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*Grand Ave Church*  
the **VINE**

*I am the vine, you are the branches ...  
John 15:5*

July / August 2022

*Welcome*



*Pastor Vince Pepin*

*Our new part time pastor!*



I thought this would be a good opportunity to provide a little background about myself in the interest of getting to know me better.

Currently I live in Hartford with my wife Sherri and my two sons Matthew and Luke. I have three boys in college (Jake UW-Oshkosh, Nick UW-Oshkosh, and AJ Northern Michigan University) as well as two adult daughters (Hilary and Krista). My wife and I are originally from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan but have lived in Wisconsin since 2015.

I attended Liberty Theological Seminary in Lynchburg, VA and have been blessed with a part-time appointment here at Grand Avenue while I complete my United Methodist Ministry Candidacy Process. My goal in the upcoming months is to get to know the congregation better, while I answer our Lord's Call to serve His church.

I really appreciate the warm welcome I have received from everyone. It may take a few weeks to work out a few kinks in the Sunday worship service, I appreciate your patience as I become more familiar with my new church. I am excited for the opportunity the Lord has provided and look forward to serving the congregation at Grand Avenue. Please to come to me with any questions/concerns you may have.

*Pastor Vince*

*Church Potluck*  
*Sunday July 24 - following the service*

**Bring a dish to pass and enjoy a summer meal with your church friends.**

Sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.



Additional clients are being added to the stockbox distribution program that operates out of our FAC. This creates a need for 2 or 3 more volunteers who can lift boxes weighing 25 to 30 lbs into a vehicle, out of the vehicle, and into an apartment building to several different apartments.

Distribution is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. HOWEVER, if a high school student is interested in volunteering, arrangements can be made for after school delivery.

If you or someone you know can help one day a month for approximately 2 hours, please contact John Brisky at maynard522@yahoo.com



## Port Washington Food Pantry

An increase in Food Pantry clients has caused a greater need for food donations. Please help as you can, by putting non-perishable foods in the bin outside our front door. Cathy Smith checks the bin weekly and delivers items to the pantry.

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|-------------------------|------------------|
| Canned fruit            | Canned Chicken   |
| Canned vegetables       | Beef Stew        |
| Jars of Applesauce      | Hamburger Helper |
| Mayonnaise              | Suddenly Salad   |
| Ketchup                 | Mac & Cheese     |
| Mustard                 | Manwich          |
| Peanut Butter           | Tuna             |
| Jelly                   | Toilet Paper     |
| Taco seasoning & shells |                  |

June donations from Grand Ave Church:

105.62 lbs. of food & 15 non-food items



## Black Lives Are Sacred MKE

Public Witness #83 Port Washington  
505 W Grand Ave

Thursday, July 28 5:30 to 6:30 pm

***Join us as we stand in witness to the sacredness of Black lives***

Our witness is our presence on the street and the messages on our signs.

- A quiet, peaceful witness – no shouting or marching. Feel free to bring a lawn chair.
- Family friendly
- Information regarding upcoming justice efforts – you are invited to bring your own church's work for justice projects and share with the group on an information table.
- We open with prayer and then hold signs – one hour in length
- The Friends of Justice Committee from 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational Church will provide ice cream treats following the witness.
- Please wear a mask and practice social distancing.



Cedarburg, WI



Community UMC



First Congregational UCC



blacklivessacred.org



## *Family Promise Meals and More!*

We are proud to support Family Promise in its mission to care for individuals and families who unexpectedly find themselves in need of shelter. This year, we have the opportunity to support two Family Promise Programs: Evening meals and school supply drive.

### **Evening Meals**

Our congregation will be providing evening meals to Family Promise guests Monday through Friday, **August 15-19** at the Chalet Motel in Mequon. Recently, 8-9 people have been fed each evening.

- First, we need a meal leader (or co-leaders) for each evening. Meal leaders plan the meals and decide how they would like to prepare them. They may cook the meal with a group at church. They may cook the main course themselves and have volunteers provide the side dishes, desserts, fruit, or salad. Meal leaders may also request volunteers to help pack and deliver meals. If you are willing to be a meal leader or want more information about being a meal leader call, text, or email Cheryl Wozniak at 414-477-3411 or clwozniak@gmail.com

Once we know our needs for additional support volunteers, a sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board at church. This is where you can sign up for specific tasks or donations. Look for the sign-up sheet starting in the middle of July.


