July

1 (Mon.) 8:00 am – Women’s Bible Study*
   10:30 am – Grief Support Group
   4:00 pm – Hand Bell Choir
3 (Wed.) 8:00 am – Men’s Bible Study**
   NO – Our Home K Care Service
   NO – Madams & Sirs Potluck & Program
4 (Thurs.) Fourth of JULY
   Office Closed
   NO - Guild
   NO – Hand Bell Choir

7 (Sun.) Two Worship Services Holy Communion
   8:00 am – Mini Worship Service
   9:30 am – Full Worship Service

8 (Mon.) 8:00 am – Women’s Bible Study*
   4:00 pm – Hand Bell Choir
10 (Wed.) 8:00 am – Men’s Bible Study**
11 (Thurs.) 9:30 am - Guild
   3:00 pm – Hand Bell Choir
13 (Sat.) 8:00 am – Tent Raising for FLEAZAAR

14 (Sun.) Two Worship Services
   8:00 am – Mini Worship Service
   9:30 am – Full Worship Service
   FLEAZAAR Barn Emptying
15 (Mon.) FLEAZAAR SET UP
   8:00 am – Women’s Bible Study*
   10:30 am – Grief Support Group
   4:00 pm – Hand Bell Choir
16 (Tues.) FLEAZAAR SET UP
17 (Wed.) 7:00 am - FLEAZAAR
   8:00 am – Men’s Bible Study**
   NO – Session Meeting in July
18 (Thurs.) FLEAZAAR CLEAN UP
   3:00 pm – Hand Bell Choir
19 (Fri.) 8:00 am – FLEAZAAR tents come down

21 (Sun.) Two Worship Services
   8:00 am – Mini Worship Service
   9:30 am – Full Worship Service
   **Hand Bell Choir Playing**
   Chit Chat Articles Due
22 (Mon.) 8:00 am – Women’s Bible Study*
   4:00 pm – Hand Bell Choir
25 (Thurs.) 3:00 pm – Hand Bell Choir
28 (Sun.) Two Worship Services
   8:00 am – Mini Worship Service
   9:30 am – Full Worship Service
29 (Mon.) 8:00 am – Women’s Bible Study*
   4:00 pm – Hand Bell Choir
31 (Wed.) 8:00 am – Men’s Bible Study**

July 2013 Duties

Ushers
July 7   John & Hope Dougherty
July 14  John & Hope Dougherty
July 21  Bud & Sue Kleinsmith
July 28  Bud & Sue Kleinsmith

Liturgist:   Audrey Winchell – 7, 21, 28
            Rose King - 14

Lay Leader:
July 7   Dale Ekdahl
July 14  Eilene Dybvad
July 21  Deane Galloway
July 28  Cathy Breitholtz

Communion Person:  Mid Sharpe

Counter:
July 7   DuWayne Schumacher and Jean Eales
July 14  Sharon Lukas and Mid Sharpe
July 21  Mariel Henske and Bobbie Behnke
July 28  Joan Dioszegi and Bobbie Behnke

Prayer Warrior
Maybe Grandma’s prayers are the reason a lot of us are still here.

Session Members 2013
Clerk – Carol Bohlin, Sharon Bridges, Tom Erickson, Sarah Becklund, Helyn Woolf, Ron King, Mid Sharpe, David Foster, Dave Lukas, Deane Galloway, DuWayne Schumacher, Mark Schuelke

DEACONS
Cathy Breitholtz, Mark Suckow, Dale Ekdahl, Ruth Stober, Hope Dougherty, Carmen Farwell

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

Session meets the third Wednesday of the month.

CHURCH’s WEBSITE!
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* - meets at Koller Library
** - meets at Little Bohemia
Missions

The Missions Committee unanimously agreed to send $200 to the victims of the Oklahoma City tornadoes. We decided to send the money directly to the First Presbyterian Church of Oklahoma City since they were serving as a disaster relief center. When I checked with the Presbyterian Disaster Relief, this was one of their suggestions.

