

Kewadin United Methodist Church Newsletter

August and September 2022

Two months ago, as I wrote the last newsletter, I commented on the afternoon brief yet heavy shower that I had witnessed a few hours earlier and how the world outside the office window had gotten much greener. I believe that was the last heavy rain we've had. There have been some very light daytime showers and a number at night but it is looking pretty brown around here.

As a result of the warm and dry weather, there have been many days during which it has been possible to work outside. Several people, both professional and volunteer, have done just that and a handful of projects have been worked on or completed around Kewadin United Methodist Church since the end of May. We were finally able to hire contractors to take down the old siding and replace it with vinyl. It was quite a project and the workers were here for about two and a half weeks. Because the sanctuary is one hundred-and twenty-five years old things are not as square as they might be and many of the pieces of siding had to be cut and fitted individually. There were a number of other bumps along the way but they did a wonderful job. The sanctuary was finished when the scene of the rising sun above the stained glass windows was painted twice by members of our congregation and the lighting on the cross and flame which looks beautiful in the evening as you drive past, was replaced. The blacktop of our parking lot was recoated to fill in cracks and slow its deterioration. It was also restriped and is looking much better. The building has also been sprayed outside for bugs.

There were several people from our church family who volunteered to paint the remaining portions of the church. Everyone who volunteered had done a lot of painting so it went quickly. It began with a thorough power wash. Areas to be painted were prepped: rotten boards were replaced and the new boards prepared, scraping was completed, an undercoat was done where needed and windows were readied. The painting itself went pretty quick as large rollers and paint make to cover cinder block was used. There is a little more that needs to be done and also some caulking—all of which will be done in a couple of weeks. Screens have been painted. The front sign posts were repainted and are looking much better. Some sun flowers have been planted. Many weeds and tree branches have been pulled or cut especially on the east side of the church. Everything looks beautiful. God's house should be a testimony to the community that we as his children care. A huge THANK-YOU to everyone who has worked so hard these past two months. We hope to build a little patio between the sanctuary and fellowship hall and will be doing some landscaping and work on our grass later this summer.

There is going to be a concert in our sanctuary on August 21st at 5 p. m. It features our pianist Naomi Spann and her brother Christopher as singers and Marty Sage and Rachel Stratton on the guitar and piano. They are from the Elk Rapids Presbyterian Church. The program will feature a variety of music—Broadway, Christian, and Opera. Finger-food will be available after the concert; and all proceeds from a free-will offering will go to Women's Resource Center and ACTS. Music from the Heart! Hope to see you there!

In Christ, Pastor Howard

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BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS!

Aug 2 Vern Harris

Aug 5 Charlie Newberry

Aug 10 Michele Ulrich

Aug 13 Griselda Cubitt

Aug 13 Leah Robinson

Aug 20 Margret Spann

Aug 28 Vici Van

Aug 29 Ron Grammer

Sept 3 Jennifer Thompson

Sept 7 Naomi Spann

Sept 12 Laura Constantine

Sept 14 Don Stibbs

Sept 24 Chance Donaldson

Sept 29 Brittany White

Sept 30 Katie Kucharski



BLACK KETTLE OFFERINGS



August's Black Kettle Mission will help support ACTS: ACTS is a Michigan 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation that fills a critical need among the working poor, single mothers, transients and other disadvantaged people who live in Antrim, Grand Traverse and Kalkaska counties by providing thrift-store donated merchandise at reasonable prices and using the revenue to operate a fully functional and well-stocked food pantry. Volunteers Needed! ACTS needs your help *now* in our Food Pantry. There is more local need than we can handle. We also need drivers. Please consider giving some time to this worthy cause. Contact us at 231-938-2990 or www.actsstorepantry@gmail.com



Veterans • Service • Community

September's Black Kettle Mission will help support Reining Liberty Ranch which is nestled on eleven acres in southwest Traverse City, Michigan. It is a place of community to local Veterans, their families, individual boarders and ranch volunteers.



VISION STATEMENT: Reining Liberty Ranch offers community based programs that serve Veterans, their families, and other disabled/at-risk individuals within the GT Community. The ranch programs focus on the horse-human relationship and include Relational Horsemanship, Therapeutic Riding, Hippotherapy, Equine Facilitated Learning and agricultural activities. Through these programs and activities, participants have the opportunity to connect with others facing similar challenges. The Ranch is the catalyst for healing through building relationships, mentorship opportunities, interaction and reintegration within our community. **Thank you for your generosity!**

August 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 7pm Ad Council Meeting Nat'l Ice Cream Sundae Day	3 9:30am Bible Study	4 Nat'l Sister's Day	5	6 Nat'l Rootbeer Float Day
7 10am Worship Svc/ Communion	8	9 *1pm Women's Mtg	10 9:30am Bible Study Nat'l S'mores Day	11	12 *Pit Spitter's Baseball Game	13 Nat'l Left-hander's Day
14 10am Worship Svc	15	16	17 9:30am Bible Study 6pm KUMC table @ Eve. On River St	18	19	20
21 10am Worship Svc *5pm Concert at Church	22	23	24 9:30am Bible Study	25	26 Nat'l Dog Appreciation Day 	27
28 10am Worship Svc	29	30	31 9:30am Bible Study			

September 2022



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<i>*more info in newsletter</i>				1	2	3
4 10am Worship Svc/ Communion	5 	6	7 *5-7pm Swiss Steak Dinner!	8	9 Nat'l Teddy Bear Day 	10
11 10am Worship Svc	12	13 	14 9:30am Bible Study Cream Filled Donut Day	15	16	17
18 10am Worship Svc Cheese- burger Day	19	20	21 9:30am Bible Study Int'l Day of PEACE 	22	23	24
25 10am Worship Svc	26	27	28 9:30am Bible Study	29 Nat'l Coffee Day 	30	

Swiss Steak Dinner!

Provided there are no changes in CDC guidelines, we are hoping to have the dinner on
Wednesday, September 7, 2022, 5-7pm

Help needed in the following areas: potato peeling, homemade pies and salads,
kitchen serving line, pie cutters, dining room set-up and clean up! Please
let Jeanne Newberry or the office know if you can help in any way or for
any amount of time!



United Methodist Women's Society

Sharon Darga has invited us to her home for the next meeting on
Tuesday, August 9, 1pm.

We will carpool from the church at 12:30pm or you could drive yourself, but please let Jeanne
Newberry know your preference. (231) 264-9237.

The decision to have the Swiss Steak Dinner in September will be made at this
August meeting.

The Darga's address is 787 Wooden Gate Dr., Kewadin
All women are welcome, as well as Pastor Howard. 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!



Sunday, August 12, 7:05pm

TC Pit Spitters vs. Kokomo Jackrabbits Baseball game!

It's also Polish Heritage Night at the ballfield!

Fireworks as well!

Meet at church 5pm, Woody will drive his van.

Tickets are \$12, please confirm with Woody Wright by

Sunday, August 7th if you'd like to go!

Everyone is welcome!

FREE CONCERT

MUSIC FROM THE HEART

Sunday, August 21, 2022 at 5pm

Music that celebrates all the goodness in life

Broadway, Christian, and Opera!



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Free Will Offering for Women's Resource Center, and
ACTS (Acme Christian Thrift Store and Food Pantry)

Featuring:

**Naomi Spann &
Christopher Spann**

**Rachel Stratton &
Marty Sage**

