Sunday Worship 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM Youth On A Mission Group 9:00 AM Sunday School 9:00 AM Coffee Connection 9:00 AM 300 Church St. Lomira, WI 53048

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### **ADULT FELLOWSHIP TO START**

On April 17th, The Adult Fellowship group will resume regular monthly meetings the third week of each month thru December. A meal will be served in the Fellowship hall at 6:30 PM followed by a program in the Fireside room or Sanctuary. The program topic will be announced before each meeting. All church members are invited to attend. For more information, please call Gene Junger at <u>920-583-2011</u>.

# UPCOMING SERMON SERIES April 2016

On Sunday, March 27 (EASTER), we began a new worship series called 'The Real F Word'— forgiveness, of course. And, starting with Easter morning, then throughout the month of April, we'll be sharing in these messages for the series:

- Easter Morning: Finding Forgiveness
- How Can I Forgive Myself?
- How Can I Forgive Others?
- Is Forgiveness Really Forever?
- Livin' Forgiven

Again, this series will take us from Easter morning, all the way through the month of April, so make sure you mark your calendars accordingly! Forgiveness is one of those things that we all struggle with in life, at some time or another. We know God expects us to forgive, yet it seems impossible at times. Do you want to know more? Come worship with us throughout the month of April. Forgiveness is absolutely possible for all of us... See you there!



Unable to attend a Sunday Service... Still want to make an offering but you are out of town...Need Information... Visit our website for all of these needs... from **Sermon Videos** to **Secure Online Giving!** 

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# NT 2016 Bible Challenge

North Color	Friday April 1st:	<u>Luke 22</u>
1000	Monday April 4th:	<u>Luke 23</u>
	Tuesday April 5th:	Luke 24
	Wednesday April 6th:	John 1
No.	Thursday April 7th:	John 2
	Friday April 8th:	John 3
	Monday April 11th:	John 4
Nov.	Tuesday April 12th:	John 5
2.00	Wednesday April 13th:	<u>John 6</u>
1000	Thursday April 14th:	<u>John 7</u>
000	Friday April 15th:	<u>John 8</u>
10.00	Monday April 18th:	<u>John 9</u>
N. W. N	Tuesday April 19th:	<u>John 10</u>
	Wednesday April 20th:	<u>John 11</u>
	Thursday April 21st:	<u>John 12</u>
	Friday April 22nd:	<u>John 13</u>
No. of Concession, Name	Monday April 25th:	<u>John 14</u>
	Tuesday April 26th:	<u>John 15</u>
1000	Wednesday April 27th:	<u>John 16</u>
1000	Thursday April 28th:	<u>John 17</u>
	Friday April 29th:	<u>John 18</u>

The 'Round Table' discussion group will resume on April 17th at 9:10 AM.

#### TUMC to Serve Loaves & Fishes Meal in FDL Monday, April 25, 2016 St. Paul's Cathedral 51 W. Division St. Enter through the east side door. (Broken Bread Entrance)

12 Volunteers are needed for serving. (4-7pm) Cookie makers and monetary donations also needed. Sign-up sheets with further instructions will be out in the church narthex.



# **Greetings from Sparta United Methodist Church**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I write this letter with the intention of seeking assistance from all the churches and pastors of the Wisconsin Annual Conference in supporting the International Volunteers In Mission Project at Camp Bani in the Dominican Republic. The Christian Camp in Bani, Dominican Republic is a long-range project focused on renovating the facility with several improvements that will make the Camp safer and more attractive for churches to use all year round. To do this, we need to complete the following projects:

We need to renovate the kitchen to be more up to date, so that the place will not present any health risks in the preparation of food.

Paint the dorm buildings, inside and outside.

Fix windows and doors

Finish the dining room

Paint the Chapel

Finish the project we already started years ago.

Your generous contributions will help us to reach our goals for this mission and assist God's work carried out by the Dominican Evangelical Church. Any contribution you can make will be greatly appreciated by the church there. Your check can be sent to: Sparta United Methodist Church at the address below, with "Camp Bani Project" on the memo line.