Reminder about the Mercer food pantry cart
Right now it is very empty and we must be careful in these summer months that we don’t forget the continued need. Please plan on bringing canned fruits and vegetables, pasta, and canned meat when you come to church on Sunday. We need to work on filling up that cart this month.

The Loose Change Offering for July through September will go to the Mercer food pantry.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Becklund and Carol Bohlin,
Mission Committee

Guatemala Mission Trip 2014
Yes - it is already time to begin thinking about the 2014 Guatemala Mission Trip! Every year the available spots seem to fill up sooner than the last, so mark your calendars for March 21st - 30th, 2014, and let Janie Williams know asap if you are interested in signing up. Deposits are generally not due until December, and there is always a waiting list - better to get your name on that list now rather than waiting until it's overfilled.

Our 2013 trip was excellent! We were part of several mission teams building two classrooms and one home in the village of Lemoa. Thanks to the generosity of our own church groups and individual members, funds were used to help with construction costs, pillow case dresses were distributed to needy families, and toothbrushes were given to children in the village. Many thanks for your support!

If you are interested in being a part of this life-changing mission project, please contact Janie Williams at williamsperu5@gmail.com or 218-969-4433. Que dios te bendiga!

Respectfully submitted, Janie Williams

Per Capita…Some of our members now know that The Presbytery calls it a glue that holds Presbyterians together and allows us to work with other churches to further the mission of Jesus Christ around the world. You could also call it “membership dues” that our church is obligated to pay based on our number of members.

To let you know where our church stands, our per capita for 2013 is $6,860. As of June 18th, our members have contributed $1,055. This is up from $887 in April. This year the contribution is $28.00 per member. This isn’t a lot of money, but if we all pitch in, it adds up and helps our church pay for the “Presbyterian Glue”.

Respectfully submitted,
Mid Sharpe, Treasurer

FLEAZAAR
“FOOD TENT”
July 17, 2013
Will be serving:
Sue’s Famous Ham Sandwiches
There will also be
Hot Dogs and Chili Dogs
(All served with chips and pickles.)
Strawberry Short Cake
Hot and Cold Beverages
WHAT’S STEWARDSHIP REALLY ABOUT?

When we think of stewardship, reaching for our checkbooks comes to mind. Of course churches need financial support to do God’s work in the world. The Apostle Paul made that point when he sent his friend Titus to the church in Corinth asking them to give generously to other churches in need: “if the willingness is there,” said Paul, “the gift is acceptable according to what one has” (2 Corinthians 8:12).

But Paul didn’t just mean money. He uses a farming image to emphasize what stewardship means for Christians: “whoever sows generously will also reap generously” (2 Corinthians 9:6). Stewardship does mean giving financial support to the church, the act of putting a check in a collection plate. But it also means much more. It is making a beginning, putting a gift of time and energy into action—reaching out to others, giving service where a need exists. We are stewards when we help and comfort each other, serve as ushers, readers, coffee-makers and kitchen workers, help on clean-up tasks, and join in the work of Fleazaar.

Our annual summer Stewardship campaign—coming each year at the same time—tempts us to define “stewardship” as a once-a-year financial event. We can’t let ourselves see it so narrowly. We are stewards of God’s word whenever we work to bring God’s love to others, reaching out and sharing. As stewards we recognize that God is acting for and through us, as his agents in the world.

David Foster, Stewardship Committee

An Update from your Clerk of Session

At our April Session meeting it was decided to update our MWCPC By-Laws. A task which appeared to be overwhelming. “Git ‘er Done” we are told by our trusty Commander-in-Chief, Dave Lukas. (And we will.)

We have met on 5 consecutive weeks and we have almost completed rewriting the By-Laws for each of the Session committees plus Madams & Sirs and Westminster Guild. Pastor Chips is our Moderator. Each of our meetings has been 2 to 2 ½ hours. An important work in progress!

The month of May we rejoiced with the Schuelkes in the baptism of their grandson, Beckham Sebastian Schuelke.

