



Evergreen United Methodist Church

1120 Evergreen Court, Wahpeton, ND 58075

June, 2017



Pastor Jen presents Evergreen's graduating seniors with a gift from the congregation—a study Bible, so that they may always remember those with whom they grew up, as they venture into the world. Graduating seniors are Ethan Schmitt (left) John Poppen (center) and Dylan Wolfgram (right). Ethan is the son of Scott & Jenny Schmitt, John is the son of Dale & Diane Poppen, and Dylan is the son of Bryan & Mary Wolfgram.

Seniors Not Pictured: Sydney Johnson, daughter of Chris & Suzanne Johnson and Myar Oltman, daughter of James & Jessica Harty.



ANNUAL CONFERENCE

By Bonnie Beeson

Just letting everyone know that I am Evergreen's Lay Delegate to Annual Conference. In a "nut shell" Annual Conference has a business agenda of which delegates listen to reports etc. and vote on decisions critical to funding and operating churches of the Dakota Conference.

Each delegate can download a conference workbook so that we are aware of what reports will be given and items that will be voted upon. If you are interested in looking at the workbook you can access it at: <https://goo.gl/RKJk0I>

I have also posted on the bulletin board proposed resolutions that will change the Book of Discipline.

Any questions or concerns, please contact me before June 7th.

UMW Spring Bake Sale

By Dianne Millar

Many thanks to those who provided baked goods and/or monetary donations for the UMW spring bake sale, to those who purchased the sweet treats, and to those who helped out "behind the scene" with setting up, serving coffee and rolls, and clean up. Prior to expenses, we raised \$815 for various mission projects.

Activities Coming to Evergreen: Fun for the Whole Family

By Becky Dockter

Mother/Son



Ladies, bring your favorite boy (or boys) to a celebration of the first day of summer! There will be snacks, games, and fun outdoors and in for you to share together from 6:30-8:30 pm, on Wednesday, June 21 at Evergreen United Methodist Church in Wahpeton. Cost will be \$10 per family. Please call the office at 701-642-6202 or stop by the church office between 8 am-3 pm, on week days (noon on Fridays) to get tickets. We are selling a limited number so plan early.

Father/Daughter



Girls, bring your dad or someone you love to a back-to-school bash. On Wednesday, August 16th, Evergreen United Methodist Church will host a fun time, one more time, before the start of the new school year. Come from 6:30-8:30 pm for games, activities, and snacks with your friends and their dads. Cost will be \$10 per family. Please call the church at 701-642-6202 to get tickets. You can also stop by the church office at 1120 Evergreen Court between 8 am-3 pm on weekdays (noon on Fridays) and we will get you your tickets, which are limited in number so plan early to be there .

Vacation Bible School at Breckenridge UMC

Vacation Bible School will run from **July 24-27** and will be held at Breckenridge UMC. We still need a few volunteers to pull off these events and reach out to our community! If you are able to help please call the church office at 642-6202 or look for info on the bulletin board at church.

Sunday School Wrapped Up Till Fall

By Becky Dockter

As we have wrapped up another "school year" I would just like to take the time to thank the people who have helped with our Children's Sunday School program. We literally would not have a program without these people who stepped into God's calling to teach our kids about Jesus and how he is relevant and steadfast in our daily lives while having fun along the way. Teachers this year included Jenny Schmitt, Trisha and Lyle Levery, Bonnie Anderson, Alicia Blaufuss, Lenore Stevens and Becky Dockter. A big thank you as well to Sandy Olson for bringing her musical leadership to the kids to praise God through song every Sunday!

Evergreen UMC

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Pastor:

Jen Tyler

Administrative Asst.:

Julie McGovern

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Monday-Thursday
8 am - 3 pm
Friday
8 am - Noon

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(June 4 -September 4)
9 am, Worship
10 am, Coffee

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Wahpeton Evergreen

Summer Schedule

Begins June 4

9 am, Worship Service

10 am, Coffee Time



Remember the Noisy Bucket Offering!
Second Sunday of each month.
Proceeds support the Three Rivers
Crisis Center - Kids Connection.



Pray for Peder and Bonnie in Albania, June 12-July 31

Thank you for partnering with us in ministry to Albania through your financial gifts and your prayers. Here are a few ways you can pray:

Give thanks for our opportunity to serve

Build relationships with Albanians and show the love of Jesus

Quick minds for learning language

Mentor and disciple youth through Bible study and interactions

Encourage ministry staff

Apply CHE (Community Health Evangelism) and DNA (Disciple Nation Alliance) principles that were taught in the vision seminar in Nov

Sewing machines will work for teaching young ladies to sew

You can contact us by email-
bonlanderson@gmail.com or
pastorpeder.a@gmail.com.

