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# The Tidings

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*“In the woods, we return to reason and faith.”*

*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

Every year in midst of the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season, the UCCI Camp Calendar arrives in my mailbox. I stop whatever I am doing to page through looking to see if there are any pictures of me on any of the pages (vain I know) and then to check the dates for Grandparent and Me Camp. Lately, they have added a page of all the new camps being offered and I marvel at the creativity of those who come up with the ideas.

Pilgrim Center has been a part of our family's summer since my boys were little. Their first camp experience was Grandparent & Me with my mother-in-law and this led to years of camping for them. I know they can both tell you stories about Pilgrim Center, the counselors, and other campers.

My own experience with Pilgrim Center and Moon Beach came in my adult years. I know I have shared the story of a women's retreat at Pilgrim Center where I first heard the call that started me on my journey to ordained ministry. Clergy Retreats at Moon Beach in the Fall are always relaxing, and invigorating and I look forward to them every year.

Now I get to experience camp with my own grandson. We have gone to Grandparent & Me the past two years and this year we will be directors for one of the sessions (July 21-24). I sure hope the other campers like dinosaurs! Grandparent & Me is a wonderful opportunity to spend quality time with your grandchild and I am grateful that our camps offer this opportunity.

We are so fortunate in the Wisconsin Conference to have two camps that provide very different, but wonderful programming. Camp Awesome at Moon Beach offers a family camp experience for families who have a child on the autism spectrum. Many of the renovations that were done at Moon Beach supported by the CAMPital Campaign were done to improve this camping experience. I know of families who plan the same week at Moon Beach every year for Family Camp and have been doing so for years. Grown children return home just so they can go to Family Camp and connect with those they have been seeing there for years. New camps this year at Moon Beach are a siLent Retreat just before Lent, a Spiritual Practices Retreat in May, and a Memory Camp for those suffering from dementia and their care givers.



Pilgrim Center's camps cater more to children and youth camps, but there are adult camps as well. In addition to camps offered in the past, this year there will be Creativity Connection, Amazing Pilgrimage (based on the tv show The Amazing Race), Night Owl, Adult Sail Institute, and Biblical Brewing. Renovations at Pilgrim Center focused on the dinning hall and a total gut job of Favelle making it accessible and useable year-round. Our Confirmation class will be participating in a Faith Formation Retreat in March and a women's retreat is being planned for October.

I am a firm believer that our camps touch people's lives in ways we cannot in the local church, especially our children. They offer a safe environment and fun ways to experience God. Take a look at what either camp has to offer. You can go to their website at [www.ucci.org](http://www.ucci.org) for a listing and description of all of the camps. We will also have a display in the Narthex. The Northeast Association automatically gives \$75 to each child camper and Saron has money in the budget for camp scholarships. UCCI has scholarships available as well. Finances should not be a hindrance to attending camp.

As you make your summer plans, consider either Moon Beach or Pilgrim Center. Hope to see you at camp this Summer!

Blessings,

Pastor RaeAnn

## Faith Formation for Adults

Faith Formation is a life long process. It takes on different forms throughout our life. Below are several options for faith formation groups we could participate in. I need your input. Please check off which of the following you would be interested in participating in and what days and times work in your schedule. You can either e-mail me ([revraeann@saronucc.org](mailto:revraeann@saronucc.org)) your responses or return this page to the church office. Thank you.

Traditional Bible Study (pick a book of the Bible to study)

Suggestions:

Book Study (can be a popular book or one that is faith based)

Suggestions:

Topic Study (something that is of current interest)

Suggestions:

Faith and Film (watch a movie together and then discuss)

Suggestions:

When: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday, Saturday, Sunday

Time: Daytime (morning/afternoon), Evening

Your input will help me plan a group in the near future. Watch the Tidings, Thursday Greetings, and the Sunday announcements for more information.





## Tubing at Sunburst

When: Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup> (depending on snow conditions)

Who: Anyone who would like to participate

Cost: \$15 per person if we have a group larger than 15 (\$18 per person for less than 15)

Plan is to have a light lunch at church after the 10:15 service and then travel to Sunburst in Kewaskum. Tube for 2 hours. Return to church around 4:00 pm or so.

Drivers will be need. Sign up sheet will be on the kiosk in the Narthex.



