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The Tidings

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Pastor's Notes

I am a fan of all of those home renovation shows on HGTV. One of my favorites is Property Brothers. If you have never seen or heard of the show the basis of the show is that the Property Brothers will make the clients' dream home out of a home that in no way fits into that dream. As they tour the homes, the clients' faces show more and more disbelief, but the Brothers get more and more excited as they articulate how different this house can look. While they see what is right before them, they can also see the possibilities of what can be. Jonathan, the contractor/designer of the duo, shares his vision for the home based on what the clients have told him they would like. Drawings of this vision are shared with us as well. But when the big reveal happens, there are always changes to that design and vision. Some of the changes result from the clients' tastes and input, others because of budget issues, and still others because of obstacles that are encountered along the way and modifications needing to be made.

It all starts with a vision, being able to see beyond what is right in front of them and being able to see what can be.

At this time of year, as we begin another program year in the church, vision seems to be an appropriate thing to talk about. It is the time for us to dream and think about what can be and not just what is. I like to ask the question of "why." Not because I think everything should be changed, but because it gets us looking at the purpose and the reason behind what we do. That can act as a springboard to accomplishing the same thing in new and energizing ways. Too often we get stuck in the rut of just doing it the same way because "that is the way we have always done it."

Did you know that Saron has a Vision Statement? "We envision Saron Church as an active welcoming community of faith, an embodiment of Christ-like grace and love, which ministers to the community and the world. Building upon our heritage of strength, we will strive to grow in numbers, in faith, and in commitment to the ways of Christ." Some pretty lofty visions here! Active welcoming community – in what ways are we reaching out and welcoming to others? An embodiment of Christ like grace and love – how are we showing this each and every day? Ministering to the community and the world – what does this look like in reality? How do we use this Vision Statement to guide our decision making? Do we?

As we begin a new program year, may we keep this vision in front of us, so that it can become a reality, our dream home.

Blessings,

Pastor RaeAnn

WELCOME BACK SUNDAY

Sunday, September 8th, 2019

Sunday School resumes at 9:05 A.M.

(Children and parents gather in the Sanctuary - children will then go to their Sunday School room & parents stay for orientation)

8:00 A.M. Indoor Traditional Worship Service with Communion

**10:15 A.M. Outdoor Dixieland Worship Service (weather permitting)
with Communion**

Bring a lawn chair!

**The Children are invited to bring their backpacks to each service for a special
“Blessing of the Backpacks”**

Social picnic immediately following worship.

Free-will donation will be accepted.

Sign-up sheets for food donations and helpers will be on the kiosk soon.

Blessing of our Students and their Backpacks

Bring yourself and your backpack to either worship service on Welcome Back Sunday, September 8th for a special blessing for the upcoming school year.



5th Grade Receives Bibles & Teacher Dedication

Sunday, September 15th

The 5th grade Sunday School students will be receiving their Bibles at the 10:15 A.M. worship service, Sunday, September 15th.



Teacher dedication will also be held at both worship services that day.

A teacher takes
a *Hand*, opens
a *Mind* and
touches a *Heart*

Youth News and Events

Middle School and High School Youth check out the new Youth News and Events section on the bulletin board above the bubbler between the restrooms in the narthex. News and events pertaining to you will be posted there. Check it out frequently to see what is new. Currently there is information about events at Pilgrim Center and the dates for National Youth Event. It would be awesome to have a group of youth attend this event next year.



Confirmation Class for 7th and 8th graders will begin on Wednesday, September 11th, from 5:30—6:30 P.M.

On Wednesday, September 25th the Confirmation Class will be attending along with youth from neighboring churches for an evening of learning and fellowship at the Bradley Center Theater on the Lakeland University Campus. The event starts at 7:00 P.M. and concludes at 8:15 P.M. Students are to be dropped off and picked up at the Bradley Center.



Senior Choir News

The Senior Choir will **begin practice** for the new church year on **Thursday, September 12th, at 7:00 P.M.** In September the choir will only be singing on Sunday, September 15th.

New members are always welcome so if you are someone who enjoys singing and would like to serve the church in that way please feel free to join this fun group. Practices are held on Thursday nights at 7:00 P.M. and sing for the 10:15 A.M. worship services on the first and third Sunday's of the month. They also sing for the special services on Thanksgiving Eve, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Maundy Thursday, and Easter, as well as for funerals upon request.



Planning For Special Music

Planning is happening for the fall/winter season of music at Saron UCC. If you are interested in being a part of this please click on the link below or contact Becky Charbonneau at 920-946-8345.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D44ABA72EA0FA7-fall1>



Consistory News

As most of you are aware, there is a tree issue in the area. Trees are either dead or dying. The Church property is not excluded from this issue. On the volleyball court, there are 6 trees that need to come down. To save on cost, as a Consistory, we would like to offer the opportunity for church members to take down and remove these trees. If you would have any interest in taking down a tree or two, please contact Dorene Hanke at 920-980-2603. Since Fall is the best time to plant, we would like them down by September 30th, to possibly plant new ones in October. If anyone would be interested in giving a monetary donation towards new trees, you may do so by sending it to the church office or by putting it in the offering plates on Sunday mornings specifying it to be used for trees. Thank you! The Consistory



Habitat for Humanity Lakeside's Rock the Block – Faith Day

September 21, 2019

9:00 am – 3:30 pm

Rock the Block is a neighborhood revitalization event taking place this year in the End Park and North Railway Neighborhoods in Sheboygan.