If you would like to give a donation, please give it through the church and mark it for Peder and Bonnie Anderson for Albania.

Our sympathy

To the family of Peg George. She died on May 3 and her funeral was held at Evergreen on May 6.

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Evergreen Celebrates June Birthdays and Anniversaries

*Denotes anniversaries

1 - June Edwards	18 - Aaron Bohn
1 - Cody Maddock	19 - Gloria Plummer
2 - Kevin Hudson	19 - Michael Rittenour
4 - Justan Metcalf	20 - Rhaeghn Gripentrog
5 - Jerald Stewart	20 - Tanner Werner
6 - Leland Levery	21 - Mary DeVal
7 - Jim Stone	21 - James & Jessica Harty*
8 - Jake Richels	22 - Lois Berndt
8 - Michael Ehlers	22 - Kevin & Judy Nelson*
8 - John & Mary DeVal*	23 - Elizabeth Taylor
9 - Dylan Wolfram	24 - Mike & Bonnie Beeson*
9 - David & LaRae Gripentrog*	26 - McKayla Mortenson
10 - Val West	26 - Don & Kairouan Moffet*
10 - RaeAnn Drewlow	27 - Lori Mohs
10 - Xander Bohn	27 - Colin & Linda Bailey*
11 - Harris & Fern Bailey*	28 - Annetta Nies
11 - Tom & Jan Moore*	28 - Angie Kratcha
12 - Gene & Gloria Plummer*	29 - Gayle Barton
15 - Jim & Karen Selken*	29 - Nicole Keller
16 - Marlys Hoeft	
16 - Mark Boyer	
17 - Marty Boyer	



Evergreen Mission News

by Jan Moore

MISSIONS COMMITTEE made the decision that the monies collected during the Soup Suppers will be donated to the Spirit Lake Missions to help the family whose home burned.

The **KIDS COUNT MIRACLE OFFERING** challenge has been made by Bruce Ough, Resident Bishop of the Dakotas-Minnesota Episcopal Area. This challenge has two parts:

- 1) A cash offering goal has been set at \$100,000 of which 80% will go to support church-school partnerships and 20% will go to help our new churches send children and youth to camp;
- 2) A pledge to volunteer in service to the children in our communities of 10,000 volunteer hours. Churches will be asked to report on their volunteer efforts throughout the next year. Evergreen Missions Committee has set our volunteer hours at 400 hours and will be posting a thermometer on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall to monitor our success. Please keep track of hours you donate to help out in any events with/for children. We already donate hours to packing backpacks! Look for any opportunities. We will ask periodically.

The only ones among you who will be truly happy are those who have sought and found how to serve.

-Albert Schweitzer

UMW Accessories Sale



Purses, Jewelry & Scarves



Friday, June 16
9 am to 12 noon
Evergreen UMC



Health Kit Items Needed for June

THANK YOU everyone for your help with donations to the Back Pack Project, during the past school year! In May we collected 204 oatmeal packets, 32 granola bars and 6 jars of peanut butter.

DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE THE "ONE THING" collection is for any of the following health kit items:


(Look for the totes in the Fellowship Hall for your donation.)

- **hand towels** (ONLY - 15" x 25" up to 17" x 27" – no kitchen towels)
- **wash cloths**
- **combs** (large and sturdy, not pocket sized)
- **fingernail clippers** (no toenail clippers)
- **bath size bars of soap** (3 oz. and up)
- **toothbrushes** (single brushes only in original wrapper, no child-size brushes)
- **plastic strip sterile bandages**

All items included in kits must be **NEW** items. Kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items, nothing more.



Quilt made by the Sewing Group. Money raised by this group goes to sponsor a variety of mission projects.

June, 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 Summer Schedule Begins 9 am, Worship 10 am, Coffee	5 6:30 pm, Wor- ship Committee Mtg.	6	7	8	9	10 Dakotas Annual Conference will be held in Bismarck, ND June 7-10. Attending from Evergreen UMC are Mike & Bonnie Beeson, Peder & Bonnie Anderson and Pastor Jen.
11 9 am, Worship 10 am, Coffee	12	13	14	15	16 UMW Accessories Sale @ EUMC 9 am - Noon	17
18 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY 9 am, Worship 10 am, Coffee	19	20	21 Moms & Boys of Summer Event @ EUMC 6:30 pm-8:30 pm	22	23 NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE	24
25 9 am, Worship 10 am, Coffee	26	27	28 12:30 pm, News- letter folding	29	30	July 1
July 2 9 am, Worship 10 am, Coffee	July 3	July 4 	July 5	July 6	July 7	July 8

UMW News -- "A Call to Community"

By Denise Eastin

Thanks to Hope Circle for hosting the May 11th General Meeting of UMW. Fifteen UMW members were present.