Please take a look at our ‘dressed up’ bulletin boards with each having a designated category. Thanks to Mid.

An early FYI: Mark is checking into the feasibility and cost of adding a handicap/unisex restroom to our facilities. You may contact any Session member with any thoughts you may have concerning the addition of this type of restroom. Session will not be meeting until August as we are all busy with the upcoming Fleazaar.

Session is your sounding board.
Feel free to contact them.

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“We are all Fellow Workers for God”. 1 Cor. 3:9a
Peace to all and celebrate Freedom,
Respectfully submitted,
Carol Bohlin - Clerk
Membership

As I mentioned, recently, Chips and I have met with 4 dynamic couples who have joined our church. Due to conflicting schedules, we have not been able to go through the installation process, but they are full fledged members and I would like for you to get to know them and greet them with the warmth and enthusiasm our church oozes.

Please welcome Dick and Frieda Masar. They have lived on Birch Lake in Winchester for 9 years but have been through a long process before making it their full-time home.

Dick grew up in Milwaukee with 4 sisters and 1 brother while his father worked for Borden Dairy. He has been visiting the Wisconsin North woods in the summers since he was a child. In fact, he had the great foresight to begin buying and selling property in this land that he loved since he was 17. He eventually worked for the Birch Lake Resort part-time as the caretaker. In his adult life, he owned an Italian Restaurant in Waukesha, WI called Mamma Mia. Can't get more Italian than that!

Frieda worked for Dick at the restaurant and that is how they met. They were married in 1991 and Frieda began to travel north with Dick and learn to share his love for the area.

Frieda was born in Yugoslavia and was the baby of the family with 9 siblings. She moved to the United States at the age of 9. She went to school in Milwaukee and worked as a Dental Assistant. She has worked as Hostess at the Bear Bar in Winchester but is now enjoying retirement. Together, she and Dick have 4 daughters, 1 son and 8 grandchildren. Their children are scattered from North Carolina, to North and South Dakota and Wisconsin. Frieda enjoys traveling to visit all of those kids and grandkids while Dick keeps the homestead running smoothly. She also enjoys gardening, knitting, crocheting and reading.

Dick sold his restaurant in 2004 so he could retire and enjoy life Up Nort' full time. He is an avid fisherman and is still care taking at Birch Lake Resort with a new owner. We will keep our eyes open to see how the next chapter unfolds for this beautiful property.

Now, see if you can catch-up to Mick and Doreen McKindle. They were married in 2006, so compared to some of us, they are relatively newlyweds. Mick grew up in L’Anse, Michigan and Doreen is from Ironwood, Michigan. They had mutual friends in college and eventually connected. However—they endured a long distance relationship for several years, during their "courting" and actually for a period of time after their marriage. This is truly a testimonial that they are in this for the long run! Together, they have a blended family with 3 sons and 1 daughter. Nate, works for Chuckie Cheese; Matt works in photography and is a professional water skier, having worked in Florida; Alicia is a nurse and Bruce is a pipe fitter and welder.

Mick retired from the education field in 2010. They have lived in their home in Mercer on Spider Lake for almost 2 years. I asked them what they liked to do with their leisure time and they said, "What is that!" Doreen is still very busy running her Salon, Guys and Dolls, in Ironwood. Mick is diligently working on creating their beautiful home. When they treat themselves to some fun time, Doreen enjoys gardening. Mick loves to bike and snowboard and together, they enjoy snowshoeing. They love to be physically active and look forward to participating in more adventure when they settle into real retirement! They enjoy some of the things that a lot of you do, so see if you can catch them and hit the snowshoe trail next winter.

As always, keep your eyes open for new faces and welcome them to the Manitowish Waters Community Presbyterian Church - (Say that fast 3 times, it will impress them!). Pass those names on to Lois, Chips or myself so we can help them become acquainted with our church home.

Be sure to check the Chit Chat next month for 4 more newbies.

Respectfully submitted,
Helyn Woolf, Membership
715-686-7173
Madams & Sirs

Madams & Sirs will not be meeting in JULY.

