

Parish of the Hills



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8:00 a.m. — Worship;

Linden UM Church: In the Village on Hwy. 39
Sept-May 9:30 a.m. — Sunday School
10:45 a.m. — Worship

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Sept-May 8:15 a.m. — Sunday School
9:15 a.m. — Worship
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Dear Members and Friends of Parish of the Hills:

Lenten Season Begins: Lenten Season (or Lent) begins on Wednesday, March 6th—Ash Wednesday. Lenten Season provides our parish with a special opportunity to spend a little time worshipping in all three of our three sanctuaries.

Sister Congregations: I refer to Bethel UMC, Linden UMC, and First UMC, as “sister” congregations. Our three congregations are connected through shared ministries, family ties, and friendships. I am blessed to visit all three local churches as essential to my regular schedule.

Weekday Worship: Now, with evening Lenten services rotating between our three “sister” congregations, it is easier for many more of you to visit all three of our places of worship and fellowship.

Brief Opportunities to Connect: As is our parish’s tradition, worship is scheduled at least once each week in the evening until Easter Sunday. And these worship services begin at 7:00 pm. Each of these evening services is brief, about thirty minutes. And each of these evening services provides an opportunity for us to maintain our personal ties to all three congregations.

Please make the most of this tradition of worship, reflection, food, and fellowship. Everyone is welcome!

Yours in Christ, Gerhardt

- March 5: Shrove Tuesday 5:00-7pm Soup & Sandwich Supper at First UMC
- March 6: Ash Wednesday 7:00 pm service at Bethel UMC
Soup & Sandwich Supper begins at 5:30 pm
- March 13: Wednesday 7:00 pm service at Linden UMC
Soup & Sandwich Supper begins at 4:30 pm
- March 20: Wednesday 7:00 pm service at First UMC – 1st day of spring!
- March 27: Wednesday 7:00 pm service at Bethel UMC
- April 3: Wednesday 7:00 pm service at Linden UMC
- April 10: Wednesday 7:00 pm service at First UMC
- April 18: Holy Thursday 7:00 pm service at First UMC
- April 19: Good Friday 7:00 pm service at Linden UMC

Enjoy
The
News



Mineral Point News
By: Ross Pollock



We are all getting tired of the almost continuous snow we have been having these last weeks. But let us try to remember the beautiful fall and early winter weather God gave us this year. And long-term, we need the snow to add to the ground water that we depend on for so many things! God has blessed us in so many ways, let us remember to thank Him for his Grace.

Sunday, February 17, our Sunday School kids were scheduled to sing. We had a snow storm that day but about half of the kids made it in to church anyway. Many thanks to Diane Palzkill and Michelle Acherman (and of course, the kids!) for a fine performance. There were no services at Bethel, First or Linden on Sunday, February 24th due to high winds & blowing snow.

In an effort to reduce the cost of one of our largest budgeted expenses, the Administrative Council investigated methods of saving money on our insurance bill (30% of total expenses after deducting apportionments). It was concluded that the relatively small amount we could save by lowering the insured value of our property and/or raising our deductible in case of a loss increased our risk to an unacceptable level. It was determined to leave the insurance premiums "as is" for the time being.

The Mineral Point Historical Society hosted the 2nd of this season's "Lyceums" titled "She Dives into Mines," February 28th. Tamara Thomsen, a Wisconsin Historical Society archeologist and cave diver. Tamara is part of a group of divers who explore, survey and catalog inundated mines in southwestern Wisconsin. The group's primary focus is mines in the lead/zinc district. She shared images, video, maps and stories from the submerged passages of our region's mining industries.

The Mineral Point Chamber has requested all MP business to fly the Cornish flag the week of March 3-9 in honor of St. Piran's Day. All you Cornishmen (and women) might consider flying the flag too (and one of you might explain to the rest of us who St. Piran was and why he/she is being so honored).

For our annual Shrove Tuesday meal we will host a "Home Made Soup and Sandwich Supper" from 5:00-7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 5. The soups will all be truly "home-made" and you will have the opportunity to build your own sandwiches to suit your taste. Please support our fund raising efforts by attending this wonderful meal! The cost will be a "free-will donation."

