Evergreen United Methodist Church

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October, 2018

Rally Day September 16



Rally Day September 16 - Praise Team members and children shared a song learned at Vacation Bible School followed with by a meal.



Thanks Tom Moore for re-painting the cross & flame.



Thank you to all that attended the luncheon and presentation by Alan Weibye about the NetMender mission to Mexico. As of this writing \$558.45 was contributed to support and pay for supplies for their work. Thank you, Evergreen UMC for being so generous. Thank you, also to the mission team which helped set up and serve. Thank you to all that brought bars. You are awesome!

Roger and Kay Nelson

Daylight saving time ends – remember to fall back on Nov. 3

Grow Evergreen United Methodist Church

Children's Sunday School

By Becky Dockter

Children's Sunday School is underway and we have been learning about the parables Jesus taught. We are so happy to see both new and familiar faces in Sunday School this year! We will continue to learn a new parable each week for the month of October. What a blessing to share this time with the kids each Sunday!

Christmas Kids Project Coming Soon

By Fern Bailey

Shoppers are needed for the Christmas Kid's Project. A shopper contacts an assigned family in October to see what outer clothing needs they might have for children. Shoppers meet Oct. 15 at 7 pm to receive their family information. If you aren't interested in being a shopper, you can make cash donations to the project, or shop for a toy. Sign-up sheets will be up soon. If you have questions, call Fern Bailey 701-642-8308 or 640-1640 (cell) or Julie McGovern at the church office.

Legacy Sunday October 14!!

What will your legacy be?

Join us on Sunday, October 14. Sheri Meister from the Dakotas Foundation (based in Mitchell, SD) will be with us in worship. She will stay after worship (for a potluck!), where she will be sharing information, tips, and tricks on how to plan well for our wills, estates, and other giving plans. We will be highlighting and sharing information about Evergreen UMC's new "Legacy Fund" and ways you can support that, too! You won't want to miss it!



Esther Gordon celebrated her 100th birthday on September 29th. An Open House in her honor was held at St. Francis.





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United Methodist Women UMW News and Announcements

In September, 13 UMW members gathered for our general meeting in which we nominated and elected UMW officers for 2019. A big Thank You goes out to all who served in the past year as well as welcomed the newly elected/reelected for next year. A complete list of their names and offices will be listed in the November newsletter.

Linda Bailey's program for the evening was entitled "The Sacred Space of Rest & Self Care". It encouraged us to follow God's example of the Creation: Work followed by Rest, allowing us time to reconnect to God and our desire and commitment to Mission.

Lois Berndt, Program Resources, presented UMW Reading Program Ribbons to 9 readers. Plan 1: Irina Astvatsaturova, Mary Schradick, Bonnie Anderson, Kay Nelson, Marjo Johnson, and Lois Berndt. Plan 2: Jeanette Plummer. Plan 4: Annetta Nies, and Fern Bailey.

The next general meeting of UMW will be Thursday, <u>November 8th @1:30pm</u>. Mary Schradick will present the lesson: "Sacred Spaces of Sharing Food". Hope Circle will provide the refreshments. This is our Installation of Officers meeting/2019, so you'll surely want to be there in support.

The countdown to **Bazaar 2018** is on! It's **Saturday, October 20th from 10:30 am to 1:30pm.** Please add your name to the lists of 'Items Needed" and 'Volunteers Needed' in the narthex. This yearly fundraiser is our opportunity/challenge to raise money for our UMW Mission Pledge (\$3200) *plus* add to the General Fund of Evergreen UMC. We have a blessed reputation of offering a welcoming atmosphere to the Community for a pleasant afternoon of dining, fellowship, and shopping. This year we've decided to change out the menu <u>from</u> Chicken Huntington <u>to</u> a delightful and tasty luncheon of Soup and Sandwich, along with Pie and Beverage.

Our Grandma's Pantry is always successful, along with our home made canned jams, jellies, candies, etc. We wel-

come all of your efforts. It's been noted that perhaps 80% of your tasty home made items are scooped up in the first 20 minutes of Bazaar!

We are very much looking forward to **Donuts** back into our Bazaar offerings. To participate in donut making, sign up in the narthex. You can be assured of having fun creating, and bagging the mouth-watering delights that draw so many people to our Bazaar.

There will be **Sewn Creations and Crafts** for sale. Also, we'll offer a **Grandma's Attic** selling gently used decorative and household items. Donations will be sold on a Free Will Offering basis.

All of us, working together, are needed to make the Bazaar a success. Please keep the Bazaar in your prayers. Thank You!

Evergreen Celebrates September Birthdays and Anniversaries *Denotes anniversaries

2-Bob Spenst 3-Sherri Metcalf 3-Daryl & Kathy Johnson* 4-James Harty 6-Myar Oltman 8-Mike & Jodi Marsh* 9-Merle & Jean Rubish* 11-Brock Dokken 13-Justin Biel 14-Kiara Bassingthwaite 16-Lura Johnson 16-Sandy Olson 19-Matt Dassenko 20-Deb Moomjiam 21-Marlys Gira 21-Mark & Lenore Stevens* 22-Jean Rubish

23-Arlyn Johnson

23-Jim Walter 24-Guy Whitehead

- 24- Emily Parnell 25-Tiana Bohn
- 25-Clara Jilek
- 27-Sydney Johnson
- 28-Cicely Biel
- 29-Jessica Faul
- 31-Joe Metcalf
- 31-Hamid Agayev

(*) Denotes anniversaries





By Denise Eastin

Lydia Project

By Bonnie Beeson

Here is an "update" on our scarf status for General Conference 2020.

