

## May

1 (Thurs.) 9:30 am - Guild  
3:00 pm - Hand Bell Choir

### 4 (Sun.) Holy Communion

9:30 am - Full Worship Service  
5 (Mon.) 4:00 pm - Hand Bell Choir  
6 (Tues.) 10:30 am - Grief Support Group  
7 (Wed.) 8:00 am - Men's Bible Study\*\*  
10:30 am - Our Home K Care Service  
3:45 pm - Elementary Youth Group  
6:00 pm - Madams & Sirs Potluck & Program  
8 (Thurs.) 3:00 pm - Hand Bell Choir

### 11 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service

## Mother's Day

12 (Mon.) 4:00 pm - Hand Bell Choir  
14 (Wed.) 8:00 am - Men's Bible Study\*\*  
3:45 pm - Elementary Youth Group  
15 (Thurs.) 9:30 am - Guild  
3:00 pm - Hand Bell Choir

### 18 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service

## Women's Sunday

### Angelus

CHIT CHAT articles due  
19 (Mon.) 4:00 pm - Hand Bell Choir  
20 (Tues.) 10:30 am - Grief Support Group  
21 (Wed.) 8:00 am - Men's Bible Study\*\*  
9:30 am - Session Meeting  
3:45 pm - **LAST** Elementary Youth Group  
22 (Thurs.) 3:00 pm - Hand Bell Choir

### 25 (Sun.) 9:30 am - Worship Service

### Memorial Day

## TWO WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00 am - Mini Service

9:30 am - Full Service

26 (Mon.) 4:00 pm - Hand Bell Choir  
28 (Wed.) 8:00 am - Men's Bible Study\*\*  
29 (Thurs.) 3:00 pm - Hand Bell Choir

\*\* - meets at Little Bohemia

## Duties

### Ushers

May 4 Mark & Marjean Schuelke  
May 11 Dave & Sharon Lucas  
May 18 Women's Sunday  
May 25 Bobbie Behnke & Eilene Dybvad

Liturgist: 4 - Audrey Winchell  
18 - Women's Sunday  
11 & 25 - Barb Boneck

### Lay Leader:

May 4 Kay Suffron  
May 11 Bob Schmidt  
May 18 Women's Sunday  
May 25 Dave Vogt

Communion Person: Helyn Woolf

### Counters

May 4 Vince Hoehn and Carol Bohlin  
May 11 Bob Schmidt and Sharon Lukas  
May 18 Mid Sharpe and Joan Dioszegi  
May 25 Glen Wildenberg and Dick Smith

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**Heavenly Father, make us a part of the vision that all  
people of every creed, race and nation may live in  
peace with one another.**

*Rev. Richard S. Ferris*

### ..... SESSION MEMBERS 2014

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*Session meets the third Wednesday of the month*

### DEACONS

Cathy Breitholtz, Mark Suckow, Dale Ekdahl,  
Ruth Stober, Hope Dougherty, Jan Schumacher,  
Manny Markham

*Feel free to contact a Session or  
Deacon member with any concerns or questions.*

## Madams & Sirs

May 7, 2014

6:00 pm

### Potluck and Program

*Program for May:*

*Pastor Chips will tell about his mission/study trip to Africa.*

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*Program for June:*

*Janie Williams will tell about her mission trip to Guatemala.*

## “FLEAZAAR”

The Barns are **open** and donations are coming in. Each Saturday until Fleazaar the Barns are open from **9-12**. The first Saturday we had 4 individuals bringing donations and an able crew to help bring the donations in and sort them.

What makes Fleazaar so special? Why, it is the volunteers, the people we meet and of course the wonderful meals! The first Sunday we came to the worship at MWPC was the Sunday before Fleazaar. No, we didn't wonder about the activity of the congregation, rather we were so impressed at the dispelling of the "frozen chosen" myth about Presbyterians that we stayed and worked. We knew only the Caldwell's, but were made to feel so welcomed and came back and worked, and worked, and worked... The rest is history.

Each year we enjoy the special volunteers, from the Church, community, and friends of friends! We find this a real family affair with children and grandchildren working. I wonder if these volunteers should be tagged differently with their lineage listed.