Check out ways to volunteer on the kiosk in the Narthex or at
www.habitatlakeside.com/rock-the-block.

They are hoping for 100 volunteers, be one of them!



Saron's Women's Retreat

**Arriving Friday Evening October 18 thru
Saturday Afternoon October 19 at 3:30 P.M.**

At Pilgrim Center, Green Lake, WI

**Our theme will be Feasting with God:
Feast of our Foremothers.**

**We will enjoy meals together and celebrate those
women who have had an impact on our lives and
our faith journeys.**

Cost: \$70.00 per person

**Watch for a sign-up sheet on the kiosk in
early September.**





The Women's Guild would like to thank the members of Saron UCC for your generous donations of school supplies and monetary donations. Many children from the Plymouth and Sheboygan Falls school districts will benefit from your donations this school year.

News From The Board Of Christian Education

Little Disciples: After much consideration it has been decided that for the remainder of 2019, there will be no Little Disciples classes due to lack of participation over the past school year. The Little Disciples Program is for children ages 3-5 during the 10:15 service. If you have any concerns, thoughts or suggestions, please contact a member of the Board of Christian Education. During the January meeting of the Board, the program will be discussed again.

Important Notice

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), Beverly Kleinhans (at Prairie Crossing Health Service), Mickey Glander (Sheboygan Community Senior Center)...



Jordon Rick has left the Military and he and his wife have relocated to Nevada.

Ben Lenz
(U.S. Air Force)

Christopher Kletzien
(U.S. Army)

Anthony Herzog
(U.S. Army)



We extend our Christian Sympathy to the family of

Saron member Mae Schmidt who died on August 15, 2019 and to the family of Nelda Kaestner who died at the age of 100 on July 27, 2019, she was the mother of Saron member Diane Kaestner....



With Special Thanks

Dear Saron Church Members,

Thank you for the beautiful card and prayers. My husband, my family, my church members are the reason I will get better soon and heal faster. I thank our Minister for the pick me up, when I needed it.

God Bless You All

Virginia Karstaedt

Thank You From The Wisconsin Conference

Thank you for your commitment to the work of the United Church of Christ. Through your OCWM pledge of basic support and gifts to date you support the wider mission and ministry of our Christian movement.

The generosity of your congregation makes meaningful mission and ministries possible.

Happy Anniversary We hope you keep the following people 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).

September 1 Don & Danielle Zimmermann

September 7 Todd & Kim Havlinek

September 8 Pete & Sara Christy
Wade & Abby Sebal

September 9 Jay & Gloria Flegal

September 10 Randy & Connie Sixel

September 11 Kristi & Willy Belcher—15 yrs.
Ray & Judy Glander
Eric & Katie Haas

September 12 Scott & Tracy Wilke

September 13 Carl & Joan Laack

September 14 Matt & Julie Dulmes
Michael & Lindsey Rick

September 15 Ralph & Barb Sebal—40 yrs.
Corby & Jessica Trumm

September 16 Tom & Gloria Kanzelberger

September 18 Jody & Steve Biederwolf—10 yrs.

September 19 Al & Susan Blasel
Don & Lois Herzog
Eugene & Helen Rautmann—60 yrs.

September 20 Chuck & Brittany Kaiser

September 21 Claude & Sarah Gonzales

September 23 Lisa & Brian Schneider—30 yrs.

September 24 Lloyd & Sharon Feldmann

September 25 Jerry & Marie Henning

September 27 Bryan & Brittney Mauk
Scott & Jeanna Milz—10 yrs.



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).

September 1 Lydia Albright
Jacob DeHart
Janice Hartman

September 3 Devin Gardapee
Teri Strub

September 4 Keith Beeck

September 5 Steve Casadonte

September 8 Gordon Feldmann
Kathy Roehl

September 9 Julie Dulmes

September 10 Derek Kaat

September 11 Austin Bender
Alisha Coppersmith

September 12 Dawn Giraldo
Hudson Wagner

September 13 Brittany Kaiser

September 14 Oliver Dicke
Lee Post

September 14 Merlin Schmidt
Judy Schmitz

September 15 Joleen Kweekeboom

September 16 Nicki Decker

September 17 Brandi Bohlman
Vicky Verhage

September 18 Sara Dassow
Scott Stache

September 19 Courtney Booth
Don Herzog
Josh Imig

September 20 Karen Boeldt
Faith Charbonneau
Seth Connery
Isabel Wieck

September 21 Don Coller

September 22 Jayden Mauk
Melissa Reichwald
Elsa Schuette

September 22 Haley Zimmermann

September 23 Marie Henning
Carol Scheinoha

September 25 Scott Milz

September 26 Mike Beeck
Brian Kaat

September 27 Shelly Hollingsworth
Paul Williams

September 29 Jeremy Hanke
Ben Nickel

September 30 Keith Henning
Cameron McGee