March 6 is Ash Wednesday. Bethel will host the service with a meal preceding from 5:30-6:45 and the service at 7:00 p.m.

Other Lenten services will be as follows:

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT:

(Daylight savings time begins)

March 10	Bethel	8:00 a.m.
March 10	First	9:15 a.m.
March 10	Linden	10:45 a.m.

Wed. March 13 Linden 7:00 p.m.
(With Soup Supper starting at 4:30)

Wed. March 20 First 7:00 p.m.
(First day of spring!)

Wed. March 27 Bethel 7:00 p.m.

Wed. April 3 Linden 7:00 p.m.

Wed. April 10 First 7:00 p.m.

PALM SUNDAY:

April 14	Bethel	8:00 a.m.
(With potluck breakfast following svc.)		
April 14	First	9:15 a.m.
April 14	Linden	10:45 a.m.

MAUNDY THURSDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY:

Thurs. April 18 First 7:00 p.m.

Friday April 19 Linden 7:00 p.m.

EASTER:

April 21	Linden	7:00a.m.
(With Continental breakfast following)		
April 21	Bethel	8:00 a.m.
April 21	First	9:15 a.m.

Sarah Circle will meet Thursday March 7, at noon at the Pointer Café.

DON'T FORGET! Daylight Savings Time begins early Sunday morning March 10. Clocks officially move ahead one hour at 2:00 a.m. (you can change your clocks the night before if you don't want to stay up until 2!).

The Boy Scouts will be collecting food for the Inter-Church Emergency Food Pantry (located in our lower level across from the office) starting Saturday, March 9th and into the first full week in March. Food is available to residents of the greater Mineral Point area (which includes both Bethel and Linden) on an emergency basis. Most donations will arrive here by March 11. We need volunteers to help sort, mark, and weigh food. We will work on it March 11 and 12 from 9:00 a.m. for several hours each day. If YOU could spend a couple of hours one or both days it would be greatly appreciated. Most of the jobs allow you to sit while you are working. An announcement will be made in church confirming dates and times Sunday March 10.

Sarah Circle will meet at noon on April 4 at the Pointer Café.

The Mineral Point Historical Society will host the 3rd (and last of this season) "Lyceums" here in the Fellowship Hall at 2:00 p.m. Sunday March 24. All are welcome!

We will welcome Rowan Ivey – daughter of Chase and Kami Ivey – into our Christian fellowship with her baptism during the April 7th service.

As we celebrate the 2019 Lenten and Easter Seasons, may God's Blessings continue to fall on all of us!

Linden News

By: Dixie Edge & Pam Reddell

The Annual Pancake Breakfast was on Sunday, January 6th. Many ventured out to share good food and fellowship. Thank you to everyone who helped make it a success.

The date for the Men's Soup Supper is Wednesday, March 13th. The men will be serving Oyster Stew, Chili, Chicken Noodle and Potato Soup. Serving will begin at 4:30 pm. The soups are always delicious and homemade so get there early and avoid the rush.

Lenten services start at Bethel on Ash Wednesday, March 6th. Wednesday services will be rotating around the Parish. Services at Linden will be on March 13th and April 3rd, all services start at 7 pm.

There will be a Good Friday service at Linden on Friday evening April 19th at 7 pm. Easter Sunrise Service will at 7 am, followed by a Continental breakfast in the vestry and there will not be a 10:45 am service at Linden.

Due to the cold winter temperatures that we had in January, there were a few Sunday School cancellations. The first day back to Sunday School after our Christmas break was on Sunday, February 3rd. We celebrated with a movie of "The Miracles of Jesus" along with popcorn and treats! It is a nice change for the kids to have a different curriculum other than our normal lessons. The kids enjoyed their morning - and also, getting back to our songs and prayer! We "celebrated" for the great job they did for our Christmas Eve program. Thank you to everyone that reached out to the kids to tell them how well they did. It made them feel proud and gave them a sense of accomplishment for their great performance.

The Sunday School children will be singing in Church on the following Sunday's through May (as long as the weather is good):

- February 24th
- March 31st
- Palm Sunday, April 14th
- April 28th
- May 19th End of year program

There will be no Sunday School on Easter Sunday.