We would also like to extend an invitation to you to join us on this mission trip to the Dominican Republic in May. I know that your presence, prayers and contributions will be appreciated.

Mission Team for Christian Camp in Bani, Pastor Rey Diaz, Ann Olson, and Rich Zidich Pictured below...

Camp Bani in the Dominican Republic.



### "One of the Hardest Things to Do, Yet ... "

"In prayer there is a connection between what God does and what you do. You can't get forgiveness from God, for instance, without also forgiving others. <sup>15</sup> If you refuse to do your part, you cut yourself off from God's part." – Matthew 6:14-15 (MSG)

Dear members & friends of Trinity UMC,

April greetings to all! By the time you read this, it should be very apparent that spring has sprung ... or at least we're headed in that general direction. What a glorious time of the year, isn't it? Many are thinking of all those spring things to do: lawn clean-up, preparing to garden (at least on paper), and—if you're a fair-weather fisherman, getting out on the streams or lakes to wet a line. It's a time (of the year) for new beginnings, isn't it—a reminder that our God is a God of new beginnings. We have so much to be thankful for! And one of those things we should be thankful for is the relationship we can have with God, whose love is usually beyond our comprehension. It's that huge. And a piece of God's incredible love for us is the gift of forgiveness. (Yes, I know, I talked about forgiveness last month ... but I just have a couple more things to say about this gift of forgiveness...)

We keep hearing, from God's word and others, that the life we've been called to—*in Christ*—is a life of faith. And when I think about forgiveness, there it is again. It takes a great deal of faith to be able to forgive. In speaking to a friend the other day, I got the distinct impression that forgiveness is one of the hardest things to do in this life. And I believe—at least in part—that it's a difficult step for many because it takes a great deal of faith. You might say, the act of forgiveness will stretch our faith in God.

I was on Facebook the other day and ran into a little saying—a graphic—that said this (credited to Phillip Yancey): *By forgiving another, I am trusting that God is a better justice-maker than I am.* Isn't that the truth? Forgiveness, then, is not just something we do—alone. The burden for forgiveness is not totally on our backs (though the decision to forgive is up to us). The truth is, God is involved in every act of forgiveness ... because it's only the love of God that is big enough to allow forgiveness to take place. So, the question may not be 'Will I forgive?' The real question may be 'Will I trust God with this act of forgiveness?' Will I allow God to be in charge of justice ... and not me? Will I allow God to be in charge of my life ... and not me? We just love to hang on, don't we? Truly *one of the hardest things to do in this life is to 'let go', yet* ... we have to if we want to experience forgiveness and a right relationship with God.

Take a look at the scripture above (Matthew 6:14-15). I think Eugene Peterson's translation called *The Message* really puts it plainly. Forgiveness can either solidify our life with God ... or damage it. Forgiveness can actually affect our spiritual life! It's a part of 'taking the high road', as a friend of mine used to say. Forgiveness is that important.

Perhaps one of the best prayers we can learn to pray in this life (trusting God with this part of our lives, as Jesus did) is what Jesus prayed from the cross (Luke 23:34a, NLT): "Father, forgive them, for they don't know what they are doing." Let it go. Leave it with God. And trust that God will empower you to do just that. Your [*spiritual*] life depends on it...

Continuing to learn from the Word together, **Pastor Rom** 



Intro to Worship Reader needed for the 3rd Sundays of the Month at the 8:00 AM Worship Service starting in June. Please contact Teresa in the office 920-269-4411 If you would be willing to fulfill this role for the church.

The Men's group will meet at the Eden Cafe on April 12th at 8:30 AM



### Service with a Smile

Doreen Unferth, source of delicious baked treats, received service with a smile from Augie Luedtke during the Easter Breakfast at TUMC.