**Saron's Youth will be collecting for the**

**Souper Bowl of Caring on Super Bowl Sunday, February 3rd.**

**Watch for them standing in the narthex with their**

**"soup pots" to collect donations**



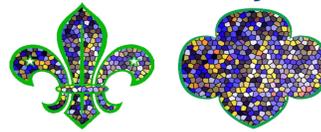
Souper Bowl of Caring is a national movement of young people working to fight hunger and poverty in their own communities around the time of the Super Bowl football game. In the weeks leading up to or on Super Bowl Sunday, young people take up a collection (many use a soup pot), asking for donations. They give 100% of their donation directly to the local hunger-relief charity of their choice.



It's time for the Saron's Children's Choir. They will sing at the 10:15 a.m. worship service on February 24th and March 31st. All students are welcome and encouraged to join. We will practice February 3rd, March 3rd and March 24th during the 2nd service after the special music in the back rehearsal room. If you have any questions, please call Becky Charbonneau at 920-946-8345.

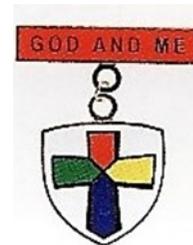


### Scout Sunday



**Sunday, Feb. 3rd is recognized as Scout Sunday.** All girls or boys that are in Scouts are invited to help at either the 8:00 or 10:15 a.m. with greeting worshipers, handing out bulletins, and collecting the offering. Please wear your scouting uniform so that you can be recognized as a Scout.

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**CONGRATULATIONS** to Saron members **Jaiden Haack** and **Seth Morse**.  
Both boys earned their Eagle Scout Award, November 1, 2018

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## INVITATION TO ALL SARON MEMBERS

We, **Jamie Haack** parent of Jaiden and **David and Janice Morse** parents of Seth and grandparents of Jaiden, would honor your presence at their Eagle Scout Ceremony. These festivities will be held at Saron, Sunday, February 3, 2019 at 1:00 pm.

Saron congregation has been instrumental in supporting and helping the boys through their scouting career and achieving this prestigious award. We are so grateful to those who have guided and nurtured them through their adolescent years and ask your continued blessings as they grow to young adults.

A lite lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall in their honor following the ceremony. Please join our families as we celebrate this honorable achievement in their lives.

Sincerely,

Jamie, Dave and Janice

Please R.S.V.P to Janice Morse 920-980-1666 or email, [morse1995@gmail.com](mailto:morse1995@gmail.com)

There are **usher sign-up sheets** on the kiosk in the narthex for the next “season” of ushering beginning April 7, 2019 and continuing through March 2020. Anyone confirmed and older is welcomed to sign up.



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### **Intergenerational Urban Immersion Mission Trip**

#### **Minneapolis, MN**

**Dates: Option #1 weekend retreat 7/12-14/2019 (Friday evening to Sunday morning)**

**Option #2 a half week retreat 7/24-27/2019 (Wednesday evening to Saturday morning)**

The Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches has been providing Service Immersion Retreats for several years. Retreat participants are about to experience the many issues of poverty, to serve organizations that serve those affected and to take what they learned and address issues in their own communities.

The Mission Trip is open to youth completing 6<sup>th</sup> grade to high school, young adults, and adults of all ages.

Housing is provided at the Retreat Center which is a secure building with dormitory style rooms. Dinner is provided by the Retreat Center and participants make their own breakfast and pack a lunch. Service projects are arranged by the Urban Immersion staff. Participants also take part in interactive activities to explore the complexities of poverty and how they relate to issues of faith.

Cost for each participant is \$50 a person for the deposit. Our mission fund will cover the remaining registration costs (up to the amount in the fund) - weekend retreat is \$200 per person and the half week is \$400 per person. There will be additional costs for transportation and the first evening meal.

Sign up for either option #1 or option #2 on the kiosk in the Narthex. Please note – we will pick the option that has the most interest, so sign up early.



## WHAT TO DO IF WE ARE HAVING BAD WEATHER

Winter is here! We hate to cancel worship, but if we need to, Tune in to WHBL 1330 AM (Sheboygan), Milwaukee TV Stations 4 (WTMJ), FOX 6, 12 (WISN), 58 (CBS 58) or Green Bay TV Stations 2 (WBAY) or 5 (WFRV); call the church office to listen for a cancellation message (467-6202) or check the church website for a cancellation notice ([www.saronucc.org](http://www.saronucc.org))



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## 2019 Sunday School Mission Project:

# Project Angel Hugs

**Ministering to the emotional needs of children touched by cancer, and their families.**

For more information go to: [www.ProjectAngelHugs.com](http://www.ProjectAngelHugs.com)

For questions call/text Jessica Herzog 920-838-2328



***The Board or Christian of Education*** is looking for 10+ volunteers to go to Project Angel Hugs and assist in creating Easter bags/crafts for children touched by cancer.

