



# Focus

For Members & Friends of Dale Heights Presbyterian Church

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June 2011

## *Pastor Marilyn's Monthly Musings*

Where has this year gone? I cannot believe it's June already!

Not that I'm complaining about it being June since it means the days are getting longer, the temperatures warmer, the grass and trees are now green, farmers' markets are thriving, vegetable and flower gardens are growing and producing.

Because Pentecost is late this year, it also means our annual outdoor Pentecost worship service on the front lawn is this month, too. Plan to join us Sunday, June 12 for our outdoor Pentecost service and not only enjoy worship amidst the sights and sounds of God's wondrous creation, but also make everyone driving by on University wonder what in the world we're doing. Maybe someone will even stop and join us. You never know. Come casually dressed and bring lawn chairs and blankets if you like - being comfortable while outdoors is the order of the day!

Other things to look forward to this month include the Outreach and Mission Committee potluck program following worship Sunday, June 5. Our guest speaker will be Steven Schooler from Porchlight, who will be sharing with us about their ministry with people who are homeless in Madison.

Drum roll please for our 7<sup>th</sup> annual Hymn Festival on Sunday, June 19 when we will sing your favorite hymns as we celebrate Father's Day. It's not yet too late to turn in your ballots for your favorite hymns, but do hurry as they're due to Maggie by Sunday, June 5.

Finally, besides joyfully anticipating the first day of summer on June 21, I encourage you to consider attending the John Know Presbytery Days at Circus World in Baraboo June 24 and 25. You can read more about it elsewhere in this newsletter and also on the bulletin boards in the church. You can attend both or either day, but you do need to pre-register by June 10.

Happy Summer and see you in church and serving in our Madison/Middleton area community!

Shalom in Christ Jesus, *Marilyn*

# June Worship Messages

June 5, 2011 - 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter/Ascension of the Lord Sunday -  
"Expectantly Waiting for God to Act" Acts of the Apostles 1:6-14 - Communion

June 12, 2011 - Day of Pentecost Outdoor Service -  
"Launching the Church's Mission" - Acts of the Apostles 2:1-21

June 19, 2011 - Trinity Sunday/Men of the Church/Father's Day -  
7<sup>th</sup> Annual Hymn Festival

June 26, 2011 - 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - "Hosting Jesus' Missionaries" -  
Matthew 10:40-42

## Liturgists for June

**June 5** Gale Oakes  
**June 12** Barb Fleishman  
**June 19** Dick Corey  
**June 26** Kim Chan

## Ushers for June

**June 5** Communion Servers  
**June 12** Keith Chan and Sandy Weigt  
**June 19** Vreni Straubhaar & Otty Schaefer  
**June 26** Gale Oakes and Dale Buske

## Nursery Available

Children at Dale Heights are always welcome and encouraged to attend and participate in Sunday worship. The nursery is available when parents have a need to take their children out of church for whatever reason, but it is not staffed.

## Inquiring Into Membership Conversations

Persons interested in becoming members of Dale Heights are invited to make an appointment with Pastor Marilyn at a mutually convenient time throughout the month.

## Outdoor Pentecost Worship Sunday, June 12

Join us Sunday, June 12 for our annual outdoor Pentecost worship service on our Dale Heights front lawn. Dress is casual, and feel free to bring lawn chairs and blankets as we celebrate the birthday of the church in God's beautiful creation.

## Hymn Festival

We will be celebrating Dale Heights' 7<sup>th</sup> annual Hymn Festival on June 19<sup>th</sup>. Ballots have been included in bulletins through the month of May. Please return ballots to the box in the concourse or directly to Maggie by **Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**. Vote for your favorites and help make this tradition another success!



Question: "What evidences have you seen of God at work in your life this week?"