After a winter break the UMW will resume meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 7:00 pm. The Linden UMW group meets March-December on the second Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:00 pm. We welcome ladies of the church to join us at our meetings.

The UMW are looking forward to attending the World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 1, 2019 at 1:00 pm. The Montfort UMW will be hosting this annual event.

The family of Carol Wasley gathered together at the Linden UM church vestry for a luncheon served by the UMW following graveside services at the Linden Cemetery. Our condolences to the family.

Let us remember those in need of our prayers.

TODAY will never come again. Be a Blessing. Be a Friend. Encourage someone! Take time to CARE. Let your words heal, and not wound.



Bethel News
By: Cindy Reynolds-Doyle



Weather gave us a lot to talk about these past few months and we are ready for a change. The month of February seemed to be a winter storm from beginning to end. Finally winter is winding down and we can feel spring in the air. The spring season brings hope and much anticipation. We began to think about what we want to accomplish in this time of new beginnings. Catch this good feeling and share it with others as we give thanks for all that we have. Reach out in friendship, encourage others and be reminded that Love given reflects Love received. Plant Love wherever you go and reap the joys it brings back to you. May your spring blossom with God's Love each and every day.

WINTER WORSHIP Thanks to all those who travel the wintery roads to early Sunday morning worship service at Bethel. We had a number of canceled worship services this winter and did our best to notify our congregation. You may want to contact another Bethel Church Family Member to find out if church is on or possibly canceled when bad weather hits. Also, tune into radio station WDMP 99.3 Dodgeville for cancellations.

ASH WEDNESDAY Our Bethel congregation will host the Parish of The Hills Ash Wednesday service on March 6th. The soup and sandwich supper will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. The buffet counter will be filled with a delicious selection of food for a very fulfilling supper. Come for an evening of good Christian fellowship. Pastor Miller will lead us in the Ash Wednesday service at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to join us at Bethel as we begin the Season of Lent.

PALM SUNDAY You are invited to join us on Sunday, April 14th for our Palm Sunday worship service and potluck breakfast following the service. We will provide beverages, plates, cups, napkins and utensils. Just bring a dish to share and join in this celebration of the Easter Season.

EASTER SUNDAY Our Easter morning worship service will be held on Sunday, April 21st at 8:00 a.m. Special music will accompany the service. Everyone is welcome to attend our Easter service. This is a day to share in the celebration and renewal of our Christian faith.

WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN SERVICES When we gather together our Christian bond strengthens and we are filled with the love of family. Hopefully you will get the chance to attend several or all of the Wednesday Lenten services rotating among our three churches. Each church congregation will warmly welcome you as part of their church family for the evening. You meet really good people and make new friends. Don't miss out on this important season of our Christian faith.

THANK YOU to all who are preparing the church and providing the food for the Ash Wednesday service and supper on March 6th at Bethel Church.

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES: Shane & Lisa Sudmeier

APRIL BIRTHDAYS: Bryce Terrill (2nd), Cindy Reynolds-Doyle (4th), Kathy James (11th), Nancy Reynolds (17th), Jack Oellerich (17th), Justin Doyle (25th) and Julee Reynolds (28th).

MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU. MAY YOU CONTINUE TO BE A BLESSING TO OTHERS.



The ABC's of love: A – Accepts, B – Behaves, C – Comforts, D – Defends, E – Empowers, F – Forgives, G – Grows, H – Helps, I – Invests, J – Joins, K – Kneels, L – Listens, M – Mentors, N – Notices, O – Overlooks, P – Provides, Q – Quiets, R – Rejoices, S – Supports, T – Tries, U – Understands, V – Volunteers, W – Welcomes, X – eXpects, Y – Yields, Z – adds Zest to life!



When we give from the heart, we receive unexpected blessings—especially the joy of making a difference in someone's life.