### **School Supply Drive**

The **School Supply Drive** is part of the Ozaukee County Back to School Fair which seeks to help students in need in Ozaukee County. From July 1 - August 1 there will be a tub at church to collect donations of binders, colored pencils (12 count), highlighters, loose-leaf paper, markers, pens (blue, black, and red), pencil boxes, pink pearl erasers, composition notebooks, rulers, and scissors. These supplies will then be delivered to the county location and packed into backpacks and distributed to students in need at the *Back-to-School Fair*. Volunteers will also be needed at the county level to pack and distribute the backpacks.

OZAUKEE COUNTY  
BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR  
**SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE**  
Helping Students in Need in Ozaukee County

**ITEMS NEEDED:**

- Binders
- Colored Pencils (12 count)
- Highlighters
- Loose Leaf Paper
- Markers
- Pens (blue, black, red)
- Pencil boxes
- Pink Pearl Erasers
- Composition Notebooks
- Rulers
- Scissors



JULY 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	26	27	28	29		2
	3	4	5			9
	10				15	16
			20	21	22	23
		25	26	27	28	29
31	1	2	3	4	5	6

Bring school supplies to the church during the month of July



## Noisy Collection 3rd Sunday of each month



### **JULY 17** **NOISY COLLECTION**

Let's continue to help support the needs of  
**FAMILY PROMISE OF OZAUKEE COUNTY**  
with our noisy coins (and quiet donations).

Thank you for your generous financial support, time, and talents  
to help people in need in Ozaukee County.



### **AUGUST 21** **NOISY COLLECTION**

Bring your noisy coins (and quiet donations) to help support  
**FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN**

FMSC is a Christian nonprofit organization. "We believe Jesus Christ has called us to feed the hungry and serve those in need. We strive to follow his calling every day in all that we do."

The goal of FMSC is "to reach everyone, until ALL are fed." Because no one deserves to go hungry, especially when we can do something about it. FMSC has created nutritious meal formulas that meet the needs of starving people, and this food makes a real impact in their lives.

**This year's food packing event will be held on Sept 29 - Oct 1.**  
**Watch for sign-up sheets to participate.**

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

#### JULY

Brandon Straughn	3
Stacy Zwicker	3
Melanie Strand	4
Gwen Freier	7
Steve Freier	8
Bentley Paulson	10
Darleen Reichardt	11
Patricia Strand	11
Cassidy Penkivech	19
Keith Betker	21
Susan Merrill	21
Mark Breuer	24
Connie Schmitz	27
Kelly Weltin	27
Mary Kae Geittmann	29
Mardy McGarry	29
Erin Foster	30

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

#### AUGUST

Mark Grams	3
Isriana Carriaga	5
Daniel Lueptow	5
Erika Davis	7
Laura Flack	7
Wanda Keller	11
Lisa Klinski	13
Steve Prom	13
Michael McGarry	18
Stephanie Laabs	19
Nicholas Straughn	19
Geny Vernon	19
Bonnie Pachner	20
Spensor Paulson	20
Jon Meins	22
Johnathon Gates	27
Bethany Paulson	28
Eric Didier	29
Brittney Straughn	29
Ed Schmidt	30
Barbara Frank	31

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

#### JULY

Mark & Sandy Grams	3
Steve & Grace Prom	12
Charles & Lin Lohr	17

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

#### AUGUST

Merton & Margaret Lueptow	5
Ross & Darleen Reichardt	14
Brian & Mardy McGarry	18
Marc & Grace Eernisse	22
Larry & Mary Jo Lueptow	26

## Summer Volunteers

*Thank you for serving in our ministry*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>Lay Reader</u>	<u>A/V</u>	<u>Coffee Host</u>
<b>JULY</b>				
10	Larry Maechtle	Gaily Geib	Scott Penkivech	Gwen & Ed Freier
17	Larry Maechtle	Cathy Guse	Vicky Schafman	Cheryl Wozniak
24	Larry Maechtle	Jan Young	Dan Benning	<i>Church Potluck</i>
31	Larry Maechtle	Ardelle Dionne	Scott Penkivech	Mary Downing
<b>AUGUST</b>				
7	Larry Maechtle	Lin Lohr	Dan Benning	
14	Larry Maechtle	Sue Killey	Scott Penkivech	Mark & Sandy Grams
21	Larry Maechtle	Sandy Grams	Scott Penkivech	
28	Larry Maechtle	Cheryl Wozniak	Vicky Schafman	

To host a coffee hour, please sign-up on the bulletin board.



Dear People of Grand Ave UM Church,  
Thank you for your generous donation to Family Promise of Ozaukee County. With the community's support, we're able to provide shelter, warm meals and case management to the people in our community who need it most.

Thank you so much for supporting our mission.

