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Hillside United Methodist June 2024

WORSHIP 11 AM EVERY SUNDAY!

Pastor's Message

Greetings friends,

Breathe Peace,
Rev. Jeremy Woodley

Annual Conference has just wrapped up! Each year the clergy and laity of the Minnesota Annual Conference meet to do the business of the church. If you want to see a rundown of just what that business was you can find all the information on the conference website at minnesotaumc.org. Alongside all of this, delegates to the conference worshipped together and were challenged to continue to seek out the ways God is at work in our communities and beyond. Surprisingly, (ok it isn't surprising) everyone didn't agree 100% on how best to move forward. For a lot of folks that seems like a negative; but I am not so sure it is. Our differences of opinion challenge us to reconsider and look more closely at what we have determined to be our best way forward. The connection we belong to as part of a denomination that is represented around the world serves to broaden our vision of Jesus Christ's mission. A big part of that mission is the unity of all followers of Jesus. It is so important that he prays for us this way in John 17, "I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you... I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity." This seems impossible with all the things that continue to divide us but I will never call impossible what Jesus specifically prays for. How do we achieve this unity then? It is the "I in them" part that makes it work. Our responsibility is to allow Jesus to be in control over ALL aspects of our life and to, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment" (Matt. 22:37-38). Let's try it out together!

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July 2024 Livewire deadline is **Tuesday, June 18, 2024**

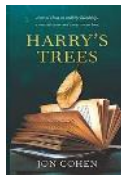
**FINANCIAL GIVING FOR MAY 5 - MAY 26
AMOUNT NEEDED PER MONTH \$8,686**

May 5	giving	\$	1,906.00
May 12	giving	\$	1,512.00
May 19	giving	\$	105.00
May 26	giving	\$	745.00

**Total \$ 4,268.00
Balance - \$ 4,418.00**

Hillside UMC Book Club

The Hillside UMC Book Club will meet at 7 PM Thursday, June 9, to discuss the June book "Harry's Trees" by Jon Cohen.



If you would like to join the book club or have any questions, please contact Sandra Wilmot at 218-348-2712.

Book Club will be taking a hiatus during the summer months, but keep in touch with Sandra to see if they have anything else planned!

Greeters Bring Hospitality to Hillside

What a better way to enter church than seeing a nice smile and hello from a Hillside Church greeter. Please join this hospitality effort on Sunday mornings by serving as a greeter at least two Sundays in a row.



Greeters arrive at church 15-20 minutes early to greet people as they enter. We would like one greeter at the lower parking lot entrance and another at the upper back sanctuary narthex. There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Simply sign up for the dates you will be able to serve. Thank you for all that you do.

Please Keep Us in Your Prayers

Marge Dahl, Claren Suomala, Bea Jacobson, Shirley Olson, MJ Kuhlmeij, and Bob and Vi Lyness.



Happy June Birthday to Hillside Friends!

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9 Jane Olson

If you don't see your name here, please call the church office so we can add you to the birthday list. Hillside UMC's phone number is 218-727-4257.



Scripture Readers Requested

Here at Hillside United Methodist Church, we enjoy the participation of our members and friends in various facets of church service. And that includes reading scripture during Sunday morning worship.



We invite adults and children to give their different voices to reading scripture passages as we learn what God wishes us to understand. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for a turn at scripture reading.



Loaves & Fishes

Tuesday May 14th we made a hot meal for the men at Dorothy Day House. We made sliced turkey breast in gravy, mashed potatoes, Stove Stop turkey dressing, and green beans. The salad was red jello with cranberries, Mandarin oranges, and pineapple, topped with Cool Whip mixed with mayonnaise. For dessert we made cupcakes and sent a pail of vanilla ice cream. Also included were rolls, butter and canned cranberries. Extras were a can of coffee and paper towels.

Blessings from Carolyn Dahl

Hillside United Methodist Church accepts food and cash donations for the meals we prepare for the Dorothy Day House of Loaves & Fishes. Please keep the homeless and the hungry in your prayers.