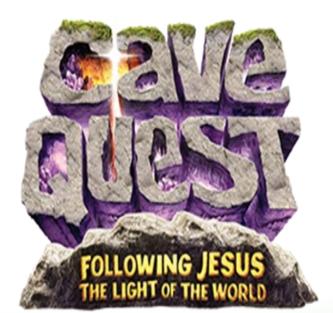
### TRINITY SPRING YARD CLEANUP

Our Annual Spring Yard Cleanup Day is scheduled for Saturday, April 23rd, from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. when we will be picking up sticks and debris and preparing the lawn for the summer months. The workload is always easier when shared with the helping hands of others. So come enjoy the Spring weather, your attendance will be greatly appreciated. For more information please contact Dan Dewhurst at 920-948-5759.

### **TUMC Budget Totals**

Year to date needed to meet budget: \$48,100.00 Received through 03-27-16: \$46,209.20 Budget Shortfall: \$1,890.80

> The May newsletter deadline is April 20th. Please have all articles to the church office by noon.



### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2016

Friday night, June 3<sup>rd</sup> & Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> Save the date!

### **Pieces of history at Trinity United Methodist Church**

By Jan Guell

Four generations at the ground breaking ceremony held on April 3, 1966.

Ed Muehlius, Violet Dohrman, Dennis Faber, Gloria Faber

Dennis turned the first shovel of dirt where the new Trinity United Methodist Church was built.



Our United Methodist Women's Group will begin meeting again on the 1st Tuesdays of the month. The first meeting back together will be held at Trinity UMC on Tuesday April 5th at 1:00 pm.





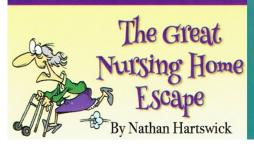
2016 May Friendship Day Church Women United "Finding Grace at the Table" Friday May 6th at the Memorial Baptist Church in Fond du Lac. 12:15 Luncheon 1:30 Program Tickets are \$5.00 Please contact Elaine Muehlius at 920-269-4062 to purchase tickets or if you have any questions.



A big thank-you to all who helped make the Easter Breakfast a success. The youth that set the tables on Saturday and who served and helped clean up on Sunday. The men who did prep work on Saturday and cooked on Sunday Morning. To the ladies that made the coffee cakes...we appreciate them more then you will ever know. And thanks to all who came and ate with us.

Lee and Marlin

#### LOMIRA COMMUNITY THEATRE PRESENTS 2 ONE-ACT PLAYS Directed by David Baumann



Twice the Fun & Laughs APRIL 22, 23, 24 Friday 7:00рм Saturday 7:00рм Sunday 1:00рм

Lomira Middle School Tickets: \$10 from Bublitz's or at the door LomiraCommunityTheatre.com











For more pictures visit the Sunday School Gallery via the Youth Ministry link from the church website

Justin Marschie



www.WIUMCamps.org | 877-947-2267 | 608-837-3388



### One Ministry, Two Sites

Since 1947, the camp settings at Pine Lake & Lake Lucerne have been providing life-changing experiences of spiritual growth.

Great stories of firsts come from these places. The first time away from home. The first time catching a fish. The first time worshipping around a campfire. The first time eating a s'more. And for some, the first time they felt God encounter them personally.

A lot has changed at Pine Lake & Lake Lucerne over the years, but it still feels like home to campers that come back to visit. The quiet of the lake, the wind through the trees and the sound of voices singing together still wraps its way through the forest.

The camp staff hopes that you and your family will join them this summer, and they look forward to together building community, equipping disciples, and modeling care of creation in ways that reflect the love and grace of God.

### Make room in your schedule ...

for the life-changing experiences church camp has to offer your family this summer.



### Program Age Groups

*Explorers* – Entering Grades 1-3 *Adventurers* – Entering Grades 4-6 *Journeyers* – Entering Grades 7-9 *Quest* – Entering Grades 10-12 *Family* – For all our families *Adult Special* – Adults with Special Needs

### **Every Program At Camp Includes**

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Worship	Bible Study	Games
Campfire	Swimming	Arts and Crafts

*And the Youth will not forget...* scavenger hunts, talent shows, ga-ga ball, canoeing, archery, capture the flag, carpet ball... independence, personal growth, new friendships... and *FUN*!