19 volunteers have committed to knitting or crocheting scarves. 13 scarves have already been completed. I stepped out in faith and pledged 100 scarves from Evergreen.

Each month I will give you an update so that we can keep track of our progress. Fall is a busy time for many of us but winter is close at hand and those cold, stay in days and nights will give us a chance to work on our scarves.

If you've been thinking about helping out with this project please contact Julie or Bonnie. Extra yarn is in the storage room along with pattern instructions and the scarves that have already been completed. The more people who are knitting and crocheting will enable us to meet our pledge. We are not only doing a service project but extending the hand of fellowship to General Conference delegates.



Our sympathy to family and friends of Gayle Barton. She died August 30. A private family service was held in September.

Our sympathy to family and friends of Jim Schultz. He died September 13 and his memorial service was held at Evergreen UMC on September 21.

Our sympathy to Scott & Jenny Schmitt and family on the September 20 death of Scott dad, Richard Schmitt, of Breckenridge.

Our sympathy to Rick & Sharon Krueger and family on the September 23 death of Rick's dad, Marvin Krueger, of Breckenridge.

<u>Sunday, November 4 is</u> <u>All Saints' Day!</u>



Join us for All Saints' Day worship, as we come together to celebrate and honor the saints who have passed on in the last year with a time of prayer, thanksgiving, and candle-lighting. We will also share in the sacrament of Holy Communion.



MISSIONS NEWS

OCTOBER - 2018

By Jan Moore

For the Back Pack Program, during October, we are asked to donate **16 oz. JARS OF PEANUT BUTTER.** Look for totes in the Fellowship Hall for your donation.

During the month of September you donated: 128 fruit cups; 154 applesauce cups; 44 mandarin oranges cups; 7 jars of peanut butter, 50 pudding cups and 3 boxes of macaroni & cheese. Also assorted hygiene items were donated to the Richland-Wilkin Food Pantry. Thank you to all for your generous donations.



Our Sunday of Service, August 26, 2018 was highly successful. The congregation members from

young to old were involved in several mission projects. 152 health kits were assembled; at the Richland-Wilkin Food Pantry, refrigerators were wiped down, floors moped and the bathroom cleaned; some of the members elected to refurbish a play park in Wahpeton by painting a gazebo and park bench



and removing sod and gravel from the perimeter of the play ground area; shut-ins were visited; and several knitters and crocheters worked on crafting purple scarves for the Lydia Project; while others assisted in setting up the pot-luck dinner and doing the dishes! Thank You to everyone for their participation and donation of valuable time and talents.

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

Monthly Offering Totals for September: \$17,297.06 Monthly Need: \$20,299.00 Noisy Bucket Offering: \$79.82

October 2018						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 9 am, Sunday School & Coffee	Nonday 1 6 pm, Worship Committee 7 pm, Adm. Council 8	2 9 7 pm, Joy Circle	Wednesday 3 12:30 pm, Newslet- ter folding 6 pm, Christian Ed 6 pm, Praise Team 7 pm, Choir 7 pm. Youth Group 10 6 pm, Praise Team 7 pm, Choir	4 9 am, Sewing 11 9 am, Sewing 6 pm, Congrega-	5	Saturday 6 Sioux Falls, SD 13 Youth to Valley Scare
10 am, Worship 14	15	16	7 pm, Youth Group	tional Care Mtg. 7 pm, Staff- Parish Meeting	UMW Annual Me Bazaar Note: Begin bringing items for Grandma's Attic 19	eting - Bismarck
9 am, Sunday School & Coffee 10 am, Worship with potluck follow- ing. Dakotas UM Foundation presen- tation.	7 pm, Christmas Kids Shoppers meeting	9:30 am, Hope Circle 1:30 pm, Sunshine Circle	6 pm, Praise Team 7 pm, Choir (No Youth Group this week)	Bazaar Note:	Bazaar Note:	Fall Bazaar 10:30 am to 1:30 pm.
Bazaar Note: Grocery items needed		Bazaar Note: Craft items needed		Bring Bake Sale Items	Bring Bake Sale Items	
21 9 am, Sunday School & Coffee 10 am, Worship	22	23	24 6 pm, Praise Team 7 pm, Choir 7 pm, Youth Group	25 9 am, Sewing	26 Newsletter Article Deadline	27 Discernment Retreat @ EUMC-8 :30 am to 4:30 pm
28 9 am, Sunday School & Coffee 10 am, Worship	29	30	31 12:30 pm, NL Fold- ing 6 pm, Praise Team 7 pm, Choir 7 pm, Youth Group	Nov. 1 9 am, Sewing 9 am, UMW Executive Mtg. 7 pm, Finance Committee Mtg.	Nov. 2	Nov. 3 Remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour

Respond Evergreen United Methodist Church

October, 2018



Fall Bazaar 2018 Saturday, October 20th 10:30 am - 1:30 pm Workers Wanted - Food Wanted Shoppers Wanted



October is upon us! Such an exciting month this will be, highlighted with our fabulous Fall Bazaar. We all look forward to welcoming the Community into our church for an afternoon of dining, shopping, and fellowship. You are all encouraged ... men, women, and teens alike, to participate and take pleasure in practicing the hospitality that will make our Bazaar Day a successful all-church event.