March 03	Apportionments
March 10	Improvement Fund
March 17	Iowa County Bloomfield Manor
March 24	Improvement Fund
March 31	UMCOR Sunday
April 07	Apportionments
April 14	Improvement Fund (Palm Sunday)
April 21	Apportionments (Easter Sunday)
April 28	MPCC Resident's Fund



FROM THE INTER-CHURCH FOOD PANTRY OF MINERAL POINT

Breakfast cereal, pancake mix/syrup, oatmeal, jelly, peanut butter, jello, puddings, cooking oil, tuna, spaghetti sauce, instant potatoes, canned fruits, canned meats, canned milk, cake mixes, instant soups, Ramon noodles, mayonnaise, ketchup, mustard, canned sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, sugar, crackers, laundry detergent, 4-pack toilet tissue, shampoo, deodorants, lotions, bar soaps, shaving items, toothpaste, facial tissue, paper towels, hand wipes, toilet paper, storage bags



Below please find the Parish Visitor Rotating Church Collation Schedule for 2019. Our goal is to mail our newsletter out by the last week of every other month:

<u>Parish Visitor:</u>	<u>Article Deadline:</u>	<u>Church Collates:</u>
Jan/Feb-First	Dec. 11	Dec. 21
Mar/Apr-Linden	Feb. 18	Feb. 28
May/June-Bethel	Apr. 15	Apr. 25
Jul/Aug-First	Jun 17	Jun. 27
Sept/Oct-Linden	Aug. 19	Aug. 29
Nov/Dec-Bethel	Oct. 21	Oct. 31
Jan/Feb-First	Dec 09	Dec 19

LOVE

Ten Ways to Love: LISTEN without interrupting, SPEAK without accusing, GIVE without sparing, PRAY without ceasing, ANSWER without arguing, SHARE without pretending, ENJOY without complaint, TRUST without wavering, FORGIVE without punishing, PROMISE without forgetting.

ALSO for Lent

“I HAVE BEEN CRUCIFIED WITH Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.”

Meditate: Lent is a time to focus on Jesus’ death and resurrection, but don’t forget about yourself. Read the Bible, pray and reflect on yourself to inspire a Christ-like attitude.

Volunteer: Help others in the same manner Christ did. It could be anything from walking a neighbor’s dog to picking up a friend’s kids from school, or working in the food pantry. The important thing is to go out and serve to God’s glory.

Feast: Prepare a Seder meal* and celebrate the Passover as Jesus and his disciples did at the Last Supper. It’s a good way to relieve Jesus’ final hours before his crucifixion.

*for information about how to prepare a Seder meal go to <http://www.crivoice.org/seder.html>

Lenten Schedule 2019

March 5th: Shrove Tuesday with a Homemade Soup & Sandwich Supper from 5:00-7:00 pm at First UMC.

March 6th: Ash Wednesday 7:00 pm Evening Worship Service at Bethel UMC with Soup and Sandwich Supper 5:30-6:45 pm.

March 13th: Wednesday Lenten Service: Linden UMC 7:00 pm. Men’s Annual Soup Supper starts at 4:30

March 20th: Wednesday Lenten Service: First UMC 7:00 pm. (First day of spring!)

March 27th: Wednesday Lenten Service: Bethel UMC 7:00 pm.

April 3rd: Wednesday Lenten Service: Linden UMC 7:00 pm.

April 10th: Wednesday Lenten Service at First UMC 7:00 pm.

April 14th: Palm Sunday Worship: Bethel UMC at 8:00 am with potluck breakfast following; First at 9:15 am with Choir, Linden at 10:45 am and Sunday School Children sing.

April 18th: Holy Thursday 7:00 Service at First UMC

April 19th: Good Friday Evening Service at Linden UMC: 7:00 pm.

April 21st: Easter Services Youth Sunrise Service at Linden UMC 7:00 am; Bethel UMC Easter Worship 8:00 am; First UMC Easter Worship at 9:15 am with the Choir.



**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
FRIDAY, MARCH 1st
MONTFORT UMC
1:00 p.m.**

The United Methodist Women are looking forward to hosting World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 1st, starting at 1:00 p.m. at the Montfort United Methodist Church. Registration begins at 1:00 p.m. The country of Slovenia will be the worship theme. An ethnic luncheon will follow.