Once again Fleazaar looms large on our horizon. The barns are filling up thanks to a small dedicated group of volunteers, which with your help, needs to grow. We also need people to sign-up for night guard duty; the schedule is posted on the activity board just outside the kitchen entrance.

This year we made some changes that should benefit the health and well being of our dedicated group of volunteers. Each year I watch people come in on Fleazaar Wednesday in the wee small hours of the morning and then after a very busy day I ask them to do a heavy clean-up of items that do not sell and put away the saw horses and plywood. It occurred to me that this is too heavy of a work load for one day. We need to modify the work schedule!

Our committee has agreed that work hours, the day of Fleazaar, will run from the usual 7:00 A.M. until 2:30 P.M. At that time I have arranged for two charities (St. Mathias of Minocqua and the Presque Isle Lions) to come in and pick through the unsold items as part of our Community Outreach Program. This action has a twofold benefit. The more they take away, the less we pay in disposal fees (not to mention some back breaking clean-up work) and the best part is we all go home at 2:30 the day of Fleazaar! Yeah!

The clean-up we usually do on Wednesday afternoon will now be done on Thursday morning and the “tent take down” on Friday morning to insure availability of sufficient help all three days. Please see Bob Bridges and sign up now.

I feel these changes will provide a safer work environment by not asking our people to the heavy clean-up work when they are already exhausted after a full 5 day week (Saturday through Wednesday).

The 2013 FLEAZAAR SCHEDULE is as follows:

- **Saturday, July 13**  8:00 A.M.  Tent Raising
- **Sunday, July 14**  8:00 A.M.  Church Service
- **Sunday, July 14**  9:00 A.M.  Empty Barns
- **Monday, July 15**  8:00 A.M.  Set-up
- **Tuesday, July 16**  8:00 A.M.  Set-up
- **Tuesday, July 16**  1:00 P.M.  Pre-Sale

**Wednesday, July 17,**
7:00 A.M. to 2:30 P.M. **SALE DAY**

- **Thursday, July 18**  8:00 A.M.  Clean-up
- **Friday, July 19**  8:00 A.M.  Tents come down
- **Saturday, July 20**  “A Well Earned Day of Rest”
- **Sunday, July 21**  9:30 A.M.  Church Service and Fleazaar Report

Please remember the # 1 rule of Fleazaar, **HAVE FUN!!!**

God Bless and thanks for your support!  
*Jack Majewski, Chairman*

The Barn is open on Saturdays for collections.  
*(9 till Noon)*

**A Look Ahead:**

Madams & Sirs on **August 7th**

Chuck & Bobbie Behnke’s Grand-daughter, Elizabeth Gering, will tell about her volunteer work in Nepal.

June Fleazaar Moment:
As a retired school teacher, I decided to have a history lesson for this month. There will be a test at the end but the answers are somewhere in the Chitchat.

When I made out this lesson plan as is required of all teachers, my goal was to ‘Increase the knowledge and understanding of the value of the history of Madams and Sirs and Fleazaar as it relates to our church and community.’ Westminster Guild has its own important history but is not included in this lesson.

Madams and Sirs has been actively involved in raising funds for church purposes even prior to the start of Fleazaar. In 1990 the Lakeland Times ’30 years ago’ section stated on October 20, 1960 the M&S had their 1st monthly meeting at the church with a pork chop dinner. Two of the first presidents were Ellen Perkins and Joe Ilg. The minutes show through the years there were pancake breakfasts and wild rice/craisin sales and the profits were used for church purposes. In 1976 after purchasing coffee pots for the church, they gave $50 for the church maintenance fund. They collected money in 1977 to pay for seat cushions for the sanctuary leaving a balance of $10.00. Dues in the early days were $.50. (no dues currently)

On July 11, 1979 the minutes read “Because of urgency of planning for the bazaar, the meeting adjourned so the men and women could make their respective plans for pick up items and so work could be assigned. At this writing it would seem the harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few.”