June 2024 Sunday Worship Schedule

Worship with us 11 AM each Sunday morning at Hillside United Methodist Church. Join us for coffee and conversation at 10:30 AM before worship. We work hard to make our space warm with hospitality for all-comers.

- **June 2** – “We Can Be Giants”
- **June 9** – “From Learning to Leaning”
- **June 16** – “Things Unseen”
- **June 23** -- “Scripture Promises”
- **June 30** – “His Eye On Me”



Monthly Donation Ideas for CHUM

CHUM has compiled a list of ideas for donations for each month of the year. The list of items for the month of June includes:

Soup (larger cans or two of the same kind) Canned Vegetables.



Monetary donations are always welcome at CHUM and anything you can give is very much appreciated.



Thank you for your donation of \$325.00. Your gift has been designated for Chum's Food Shelf.

CHUM is proud to be a diverse community that celebrates together, welcomes all comers, stands in solidarity with our neighbors, demonstrates generosity, practices fellowship, and spreads the love in the world. Thank you for being part of that community.

Sincerely,

Update on Chum's Rhubarb Festival: June 29!

The SUPER Rhubarb Festival is right around the corner. Yes! June 29th. And they are deep in the planning process already. As much fun as they and we all have at this event, with the crazy mascots, and astronomical amount of pie, we have to remember why they do it all. Why do they spend months planning, days baking, and hours upon hours getting everything planned out to the smallest detail? It is because of those they serve.

Our brothers and sisters experiencing homelessness need Chum's and our help. They need you. Each pie purchased at the festival provides one night of shelter for a single guest. That is why they make over 1,000 pies!

Hundreds of volunteer opportunities are still available just waiting to be filled! To sign up, feel free to go to their website: www.chumduluth.org/rhubarbfestival.



Grandma's Marathon is always looking for volunteers

We asked our runners, and we agree with them — Grandma's Marathon has the most compassionate and energizing community of volunteers! Every year, our small group of communities hosts more than 20,000 participants on race weekend, and we certainly couldn't take care of them without our volunteers' help.

Anyone interested in volunteering is welcome to join their **G-Team Facebook Group** to stay up-to-date on upcoming opportunities! You can also check out their website under Grandma's Volunteers.

It's the First Ever "Pop's Day Breakfast" June 16th!

We are planning a brand new event this year and you are invited to participate! It's what Methodists do so well - A POTLUCK!!! Bring your favorite quick bread, bakery item, hard boiled eggs or whatever is easy and quick to eat. Starting at 10:15 on Father's Day we will put everything out on the serving table and let you serve yourself. We are thinking this will be nice and easy for everyone and we are hoping you will think so, too. PLAN AHEAD and come socialize with your church family members on June 16.



Thank you From the Damiano Center

Thank you for the generous gift of \$565 to the Damiano Center! Your support is crucial to serving the most vulnerable in our community. Each day, hundreds of people visit Damiano seeking to have their most basic needs met.



Because of you, Damiano can offer nutritious meals to the hungry; dinner, activities, and a safe place for children; free apparel, hygiene items, a hot shower, and connections to community resources for our neighbors in need; and so much more. Together, we are able to offer a safe, accepting, and dignified space for those who struggle.

Thank you for partnering with us to strengthen our community by providing for the most vulnerable among us. We could not do this important work without you. And as directed, your gift has been designated to support the Community Kitchen.

Gratefully, Jennifer Eaton, Associate Director, The Damiano Center

Summer Day-Camp Offering at FUMC

First United Methodist Church (230 E. Skyline Pkwy.) is holding a summer day camp on July 1-3, from 9am-4pm. The camp is for kids completing kindergarten through 5th grades. There will be music, stories, science and games in the mornings, and swimming, parks and service opportunities in the afternoons. The cost is \$30; there's a \$10 nonrefundable deposit to register. Contact FUMC at 218-727-5021 to register. Let them know if daycare before or after camp hours is needed.



Thank You and Welcome

Our THANKS goes out to Kiki Langdon-Larson for her many years as our church custodian. Kiki has done a wonderful job and we will miss her work and her smiling face as she leaves for college. Kiki is going to Hamline University and because of her great grade point average, she has her full tuition paid!! Congrats Kiki. Keep smiling!! And have a great summer and have fun this fall!