# Happy Birthday!

June 1 Mike Holland  
June Zeeh  
June 7 Kim Chan  
Rowland Todd  
June 11 Edi Chan  
June 15 Joan Hicks  
June 21 Lucille Miller

# Happy Anniversary!

June 6 Amy and Todd Schendel  
June 13 Janice and Rick Shannon  
June 18 Marian and Rowland  
Todd  
June 22 Jane and John Koning  
June 23 Carl and Elma Metzloff

## Weekly Children's Church School

Our weekly Sunday School continues to meet every Sunday. The 2-7 year-old class meets from 9:15 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. in the Sunday School Wing. Join us as we share the stories of our faith as you and your children are able to participate. Thanks to our Children's Sunday School teachers!

## June New Beginnings

The June New Beginnings Lunch will be Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:30 at the Sofra Family Bistro, 7457 Elmwood Ave in Middleton. Please call or e-mail Mary Towne at 831-6635 or [marytowne@chorus.net](mailto:marytowne@chorus.net) for reservations. Thank you.

## Outreach Potluck June 5<sup>th</sup>

On June 5<sup>th</sup>, the Outreach committee will be hosting a potluck after worship. The guest speaker will be Steve Schooler, Executive Director of Porchlight.

## Wednesday Lunch & Learn Study!

We are now using for our Wednesday Lunch & Learn study: *99 Things to Do Between Here and Heaven* by Kathleen Long Bostrom and Peter Graystone.

Kathleen Long Bostrom and Peter Graystone provide the ultimate to do list: 99 things that everyone should experience during their time on earth. Examples include giving blood, burying a time capsule, writing a letter to one's future self, and gazing quietly at the night sky. From the sublime (watch the sun rise), to the wonderfully silly (ride a roller-coaster!), the activities presented will breathe new life into readers' lives while opening them up to new spiritual experiences. Each one-page entry provides a description of the activity, what the reader can expect to gain from it, and how much of a time commitment it will require. Blank space is included to record memories of and thoughts about the experience.

Join us when and as you are able at 11:45 a.m. Wednesdays!

## Choir Thanks!

Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> is the choir's last Sunday in the loft until September. The choir did excellent work this year with some difficult pieces, and I'm very proud of them. Feel free to express your appreciation and thank a choir member for their hard work!

Maggie

## Dale Heights Web Site

Check out our church web site for the latest news: [www.daleheightspc.org](http://www.daleheightspc.org) Pastor Marilyn's weekly sermons are posted on the website every Sunday afternoon.

## Transformation Team Report

Traveling is always an adventure. Our transformational journey is proving to be a great trip.

Trips are times to meet new people and explore new ideas. Our Conference on the Past on May 1 introduced us to the men's group of High Point Church who gave us a gift. Our Pastor Associate, Dietrich Gruen arranged for them to fix us a fantastic breakfast. Wow. Thank you Men of High Point.

Our worship and conference were integrated into a wonderful morning of sharing and remembering. What did you learn about yourself? What did you learn about someone else? What did you learn about Dale Heights? Those bits of memory were put down on paper and are being combined into information that will be used later in our journey. I don't know how many times I heard something like "Oh, I forgot about that!" when we were summarizing information around tables near the end of our conference.

Your team participated in a workshop on Saturday, May 14, at the Bishop O'Connor Center on High Point Road. Westminster and Dale Heights were the only churches present and it was a great sharing experience led by personnel from the Presbytery and the Center for Parish Development. We shared what we have done so far and learned about what plans we need to develop for the near future. Just another example of meeting new people and exploring new ideas on this journey.

Where do you think the suitcase and our journey will take us next? Watch and wait. You never know when the suitcase will reappear.

## Outreach News

**At a potluck on May 15<sup>th</sup> we were given an update on Middleton Outreach Ministry by executive director Jackson Fonder. Highlights of his presentation are:**

-With removal of restrictions of use of the Food Pantry there has been a 31% increase in its use.

-In 2010 the Pantry distributed nearly 215 tons of food.

-MOM just held an event called Construction in which teams used cans of food to build structures. The food was then donated to the pantry. The event brought in 20 tons of food or 4,255 bags of groceries.

-New programs include a pantry garden, mobile food pantries, and a school snack bag program.

-Roy Lembcke, the Dale Heights representative to MOM's Community Service Council also contributed some information. Anyone interested in becoming the representative to the Community Service Council should talk to Roy.