***When:*** Thursday, March 14, 2019 @ 3:00 – 4:30pm. Please Sign up by March 1st

***Where:*** Project Angel Hugs located at 307 E Mill St #1 in Plymouth (920-892-9138)

***ALL CHILDREN UNDER 18, MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.***

Saron is looking for a “team” who is willing to work together on our next picture directory. If you are interested in being on this “team”, please sign up on the sheet on the kiosk or contact

**Christine Frazier at 918-1169 or [cfroggner@yahoo.com](mailto:cfroggner@yahoo.com)**



Please join us for  
**Saron’s Springtime Dinner**

For: Saron Members and Friends

Date: Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Social Hour: 12:00 p.m.

Dinner: 12:30 p.m.

Menu and price will be announced later

Special dietary needs made by request

In: The David and Valerie Black Room in

The Laun Center at Lakeland University

Musical entertainment at 1:30 p.m. provided by Bella Musik



**Please sign up on the kiosk by Sunday February 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Those who are homebound or in care centers:** Janice Hartmann (Pine Haven, Haven Drive Campus), Janet Klemme (Pine Haven Assisted Living, Giddings Ave. Campus), Ilene Struve (Rocky Knoll), Marilyn Perronne (at home), Mae Schmidt (at home), Beverly Kleinhans (at Prairie Crossing)



Jordon Rick  
 (U.S. Marine Corps)

Christopher Kletzien  
 (U.S. Army)

Ben Lenz  
 (U.S. Air Force)





## **Advent Angel Tree Gift Thank Yous:**

### **From Sunny Ridge:**

On behalf of Sunny Ridge Rehabilitation Center, the residents, and the Activity Therapy Department; we would like to extend our thanks and gratitude for your generous Christmas gift donation for our residents. These donations not only ensure that each resident receives a gift, but that the Christmas spirit is spread through the coming year. We truly appreciate your support.

Lana Jacobs, Activity Director

### **From Sheboygan County Head Start and the six families we sponsored:**

- We would like to thank you Saron UCC for your wonderful support of our Head Start and Early Head Start families. Your church helped many families close the 2018 year with a strong appreciation that they live in a caring community and county.
- To the people that made Christmas happen for my family, I just want to say a huge, huge thank you. My children wouldn't have had a Christmas without your help. I can't say thank you enough for the help. We had a lot happen this year that I couldn't get gifts. A huge, huge thank you again.
- Merry Christmas and I just wanted to say thank you and how much this helps my family. God Bless and thank you again
- Thank you so much for the help with Christmas this year. I am so grateful there are kind people in this world still. When I am able I want to pay it forward. Thank you again
- Thank you so much for your generosity in assisting our family for Christmas! What a blessing and a joy!
- You have blessed my family with your kind and loving hearts! Thank you for all the gifts!
- Wishing you the best this Holiday Season. Thank you so much

Thank you once again for caring for these children and their families who needed your help the most.

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#### **Special Thanks**

Thank you for the birthday cards I received. Also thank you to the Saron Women's Guild for the lovely cross I received at Christmas to display in our window.

Milton Braun

#### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone who donated food for the Reverse Advent Calendar. Your generosity to this project was divided between the Plymouth and Sheboygan Falls Food Pantries.

**ALSO:** From the Plymouth Food Pantry: We appreciate your continued support of our ministry. It benefits the many families that come to the pantry. Thank You.

**The Ulrich Center for Philosophy, Ethics and Christian Thought at Lakeland University is hosting events to which your congregation's members are invited.**



**Mon., Feb. 18 7-8:30 p.m. INTRODUCING ORTHODOX JUDAISM**

Featuring Rabbi Wesley Kalmar and Dr. Jessica Kalmar

Laun Center, Rm. 209, Lakeland University, W3718 South Dr., Plymouth

You are invited to join us for an evening of conversation with Rabbi Wesley Kalmar and Dr. Jessica Kalmar about the rich traditions of Orthodox Judaism. The Kalmars will begin with an introductory overview of Orthodox Judaism, and then respond to questions and comments from participants. Rabbi Kalmar serves at Anshe Sfarad Kehillat Torah (ASKT), an Orthodox synagogue in Glendale, Wisconsin. Dr. Kalmar is married to Rabbi Kalmar, and is Assistant Professor of Psychology at Lakeland University.

Free; reservations are requested. Please register online by Feb. 10 at [www.Lakeland.edu/UlrichCenter](http://www.Lakeland.edu/UlrichCenter) or contact Linda Bosman at [bosmanlr@lakeland.edu](mailto:bosmanlr@lakeland.edu) or 920-565-1023 ext. 2151.