Our new custodian is Hayes Woodley who will begin his duties as of June 1st. Hayes has already filled in for Kiki a couple of times and done a fine job. We look forward to working with him going forward. WELCOME Hayes.

2024 Minnesota Annual Conference

Each year, United Methodist churches in the Minnesota Annual Conference take a Love Offering for missions in conjunction with the Annual Conference Session.

The theme of the 2024 Annual Conference, which will take place May 29-30, is "Jesus. Redeemer." Leroy Britton and Pastor Jeremy Woodley will be attending and representing Hillside. Updates to follow upon their return.



Hillside UMC April 2024	Current Mth	YTD last mth	New YTD	Budget
1000 Apportionments	\$ 617.73	\$ 1,853.19	\$ 2,470.92	\$ 9,627.00
1040 TPUMM		\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 75.00
Sub Total	\$ 617.73	\$ 1,928.19	\$ 2,545.92	\$ 9,702.00
Worship/Music				
2130 Pulpit Supply			\$ -	\$ 450.00
2140 Worship Supplies	\$ 67.19	\$ 12.95	\$ 80.14	\$ 200.00
2150 Copying License			\$ -	\$ 158.00
2180 Accompanist	\$ 852.81	\$ 2,010.71	\$ 2,863.52	\$ 7,560.00
Sub Total	\$ 920.00	\$ 2,023.66	\$ 2,943.66	\$ 8,368.00
Committees				
2300 Stewardship			\$ -	\$ 100.00
2400 Bree/ Membership	\$ 72.00	\$ 216.00	\$ 288.00	\$ 864.00
2900 SPRC	\$ 15.50		\$ 15.50	\$ 250.00
Sub Total	\$ 87.50	\$ 216.00	\$ 303.50	\$ 1,214.00
Pastor's Compensation				
3010 Salary	\$ 2,166.69	\$ 6,500.06	\$ 8,666.75	\$ 26,000.00
3020 Housing	\$ 833.34	\$ 2,500.02	\$ 3,333.36	\$ 10,000.00
3030 Pension	\$ 189.55	\$ 568.65	\$ 758.20	\$ 2,274.60
3070 Continuing Ed.			\$ -	\$ 100.00
3080 Personal Exp.			\$ -	\$ 100.00
Sub Total	\$ 3,189.58	\$ 9,568.73	\$ 12,758.31	\$ 38,474.60
Serving Our Congregation				
4010 Administrative Assist	\$ 1,163.70	\$ 2,501.72	\$ 3,665.42	\$ 9,936.00
4020 Staff Social Secretary	\$ 397.66	\$ 369.09	\$ 766.75	\$ 1,400.00
4025 Payroll Processing	\$ 246.00	\$ 362.00	\$ 608.00	\$ 1,312.00
4030 Office Supplies	\$ 37.09	\$ 99.32	\$ 136.41	\$ 600.00
4040 Office Equipment	\$ 92.72	\$ 367.16	\$ 459.88	\$ 1,700.00
4050 Postage			\$ -	\$ 600.00
4070 Annual Conference	\$ 250.00		\$ 250.00	\$ 1,200.00
4080 Nursery Care	\$ 68.84	\$ 251.14	\$ 319.98	\$ 1,081.00
4090 Website	\$ 108.86		\$ 108.86	\$ 135.00
4095 Misc.		\$ 12.89	\$ 12.89	\$ 150.00
Sub Total	\$ 2,364.87	\$ 3,963.32	\$ 6,328.19	\$ 18,114.00
Maintaining our building				
5010 Custodian's Salary	\$ 178.66	\$ 545.52	\$ 724.18	\$ 2,500.00
5020 Custodian's Supplies		\$ 157.28	\$ 157.28	\$ 200.00
5030 Utilities	\$ 1,213.82	\$ 2,434.44	\$ 3,648.26	\$ 11,000.00
5040 Insurance		\$ 940.19	\$ 940.19	\$ 5,200.00
5060 snow removal	\$ 312.00	\$ 390.00	\$ 702.00	\$ 5,000.00
5080 Elevator Maintenance			\$ -	\$ 1,500.00
5090 Building Maintenance	\$ 671.35	\$ 137.94	\$ 809.29	\$ 3,100.00
Sub Total	\$ 2,375.83	\$ 4,605.37	\$ 6,981.20	\$ 28,500.00
Totals	\$ 9,555.51	\$ 22,305.27	\$ 31,860.78	\$ 104,372.60
Envelopes	\$ 7,055.00	\$ 13,563.00	\$ 20,618.00	
Other income	\$ 41.00		\$ 41.00	
Total	\$ 7,096.00	\$ 13,563.00	\$ 20,659.00	
Difference			\$ (11,202.00)	