Dalton, Jaye and Dayne Zingsheim



#### **April Birthdays**

**Dell Beck** 

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	Sally Muehlius
2	Jim Green
	Nicole Scharschmidt
3	Lois Towne
5	Riley Menzer
3 5 6	Lindsay Hesprich
U U	Gordon Zimmerman
7	Ward Hinz
8	Priscilla Ehlert
9	Elaine Muentner
9	Kim Scharschmidt
	Christine Lavarda
10	Lori Winter
10	Dylan Bloch
11	Lauri Grantman
	Blake Oechsner
	Tammy Steers
12	Ralph Germain
13	Russ Wendt
14	Danelle Flury
15	Steve Hayes
	Carol Luedtke
	Dorothy Hake
	Amber Ullius
	Derek Dittberner
16	Wayne Flury
17	Sierra Marzahl
20	Amy Unferth
21	Sue Bialk
	Cameron Schaefer
	Keeley Towne
22	Katie Stoffel
24	Gena Poetzel
	Caleb Schaefer
25	Amanda Bodden
	Jason Ehlert
	Teagan Hayes
	Brynne Schultz
27	Briana Novacek
	Kristyn Emmer
	Randi Rosenkranz
30	Kevin Rhein



When Forest Gump died, he stood in front of the Pearly Gates of Heaven. St. Peter said, "Welcome, Forest. We've heard a lot about you." He continued,

"Unfortunately, it's getting pretty crowded up here and we find that we now have to give people an entrance examination before we let them in."

"Okay," said Forest. "I hope it's not too hard. I've already been through a test. My momma used to say, 'Life is like a final exam. It's hard.' "Yes, Forest, I know. But this test is only three questions. Here they are."

1) Which two days of the week begin with the letter 'T'?"

- 2) How many seconds are in a year?
- 3) What is God's first name?

"Well, sir," said Forest, "The first one is easy. Which two days of the week begin with the letter 'T'? Today and Tomorrow." St. Peter looked surprised and said, "Well, that wasn't the answer I was looking for, but you have a point. I give you credit for that answer."

"The next question," said Forest, "How many seconds are in a year? Twelve." "Twelve?" said St. Peter, surprised and confused. "Yes, sir. January 2nd, February 2nd, March 2nd ... " St. Peter interrupted him. "I see what you mean. I'll have to give you credit for that one, too."

"And the last question," said Forest, "What is God's first name? It's Andy." "Andy?" said St. Peter, in shock. "How did you come up with 'Andy'?" "I learned it in church. We used to sing about it." Forest broke into song, "Andy walks with me, Andy talks with me, Andy tells me I am His own."

St. Peter opened the gate to heaven and said, "Run, Forest, Run!"

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- Ryan & Susan Menzer 7
- 15 Brent & Dana Guell
- 17 Ronald & Sarah Kretschmer
- Walter & Barbara Adelmeyer 19
- 20 Greg & Lavonne Brasch
- 21 Glen & Vickie Renderman
- 27 Leon & Joan Brasch
  - Jeffery & Heidi Zingsheim
- Mark & Kathy Lavarda nniversary