Watch for the Top Ten list of donations needs in the bulletin and newsletter. As Jackson mentioned in his presentation, MOM also purchases food from Second Harvest so monetary donations are another great way to support MOM the services that provides.

### *MOM Top Ten*

**Rice, pasta, canned tomatoes, cereal, flour, sugar, oil, toilet paper, size 6 diapers and Pull-Ups, and bedding of all kinds (blankets, sheets, towels). MOM is also in need of PAPER bags.**

## **Session Meeting Highlights – April 26, 2011**

- Approved the March 15, 2011 Session meeting minutes
- Received official confirmation that the second Concourse loan has been repaid in full
- During the Property and Finance Committee report, received a brief report on the March monthly and year-to-date financials; learned the new sanctuary furnace will cost less than expected; approved removing the three arborvitae trees in front of the Concourse by either someone who can transplant them or by cutting down; approved authorizing the Property and Finance Committee to offer 20 parking spaces for rent to the VA hospital during their construction; and heard an update from the church redecorating task
- Received the monthly Pastor's report, including a proposal to establish a Middleton Outreach Ministry mobile food pantry at Dale Heights
- During the Christian Education Ministry Team report, that the new Lunch & Learn study will be *99 Things to Do between Here and Heaven*
- During the Personnel Committee report, learned that background checks for all employees are current, and are on-going for new volunteers
- During the Transformation Coordinating Team report learned that materials for those Session members unable to attend the training event were placed in their office boxes; that the church-wide Lenten Bible study concluded April 20, an update on the "Conference on the Past" planned for May 1; and that the next Team training event will be May 14
- During the Outreach and Mission Committee report, tabled a proposal for have a Boy Scout fund-raiser on Father's Day for two boys in the Metzloff troop; tabled a proposal for a "Grow the Pie" fund-raiser Thanksgiving Sunday, November 20; and heard that Middleton Outreach Ministry Executive Director Jackson Fonder will be the potluck program speaker May 15
- During the Worship and Music Committee report, heard a report that 32 attended the "Beneath the Upper Room" Maundy Thursday drama and potluck; that the Rev. Jessica Nylund Salt will be the guest preacher May 8; that we will borrow Sah-lang's sound system for our outdoor Pentecost service June 12; that there will not be a joint summer service with Sah-lang due to their pastoral transition; and that the annual Hymn Festival will be June 19
- There was no Care and Fellowship Committee report
- The next meeting will be May 24, 2011 with either Bill Mercer or Barb Fleishman leading devotions.

## **Session Meeting Highlights – May 24, 2011**

- Approved the April 26, 2011 Session meeting minutes
- Discussed the implications for Session if the new Form of Government is approved, voted to make the 2009-2011 *Book of Order* our manual of operations on an interim basis until we can write our own
- During the Property and Finance Committee report, received a brief report on the April monthly and year-to-date financials; learned the new sanctuary furnace has been installed; and the break-ins at the white garage and the outside glass office door repaired
- Received the monthly Pastor's report, including discussing the implications for church officers now that amendment 10-A to the *Book of Order* has been approved by a majority of presbyteries; writing an article for the Presbytery's planned 2012 mission yearbook; and approved buying an ad on channel3000.com's home page for \$199/month for six months
- During the Christian Education Ministry Team report, learned that at least two Dale Heights children will participate in the Sah-lang Korean Church's Vacation Bible School in August; heard an update on the Lunch & Learn study; and discussed an idea for welcoming neighborhood children into the church
- During the Personnel Committee report, learned that background checks for all employees are current, and are on-going for new volunteers
- Received a report on the May 17 John Knox Presbytery meeting
- During the Transformation Coordinating Team report heard a report on the May 1 "Conference on the Past;" heard a report on the May 14 Team training event; called a Session meeting for June 15, 2011 for Coach Clara Thompson to meet with us; and learned that the next Team meeting will be May 25
- During the Outreach and Mission Committee report, met with Parish Associate Dietrich Gruen about two proposals for fund-raisers, again tabling the Boy Scout proposal while offering it consensus that it likes the "Grow the Pie" Thanksgiving proposal and looks forward to receiving more information; and approved extending the Parish Associate covenant agreement with Dietrich Gruen through December 31, 2011
- During the Worship and Music Committee report, heard a report that we will borrow Sah-lang's sound system for our outdoor Pentecost service June 12; that there will not be a joint summer service with Sah-lang due to their pastoral transition; that the annual Hymn Festival will be June 19; and that the next meeting will be June 26
- There was no Care and Fellowship Committee report
- The next stated meeting will be July 19, 2011 with Kim Chan leading devotions.



