



February 28 & March 14 Lenten Simple Suppers

Two Lenten Simple Suppers will be held again this year on Wednesday, February 28 and Wednesday, March 14, from 6:00-7:15 pm in Fellowship Hall. A simple meal of homemade soups and breads will be served from 6:00-6:30 pm and the program will be held from 6:30-7:15 pm. If you'd like to bring a pot of soup or bread for one of these meals, please sign up in Fellowship Hall. **Our guest speaker on February 28 will be Arno Michaelis** from Serve2Unite (www.serve2unite.org). In the late 1980's and early 1990's, Arno was a founding member of what went on to become the largest racist skinhead organization on Earth, a reverend of a self-declared "Racial Holy War," and lead singer of the hate-metal band Centurion, which sold 20,000 CDs by the mid-nineties and is still popular with racists today. Single parenthood, love for his daughter, and the forgiveness shown by the people he once hated all helped to turn Arno's life around, bringing him to embrace diversity and practice gratitude for all life. Today Arno is a speaker, author of *My Life After Hate*, and very fortunate to be able to share his ongoing process of character development working with Serve 2 Unite. **Our guest speaker on March 14 will be Mary Flynn**, Program Manager for Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services, who will discuss how immigration and refugee policies are affecting our local area.



Ecumenical Lenten Carbon Fast

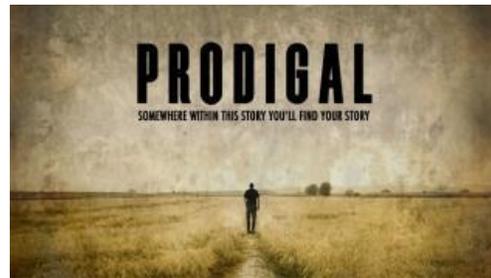
Interested in becoming a better steward of God's good creation and reducing your carbon footprint? Try a different way of fasting during Lent and sign up for the Ecumenical Lenten Carbon Fast: www.ucc.org/ecumenical-lenten-carbon-fast.



Extending the Table

March 4

We will be "Extending the Table" to our neighbors in need by collecting goods for area food pantries again on Sunday, March 4. Here are the items currently most needed: jelly/jam, pasta sides, rice sides, rice, potato sides, hamburger helper, canned vegetables (mixed, peas), diced tomatoes, juice (64 oz. bottles), oatmeal, toothpaste, hand soap, dish soap, shampoo. Please try to remember to bring some food items for our local food pantries to church next Sunday as we reach out and care for our neighbors in need!



March 11 "Prodigal" Youth Musical

On March 11 at 9:30 am, 22 youth from Southminster Presbyterian Church, Vernon Presbyterian & Christ the Servant Lutheran Church are looking forward to joining us for worship. We will be bringing you a musical with a message to take part in your worship service coming up soon. The musical is called "Prodigal." The songs and scenes look at the idea of the Prodigal Son from a modern day teenage view point. The reassurance that God's love is there for us always even when we turn away or make bad choices is what all of us need to hear and remember! The show is filled with songs from the group Casting Crown, so hopefully you will recognize some of them. The purpose for the visit is to join together in fellowship and worship as well as to fundraise for our upcoming youth mission trip to St. Louis in July. Join us—and invite a friend! All children and youth are encouraged to attend!



2018 Lenten Toilet Paper Challenge: It's On Again!

We have once again issued a "TP Challenge" to St. John's UCC in Merton to see which congregation can collect the most rolls of toilet paper during the season of Lent. Last year St. John's won the Lenten TP Challenge and claimed the illustrious "Golden Plunger Award" by collecting 2,063 rolls of TP to our 1,420 rolls collected here at St. Paul's. And there is still a great need for toilet paper at area food pantries. So let's get it "rolling" again, leave St. John's far "behind," reclaim the "Golden Plunger Award," and see if we can surpass last year's total of 1,420 rolls of TP! Once again, area food pantries and our neighbors in need will be the real winners.



March 30 Good Friday Worship

Our Good Friday worship service will be held at 7:00 pm on March 30. Our worship service will include readings and meditations on Christ's passion, special music, and communion. Join us—and invite a friend!



Know of Someone in the Hospital?

If you know of someone in our congregation who is currently hospitalized or would like a pastoral visit, please contact Pastor Glenn at SPPastor@yahoo.com or (414) 550.1553.