Alinda Bassingthwaite presented our program for the evening, entitled "Mothers in Action", which was based on the story of baby Moses -- whose courageous mother placed his carrier basket in the river where Pharaoh's daughter saved the baby Moses, and in so doing, became part of God's plan to free His people from Egyptian slavery.

Our May Bake Sale was a financial success and offered hospitality to the community. The free-will offering for rolls and coffee, plus the sale of homemade baked goods raised approximately \$750 for UMW. Thank you to everyone who participated and/or offered prayers for the success of this endeavor.

Bonnie Anderson reported that Campbell's will no longer accept the UPC codes from their soup cans for credit in the Box tops for Education promotion.

On Friday, June 16th, from 9 am to 12 noon, UMW will host an Accessories Sale of purses, jewelry, and scarves. This is a 'first time event' for UMW so your participation and prayers are vital to its success! You may leave your 'gently used' articles in the end of hallway (from Julie) classroom starting Sunday, June 11th thru Tuesday, the 13th. Coffee and cookies will be offered for refreshments.

Love Ribbons were made available on Mother's Day. Donations of \$22 were collected. Hopefully, Love Ribbons will be available again on Father's Day, Sunday, June 18th ... any volunteers?

Dakotas Conference 2017 Mission U will be held in Jamestown, ND at Jamestown College, July 20th through the 22nd. This year's theme is "Learning Together for the Transformation of the World" with topics to include: 'Living as a Covenant Community', 'Missionary Conferences of UMC in the USA', and 'Climate Justice: Call to Hope and Action'. For further information, refer to the brochure posted on the bulletin board in the narthex and/or contact UMW President, Fern Bailey. The deadline for registration is June 30th or there will be a \$15 late fee.

The next General Meeting of UMW will be held September 14th at 7pm, with Mary Schradick scheduled to present a UMW Reading Program Book Report for our program. Sunshine Circle will host and provide refreshments.

Finance News

As much as we'd like to see each of you in church every Sunday, it's realistic to suppose some of us might be away a time or two during the summer, so we've enclosed a self-addressed envelope for your mailing convenience. Thank You!



Evergreen UMC also has an electronic option for making regular offerings. Contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. This program offers convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. Authorization forms are available from the church office.

Welcome

Benjamin John
born May 10th to
Sarah & Bryan Lutgen



Monthly Offering:

Totals through May 21:
\$10,900.20

Monthly Need: \$19002.92



Pastor's Ponderings

One of the things I love about being a United Methodist, is how connected we are. We are connected across our churches, our conferences, and yes: even across the globe. Our connection reminds us of the importance of loving our neighbors no matter who we are, where we come from, or what privileges we afford. Recently, when we at Evergreen heard of a family's need for household items following a tragic house fire, this connection provided everything we needed to step up and act out as God's hands and feet. Our ongoing connection to our ministry partners such as Spirit Lake Ministry Center make these opportunities to love our neighbors through these tangible gifts possible, and we are all more blessed because of it.

We know, of course, that there are needs like these all around us, all the time. Part of the challenge is often knowing how and when we can help. That is why, as United Methodists, I appreciate that we are able to partner both locally and globally to help our out siblings in Christ in myriad ways. Sometimes, this happens in tangible ways such as providing furnishings to a family in need. Other times, it comes in the form of financial support for ongoing work such as starting new congregations across the Dakotas (through THRIVE) or even UMCOR's work around the globe.

Other times still, we are invited to take part in short-term offerings that helps us to focus on specific ministries aimed at providing long-term results.

One such opportunity to give comes with this year's Annual Conference Miracle Offering. The **"Kids Count Miracle Offering"** is an opportunity to be a part of supporting grants going out across the Dakotas to support church-school partnerships and camp scholarships. This year, Bishop Ough has challenged us to do our part of raising \$100,000 for these grants (80% will go to church-school partnerships, and 20% to camp scholarships in new faith communities). This goal could be reached if every church in the Dakotas Conference gave \$500.

In addition to funding, we have also been challenged to be a part of committing our time. Across the conference, we are hoping to have **at least 10,000 volunteer hours** pledged to build up church-school relationships. How might God be calling you to volunteer in this way?

The Spirit of God is on the move all around us, and with this year's Annual Conference theme of "Encounter the Spirit: Live Expectantly!" — I can't help but to wonder about the ways we will do just that in the next year to come.



Whether you are called to give of your finances and/or to volunteer hours with our community schools, I hope you will prayerfully discern the ways God is calling us to give — and to give generously.

In Service Together,
Pastor Jen Tyler

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