## **Property & Finance Committee Meeting Highlights – May 10, 2011**

- Audit of church books—will organize receipts for 2010 so as to include three years in the audit.
- Vandalism: three incidents during a two week period. Rocks thrown into the occupied MATC classroom; rocks thrown through the basement hallway while Sahlang was meeting; outside office entrance door kicked and broken. Police were called. No eyewitnesses to the incidents. Due to the vandalism and to deter crime, committee is reviewing security camera options, a hardwired system with two monitors and play-back capabilities providing views of office, main, and back doors, as well as garages. Goal is to determine pricing/contacts for installation and make a decision within a month.
- Broken office entrance door replaced with new (stronger) laminated glass. Replacement cost of \$299. No insurance reimbursement since the policy has a deductible of \$500.
- Painting/redecorating task force report: furniture in the lounge has been cleaned.
- Regarding possibility of a home access ramp for one of our parishioners: learned that the site location is not suited for a ramp. Investigating the possibility of an outdoor lift.
- Report from session: landscaping at the front of the church will be changed. The three arborvitae will be given away if there is a taker, and the site probably used for the planned peace pole.
- Sanctuary furnace has been replaced and both initial and final payments have been made (cost \$3985). The new furnace is 95% efficiency. Old furnace (85% efficient initially) has been running inefficiently and producing carbon monoxide venting to the outside.
- Financial status reports: Net income is -\$3564 compared with a budgeted net income of 0, mainly because furnace cost, ¼ of insurance payment, and per capita have been paid.
- Memorial gardens: inventory and ordering of replacement signs is ongoing. Control treatment of flowering quinces seems to be working. Unhealthy maples also need attention.
- Work days will be most Saturday mornings starting at 9. Small turnout for the first cleanup day. All help is greatly appreciated. Up next: thistle control.
- The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 13 at 7pm.

## **Outreach & Mission Committee Meeting Highlights – May 22, 2011**

- The possibility of Dale Heights serving as a site for a mobile MOM pantry was discussed. MOM is considering whether they will have enough food at the pantry to make another mobile pantry site possible.
- As was mentioned at an earlier potluck on the Boy Scouts of America there are scouts in need of sponsorship. The committee discussed the possibility of sponsoring two scouts which would provide uniforms and summer camp costs.
- We discussed the Bread for the World 2011 Offering of Letters campaign. This year's campaign advocates a U.S. foreign assistance that is more effective in reducing poverty.
- We discussed an alert from Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice (one of the organizations we support monetarily) about plans that are under way to build an \$8 million drone training facility at Camp Williams in western Wisconsin, to be used for military personnel in learning to operate drones. About 95% of the money will come from the federal government, with the rest coming from the state, but that means about \$400,000 will still come from state taxpayers. Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice is collecting signatures on a petition to send to legislators that states in a time of budget shortfalls this is not a good use of our tax dollars.
- Upcoming potlucks: June 5<sup>th</sup> Steve Schooler from Porchlight and July 24<sup>th</sup> ARC Community Service.
- Next meeting June is 12<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is invited to attend our meeting.



