201

FAITHBUILDERS² Study for Women
Tuesdays, 7-8 pm, Woodbury Rm. 205
Questions? Contact Barb Birchen at
birchice@comcast.net.

PRISCILLA CIRCLE (Women's Group)

Tuesday, April 12, 9:30 am - Rm. 205
All women are invited to come. Questions? Contact
Ruth Ann Bothe at 651-459-0886.

READERS BOOK CLUB

Monday, April 18, 7-8:30 pm, Heritage Rm.
All readers are invited to join in the lively discussion,
laughter and fellowship. The April book will be *The
Light Between Oceans* by ML Stedman. The May 16
book will be *All Together Now* by Sue Ellen Bridges.
Questions? Contact Darlene Wetterstrom at
darwetterstrom@comcast.net.

BRIDGE & POTLUCK DINNER

Saturday, April 16, 5:30 pm, Fellowship Hall
Come and join a potluck dinner (bring a dish to share)
and then get ready to shuffle cards and play
bridge. SIGN UP ANYTIME — All skill levels of
bridge playing, singles or partners are welcomed to play
bridge and socialize. Questions? Contact Hans Melby
at HKMelby@comcast.net or at (651) 778-8931 or
Ken Hoffmann at (651) 330-4755 or at
tuesfred@comcast.net.

SUMMER SOFTBALL TEAMS

Sundays, Starting May 8
Games start at 6, 7, 8 or 9 pm
See page 2 for details.

FAITH IN ACTION

April 18, 4:30 pm, Woodbury Carpool
Carpool to Emma Norton Annual Dinner at the
Minneapolis Marriott Northwest
April 25, 7 pm, Woodbury Rm. 205
Regular monthly planning meeting

CANADIAN FISHING TRIPS

May 16-19, Fishing Opener
Lake of the Woods, \$366
July 28-August 3, Canadian Fish Camp
Mahkwa Lodge, \$699
August 8-14, Canadian Fish Camp II
Mahkwa Lodge, \$699
Share in the beauty, delight, hardships and surprises
that await the fishing trips to the northland.
Questions? Contact Bob Horn at 612-801-2255.

SIGN UP FOR THE THEATER!

Theater events have been a way to not only support
the Woodbury Community Theatre, local art venue,
but also a way to get to know people. Shows are
Sundays at 3 pm. Cost \$10 and starting in July the
new price is \$12 per person.

- ◆ A Little Night Music - 3 pm, April 17
Black Box Theater - LIMITED TICKETS
A musical with music and lyrics by Stephen
Sondheim. Inspired by the Ingmar Bergman film
Smiles of a Summer Night, it involves the romantic
lives of several couples. The musical includes the
popular song *Send In the Clowns*. Cost: \$10
- ◆ Mary Poppins - 3 pm, July 24
Loft Stage - LIMITED TICKETS
One of the most popular Disney movies of all time
is capturing the hearts in a whole new way: as a
practically perfect musical!! It's an enchanting
mixture of irresistible story, unforgettable songs,
and breathtaking dance numbers. Cost: \$12

“In the Know” - - - News You Need about Your Church!

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

Sunday, April 10, 1 pm,
Woodbury Worship Center
Everyone is encouraged to attend the annual meeting and hear about the mission and vision of the church. Agenda items include annual budget; election of leaders; committee reports; **sharing of pastors' and ministry leaders' vision; Q&A regarding Easter Mission Offering - Being the Hope.**

WESLEY MEALS

Saturday, April 9
8:30 am carpool, Woodbury
Volunteers and pans of bars needed! This ministry provides a meal for the homeless in Minneapolis. Sign up in the Commons or contact Delores Hedrick at 651-738-0305, ext. 29 or at dhedrick@wumc-pgumc.org. Bring bars to the kitchen Friday or Saturday morning before 8:30 am.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Friday, April 15
12-6 pm, Fellowship Hall
Donors needed! To make an appointment, call the Red Cross at 651-291-4607. To help with registrations, contact Jan Slagter at jslagter1949@gmail.com or at 651-739-7719 or email Kris Hallis at skhallis89@gmail.com or at 651-387-9033. Volunteer shifts: 12-3 pm & 3-6 pm.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN - Eagan Site
Saturday, April 16, 9-11 am
Come pack meals that feed starving children all over the world. Sign up in the Commons or go online at www.fmsc.org. Click on “register to volunteer”, then “join an existing group”. Enter “Rachel” and “Hintzman” in the first and last name boxes, then click on “join” for the date you wish to volunteer. Questions? Contact Rachel Hintzman at rahintzm@gmail.com.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE
Sunday, April 17
Fair trade coffee and other products will be on sale after services. In purchasing and using fair trade products, we are **giving support to UMCOR's Sustainable Agriculture & Development Program.**

