

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 traits of the outwardly focused Christian

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 27, 2015

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| WORSHIP 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM Sunday School 9:15 Teacher Dedication 10:15 AM Bible Presentation 10:15 AM Financial Peace U. 4:30 PM Praise Lab 6:30 PM | Office Hours 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM 28 | Office Hours 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Active Seniors Bingo Palace 1:00 PM - 2:30 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 Chancel Choir 6:45 PM | Office Hours 9:00 AM - Noon Women's Retreat | Women's Retreat |
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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, October 4, 2015

- Greeters:** 8:00 - Stewardship/Finance Team 10:15 - Stewardship/Finance Team
- Coffee Fellowship:** 8:00 a.m. - Sally & Carl Hader 10:15 a.m. - Zabransky/Reblin
- PC Operator:** 8:00 a.m. - Michelle Rishel 10:15 a.m. - Michelle Rishel
- Sound:** *Need Volunteer*
- Nursery:** Infants 9:00 a.m. - Tricia Gruber 10:15 a.m. - Erin Williams
Toddler 9:00 a.m. - Mark Lovy 10:15 a.m. - Regina Annor
- Acolyte:** Abby Geszvain

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. Thank you for praying!

Church News

Cribbage Club — Cribbage Club will meet on Sunday, September 27 at 1:00 p.m. at the Plaistow's home, 10954 N. Cedarburg Rd; go to East entrance in Mequon. Please contact Marilyn Plaistow (262)236-9848 or Lorna Harmsen (262)236-9849 if you have any questions.

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. Join these thirty two women for a spiritually rich and fun weekend. Treat your soul to refreshment!

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.

Thank you! — A big thank you to Mary Martha Circle for donating mums for the patio.

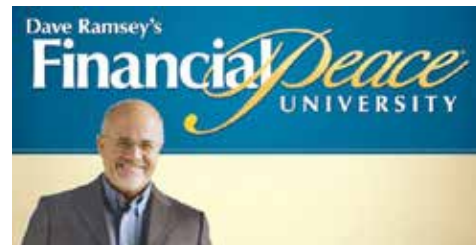
Women of Faith — The Women of Faith will meet Monday, Oct. 12 at 1:15 p.m. in the church library. Coming up is Chapter 8, which looks at the importance and contributions of prophets of the Bible, beginning with Elijah. Books are available for any newcomers.

Outreach

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!

Family Promise Volunteers — Please attend the special meeting on October 13, 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. We will be welcoming the coordinators from other host churches. Kathy Christenson Fisher, Director of both Washington and Ozaukee County Family Promise, will acquaint us with regulations, procedures, and other necessary information. This meeting will be well worth your time!

World Communion Sunday Offering — Next 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!



It's all about Relationships! Did you know that many divorces are the result of money fights? FPU offers a solid, practical approach to talking about money for couples, singles and students that works!

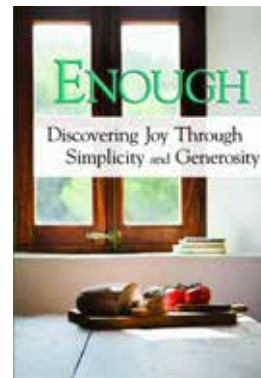
Look for Special Campaign 2016 Bookmarks in our pews today!



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.

"Enough" - All Church Adult Study *Wednesdays beginning Oct. 7*



Ever find yourself wanting to shout, "Enough"? We live in a world of excess, out on the edge, often beyond our means. Adam Hamilton the pastor of one of United Methodism's fastest growing churches and beloved teachers tackles this in his small book and DVD series: "Enough: Discovering Joy through Simplicity and Generosity." Focusing on Jesus teaching, "one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions," helps us discover a life that is dominated by gratitude and contentment, not consumerism and acquisition. Adam is a great communicator and you will enjoy the lively discussions that follows his presentations. While his small book will be available to those who care to go a slice deeper, it will not be required for your participation. Make plans to join us!

Improving Parent-Child Communication *A Workshop*



This workshop, led by Kate Greenway and Cathy Ryan of Cedar Creek Counseling, will focus on healthy ways for parents to communicate with children. A "healthy approach" to communication really applies to all ages, so this is a central topic for parents of both young and elementary school-aged children. "In our experience, we have learned that healthy, effective communication between parents and children (of all ages) is the centerpiece of effective parenting — and is also the key to building self-esteem and mutual respect." While this workshop meant to invest in the parents (and therefore families) of CUMC, this workshop is a perfect event to bring a friend who needs encouragement and some good ideas also. Save the date now! Tuesday, November 3rd at 6:30 p.m. Open to the first 75 signed up.