On July 2, 1980, a Bazaar was held with 2 tents. The M & S minutes state one tent was for trash and one for treasures. The pancake breakfast that year made $502.50 and the minutes said the money was used to ‘buy things for the church.’

The first mention of the word ‘Fleazaar’ was found in the minutes in July 1981 asking for donations ‘for Fleazaar.’ In 1984 Fleazaar made $2,072.33, the Cranberry sale made $1796 and the Pancake Breakfast made $451 - all funds were again directed for church purposes as reported in the minutes.

For this history lesson, the minutes and the financial reports of M&S do conservatively report over the years a total of over $450,000 for our church to use for projects in the church and community. One secretary report says ‘the money is given to the church for their use.’

It is the objective of this lesson to realize what a small church in northern Wisconsin can do when everyone works together in a common cause to ‘be the best of whatever we are’. We are the Manitowish Waters Community Church who have set a goal through the years to work hard, have fun, grow in faith, and ‘be the best’ for God’s purposes.

Now for your test!

1. Who gave Fleazaar its name?

2. Who suggested we feed the workers on the days before Fleazaar? (Just stuck that one in for a surprise question.)

3. Who were 2 early presidents of Madams and Sirs?

4. How much money has been made for this church through these activities?

5. How many tents were used in the first Bazaar and what were they called?

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Becklund, Sec.
Westminster Guild

Guild members are now working every Thursday morning at 9:30 A.M. in preparation for the Fleazaar. We have been busy cooking in preparation for the noon lunches. Main dishes and desserts are ready and waiting in the freezer. This will help relieve the crowding in the kitchen during Fleazaar week.

Now is the time to look through your JEWERLY boxes for bracelets, earrings, necklaces and pins that you are no longer wearing. GIFTWARE is in need of gently used holiday decorations – Christmas, Valentine’s Day, Easter, Thanksgiving and patriotic items. How about COOKBOOKS? They’re one of the first things that shoppers check out at The Country Store. PLANTS! Perennials are always in demand as are house plants. Garden ornaments and decorative pots sell well, too. I’ve left The BAKERY to the end. This is so important! We sell out early every year, so we happily accept whatever you have time to make. How about baking ahead and freezing some things? Individually wrapped cookies and snacks sell very well, too. Pies are always the first to go. We have some dedicated pie makers who will be baking ahead at church, but we are in need of as many as we can get.

Be sure to check out our RAFFLE items. We are so fortunate to have so many talented women in our congregation! Sarah Becklund has donated a lovely duffel bag. Rose King’s gorgeous trilliums, burned and painted on wood must be seen! The charming little chickadees painted on wood and in a barn board frame are Maren (Molly) Moll’s contribution. Thank you Sarah, Rose and Molly!!!

The last item is a lovely carrier with two bottles of wine, cloth napkins, wine glasses and other necessities to make a picnic memorable or to accompany you when you travel. Tickets are $1.00 or 6 for $5.00. Tickets are being sold at church on Sundays, at the Flea Market on Thursdays and at other community events.

Eula and I started sharing recipes when we had requests for dishes that had been shared somehow at church. I slipped in my wild rice recipe that Molly Moll tells me has travelled to Australia. A couple different people told me that they always try my “fast” recipes and would appreciate more. After serving this, recently, I shared this recipe with several friends and it was suggested that I put it in the Chit Chat. It is a family favorite that I have been making since our children were in high school. Enjoy!

Respectfully submitted
Audrey Winchell & Eula Bender
Co-moderators

PEACH DESSERT

1 large can of sliced peaches
1 pkg. Betty Crocker Butter Pecan Cake Mix
½ cup coconut
½ cup chopped walnuts
¼ lb. margarine, melted

Grease a 9”X13” cake pan. Cut up peaches. Pour peaches and juice into the pan. Sprinkle on the dry cake mix. Next, sprinkle on the coconut and the walnuts. Pour the melted margarine, carefully, over the top. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes. Garnish with whipped cream, ice cream or Cool-Whip. It is good served warm or cold.

