

Adult Sunday Morning Classes

Disciple Fast Track

For people who felt the Bible was over their heads, Disciple (the Bible overview course) provides a missing comfort level and in depth knowledge of the Bible. Through lessons, people walk away feeling like the scriptures, the bible is a more essential component of their lives. Pastor Dave will facilitate or “teach” the class, though the primary teachers are the experts in the video. There will be the “big presentation” followed by table discussions – all in the Community room. There will be daily Bible readings for those who want to go a slice deeper. There will be exercises to examine whether you are becoming a “Disciple.” But people who simply want to gain the overview with the weekly class detail will also be blessed. Some will take the class all year long; others perhaps only for a section, choosing to take in the other classes also. This year, all are welcome! Pastor Dave will incorporate everyone along the spectrum. Don’t be intimidated by the Bible. Discover your love for the Scriptures. Help make Disciple Fast Track the best Bible program possible. (with Pastor Dave in the Community Room)

Being a Friend, the BeFriender Way

All of us want to be a good friend to others especially in their time of need. But oftentimes our best intentions are interrupted by habits that don’t help this to happen: instead of listening, we give overpowering advice, we are more interested in telling our story rather than listening to theirs, we have a subtle unstated agenda to “fix” them, we are judgmental in thought without being loving, we simply goof up being a good friend. BeFrienders is a program designed to develop an extended part of pastoral care in local churches by individuals who are not the pastor. But what has been found is that the principles and skills of BeFrienders actually help the average person become a better listener making them a better friend, parent, co-worker, boss and a host of other relationships. Sarah Lovy, our BeFriender Director, will be the teacher for this class that also employs components of self-introspection and reflection with others. Should you participate in this class and want to additionally become a BeFriender Lay Minister, Sarah will hold a workshop later this year to fill in the spaces. (with Sarah Lovy in the Wesley room)

Look Out! The nine characteristics of outwardly focused churches

There is no way to get around it, the research is pretty clear ... growing, healthy churches are outwardly focused. Maintaining or dying churches have country club attitudes (I pay my dues to get what I want), and people constantly get in tussles with others about their preferences and getting their way. What author and church consultant Thom Rainer has discovered is that the most joyful, alive, growing churches are ones focused outward, on other people’s needs and some they haven’t even met! In a 110 page small book, easily read, through his characteristic personal stories and research anecdotes, Rainer makes crystal clear why fixing this one thing is the most important fix in every church. As we at CUMC seek to be faithful to Christ in new and creative ways (now that our building expansion and renovation is done) you will not be disappointed by the insights in this simple, but powerful book, and the engaging discussion about it. (with Mike Blodgett in the Library)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community United Methodist Church, Cedarburg

September

Week of September 20, 2015

WORSHIP 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM Photos with Ken Michaelchuck 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM Sunday School 9:15 All Church Picnic 11:30 AM Financial Peace U. 4:30 PM	Office Hours 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Ad Council 6:00 PM Radical Hospitality Workshop 6:30 PM	Office Hours 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Acts 29 7:00 PM	Office Hours 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Confirmation 5:00 PM Student Ministries 6:00 PM Handbells 7:10 PM	Office Hours 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Circuit Gathering 12:00 PM Chancel Choir 6:45 PM	Office Hours 9:00 AM - Noon 25	Office Hours 9:00 AM - Noon 26
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Office Hours Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Looking Ahead

Sunday, September 27, 2015

- Greeters:** 8:00 a.m. - Carl & Sally Hader
- Coffee Fellowship:** 8:00 a.m. - V.Nichols/J.Jacobs
- PC Operator:** 8:00 a.m. - *Need Volunteer*
- Sound:** Bruce Krenzke
- Nursery:** Infants 9:00 a.m. - Jason Graham
Toddler 9:00 a.m. - Mark Lovy
- Acolyte:** Dorothy Keon
- 10:15 a.m. - Keon Family
- 10:15 a.m. - P.Dawkins/K.Queoff
- 10:15 a.m. - *Need Volunteer*
- 10:15 a.m. - Jason Graham
- 10:15 a.m. - Jessica Graham

Church News

Our congregational Prayer Chain will now originate through the Church Office and BeFriender Ministry. In so doing, we hope to have an updated list of those who want to actively (daily, weekly) pray for the concerns brought to the attention of the church. Everyone must remember in submitting a request to: 1) Be as brief or succinct as possible 2) Provide the wording of the prayer request to then be relayed to the Prayer Chain (unless a request comes from the individual named or an immediate family member, full names cannot be used because of privacy laws. When requesting prayer “for a friend”, only first names can be used) 3) Provide your name as submitting the request 4) Remember these are confidential, for matter of prayer not matter of conversation. Prayer is an essential component of caring for the follower of Jesus. Please submit your name and email address to the church office to be a part of our new, revamped Prayer Chain.