March 17 Serving Day at Sussex Food Pantry

We are responsible for providing a team of 4-5 people to serve at the Sussex Food Pantry from 9:30 am-12:00 pm on the 3rd Saturday of each month. Our next serving day is scheduled for Saturday, February 17 (friends are welcome, too!). Please sign up on the sheet in Fellowship Hall or let Pastor Glenn know if you are interested in serving. The Sussex Food Pantry is located in the new Sussex Civic Campus at N64 W23760 Main Street, Sussex, WI.

Sunday School News



Please consider saving your empty **CEREAL BOXES** and dropping them off at church! We will be sending them off to the Apparent project that works with the people of Haiti! We are collecting boxes until June 1st! Check out their website for more information! <https://apparentproject.org/>



THANK YOU to everyone who came to the Fundraiser for the kids! They worked so hard and your support means the world to us!



St. Paul's Women's Guild

Pi Day is officially March 14, but at St.

Paul's Pie Day will be Sunday, March 18! As a "thank you" to all who help the Guild with fundraisers and in many ways throughout the year, at coffee and conversation we will serve pie. An early preview: Coconut, Blueberry, Hickory Nut, Lemon Meringue, Cherry, Mincemeat, Apple, Peanut Butter, Toll House, Peach, and Pumpkin. More TBA.

The Guild designated additional 2017 funds--\$1,000 toward St. Paul's OCWM goal and \$350 toward the church's trash pickup cost.

Our annual fellowship get-together for area church women's groups is scheduled for April 19. We are planning a noon salad luncheon with entertainment by the Civic Broadway Singers from the Waukesha Civic Theatre. This energetic and talented group performs Broadway favorites and all church members are invited to attend. A free will offering will be taken for area food pantries.

Interesting ideas for the Guild's annual summer outing were discussed. More information to come.

The next Guild meeting will be March 15, beginning with a noon potluck lunch. All St. Paul's women are invited and encouraged to join us.



March Liturgist Schedule

- March 4: Jamison Duehring
- March 11: Bernice Dieball
- March 18: Curt Hultstrum
- March 25: Stephanie Danz



One Great Hour of Sharing March 25

One Great Hour of Sharing is the Lenten Offering of the United Church of Christ that supports partners in countries with ministries that fund health, education and agricultural development, emergency relief, refugee ministries and both international and domestic disaster response. It is administered by Wider Church Ministries, Global Sharing of Resources. We will receive our One Great Hour of Sharing special offering during worship at 9:30 am on Palm Sunday, March 25. Checks can be made out to "St. Paul's UCC" with a memo for "OGHS." Thank you for giving as generously as you can!



March 31st ~ the Saturday before Easter!

10am-Noon

Bring your own bag

Dress appropriately for the weather!

We will have activities in the fellowship hall after the Hunt!

Hot coffee and treats for the adults too!!

This will be a public event, so invite your friends!!





Please remember with your prayers, cards, calls & visits:

- *Lucy Krapfl, recovering from surgery
- *Gilbert Krapfl, struggling with prostate cancer
- *Jeff Truman, in assisted living and hospice care at Serenity Villa in Slinger
- *Ron and Diane Smith, as Ron recovers at home from a brain tumor
- *Lois Winkler, in LaCrosse
- *The people of Puerto Rico
- *The students and families of Parkland, FL

Nutting Knitter News



If you know of anyone who could use a shawl or lap blanket, or hear of a project that Nutty Knitters may be able to help with, please let one of us know.

Bernice, Betty P., Betty Z., Cindy, Isabel, Jacquie, Lucy

Pastor Glenn's Contact Information & Schedule:

Cell phone: (414) 550.1553 E-mail: SPPastor@yahoo.com
At the church office Monday-Wednesday: 9:00 am to noon
Thursday: I work at home writing sermons and making calls
Friday: Pastor's day off

*Available other times by appointment—just give me a call!
**Schedule subject to change depending on evening meetings, weddings, funerals, SE UCC clergy meetings, etc.



SM The Final Count!!
St. Paul's
collected 382 soup
items!

These items were split between the food pantries we supply to and were welcomed with open arms!! We also collected \$180.10 in cash with our soup kettles! This money will be used to buy soup mixes and be dispursed to the pantries also! Thanks to everyone who helped us with the Soupbowl of Caring challenge!

tacklehunger.org

Greeters for March:

- March 4th – Dick & Judy Nell
- March 11th – Donna & Katelyn Runte
- March 18th – Jason & Becky Duehring
- March 25th – Dave & Betty Zimpelman

Coffee & Conversation Hosts:

- March 4th - ****NEEDED****
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- March 18th – Guild Pie Day
- March 25th – Vicki and Mary Guetzke



Happy 93rd
Birthday to
Norma!!