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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 3rd 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.

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 1st 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	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6



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>
JULY				
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
AUGUST				
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	
3 10:00 am Worship Service	4 Indep. Day Church office closed for the holiday	5	6 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	7 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	8	9	
10 Welcome Pastor Vince Pepin 10:00 am Worship Service	11	12 9:30-11am Caregivers Connection – kitchen	13 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	14 6:30 pm Ad Council 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	15	16	
17 10:00 am Worship Service	18	19 10am Stockbox Distribution FAC	20 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	21 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	22	23	
24 10:00 am Worship Service Potluck lunch following service	25	26	27 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	28 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	29	30	
31 10:00 am Worship Service							

◀ July	August 2022						September ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1	2	3 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	4 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	5	6	
7 Communion 10:00 am Worship Service	8	9 Election Day – Voting in Fellowship Hall 9:30-11am Caregivers Connection - Library	10 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	11 6:30 pm Ad Council 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	12	13	
14 10:00 am Worship Service	15	16 10am Stockbox Distribution FAC	17 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	18 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	19	20	
21 10:00 am Worship Service	22	23	24 7pm AA Mtg - FAC	25 5:30pm Private Mtg - FAC	26	27 Parking lot reserved for private party.	
28 10:00 am Worship Service	29	30	31 7pm AA Mtg - FAC				

RaiseRight

formerly ShowWithScrip

Fundraising for our church
through your normal shopping.

Orders are due in the church office on the 1st Sunday of each month. Please remember to include your payment. You can also order on-line at www.raiseright.com Your order of gift cards will be ready for pick-up at church on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Questions? Contact Vicky in the church office at 262-284-9478 or 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*

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