July Fleazaar Moment
1. Larry Stonecipher (as reported by his daughter)
2. Paul Dybvad
3. Ellen Perkins and Joe Ilg
4. $450,000
5. 2 - Trash and Treasure
CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION

“From the earliest times, Christians understood the Scriptures to be the living word of God. In ever-new situations they found that its stories and teachings were not only addressed to the original audience that heard them first, but also to them. Sometimes they interpreted Scripture, sometimes they applied it in their lives, and sometimes they used the Scripture as a means of understanding what was happening to them.

Using the Bible in the community of faith today, we stand in a tradition that goes right back to the beginning. We do it not to learn history lessons from the past, but to understand the will of God now; in our own lives.”

Excerpt from Kerygma study, Listening to Scripture.

Most of us don’t actually read the Bible. There are numerous reasons for this, which you can each fill in your own, but one of the reasons, is that we just don’t understand it. The Bible is so rich with all types of writings, history, lyrics, prophecy, parables, etc. It tells us who God is, who Jesus is, who the Holy Spirit is and who we are in relation to Him. We can read about the past, the present and the future. We who claim to be Christians should be hungry for this knowledge.

It is overwhelming when you begin, especially if you are trying to read it alone. This is why I invite each one of you to find a group to study with. You can learn so much more and faster when you are in a group with others. There are innumerable resources, Study Bibles, Commentaries, Bible study books, and other people.

In our community, there is an Ecumenical Women’s study group that meets on Monday mornings at the Koller Library. There is an Ecumenical Men’s study group that meets for breakfast and study on Wednesday mornings at Little Bohemia. In September we will be re-starting our Adult Bible study group on Monday afternoons at church and the Westminster Guild has a Bible study on Thursday mornings. We are also looking at starting a new study group on Wednesday evenings. Visit any of these groups; they are all open to new people. Someone or no one, maybe you can get a group started that will better meet your needs. If you have questions about any of these groups or ideas for something new, please contact me, I am happy to help you. My new e-mail address is: cedirector@mwcpc.org

In His Service and Yours,
Joan Dioszegi


3rd Lloyd & Barbara Boneck, Daniel & Amy Slone, 5th Willis & Lillian Cooper, 7th Mike & Melissa Shober, 12th Jim & Ruth Stober, 14th Bill & Janie Williams, 18th Brian & Kim Woolf, 29th Bill & Barbara Kauffman, 31st James & Jane Frandy

Bible Trivia
...check your Bible knowledge

Going to Extremes
1. Who was the youngest king mentioned in the Bible?
2. What is the longest chapter in the Bible?
3. What word, the name of Isaiah’s son, is the longest word in the Bible?
5. What is the longest book in the Bible?
6. What is the smallest animal mentioned in the Bible?
7. What is the biggest animal mentioned in the Bible?

Have a safe, fun, and exciting Fourth of July....

Make plans for this year’s FLEAZAAR...July 17th, 2013
There is something for everyone!!!

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July
2013
Thanks to You...

Fleazaar

Helps our church Reach Many People!
(Local/National/International)

- Fredrick Place (Homeless Shelter)
- Tri-County Domestic Abuse Center
- DOVE (Abuse Shelter)
- Mercer and Boulder Junction Food Pantries
- Lakeland Area Food Pantry
- Local and National Mental Health Clinics
- Christmas for Kids
- Shoes for North Lakeland Kids
- Clearwater Forest Presbyterian Camp
- Local Family Emergency Needs
- Christmas Joy (providing assistance to retired church workers and future church leader)
- Annual Presbytery Mission Pledge
- Kids Against Hunger
- One Great Hour of Sharing (aid for educational and economic development)
- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (floods/earthquakes/fire/etc.)
- Heifer International
- SERRV
- Equal Exchange Coffee
- Kemmerer Village Presbyterian Child Care Agency
- Compassion International
- Self Development of People]
- Manitowish Waters Lions Clothing Drive
- Presque Isle Lions
- St. Matthias Resale
- Springstead VFD Thrift Shop
- Various Other Projects
Fun Page