Church News

Picture This — Today Ken Michaelchuck will again employ his ever developing skills of portraiture photography to expand and make current our digital church photo directory. “Ken’s studio” will be available to you virtually all morning after both services, throughout Sunday School, and during the Kick Off Picnic in the Youth Center.

Cribbage Club — Cribbage Players please note: plans are being made to play cribbage on Sunday, September 27 at 1:00 p.m. Respond by calling Marilyn Plaistow (262)236-9848 or Lorna Harmsen (262)236-9849 so they can finalize plans.

Fall Women’s Retreat — Registrations are still being accepted for the October 2-4 fall retreat at Pine Lake. Cost is \$125. Minimum \$50 deposit to register. Don’t wait, as we expect to fill every space!

Save the Date — All Church Wednesdays begin Wednesday, October 7, 6:00 p.m. with All Church Meal, Student Ministries, Ember Children’s Ministry. Adult Class - “Enough” with Adam Hamilton.

Mary Martha Circle — The next Mary Martha Circle will be meeting on Wednesday, October 14, 12:30 p.m. at the Firehouse Restaurant in Saukville. Contact Orrene Reblin (262)376-9421, if you have any questions.

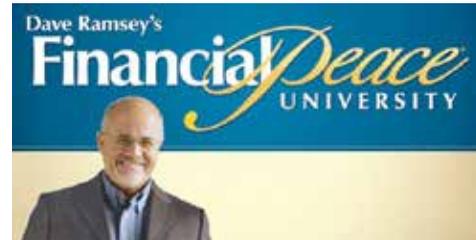
Upright Piano — The former upright piano from the Music Room is available for a reasonable donation. Contact the office.

Outreach

World Communion Sunday Offering — Sunday, October 5th. Around the globe countless gifted and qualified people face financial obstacles that hinder them from preparing for the vocation God has given them,

especially youth and young adults. On this special day, when Christians around the world celebrate Holy Communion, our giving provides scholarships for ethnic national and international students whom God has gifted to learn and then serve the world. Please give generously - we can make a difference!

Family Promise — Family Promise CUMC Housing committee needs hotel sized toiletries (soaps, shampoo, lotions, conditioner, body wash), travel-sized toothpaste, and combs. Items should be put in plastic bin by entrance to Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your generosity!



Financial Peace University is off to a great start with twenty eight people hearing the good news Dave Ramsey offers. Of the two outside couples attending, one of them asked if CUMC was reimbursed for doing this, “no... we just believe that it can help everyone.” He was astounded and answered, “God Bless this church.” There is still room for you! Use a free ticket and come and see what the excitement is all about!

Sunsets come earlier, days grow shorter, time seems precious as we squeeze out the final drops of summer. Time, talents and treasures--all a part of God’s bounty toward us...how do we adequately say thanks for these riches? Give him our hearts!



Beloved Green Bay Packer, LeRoy Butler will be speaking at Community United Methodist Church, W68 N563 Evergreen Blvd, Cedarburg on Sunday, October 4th at the 10:15 am service. As part of an Autumn sermon series entitled, “Simplify” LeRoy will be speaking on the topic – “Simply Persevere”. As a retired professional athlete credited with inventing the Lambeau Leap, not all would be aware of his early life challenges of having grown up in the projects, once having been wheelchair bound, and experiencing the normal pinch-points of being raised in a single parent home. LeRoy has been seasoned by life to address how to deal with apparently insurmountable odds and in so doing to experience the grace of God and not to be defeated. This special service in which LeRoy will also assist in Holy Communion is enthusiastically open to all to attend.

This is also intended to be a special day for our men, as we will have many women gone on retreat; a day to invite one’s neighbors to experience the hospitality of CUMC, and a day to hopefully make a creative witness for Christ in our greater Cedarburg community.



Radical Hospitality

– becoming a thoroughly Welcoming Church

Last March, Rev. Dick Jones, church consultant led a workshop for our Welcoming team and a smattering of congregants called, “Radical Hospitality.” In this workshop he opened up windows of understanding of how radically hospitable churches behave, what their priorities are, how they program and view the role of the church in their community. Everyone who attended was incredibly enthusiastic. This workshop was SO important, that tomorrow, September 21 our entire leadership team, the Administrative Council will attend the 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. workshop, now repeated in the Community room. We are opening it to the entire congregation and in fact encouraging all interested persons to attend. Nursery childcare will be provided. Refreshments will facilitate our initial gathering and break. Please join us.



All
Church Picnic

Today! Sept. 20
11:30 a.m.

(Immediately following second service)
at CUMC