

Kewadin United Methodist Church Newsletter

June and July 2022

A Note from Pastor Howard Harvey

I am plugging away in the office working on stuff I need to get done---some of which I promised to Beth. It is a beautiful spring evening. We briefly had a heavy rain this afternoon. Everything around here needed a drink. We have had little rain this spring and things have really perked up in just a few hours. It is amazing what a spring shower can do. The grass is beautiful and the evening is lovely as I look toward Elk Lake.

It has been nearly a year since I have seen my youngest son. It will be good to see him again. He lives north of Muskegon and comes to Grant Cemetery in southern Grand Traverse County every year just before Memorial Day. He meets my aunt and I and we put flowers on our family graves, spiff up the tombstones and visit. You probably have a similar tradition and like us are joining millions of other American families as they prepare for Memorial Day. We thank our military men and women for their service and sacrifice.

It has been a year since church life began to get close to normal. At that time, we began having worship in the sanctuary with masks optional, a fellowship time following worship and Bible study on Wednesday mornings. Although we have had to take a couple of short breaks because of Covid it has been a wonderful year. Our attendance is down as are most churches in part because of Covid but unlike many small rural churches we have been able to keep our head above water throughout this whole pandemic ordeal. We are actually in the black by two-thousand dollars this year. This is amazing considering that we had to pay nearly \$9,000 to the township for a sewer system they are forcing everyone on this portion of Cairn Highway to eventually hook up to. I would like to thank everyone for supporting your church through these difficult times. Because of your faithfulness our church family has been able to remain actively involved in this and other communities as a blessing to many in the name of our Lord.

After searching for more than two years it looks as if we may have found someone who is willing to side our sanctuary. We have had several different people who have looked at the job but have had no takers. It seems that they were interested in tackling a larger project. Also, a number of members in our church family have agreed to paint the remainder of the church this summer. When it gets a little warmer you may see us as you drive past. We are looking at having our parking lot resurfaced, landscaping done and finishing several smaller projects this summer so it is going to be busy around here.

We are in the beginning stages of presenting a concert at KUMC. It would feature local talent and highlighting Naomi our pianist, and her brother Christopher singing. It would be a freewill concert with the offerings going to ACTS and Every Woman's Place. Weather permitting it could be outside. We are planning on having hot dogs etc. following the service. The date is Sunday August 21st. We also hope to have our first Swiss Steak Dinner in about three years due to construction and Covid. It is planned for Wednesday September 7th. More information about both of these events will be forthcoming as details are worked out. Mark your calendars for both dates. God Bless you and your family as we look toward a busy summer season. Be safe and care for each other. In Christ, Pastor Howard

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BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS!

JUNE

3rd Woody Wright
15th Bob Loper
15th Tom Dolemba
16th John Lawrey
18th Beth Barnes
24th June Holden
28th Arlene Jahr
29th Yvonne Stephens



JULY

Larry Bargy 8th
Mackenzie Donaldson 8th
Damon Hoadley 16th
Tammy Reid 20th
Jenna Thompson 22nd
Nita Jupin 24th
Primalia Cubitt 27th
Lawrence Cubitt 27th
Liz Harris 28th



BLACK KETTLE OFFERINGS




June: The Elk Rapids Community Cupboard is a non-profit charitable organization serving people in need living in the Elk Rapids School District area. It is supported only by local donations! ***WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!*** Because of this support, the Community Cupboard is able to fulfill its role as a significant piece of the safety net for some of our most vulnerable neighbors, despite today's economic challenges. If you need help, have food items to donate or wish to volunteer, please contact Pam Coleman at 847-445-8239.

July: We will be contributing to Antrim County Commission on Aging. The mission of the Antrim County Commission on Aging is to improve the quality of life, and maintain the highest level of independence for those persons age 60 and over. These services are made possible through Federal, State and County funding, as well as donations. For questions, please call us at (231) 533-8703, or P.O. Box 614, Bellaire, MI 49615, or email at coa@antrimcounty.org

THANK YOU!


June 2022

**more info in newsletter*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9:30am Bible Study	2	3	4
5 10am Worship Svc/ Communion	6	7	8 9:30am Bible Study	9	10	11 *WUMC Strawberry Social
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United Methodist Women's Society

Through discussion at our last meeting in April, it was decided to not hold the June dinner, due to Covid and hopefully September will be much better for the Swiss Steak Dinner.

Jane Deaver has invited us to her home for our annual Spring Salad Luncheon at 12 noon on Tuesday, June 14th at 12 o'clock noon. Thanks Jane! Please bring a salad to share. A special program is being planned. Her address is in the Inwood Harbor subdivision north of Elk Rapids, 6560 Baywoods Drive.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, August 9, 1 p.m. at the church. Hope to see you ladies, plus Pastor Howard at the meeting. God's blessing to you!

PLEASE NOTE:

1. Church Women United are no longer collecting the stamps off of envelopes.
2. We are no longer collecting the Box Tops for Education.
3. Still save your cans and bottles for a mission project, please!

A NEW SONG by Audrey Kaiser
God gave us a brand-new song
A song of love, a song so strong
It was hung high on a cross to die.
But to its sweet refrain we still reply.
Down through the ages it will ring
This brand-new song that bids us sing
A song of faith, of hope for peace,
That tells us love will never cease.
It bids us all to join and sing
Our brand-new song – Christ the King.



Annual Strawberry Social

SATURDAY, JUNE 11

WILLIAMSBURG UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH - DRIVE THRU WITH OPTIONAL
OUTDOOR SEATING.

3:30pm to 7pm

5750 Williamsburg Rd
Cost is by donation only - come enjoy!
Live Event Drawing, music, yard games & more!



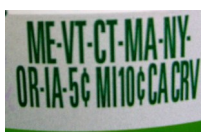
CHECK OUT OUR ONLINE AUCTION!

Open for bidding June 8th - 15th
<https://charityauction.bid/WilliamsburgUMC>
We appreciate your support!



BOTTLES AND CANS!!!!

Please SAVE your
returnable bottles/cans and bring to church!
The deposit money goes
toward Black Kettle missions!
Thank you!



PLEASE SAVE YOUR VILLAGE
MARKET
COMMUNITY CASH
RECEIPTS! ONLY THROUGH
THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR!

VERY helpful to the
Elk Rapids Community Cupboard Food Pantry!
THANK YOU!