Shrove Tuesday is March 5th with First UMC hosting their Homemade Soup and Sandwich Supper from 5:00-7:00 pm (free will offering)

Ash Wednesday is March 6th with Bethel UMC hosting their annual Soup and Sandwich Supper from 5:30 - 6:45 pm with a 7:00 Service. Last year 45 attended on a foggy night!

A Lenten Wednesday, March 13th 4:30 – 7:00 pm Annual Men’s Soup and Sandwich Supper will be held at Linden, with a 7:00 pm Service

EVERYONE WELCOME!



Refocus for Lent



- Give up complaining – focus on gratitude.
- Give up harsh judgments – think kind thoughts.
- Give up worry – trust God to provide.
- Give up discouragement – be full of hope.
- Give up bitterness – turn to forgiveness.
- Give up hatred – return good for evil.
- Give up anger – be more patient.
- Give up pettiness – become mature.
- Give up jealousy – pray for trust.
- Give up gossiping – control your tongue.
- Give up sin – turn to virtue.
- Give up giving up – persevere.

-Author unknown



Now you know: here are some common flowers that deer don't like: American holly; bleeding heart; buttercup; cactus; daffodil; flowering tobacco; gladiolus; lavender; lily of the valley; peony; sweet alyssum; and thyme - Heloise



ROSES

Did you always wonder what the color of a rose meant? Well according to Heloise here are what the colors mean:

- Orange: passion and enthusiasm
- White: purity or sympathy
- Pink: fondness or gratitude
- Lavender: love at first sight and grace
- Yellow: cheerfulness and friendship
- Red: romance and love



THE QUIET SEASON

Winter is a time for stories, and I remember so many of them; stories that range from preparing for winter to enduring the depths of the season to welcoming the first hints of spring. Just as I looked forward to the coming of winter with its change of pace, its moments of silence and calm, I looked forward to the coming of spring, the frantic, never-ending work of summer, and the fall harvest. Such is the joy of living in the North, where the seasons are distinctive, each one anticipated, each one relished.

Of all the seasons, winter is the most striking and most influential on the lives of people who experience it. It is not merely the length of our winter that creates the band of people called “northerners.” It is the less tangible, often even mythical characteristics of winter that forge a true northerner. For winter is more than cold and snow, frozen water pipes, slippery roads, and dark and dreary days.

Winter is a quiet season when nature rests: the trees and the grasses, the wildflowers and the birds, the animals and the pond creatures. Winter is a time for endings and a time for beginnings. A time to regroup and a time to reconsider. A time to reflect and a time to revise. A time to evaluate and a time to plan for the morrow.

Winter is a season of great beauty, blacks and whites and grays and a sprinkling of green from the pines, the firs and the spruces that dot the northern regions. Winter is a season of subtle shapes and few sharp edges as snow blankets the land with a soft and curving cover.

Winter is a season of subtle sounds: the almost imperceptible sound of snowflakes falling, the rustling of bare tree branches caressed by a winter breeze, the quiet dripping of meltwater from a farmhouse roof. Winter is a time to listen for the silence, when the cold tightens its grip, turning breath into clouds and thickening the ice on the lakes, when snow cover muffles all sound.

Winter is like a great river, always the same but constantly changing, each winter resembling the one before, but each like no other.

Winter is a season that demands respect, insists on it. It is a season that refuses to be ignored. Winter is a season that never leaves us. It is forever a part of who we are, what we believe and value, and how we see the world. (-Author unknown)



“If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.”
– John Quincy Adams

“I have found the best way to give advice to your children is to find out what they want and then advise them to do it.” – Harry Truman

“Neither a wise man or a brave man lies down on the tracks of history to wait for the train of the future to run over him.” – Dwight Eisenhower

“Discipline is the bridge between goals and accomplishment.” – Jim Rohn

“The best luck of all luck you make for yourself.” – Douglas MacArthur

“The strongest principle of growth lies in human choice.” – George Eliot

“A loving heart is the truest wisdom.” – Charles Dickens

“Healing is a matter of time, but it is sometimes also a matter of opportunity.” – Hippocrates

“Invention is 10% inspiration and 90% perspiration.” – Thomas Edison

**May the sun bring you new energy by day,
May the moon softly restore you by night,
May the rain wash away your worries,
May the breeze blow new strength into your being,
May you walk gently through the world and know
it's beauty, all the days of your life.**