# PRESBYTERY DAY 2011

**Friday June 24  
& Saturday  
June 25, 2011  
at Circus World  
Museum in  
Baraboo, WI**

**Ladies and  
Gentlemen...  
Children  
of all ages !**

**Friday's activities include:**

**Tour of the Clown Hall of Fame  
in downtown Baraboo**

**Godspell the movie  
at First Presbyterian Church**

**Saturday's activities include:  
at Circus World Museum**

**Hymn Sing with a Calliope**

**Classic Circus Show**

**Magic Show**

**Tours of Circus Wagons**

**Box Lunch**

**The Parable movie and discussion**

**Youth programs and activities**

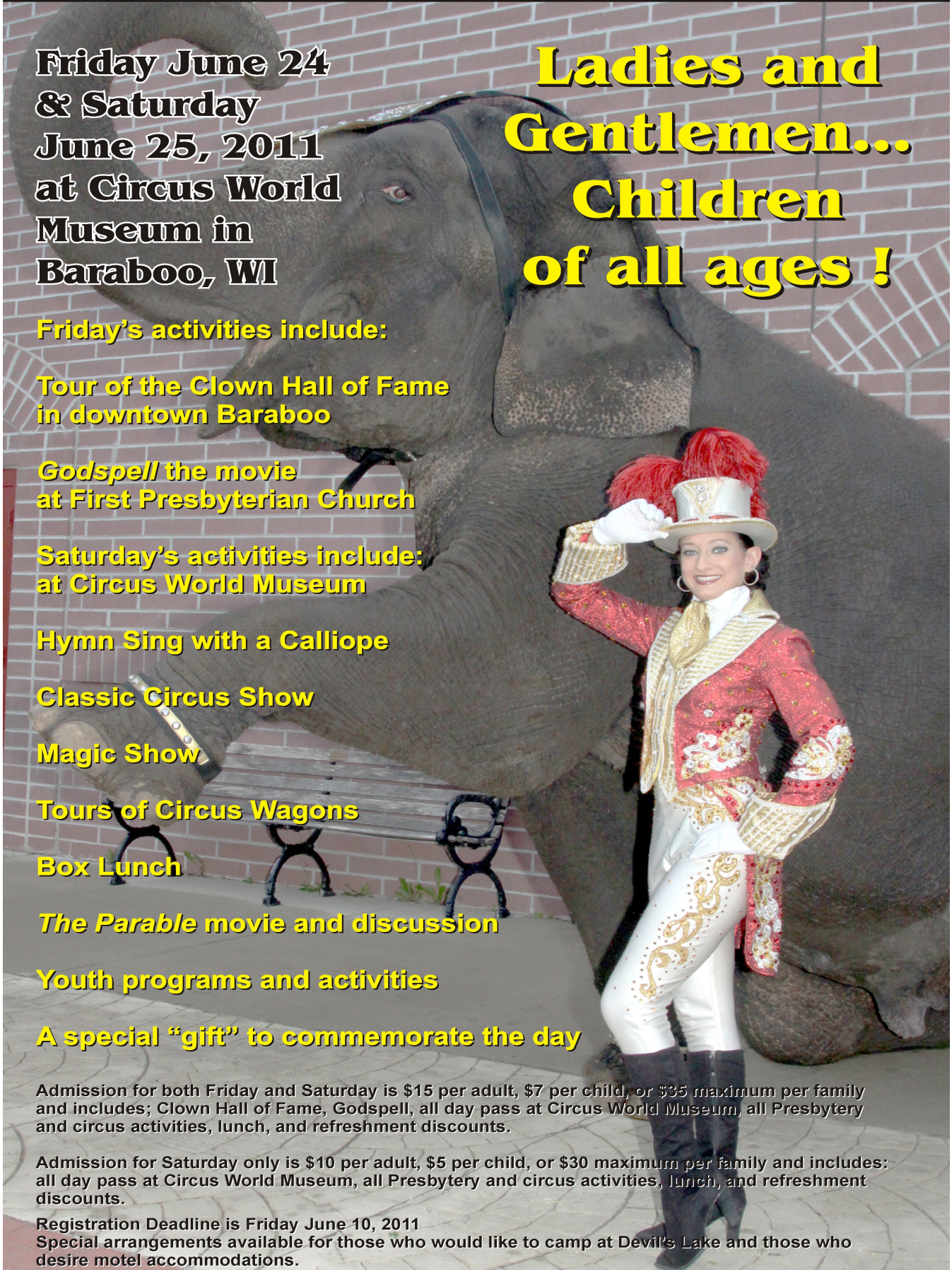
**A special "gift" to commemorate the day**

Admission for both Friday and Saturday is \$15 per adult, \$7 per child, or \$35 maximum per family and includes; Clown Hall of Fame, Godspell, all day pass at Circus World Museum, all Presbytery and circus activities, lunch, and refreshment discounts.