If you have not been involved before or know someone who might enjoy the Fleazaar experience, let us know. We have lots of little jobs that can be done prior to the sale. I know Mary Koster would appreciate someone matching tops and bottoms for the Tupperware.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Dan and Nan Bloch - Co-directors*

## Spring Cleanup

**HELP!!** The building and grounds committee is looking for some volunteers to help get the outside of the church back into shape after our long winter. We'll be doing some raking and just general cleanup. If you have a couple of hours in your busy schedule on Tuesday morning May 6 at 9:00 am, we'd be glad to see you! Rain date is Wednesday morning May 7 at 9:00. Please bring your own rake and/or blower. If you have any questions, please call Mark Schuelke at 715-686-7223.

### Lawn Maintenance

#### Help Needed (Repeat)

The Building & Grounds committee is looking for some help mowing and trimming our grounds this summer. Similar to the snow shoveling schedule of last winter, we are offering the opportunity to “adopt a month” for mowing and/or trimming. Mowing would normally be done on a weekly basis ... preferably close to the weekend so the exterior would

be in good condition for the Sunday services. Trimming would normally be done once every two weeks. I realize that it may be hard to commit for an entire month. If a conflict arises, it's always a possibility to switch a week with another volunteer. If that doesn't work out, I am generally available to provide coverage.

A sign-up is posted on the bulletin board next to the coffee hour sign-up. If you have any questions regarding this endeavor, feel free to contact any member of the B&G committee (Ron King, Eric Koster or Mark Schuelke).

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

*Mark Schuelke*  
Building & Grounds Chairman

## Missions

There are times members of the congregation have questioned where the money goes in regards to Missions. That is a very fair question and I have been remiss in keeping you informed. So here goes!

- In January we gave \$200 to each of the 3 food pantries in the area - Lakeland, Boulder, and Mercer.
- We then gave \$100 to Keep Wisconsin Warm as I discussed in the April Chit Chat.
- \$300 was donated to Clearwater Forest Camp for scholarships.
- \$500 was given to One Great Hour Of Sharing in addition to what the congregation gave.
- The final donation prior to this writing was to give \$300 to Pura Vida in Guatemala.

Madams and Sirs and Guild are working together with the Mission Committee concerning donations. Deane Galloway, President of M&S, and Kay Suffron, Leader of Guild, will notify the committee of their recommendations. As a member of the congregation, you can also make suggestions for the committee to consider.

The committee has set up a tentative budget for donations and it will be our responsibility to keep the congregation informed.

*Sarah Becklund*  
Co-chair, Mission Committee

## **Listen Online:**

It's still a work-in-progress until we can improve our recording quality but you can listen to recent sermons and some of the wonderful music that enhances our services by going to our website ([www.mwcps.org](http://www.mwcps.org)), clicking on the "Worship and Music" section and then "Recorded Sermons & Music".

## **Dear Amigos de Cristo (Friends in Christ),**

Our 2014 Guatemala Mission Trip is complete, although the work continues in the Village of Lemoa. During our ~9 days in Guatemala, we were able to make good progress on this year's projects – a house for a young widow and her two children, and another room at the Rosario School, formerly known as the Cornstalk school. This room will be used as a kitchen by the village women to prepare 'oatmeal' (a nutritious snack provided by UNICEF) for the school

children. Other Pura Vida teams will travel to Guatemala in the next few months to continue the construction work. You can check out the ongoing progress at [www.puravida.org](http://www.puravida.org) Weekly Construction Photos.

Know that your gifts were greatly appreciated and warmly received! I am so happy to share with you that because our congregation was so generous in donating to the construction projects, the Manitowish

Waters Community Presbyterian Church's name will be engraved on the bronze dedication plaque which will be placed on the school building upon completion.

I look forward to sharing more with you at the June 4<sup>th</sup> Madams and Sirs gathering. Please join us - Guatemalan coffee will be served! ☺

Blessings,  
*Janie Williams*

1<sup>st</sup> Tory Meier, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed Monroe, 3<sup>rd</sup> Morgan Fisher, 5<sup>th</sup> Mary Schilling, Mark Suckow, Steve Guthrie, 6<sup>th</sup> Rian Danielson, 7<sup>th</sup> DuWayne Schumacher, 9<sup>th</sup> Keith Kost, 10<sup>th</sup> Lillian Rayala, Mike Speer, 11<sup>th</sup> John Williams, Jacquelynn Williams, 13<sup>th</sup> Bob Bridges, Dan Meier, 14<sup>th</sup> Vi Christensen, Bob Schmidt, Kathy Vogt, Graham McFarland, 15<sup>th</sup> George Nash, 16<sup>th</sup> Jason Trapp, 17<sup>th</sup> Charles Wilson, Paula Chamberlin, 18<sup>th</sup> Jim Erickson, 19<sup>th</sup> Ben McFarland, 21<sup>st</sup> Helen Erickson, Cash Jacobs, 22<sup>nd</sup> Steve Lee, 24<sup>th</sup> Alex Watras, Tristin Woolf, 31<sup>st</sup> John Ross.