FEAR NOT

So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today. – Matthew 6:34

Let me share with you what I want more than anything else for Christmas: I would like faith to displace fear as the driving motivational value in our global culture, community, and church. Today's church and world is being torn apart by fear, worry, anxiety, and angst. Fear, in a multitude of disguises – anger, violence, prejudice, exclusion, judgmentalism, caustic rhetoric, suspicion, security systems and weapons, insult comedy, racism, sexism, classism, on and on – makes belief in a redeeming, saving, life-affirming, and generative faith seem irrational, unreasonable, gullible, and immature. Who in their right mind would feel good about our world in its present condition?

Well, God for one. “God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.” In a world of turmoil, conflict, and rampant fear, we have a Messiah, a Savior, a counter-cultural reality that has the power to transform and make all things new.

But fear is a pathology in our society. It has taken root in our very DNA, and it causes us to act and react in some of the most toxic, unhelpful, self-defeating, and destructive ways possible. It seems easier to break things than to fix them; to split apart instead of working together for unity and peace; sacrificing the common good and a universal peace and security for personal, private, and individual short-term, inadequate solutions. Who can we trust? The “other” is strange, foreign, unsettling, dangerous. With this mindset, does the Gospel even stand a chance?

Two phrases in Greek, *mE phobou* and *mE phobeisthe*, occur frequently throughout the Christian scriptures. The first simply means, “be not afraid,” while the second more specifically and pointedly, means “YOU be not afraid,” and it is both plural and indicative. If a person has faith, fear ceases to be an issue. Faith and fear cannot occupy the same space. Doubt or skepticism are not the opposites of faith, fear is. Where God is present, fear flies out the window. Jesus and Paul share the simple and clear admonition, “do not be afraid.” Don't make it harder than it needs to be: Jesus Christ, Savior of the World, Prince of Peace, Wonderful Counselor, Immanuel, Messiah, Lord of ALL, reigns

in us – not fear. If God is for us, who can stand against us?

What will happen to us in February after the special session of General Conference? What happens if our borders allow too many foreigners into our country? What if peace talks break down in Korea? What if China gains too much power? What happens if we allow gay and lesbian leadership in the church? What happens if the other political party gains power? What happens if the other political party stays in power? What about gun violence, disease, computer hackers and identity thieves? Well, what about them? God is greater than any and all of our fears, anxieties, doubts, and delusions.

What I want most for Christmas is that we regain our center, and we reorient ourselves to God. I want to see God's people of faith to rise above our divisions to be a witness to the power and strength of God's love and grace. I want the world to look at the church and see a better way of being in the world and responding to the causes of so much fear and dread. In short, I want us who have received the miracle of God's love called Christmas, to live as Christmas people every day of the years to come. People of faith, not fear, people of love and grace, not anxiety; people of hope and trust, not suspicion and distrust.

My prayer for all of you, beautiful people of the Wisconsin Conference, is that the peace of Christ may reign and rule in your hearts and minds, and may the Messiah be born again in your life this Christmas. Grace and Peace. Bishop Hee-Soo Jung

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Holidays for March and April:

March 1 – Pig Day. Celebrating those domestic creatures that give us bacon. March 6 – National Frozen Food Day. March 13 – Ear Muff Day. March 14 – National Pi Day. March 22 – National Goof Off Day. March 25 – International Waffle Day. March 26 – Make Up Your Own Holiday Day. March 28 – Something On a Stick Day. We're hoping this is food related. March 31 – Bunsen Burner Day. April 1 – April Fool's Day. April 2 – Peanut Butter & Jelly Day. April 4 – Walk Around Things Day. April 7 – No Housework Day. April 10 – National Siblings Day. April 12 – Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day. April 15 – That Sucks Day. April 18 – National High Five Day. April 20 – Look Alike Day.