RUMMAGE SALE & BAZAAR
Saturday, April 30, 9 am-1 pm
Please bring your donations of gently used clothing, shoes, pots, dishes, beddings, pictures, etc. Not accepted: TVs, microwaves, computers or humidifiers. Donations will be accepted starting Thursday, April 28 in the Atrium. Questions? Call Ruth Ann Bothe at 651-459-0886.
BAKE SALE ITEMS ALSO NEEDED! Baked goods can be dropped off on Friday or Saturday before 9 am. Questions? Call Jean Roemer at 651-735-2243. Sale proceeds will go to missions.

CHURCH POTLUCK PICNIC AND TIE-DYE

Sunday, May 29 - Woodbury
After the 10:30 am service ... *regardless of the weather*
Come celebrate the beginning of summer. Bring a potluck dish to share. Church will provide the hotdogs and lemonade. Pastor Ruth Ann will teach you how to tie-dye a t-shirt! Contact Maria Rella at 651-738-0305, ext. 11 or at mrella@wumc-pgumc.org.

SUMMER THEOLOGY WORKSHOP

June 16-20, Lake Koronis
Cost: \$326 double/\$388 single
Apostle Paul is sometimes criticized as having different beliefs than Jesus and other Christians in the first century. Peter Milloy, a retired UMC pastor, will lead the workshop. Register online at www.campminnesota.org. Contact Roger Nelson for more info at rmnelson3@yahoo.com or call 651-739-0125.

CAMPFIRE WORSHIP

Sunday, July 3 - 10:30 am
Woodbury Grove
A great time of worship, praise and fellowship around a campfire. Invite family and friends to join you in this fun summer worship experience. Sing along favorite camp songs, roast marshmallows **and make S'mores.**

Woodbury Preschool Programs *on Steepleview*

A ministry of Woodbury Peaceful Grove United Methodist Church



The 4/5 year old preschool classes had a special visitor this spring. Cupid, the 25 year old African penguin who was born at the Como Zoo, came for a preschool visit to let our children have an upfront close look at the penguin and learn all about him.





Peaceful Grove Campus

8600 90th Street South, Cottage Grove, MN 55016

Campus Phone: 651-769-1303

Main Office Phone: 651-738-0305

Sunday Worship Schedule

9:30 am

Woodbury Campus

7465 Steepleview Road, Woodbury, MN 55125

Main Office Phone: 651-738-0305

Sunday Worship Schedule

9 & 10:30 am

Office Hours

8 am-3 pm, Monday-Friday

Information You Want to Know about WPGUMC

The Woodbury church office is open from 8 am to 3 pm, Monday-Friday. The telephone will be answered during those hours. When the phone is not answered, leave a private message for any members of the staff. Directions are given on the phone system.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

The responsibility for the day-to-day administrative tasks of the church has been invested in the Core Team. The Core Team functions as the primary lay-clergy partnership to provide guidance and direction to ministries.

CORE TEAM MEMBERS

Betsy Stites – Chair
Bill Cranford – Financial Manager
Robin Hakari
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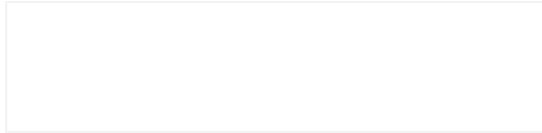
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Breakthrough Prayer Workshop

Sunday, April 22 from 2-7 pm

Messiah United Methodist Church, Plymouth

Being a vital congregation—a vital follower of Jesus—begins with prayer and opening ourselves to the breaking in of the Holy Spirit.

Join Pastor Dan and Pastor Ruth Ann and other members of the church as we discover how to create a breakthrough prayer initiative in our congregation.

This workshop will focus on creating a breakthrough prayer initiative in each congregation. Participants will be inspired by testimonies of how the Spirit is moving in churches that have engaged in breakthrough prayer, and they will leave with an action plan for developing a breakthrough prayer initiative in their own churches.

Email or call Pastor Dan to let him know your interest or if you have any questions at dwitterstrom@wumc-pgumc.org or at 651-738-0305, ext. 13.