

A Warm Welcome to our new Pastor

Finally, we are blessed to have the opportunity to welcome Pastor Lourdes Magalhaes to our congregation on Sunday, June 5. Pastor Lourdes is arriving with a unique set of experiences and skills that will enable CUMC to move forward. Let's show her our excitement and support by joining us on June 5 at 9:00 a.m.

Below are several ways you can participate and support in welcoming Pastor Lourdes:

1. Sign up to deliver a meal or restaurant coupon during her first week in June. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d4eaaa622aafb6-welcome>
2. Drop off a gift card to one of the local businesses or a small gift in the church office for a Welcome Basket upon her arrival here.
3. Sign up on the kiosk in Fellowship Hall to provide a treat for the June 19 reception.
4. Extend a warm welcome and show your gratitude to her as she becomes acquainted with her new church community.

Pastor Lourdes's Schedule for June

June 5

Pastor's first Sunday preaching.
Also communion Sunday.

June 12

Stevie will be preaching.
Pastor will be attending the Annual Conference in Green Bay.

June 19

Installation Service and Reception.
Pastor Lourdes preaching

June 26

Pastor Lourdes preaching

June promises to be an exciting and new experience for CUMC. Let's all work together and celebrate a new beginning at CUMC!



Dear CUMC Family



I would like to share a bit more about me.

As you may have seen in the video I sent, I am an elder who served the Wesley United Methodist

Church from 2018 to May 2022 in Marshfield, WI. I came to Wisconsin from New Jersey where I served for 9 years through the National Plan for Hispanic and Latino Ministries (NPHLM), as a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church.

I was born in São Paulo, Brazil, the daughter of Laura and Odilon Magalhães and the sister of 4 brothers and one sister.

I have been active in the church all of my life and became a leader in the Methodist church as a teenager. At 15 I began teaching Sunday School and with the help of a friend started a Sunday school in a poor area of Sao Paulo. Initially there were 7 children attending and within one year there were 160 children actively participating.

Studying at Capital University in São Paulo, Brazil, my home country, I majored in language with an emphasis on Portuguese and English. I also attended The Methodist University of São Paulo where I earned my degree in theology/divinity. In January 2005, I was consecrated and received my first pastoral appointment in February. As a Pastor in São Paulo, I was blessed learning with the congregation what is true love, care and grace.

Prior to my theological studies, I worked as a teacher and translator for the British Consulate in São Paulo. I also took Bible study courses, missiological courses and a course in cross-cultural communication while living in England.

In my ministry I am called to serve people. I have worked with street kids, in Rio de Janeiro. I have worked with single mothers whose children were the result of rape from fathers or stepfathers in England and counseled over five thousand immigrant victims of domestic-violence in the US.

I am so glad to have said "Yes" to the Lord's call. He has chosen me to be with awesome people sharing God's love, healing, and spiritual renewal. I again and again say, "Yes, Lord here I am. Send me!"

Rev. Lourdes Magalhães
Pastor



Saturday, August 27 - 8 am to 1 pm



The date has been set and we are excited! Time to do your spring cleaning and save items for the annual Rummage Sale. We will accept clothing, furniture, tools, jewelry, games, puzzles, toys, kitchenware, books, linens, and blankets as well as other typical rummage sale items. Please be sure all items are clean and in good working order. Proceeds from the sale will benefit our General Budget, which supports all aspects of our mission and ministry. In the next few weeks, we will be posting the times you can bring your items to church, as well as sign up to help prepare, sort and label

items. We will also be having a bake sale and asking for baked items to sell. Please consider helping in some way. The process will be the same as last year. When you bring your items, you will be asked to sort and place them on the labeled tables. This was a tremendous help last year! If anyone is interested in helping grill and sell brats during the sale, please let Shirley Krenzke know, krenzke@icloud.com.

We appreciate all donations and assistance that you can provide. Thanks in advance!

Thank you!

What a wonderful Easter service we had in April here at CUMC! Thank you to all who spent many hours rehearsing bells and choir to make the service a big success. The children did a wonderful job helping out with "Lord I Lift Your Name on High." Saaba Annor did a spectacular job playing the prelude for that day.

I especially want to thank Kayoko for all she has done for the music program and for the wonderful performance after the Easter service from the Kinjo Trio. What a treat to here classical music from these members of the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra!

We also have a performance planned by the CUMC Jazz Ensemble on Memorial Day weekend. A big thank you to all the instrument players and to Ellie for assembling the players!

Looking forward, we are preparing for the arrival of Pastor Lourdes on June 5. It isn't too late to join us for some special music on that day. Our final rehearsal will be June 1 at 6:30 for bells and 7:15 for choir.