Hillside United Methodist Church

Administrative Council Meeting – April 3, 2024

HILLSIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Administrative Council Meeting
May 1, 2024

Those in attendance: Carolyn Dahl-Chair, Carole Hawkinson, Jim Leland, Dave McKowski, Sandy Wilmot, Pastor Jeremy Woodley.

Carolyn opened our meeting with prayer and called for acceptance of the minutes from our meeting on April 3, 2024. MSC (Carole/Sandy) that the minutes be accepted with one change: the reference to LeRoy Britton as our representative to Annual Conference was changed to reflect that is our Lay Delegate to Conference.

Jim presented the Treasurer's report and it has been filed for audit.

Dave reported that new wicks have successfully been installed in the oil candles and Jim will check to see when we last ordered the oil.

Pastor Jeremy has registered both himself and LeRoy Britton for Annual Conference the end of May and is working to get Kathy Gajewski registered as an equalization member. TPUMM is contemplating putting out yard signs saying something like "Do No Harm" before the fall election. They are also considering a combined confirmation class.

Sandy reported that our staff is stable right now. It was suggested that we have an

SPRC meeting, after church on Sunday, to complete the 2023 District report for the District Superintendent. Carolyn will purchase a card to thank Kiki for her service as our custodian – she will be leaving for college in the fall. Hayes Woodley will take over her duties beginning the 1st of June.

Carole reported for the Board of Trustees that the lamp portion of our street light over the parking lot has blown down and has been reported to MPL. There is still a problem with water around one of the furnaces and Comfort Systems will again be called to find out why. Our maintenance contract with Arrow Lift has been renewed for the following year.

Our Lamplighters have visited with Shirley Olson, Bea Jacobson, Ron and Jan Mattson, MJ Kuhlmeier and Bob Lyness, either in person or by phone.

For Missions, Jim has been taking our Food Shelf donations to the West Duluth receiving center. On Pentecost Sunday, May 19th, we will put an empty table in the sanctuary and have the children bring up the donations from the fellowship hall, as a way of emphasizing the need for giving. Loaves and Fishes is going well with the meat being donated most of the time. Sandy asked that we plan to participate in National Night Out on the 1st Tuesday in August, as another mission/outreach project.

MSC (Sandy/Carole) to start using a large calendar for church activities and opportunities as an effort to begin earlier on planning for upcoming events. Some of those (but not limited to) are National Night Out in August, our Swedish Meatball Dinner in September, Piedmont Back Pack items in September, Warm clothes and blankets for Union Gospel Mission in October, hats and mittens for Union Gospel Mission in November and toys for Union Gospel Mission in December. Pastor Jeremy will speak with Jerry McNeal re: the Piedmont back pack items.

Pastor Jeremy is planning a "State of the Church" service sometime after Pentecost. This will show us where we have been and where we going, out budget needs, bible study and discipleship pathways. He is also suggesting a bit different wording for our mission statement that isn't so long. The banner that asks "carry my cross" should be edited to say "carry your cross".

Some congregational fellowship ideas are: potato extravaganza and potluck salad luncheon.

The annual Love Offering will be taken on the next two Sundays and then taken to Conference the end of the month.

Our next meeting will be June 5th. Pastor Jeremy closed our meeting with prayer. Notes by Carole Hawkinson

Check out our website! HillsideUMChurch.com