This year UMW has decided to offer a New Luncheon of Soup and Sandwich, along with Pie and beverage for \$8. Choice of 'from scratch' soups are: Beef Vegetable or Chicken Wild Rice. Choice of 'the real thing, not processed' sandwiches are: Ham or Turkey. Sounds delicious!

Sign Up sheets for Food Items needed, Pies needed, and Bazaar Workers needed are posted at church. As this year some items will be purchased, UMW is welcoming Monetary Donations to defray costs. Please add your name to these lists. Donated non-perishable grocery items should be delivered to the church by Sunday the 14th. Baked pies for the luncheon should be delivered by Saturday morning, the 20th. We would like your baked and canned goods and any fresh produce for Grandma's Pantry by Thursday, the 18th or Friday the 19th. Please be sure to label the contents of your delicious treats. If you wish to suggest a price, please attach a sticky note or tape a note to your donations.

Items you'd like to donate Grandma's Attic (no clothes, please) can be brought in starting October 12th to the room by the south door. We ask that you limit your donations to 6 items or less. Donations will be sold on a Free-Will basis. If you have questions about donations to Grandma's Attic or questions about the Bazaar in general, please contact Fern Bailey.

Please have all sewn or crafted donations to the church by Tuesday the 16th, if possible. Please feel free to attach a 'suggested price' to your creations. We're anxious to see your handiwork!

Our Fall Bazaar benefits many mission projects around the world as well as right here in our community. We hope that you will include the Bazaar in your prayers.

Our flyers are ready for distribution and can be picked up at the church. Please think about where you might personally post a flyer ... at work, your apartment building, your bank, area stores,

the Laundromat, etc. Advertising gets results! Most businesses have been more than gracious in allowing us to place a flyer on a wall or bulletin board. And don't forget to tell your friends, neighbors, and relatives about the Bazaar. Thank you for all your help! 2018 Bazaar Committee

Come, Celebrate With Us! Xander and Sam's Baby Shower Saturday, October 13 from 2-4pm Location: Ovsak Financial Services (720 5th St. N, Breckenridge) RSVP to Sam: 701.403.2230 All are welcome!



Wednesday Nights, 6:00 PM





Pastoral Letter

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Last spring, Evergreen UMC adopted The United Methodist Church's denominational mission statement as our own: "To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world." It's a great mission statement!

What do these words really mean, though? What does it mean to be disciples? For starters, I would argue: we have to be disciples of Jesus Christ, before we can *make* disciples of Jesus Christ. Once we know what we mean by that, I have other questions, too. For example: what does it mean to transform the world? What kind of transformation to we want to see? To be a part of?

This month (October), we are going to talk about that in our new sermon series. Specifically: we are going to talk about what it means to move from being simply *members* of the church: toward growing into deeper, more faithful *disciples of Jesus* through the church. When you join(ed) Evergreen UMC, you affirm(ed) our denominational membership vows, in which we commit to supporting the church with our "Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, and Witness."

Each week in October, we will focus on a different part of these vows. We will focus on how God is calling us to be faithful disciples who help make disciples, and who are a part of transforming the world.

What do these words mean? How can we live into them? How are these vows helping us be disciples? Make Disciples? Transform the world?. Together this month, we're going to explore these questions. We will do so by discerning together during worship, and we will do so via special events we are hosting each weekend, too. What special events, and can you be a part of them? I'm so glad you asked! You are welcome for any or ALL of these:

October 5-6, we are sending a team to "REACH" — a conference in Sioux Falls, SD focused on reaching out beyond ourselves, trying to make new disciples.

The next weekend, on **October 14**, we will focus on our gifts and different ways to extend our gifts within and beyond our church, and even within and beyond our lifetimes as we welcome Sheri Meister from the Dakotas Foundation. She will be sharing with us critical information as we seek to plan well for the financial legacy we are living into today, to create a better legacy with our gifts for tomorrow.

On **October 20**, many of you will be hard at work here at Evergreen as we host our annual Bazaar. Our Bazaar is a day (week! month!) that brings us together in service, providing a wonderful time of fellowship as we raise funds for missions.

On Saturday, **October 27** we are hosting a one-day discernment retreat, "CALLED," for anyone who wants to explore how and where you can best use your gifts in service to God and others. (Registration required)

Friends: we have four weekends in October, and four opportunities, beyond worship, to dive deeper into our discipleship. I hope you will join us for one or all, so that together, we can faithfully live as disciples who, together, are called: "To make disciples of Jesus Christ, for the transformation of the world."



Growing in Discipleship Together,

Pastor Jen

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