We will resume Bell and Chancel Choir rehearsals in September, and we are also hoping to start a youth band in September. More to come.

New book: "Falling Upward"

June brings a new book to the Thursday Morning Men's Discussion Group: **Falling Upward** by Fr. Richard Rohr. Richard Rohr is an American Franciscan priest, ecumenical teacher, and writer on spirituality based in Albuquerque, New Mexico where he founded the Center for Action and Contemplation. He bears witness to the deep wisdom of Christian mysticism and traditions of action and contemplation.

Most of us tend to think of the second half of life as largely about getting old, dealing with health issues, and letting go of life, but the whole thesis of this book is exactly the opposite. In **Falling Upward**, Fr. Rohr seeks to help readers understand the tasks of the two halves of life and to

show them that those who have fallen, failed, or gone down are the only ones who understand up. What looks like falling down can largely be experienced as falling upward. In fact, it is not a loss but somehow actually a gain, as we have all seen with elders who have come to their fullness. In his book, Fr. Rohr explains why the second half of life can and should be full of spiritual richness and offers a new view of how spiritual growth happens.

We invite all men to join us for breakfast or just coffee as we discuss the theme of this book: A fresh way of thinking about spirituality that grows throughout life. We have a special meeting time and place for newcomers: Thursdays, 7:00 a.m. at PJ Pipers in Cedarburg.

Update

The Finance/Stewardship Committee is looking for members! We would love to have you join us. If interested in helping with our Fall Annual Campaign or the fundraising events we use to supplement our revenue, please join us for a meeting. Or, if you are interested in learning more about our finances, we would welcome your input. The position of Finance Secretary is also available for you to consider. If interested, please contact our chair, Mike Harrington, mikegharrington@hotmail.com.

To date our finances are well ahead of budget, due to reduced staff with no benefits. Our pledged revenue is close to budget, and we thank all of you for continuing to make your commitment.

Conversely, we have had several repair expenses at the Parsonage. In addition, the carpets, pew pads, and Music Room were thoroughly cleaned. This had not occurred for the past four years. Also, just recently, Ad Council decided to install streaming equipment to view our worship services online. This has been in the planning phase for a long time, and it was felt that this was a good time and opportunity to pursue it. Funds used were from various sources. If at any time, you would like to review financial reports or have any questions regarding finances, please contact our Treasurer, Shirley Krenzke, treasurer@cedarburgcumc.org.

Finance/Stewardship Committee

Coming in June



A new Bible study opportunity is offered for those interested in continuing their spiritual journey with God throughout the summer months. This series will be offered Sunday mornings at 10am either on the patio or in Fellowship Hall depending on the weather.

Knowing God should not only affect our beliefs and behavior, but it should also affect our emotions. It should be a relationship that demonstrates faith that is expressed in every area of our lives.

The wonderful truths of the gospel give us a unique experience of God, seen and felt in many ways. A love for Christ and for others. Peace in place of anxiety. Joy in all circumstances. A passion for doing good, and a deep sense of fulfillment and freedom. A deeper understanding of God's gospel leads us to a genuine, life-transforming experience of the living God in Christ, which leaves us hungry to know Him more, and serve Him more faithfully.

Listed below are the focus and scriptures for each week. I encourage you to read each passage prior to meeting so that we can have a fruitful discussion with one another. While I will facilitate the study, the interaction and engagement within the group is what will make this journey meaningful and enriching.

June 5 – Christ – Colossians 1:24-2:10

June 12 – Love – Luke 7:36-50

June 19 – No Bible Study
Pastor Lourdes' Installation Celebration

June 26 – Peace – Mark 4:35-5:43

July 3 – Joy – Philippians 1:12-30, 4:4-20

July 10 – Passion – Titus 2:11-3:8

July 17 – No Bible Study – Stevie out of town

July 24 – Rest – Acts 16:11-34

I hope you will consider joining us for this study. I look forward to delving in deeper with you as we discern the voice of God. All ages are welcome!

Stevie Stibor
Director of Children's Ministries

Now Live Streamed

We are incredibly pleased to announce that our worship services are now being live streamed. Live streaming is a means that allows a person to watch our services from their home or wherever they are in real time. This project has been in the works behind the scenes for the past several months, and it is intended to help grow our reach as we continue to spread the word of God.

“Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.” ~ Colossians 3:16

Videos are available via YouTube on our Community UMC channel. A link will also be available each week on our website (<https://cedarburgcumc.org/worship/videoaudio-services/>). Corresponding bulletins are available on our website as well so you can follow along with the service.