2<sup>nd</sup> Ron & Rose King,  
6<sup>th</sup> Mark & Marla Suckow,  
7<sup>th</sup> Harland & Sheila Klagos,  
17<sup>th</sup> Charlie & Hester Rayala,

21<sup>st</sup> Bill & Ruth Horner,  
23<sup>rd</sup> Chuck & Jean DeCarlo,  
25<sup>th</sup> Jay & Helyn Woolf

## Deacons

*The Board of Deacons continues our work to fulfill our mission as the "caring arm" of the church, to be the helping liaison between church members, the Pastor, and the community.*

We appreciate your help, and ask that you please let any Deacon know if you are aware of someone who could use some support.

*The board of deacons will be meeting every third Sunday in the choir room.*

## Did you know?

- ✓ There is a Letter Lab in the Fellowship Hall with cards and a list of people to send cards? Send one to someone you feel could use a hug.
- ✓ There is an informational hutch next to the Letter Lab with various information on organizations.
- ✓ In the narthex, by the fireside room, there is a collection of "Care Notes", booklets designed to help you through various journeys in your life.

The Deacons are in the process of updating all of the above, so if there is something you would like us to add, please see a deacon. Thank you.

...Also, if you have changed your email or phone number or if you wish to be a part of our prayer chain, please email me at [hoped@centurytel.net](mailto:hoped@centurytel.net) and I will see you are added.

Respectfully submitted, *Hope Dougherty*

Members of the Board of Deacons are: Dale Ekdahl, Mark Suckow, Cathy Breitholtz, Ruth Stober, Manny Markham, Janis Schumacher, Hope Dougherty

## Outreach

The Deacons need your help in our effort to support the **Community Food Pantry in Boulder Junction** serving the western half of Vilas County. Our congregation and the three churches in Boulder Junction work together and alternate months to provide specially requested supplies.

**"Dangling"** for spring brightness is the theme

for our contributions during the month of May. The pantry is asking for *countertop or floor cleaners, kitchen disinfectant wipes, glass cleaner, dish soap and antibacterial bathroom cleaners*. Please drop off your donations in the basket located in the narthex.

**Thank you! Your generosity is a blessing to many.**

Respectfully submitted, *Ruth Stober*

## Christian Education

Summer is a-commin, I pray! And that means we are speeding towards the **end** of our Wednesday **Youth Group**. The last day will be on **May 21<sup>st</sup>**. We have had a wonderful year with about 25 youth involved for at least a part of the year.

I want to take a moment to thank all of you for your support, encouragement and participation in our Christian Educational opportunities, both for youth and adults.

In these times, people come...and they go. We have so little time with them, but it is of eternal importance. We are called by God to help them to grow in their faith. We promise to love and care for them, and to nurture them.

There are times, just an occasional moment here and there, when we might wonder if what we are trying to do is of any value. We might ask; are we doing it right?, does anyone get anything out of this?, are we here out of duty or out of love?

I quickly remind myself that I am only an instrument, a tool in God's hand. In I Corinthians 3:6 Paul says, "I planted the seed. Apollos watered it. But God made it grow." For more of the context, read Corinthians 3:5-11.

We may never know the impact of our place in His plan. And that's okay, as long as He does. One of my favorite verses in the Bible is: "For I know the plans that I have for you," declares the Lord, "not for calamity but for welfare, to give you a future and a hope." Jer. 29:11 NASB

In His service, and yours,

*Joan Dioszegi*

## Westminster Guild

Westminster Guild ladies met on Thursday, April 3, for our Bible study and business meeting. This month's lesson, led as always by Father Bill Radant, was on covenant living as described in Exodus and Deuteronomy. The key idea is that God's law provides instruction on how to honor God and others, especially through social justice. This form of love fits with Jesus' teaching, as well, and it is part of our holy calling -- we are called to become beacons of Christ's love for others. This year's study, entitled "An Abiding Hope -- The Presence of God in Exodus and Deuteronomy," has been wonderful, and we will finish it at our May meeting. (Ladies, please note we will be covering the last two lessons -- 8 and 9 on Thursday, May 1). Next year's study also sounds very interesting and is entitled "Reconciling Paul -- A Contemporary Study of 2 Corinthians."