March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<p>Women's History Month</p>					<p>1 World Day of Prayer: 1:00 Montfort UMW</p>	<p>2 John Wesley Died (1791) 12-2 Cub Scouts Organizational Mtg. at 1st UMC</p>
<p>3 (Transfiguration Sunday) Communion all 3 churches 8:00,9:15,10:45 8:15 S/S at 1st 9:30 S/S at Linden</p>	<p>4 7-8 Cub Scouts Mtg. at 1st</p>	<p>5 10:30 MPCC Service with Pastor 5-7 at 1st Shrove Tuesday soup & sandwich supper</p>	<p>6 Ash Wednesday 7pm service, 5:30-6:45 Bethel soup & sandwich supper.</p>	<p>7 12:00 Sarah Circle meet at the Pointer Café</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 11-2 Cub Scout Annual Food Drive in Mineral Point area UCC Pasty Sale</p>
<p>10 8:00 Bethel Svc. 8:15 S/S at 1st 8:30 FUMC Choir practice 9:15 FUMC Svc. 9:30 S/S Linden 10:45 Linden Svc <u>Daylight Savings Time Begins (spring ahead)</u></p>	<p>11 2-6 WICK w/set-up at 1pm 9-12:30 Volunteers needed for Food Pantry at 1st</p>	<p>12 7:00 UMW meet at Linden (March-Dec)</p>	<p>13 7pm service, 4:30 Linden's annual soup & sandwich supper 5:30-7:30 Tiger Den meets at 1st</p>	<p>14 6:30 Trustees 7:00 Ad Council meet at 1st</p>	<p>15</p>	
<p>17 (St. Patrick's Day) 8:00 Bethel Svc. 8:15 S/S class 1st 9:15 FUMC Svc. 9:30 S/S Linden 10:45 Linden Svc 6:00 Pack at 1st</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	 <p>20 7pm Lenten Svc. at 1st</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24 8:00 Bethel Svc. 8:15 S/S class 1st 8:30 FUMC Choir practice 9:15 FUMC Svc. with Choir 9:30 S/S Linden 10:45 Linden Svc</p>	<p>25 "Bishops Clergy Days Apart" at Green Lake Conf. Center 4/25-4/28</p>	<p>26 1:00 pm Community Euchre at MPCC</p>	<p>27 5:30-7:30 Tiger Den meet at 1st 7:00 Lenten Svc. at Bethel</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 Charles Wesley Died (1788)</p>	<p>30</p>
<p>31 8:00 Bethel Svc. 8:15 S/S class 1st 9:15 FUMC Svc. 9:30 S/S Linden 10:45 Linden Svc & s/s children sing</p>						

April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1 7-8 Cub Scout organization meeting at 1st 	2	3 7:00 Lenten Service at Linden	4 12:00 Sarah Circle meet at the Pointer Café City Wide Garage Sales	5 City Wide Garage Sales 	6 City Wide Garage Sales 
7 Baptism at 1st of Rowan Ivey Communion all 3 churches 8:00,9:15,10:45 8:15 S/S at 1st 9:30 S/S at Linden	8	9 7:00 UMW meet at Linden UMC	10 5:30-7:30 Tiger Den meet at 1st 7:00 Lenten Service at 1st	11 6:30 Ad Council meet at 1st	12	13
14 <u>Palm Sunday</u> 8:00 Bethel Svc. & potluck breakfast 8:15 s/s at 1st 8:30 FUMC Choir practice 9:15 FUMC Svc. with Choir. 9:30 S/S Linden 10:45 Linden Svc & S/S children sing	15  NEWSLETTER DEADLINE Parish Visitor U.S. Federal Income Tax due	16	17	18 7:00 Holy Thursday Service at 1st	19 Good Friday 7:00 Service at Linden Passover begins	20 
21 <u>Easter Sunday</u> 7:00 Linden Sunrise Service (no 10:45, no Sunday School) 8:00 Bethel Svc. 8:30 1st Choir practice 9:15 1st Svc. with Choir	22 Earth Day 	23 10:30 MPCC Service with Pastor Gerhardt	24 5:30-7:30 Tiger Den meet at 1st	25 9:30 Bethel collates Parish Visitor	26 National Arbor Day 	27 Basic Lay Servant Ministry Course 9:30-3:30 Dodgeville UMC with Rev. Dr. Barbara Cook & 5/4/19
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