The video can be watched anytime, so if you miss it, you can still view the video at a time that is convenient to you. This is an enhancement to what is being offered to

you on Sunday mornings. Our goal in pursuing livestream options was to meet the needs of our current and future members when they are unable to attend church in person. We still encourage everyone to physically come to church whenever possible as a critical part of worshiping and praising God is engaging with your church community.

Please be mindful that, as these videos are live, everything that is said during the service will be captured. This may be particularly important as we share our joys and concerns. When sharing information about others, please

- be sure you have their permission
- refrain from using their last name(s)
- do not share anything that is confidential or could otherwise compromise someone

Our first streamed service was Sunday, May 22. If you missed it, go back, and watch it. Even if you did not miss it, please feel free to check out the videos each week to refill your spirit.

*Stevie Stibor
Director of Children's Ministries*



Report from Outreach Committee



Meta House Lunches

Thanks to your generosity, we have been able to commit to providing lunches for the women of Meta House through September. We last made lunches on May 22, and we will do so again on Sunday, June 19 and July 17. If you would like to join us in making lunches, please come to the kitchen after the 9:00 am service.



Monthly Food Collection

You will remember that prior to COVID, we collected food for Northcott and Family Sharing. The baskets on the left wall of our Narthex have gone unused during the last two years. But we would like to resume collecting food for these two organizations. Starting in June, the food that is collected will go to Family Sharing, and in July it will go to Northcott. We will alternate donations each month between these two organizations. So please consider purchasing a little extra when you do your grocery shopping!



Coin Offering

Please remember that we are continuing with the coin offering, and during the second quarter the recipient will be the Harbor House Shelter, a United Methodist mission in Superior, Wisconsin. While a few coins may not seem like much, every little bit adds up, so please consider adding your loose change to the collection plates. And during the third quarter (July - September), our coin offering will go to support Family Sharing of Ozaukee County.

A graphic with a background of a cloudy sky and a green and yellow curved band. On the right, there is a purple silhouette of the state of Wisconsin. The text "IMAGINE WISCONSIN ANEW" is written in a white, sans-serif font over the purple silhouette.

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March 31, 2022

Congratulations and Thank You for paying 100% of your 2021 Apportionment Covenant!

On behalf of Bishop Jung, the District Superintendents and the Conference Council on Finance and Administration, I want to extend a special THANK YOU for your church's faithfulness in supporting our Connectional Ministries within the Wisconsin Conference and around the world. We recognize your efforts in helping your church understand the importance of Connectional Giving within the United Methodist Church.

We have enclosed a **2021 Tag** to add to the plaque your church received in a prior year to show that your church has paid its apportionments in full.

For all churches in the Wisconsin Annual Conference combined, 77.4% of apportionments were paid. We understand that the local, national and international issues we have faced during the last few years create some additional challenges for churches. Yet, we are grateful for the many ways churches like yours continue to share the importance of Connectional Giving through apportionments and special giving.

You are in the thoughts and prayers of our Finance Team at the Conference Office as you continue to find new ways to worship and reach out in the name of Jesus Christ in your community. Your continued Connectional Giving allows us to reach out in the name of Christ here in Wisconsin and throughout the world.

If you have any questions at any time, feel free to contact our Wisconsin Conference Finance Office. We are here to serve and be a resource to you!

Blessings,

Sarah L. Sneider
Conference Treasurer & Director of Administration
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Happy Birthday to You!

birthdays

June 1	Ron Scheel	June 21	Tammy Schmidt
June 3	Bill Tiedemann	June 22	Joan Jablonski Alexandra Janssen
June 5	John Cordio Darlene Ronchetti	June 23	Steve Adgate Alan Wagner
June 6	John Strassburger	June 24	Sharon Wilda
June 8	Ashley Isacson Bob Janssen	June 25	Jack Hale Marilyn Seymour
June 9	Amy Cordio	June 26	Dorothy Hendrix
June 11	Linda Kunz Dale Lietzke	June 27	Nancy Den Boer Matthew Kunz
June 13	Regina Annor Dee Largin	June 28	Claire Chartier
June 17	Meghan Johnson Jennifer Hansen	June 29	Jaime Stibor Nicole Zimbelman
June 18	Jeanne Barnard	June 30	Cristina Ramirez Shelley Schumacher

Aluminum Can Drive

Next Collection

Our next collection day is **Sunday, June 5**. Proceeds will go to El Porvenir: Clean Water, Healthy Nicaraguans. This is a United Methodist project working in a country where 80% of the people live in poverty. 54% of rural Nicaraguans lack access to clean drinking water and 31% lack adequate sanitation facilities.

We can make a difference!