**Mon., Mar. 4 7-8:15 pm ETHICS COLLOQUY: THE DOCTRINE OF DISCOVERY AND ITS ONGOING EFFECTS**

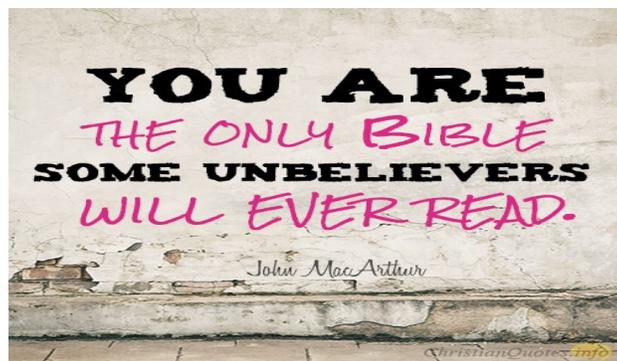
Featuring Larry Littlegeorge and Rev. Rob McDougall

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Larry Littlegeorge is a member of the Hochunk Nation, the Warrior Clan. He was baptized in 1957 at the Hocak (Hochunk) Church (formerly Winnebago), which is part of the WI Conference of the UCC. He completed the WI Conference Lay Academy in 2016 and is currently a spiritual leader of the Hocak Church. Larry has personally felt the effects of racism that he traces back to historic documents like Papal Bulls laying out the Doctrine of Discovery, and he has done a great deal of study and writing on the topic. Rev. Rob McDougall is Associate Conference Minister with primary responsibility for the Northwest Association of the Conference, of which the Hocak Church is part of. Larry and Rob will provide an overview of the Doctrine of Discovery and explain why the issue is being studied by Conference churches prior to considering a resolution to repudiate the document at the 2019 Annual Meeting.

Free; reservations are requested. Please register online by Feb. 25 at [www.Lakeland.edu/UlrichCenter](http://www.Lakeland.edu/UlrichCenter) or contact Linda Bosman at [bosmanlr@lakeland.edu](mailto:bosmanlr@lakeland.edu) or 920-565-1023 ext. 2151.

**LOOKING AHEAD: Ash Wednesday** worship services will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 6th. Holy Communion will be served along with the Imposition of Ashes.



**Happy Anniversary** We hope you keep the following couples in your prayers as they celebrate their Anniversary this month. If we missed your special day or reported a wrong date please let us know by calling the church office at (467-6202 or e-mail [barb@saronucc.org](mailto:barb@saronucc.org)).

February 6 Jeff & Kim Hanke—20 yrs.

February 24 Jim & Peggy Leu—40 yrs.

February 11 Glenn & Maureen Schnicke—25 yrs.

February 27 Randy & Verla Peichl

February 17 Russ & Erlinda Beebe



**Happy Birthday** We hope you keep the following people in your prayers as they celebrate their Birthday this month. If we missed your special day or reported a wrong date please let us know by calling the church office at (467-6202 or e-mail [barb@saronucc.org](mailto:barb@saronucc.org)).

February 1 Jill Imig  
Michelle Johanning  
Bryan Rick  
Arwin Zimbal

February 12 Anna Depping  
Julianna Kuzulka

February 21 Barb Sebald

February 22 Kristi Belcher  
Bonnie Hanke

February 2 Al Blasel

February 13 Starr Boldt  
Tyler Chisholm  
Kathrine Christenson  
Jaiden Haack  
Ava Imig  
Calob Rautmann

February 23 Gretchen Herzog

February 24 Lana Jankus  
Peggy Nohl

February 3 Hartley Bell  
Haley Post  
Rachel Rautmann

February 15 Ann Boll  
Sara Rautmann

February 25 Dan Doebert  
Karl Fasse

February 4 Brandon Gumm  
Jada Lorenz

February 16 Tammy Grunewald  
Heather Zimbal

February 27 Deb Rautmann

February 28 Gloria Kanzelberger

February 6 Lloyd Feldmann  
Mairin Jarvis  
Ilene Struve  
Kevin Wieck

February 17 Eugene Rautmann

February 19 Judy Glander  
Max Prange  
Mary Jo Quilling  
Jerry Quilling

February 7 Adam Konz

February 8 Collin Dulmes

February 9 Julie Wieck

February 10 Brian Wagner

February 20 Jonah Albsmeier  
Judy Dumke  
Shaun Haas

February 11 Nate Dassow

February 21 Roy Herzog  
Brynn Oppeneer



*By Seengsook Duncan*