Cori Guerin  
CEO, Family Promise of Ozaukee County

## A MESSAGE FROM FORREST WELLS

Bishop Jung asked me to become the ecumenical officer for him and the Wisconsin Annual Conference. I plan to work on an interfaith bus tour that is best undertaken largely within the SE District. We haven't been able to have one for a few years. I am also leading an "Exodus Experience" Conference Trip to Egypt and the Holy Land next April after Easter. Join me in exploring these Biblical lands and your life will never be the same! Thank You!

***Interested? Pick up  
a brochure at the  
Information Counter***

**Wisconsin Conference**  
of The United Methodist Church

### *The Exodus Experience*

with Rev. Forrest Wells  
**11 Day Journey  
in Egypt, incl Luxor, Cairo, Sinai  
April 11 - 21, 2023**

**4 Day Elective:**  
*The Wonders of Jordan*  
Return: April 25, 2023

**5 Day Elective:**  
*Out of Egypt - Galilee & Jerusalem*  
Return: April 26, 2023

## GRAND AVENUE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**Join us for worship, Sundays at 10:00 am**

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◀ June	July 2022						August ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
					1	2	
<b>3</b> 10:00 am Worship Service	<b>4</b> <span style="color: red;">Indep. Day</span> Church office closed for the holiday	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	<b>7</b> 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	
<b>10</b> Welcome Pastor Vince Pepin 10:00 am Worship Service	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 9:30-11am Caregivers Connection - kitchen	<b>13</b> 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	<b>14</b> 6:30 pm Ad Council 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	
<b>17</b> 10:00 am Worship Service	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 10am Stockbox Distribution FAC	<b>20</b> 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	<b>21</b> 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	
<b>24</b> 10:00 am Worship Service Potluck lunch following service	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	<b>28</b> 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	
<b>31</b> 10:00 am Worship Service							

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<b>7</b> Communion 10:00 am Worship Service	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Election Day - Voting in Fellowship Hall 9:30-11am Caregivers Connection - Library	<b>10</b> 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	<b>11</b> 6:30 pm Ad Council 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	
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<b>28</b> 10:00 am Worship Service	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 7pm AA Mtg - FAC				



# RaiseRight

formerly ShowWithScrip

*Fundraising for our church  
through your normal shopping.*

Orders are due in the church office on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month. Please remember to include your payment. You can also order on-line at [www.raiseright.com](http://www.raiseright.com) Your order of gift cards will be ready for pick-up at church on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Questions? Contact Vicky in the church office at 262-284-9478 or [office@portumc.org](mailto:office@portumc.org)

*Each retailer makes a donation to the church for every gift card purchased.  
For a complete list of over 700 participating retailers, go to [www.raiseright.com](http://www.raiseright.com)*

RETAILER	QTY	TOTAL
Amazon.com (e-card) \$25		
Amazon.com (e-card) \$100		
Arby's \$10		
AutoZone \$25		
Barnes & Noble \$10		
Barnes & Noble \$25		
Bath & Body Works \$10		
Bath & Body Works \$25		
Bed Bath & Beyond \$25		
BP \$50		
BP \$100		
Burger King \$10		
Cousins Subs \$10		
CVS Pharmacy \$25		
CVS Pharmacy \$100		
Dick's Sporting Goods \$25		
Dick's Sporting Goods \$100		
Exxon \$50		
Fleet Farm \$25		
Fleet Farm \$100		
Home Depot \$25		
Home Depot \$100		
Jiffy Lube \$30		
Kohl's \$25		
Kohl's \$100		
Kwik Trip \$25		
Kwik Trip \$50		
Kwik Trip \$100		

RETAILER	QTY	TOTAL
Meijer \$25		
Meijer \$50		
Meijer \$100		
Mobil \$50		
Noodles & Company \$10		
Panera Bread \$10		
Panera Bread \$25		
Papa Murphy's Pizza \$10		
Pick'n Save(WI) \$25		
Pick'n Save(WI) \$50		
Pick'n Save(WI) \$100		
Piggly Wiggly (WI, IL) \$25		
Piggly Wiggly (WI, IL) \$50		
Piggly Wiggly (WI, IL) \$100		
Qdoba Mexican Grill \$25		
Sendik's Food Market \$25		
Sendik's Food Market \$50		
Sendik's Food Market \$100		
Speedway \$25		
Speedway \$50		
Starbucks \$10		
Starbucks \$25		
Subway Restaurants \$10		
Target \$25		
Target \$50		
Walgreens \$25		
Walmart \$25		
Walmart \$50		
Walmart \$100		

Total number of gift cards ordered: \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount due: \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Make checks payable to  
Grand Ave Church*