April 2016

### 8:00AM & 10:00 AM Worship Services 9:00 AM Sunday School, Youth On A Mission Group, Coffee Connection

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sun	MON	Iue	wea	Inu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
						4pm
						AA Banquet
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		1 pm UMW	5 pm GS 8581	5:45 pm GS 8005		10-11 am
		3 pm Hope Nursing	6pm Bell Choir 6:30 AA	5:45 pm GS 8172		Food Pantry
		Home Service 6 pm GS 8042	6:30 AA 7 pm Choir Practice	6 pm BS 740		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	6 pm Cub Scouts	8:30 am (Eden Café)	6 pm Webelo's	6 pm GS 8201		
	Leader Meeting	Men's Group	6pm Bell Choir	6 pm Tiger and Wolf		
		6 pm SPRC Meeting	6:30 AA 7 pm Choir Practice			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
9:10 am NT Round		6 pm GS 8042	Newsletter Deadline	5:45 pm GS 8005	7 pm Lomira	10-11 am Food Pantry
Table Discussion			5 pm GS 8581	5:45 pm GS 8172	Community Theatre Show will be	8-11 am
6:30 pm Adult Fellowship			6pm Bell Choir 6:30 AA	6 pm BS & CS 740	Performed at the	Spring Clean-up 7 pm Lomira
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7 pm Lomira Community Theatre	4-7pm TUMC to serve		6 pm Webelo's 6pm Bell Choir	6 pm GS 8201 6 pm Tiger and Wolf		
community mouth	Loaves and Fishes		6:30 AA			
	(FDL)		7 pm Choir Practice			



On Maundy Thursday, TUMC experienced a service of worship through drama...

"The Cloth of Jesus". During which garments mentioned throughout the life, ministry and death of Jesus were used to help demonstrate His great love for us.

A thank you goes out to Patti Cobb, Teresa Amerling and her daughter Morgan, Tina Rawlins and her grandson Ricky, Tammy Westphal and her daughter Taylor, Roger Clark and Jackie Scharfenberg, Augie Ludtke, John Muentner Sr and John Muentner Jr, Priscilla and Jason Ehlert, Jane and Pastor Rom Pegram, who all helped to make the service possible.

# THIS MISSION TRIP NEEDS YOU SO SAVE THE DATE!

Hi Everyone: This note is to alert you that the Trinity Volunteers in Mission trip has been decided. If you have thought about going on a mission trip this is the perfect time to turn those thoughts into actions and give it a try. So where is it going to be... Right here at our very own Trinity United Methodist Church in Lomira. So plan on bringing your tent, camper...or you are welcome to travel back and forth from your home or job...work a day or stay for the week. **Give this trip some consideration... There will be** 

plenty of work to do. More details will be coming soon...

Mission Trip will take place Sun. June 26th– Friday July 1st. Ages 14 and up welcome to participate.



# **Rom Pegram, Pastor**

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WORSHIP SERVICES

First Service – 8:00 A.M. Second Service-10:00 A.M

Sunday School-9:00 A.M. Youth On A Mission 9:00 A.M. **Coffee Connection 9:00 A.M.** 

# **April Prayer Concerns**

- James Lipetri (Friend of Sandy Collier) Colon Cancer
- Melissa Theder (Robert Meyer's Girlfriend) Heart Surgery •
- David Menzer (Fred Menzer's Brother) Recovering from Surgery •
- Sylvia Waas •
- Kathryn Bintzler (Bruce Bintzler's Mom) Cancer •
- Kristen Mielke hospitalized... unable to swallow •
- Kay Oestrich Cancer •
- John 'Harpy' Rahjes Recovering from Throat Cancer Surgery •
- **Carol Zahn** Cancer Surgery •
- **Scott Collier** •
- Amy Boehning (Friend of Nancy Vegetabile) Kidney Failure •
- Mary Kiehnau's Brother "Tony " •
- Laurie Reichling (Carol Dilling's Niece) Stage 2 Breast Cancer •
- Natasha (Jessica Marschies's neighbor) Kidney Transplant April 27th •
- Todd Wallender (Josh and Jessica Marschie's Neighbor) Cancer •

Return Service Requested

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- **Steve Kelly** •

• Gary Kuehn Cancer

• Carlene Cardenas Wrist and Thumb Surgery

• Elsmer Zimdahl (Vickie Renderman's Dad) • Eileen Kretschmer (Ron Kretschmer's Mom)

- Pastor Marcy Stone (Jackie Eichstedt's Cousin) •

• Gordon Schultz and Family Cancer