Bring your cans to church
on **Sunday, June 5**



Fruits of the Spirit



When we allow the Holy Spirit to work in us as we follow Jesus, we can have influence that changes the world around us. Galatians 5:22-23a reminds us, "The fruit of the Spirit produces love, joy, and peace. It is patient, kind and good. It is being faithful and gentle and having control of oneself. There is a difference between insisting on creating our own goodness and learning the art of trusting the only One who is truly good.

Until we lean wholly on the perfection of Jesus, we remain stuck in a cycle, powerless to break free. But, when we call out to Christ, we receive the Holy Spirit, a gift promised by Jesus Himself. The fruit of the Spirit is not born of our best efforts. It is born only of the Spirit. Only by abiding in Him – resting in His goodness and trusting Him to do the hard work of redemption on our behalf – can we bear fruit.

We were created in God's image and God sent Jesus to show us the best way to be human. But God knew we would need help; that is why He sent us the Holy Spirit. With the power of the Spirit, we can produce fruit that points others to Jesus allowing them to grow in his love, comfort, and grace. This month we will focus on living our lives to reflect the fruits of the Spirit. We show the world what God is like when we demonstrate the traits and virtues we learn from Him in our daily lives: our actions, our behaviors, our self-control. When we show the fruit of the Spirit, we show others who Jesus is.

How can you love others like God does? This is a big question. We live in a world consumed by others loving to get something in return. But God loves us unconditionally with no strings attached. God IS love. Love is His idea. By

sending His only Son Jesus to save us, God expressed His love in the greatest, most world-changing way ever. We can love others when we understand just how much God loves us. What are things that bring you joy? Being happy and having joy are two very different things. Life is hard sometimes. We all have bad days, but the good news is, we can choose joy in the midst of all the hard days because God is with us. His Holy Spirit gives us the ability to face our troubles head-on, knowing that this can produce joy. James 1:2 tells us, "My brothers and sisters, you will face all kinds of trouble. When you do, think of it as pure joy." God can help you choose joy no matter what is going on. And when you react with joy, you set an example for others around you to do the same.

What are some ways you can make peace? I think we can all agree that we could use more peace in our world. Peace is not a new idea. God made a way for us to have peace when He sent his one and only Son, Jesus. And God can help you find peace when you put your trust in Him. Life is not always about being right. Finding peace in difficult situations, shows the love of God and lets the world know His power.

As we move through this series, let us repent of every drop of goodness we have tried to squeeze out for our own glory and rely instead on the perfect life and love of Jesus Christ. With Him on our side, we can bear the fruits of the Spirit and we can show others the peace and love and joy we have because of Him.

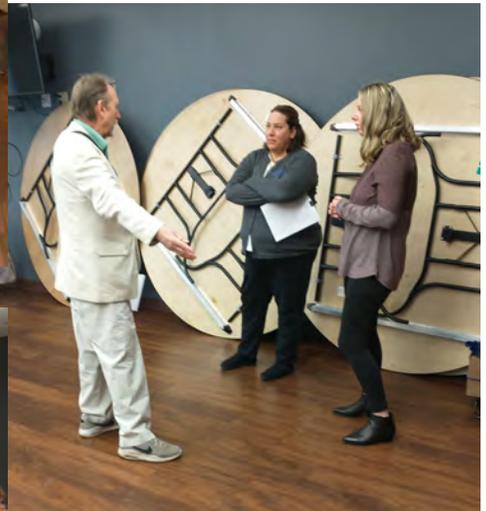
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Presented by ADRC of Ozaukee Co.

caregivers information session

On Tuesday May 10, Befrienders hosted a caregiving information session. Specialists were available from the Aging and Disability Resource Center of Ozaukee County to answer questions. The presentation was extremely beneficial to all who attended. We are blessed in this county to have such an active center with many resources for all situations. The PowerPoint presentation covered multiple areas which might be helpful for any level of care needed.

Examples were shared for individuals, family, friends, and neighbors who are concerned with caregiving. In some cases, people call the center for immediate help, while in others, an appointment can be made to review the future possibilities for care including the financial burdens associated with such services. Members from CUMC along with community members asked many questions. Printed materials were shared and the extra brochures are located in the corner of Fellowship Hall with the listing of various groups at CUMC.





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Return Service Requested

Monthly Newsletter of Community United Methodist Church

Please worship with us on Sunday mornings, either in-person or online at cedarburgcumc.org
Memorial Day Through Labor Day | 9:00 a.m.

After Labor Day | 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. (Faith Formation at 10:00 a.m.)

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Hours | Memorial Day Through Labor Day | Monday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

After Labor Day | Monday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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