At our work meeting on April 17 (delayed a few hours by the 16" of Maundy Thursday snow!), we set up the Purpose: Synod School is a learning and personal enrichment experience for people of all ages.

Time to reach out and give a **welcome** to all our **Snowbirds**. Remind them how beautiful God dressed His Northwoods Sanctuary while they were basking in the sun. He gave us a good reason to exercise in the cold fresh air.

be just the thing someone else is seeking -- at Fleazaar!!!

We thank you so much for your help in all our endeavors, and we hope you will consider joining us. Westminster Guild is open to all ladies of the church, and we have a lot of fun and fellowship along with our Bible study, our work, and of course our delicious desserts!

Mark May 18, on your calendar...it is

### **Women's Sunday.**

The ladies of the church will participate in the service.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kay Suffron, Moderator*

## From your Clerk,

A Sunday School teacher asked the young students "What is Faith". One young boy stood up and replied, "Believing in God and asking no questions." God is with US.

A heartfelt thanks to those who assist with the **Valet parking** and to all who kept the walk shoveled of snow and used ice melt where needed.

fellowship hall for the Easter Brunch. **Many thanks to all who helped with the brunch and who brought the many plates of muffins, coffee cakes, and pastries for all to enjoy.** We will now be ramping up for Fleazaar, and in that spirit we want to remind you to be setting aside any jewelry, plants, cookbooks, and seasonal decor which you no longer use, but which may be useful as a Fleazaar item!

Be sure to check out the Family Restroom just off the Fellowship Room.

**Synod School** will be July 27 through August 1, 2014 at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, Iowa. They offer a wide array of fun and educational classes. We seek to create an environment of hospitality, healing, and hope. The week is designed for laity and clergy, individuals and families. Classes and activities are available for adults, youth, and children. A high quality child care for infants and toddlers is offered as well.

A \$50.00 scholarship is offered to the first 61 first-timers. There are 2 catalogs at the church and they are available on the Synod's web site [www.lakesandprairies.org/school](http://www.lakesandprairies.org/school).

Registration by no later than July 1 is strongly encouraged. Forms can be printed from the site or completed electronically and emailed to the office.

### Some **Church history** tid-bits:

Church organized/Incorporated on 10/10/1952 listing 59 members; ground was broken on Sunday October 10, 1954 for the MWCC, Presbyterian affiliated. Quote from Minutes Book. "Special memorandum for perusal of future members and generations. At nine A.M., a beautiful morning, services were held in open air at the site of the new church in the presence of 80 friends and members. Reverend Calvin J. Logan conducted the services." Attest: Charles S. Smith, Clerk of Session.

Our fiscal year was from June 1 to May 31 until January 19, 1964 when it changed to Jan.1 to Dec.31 In the mid 60's we shared a minister with the Mercer Methodist Church. Later we were yoked with the LacDuFlambeau Com. Presbyterian Church, officially "unyoking" February 8, 1979.

The God of Peace will be with you, (Phil. 4:9)  
*Carol Bohlin, Clerk of Session*

## Bible Trivia

...check your Bible knowledge

### Shepherds and Sheep

1. What prophet said that God would search out his scattered sheep?
2. According to Isaiah, whom did God say was his appointed shepherd?
3. Which epistle speaks of the "great shepherd of the sheep"?
4. What prophet spoke of a wolf dwelling with a lamb?
5. Who used a sheep's horn as a container for oil?
6. What did Samuel tell Saul was more important than sacrificing sheep?
7. What king of Moab was noted as a keeper of sheep?

## Happy Mother's Day

Manitowish Waters Community  
Presbyterian Church  
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Rev. Chips – 715-776-2998

Answers: 1. Ezekiel (34:11), 2. Cyrus (Isaiah 44:28), 3. Hebrews (13:20), 4. Isaiah (11:6), 5. Samuel (1 Samuel 16:1), 6. Obeying God (1 Samuel 15:22), 7. Mesha (2 Kings 3:4).