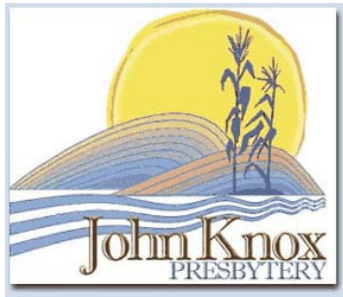
Admission for Saturday only is \$10 per adult, \$5 per child, or \$30 maximum per family and includes: all day pass at Circus World Museum, all Presbytery and circus activities, lunch, and refreshment discounts.

Registration Deadline is Friday June 10, 2011

Special arrangements available for those who would like to camp at Devil's Lake and those who desire motel accommodations.







## John Knox Presbytery Meeting Highlights

Here are some highlights from the May 17 John Knox Presbytery Meeting:

- Heard a report from our new Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Foundation representative, Stephen Keizer
- Heard a plea for help in stopping a Wisconsin Legislature move to repeal the non-profit residence hall property tax exemption approved in 2009 from Pres House Co-Pastor and Executive

Director Mark Elsdon, who noted that the campus ministry has grown for the seventh straight year, and that if this repeal is approved it could negatively impact their ministry by as much as a quarter of a million dollars

- Experienced a “missional” worship led by Transformation Outfitters member Rev. Dave King that included three missional presentations
- Participated in an Equipping the Saints time called “The Missional Journey” led by Transformation Outfitters member Scott Anderson
- Received the Presbytery Council report, during which Elder Margaret Jumonville noted that the Council received with regret and thanks the resignations of Elders Lon Foree and Doug Rosendahl; that it had received a letter of complaint from Covenant Presbyterian Church, Madison, WI member Philip Stark regarding the budget and collective bargaining resolution the Presbytery approved in February; approved the 2010 Audit report; were encouraged to attend the upcoming Presbytery Day event at Circus World in Baraboo, WI June 24-25; and Transformation Outfitters member Rev. Amy Perkins encouraged congregations to submit a devotional article for the Presbytery’s planned 2012 Mission Yearbook
- Received the annual Committee on Representation report during which the Rev. Erica Liu encouraged the Presbytery to continue working on diversifying our committee and other leadership
- Received the Committee on Ministry report, during which the Rev. Marilyn Gamm noted the approval of the Presbytery pulpit supply list with encouragement to utilize these pastors; that the guidelines for pastor moving expenses has been changed from “not in excess of 12,000 pounds” to “a negotiated weight limit or dollar amount”; approved the annual “Report of terms of Call of Minister Members” and the annual “Report of the Type of Work” of Minister Members; approved changing the Manual of Operation deadline for COSIP applications from April 1 to June 1 effective 2012; and examined and approved for ordination Milwaukee Presbytery candidate Grant VanderVelden, and approved his call as Pastor for First Presbyterian Church, Waukon, IA
- Received the Committee on Preparation Committee report by Elder Kay Carter-Heath during which approved enrolling Margaret Jumonville and Callie Miller as inquirers; and removed Ann Fischer from the roll of inquirers
- Received the Moderator, Executive Presbyter, Treasurer, and Stated Clerk’s reports. The Executive Presbyter Ken Meunier’s report included news that 9 of the Presbytery’s churches plus one Lutheran church are participating in the new transformation process through the Center for Parish Development, and that 3 of the Presbytery’s churches plan to begin the process in 2012. And during the Stated Clerk’s report Alyson Janke provided a memo and checklist for Sessions to utilize before July 11 if the proposed new Form of Government is adopted by a majority of the Presbyteries; and reported that the Committee of Counsel continues to prepare for the remedial case scheduled before the General Assembly Permanent Judicial Commission July 29 and also that it may be dismissed due to the passage of 10-A to the *Book of Order*
- Elected the Rev. Jessica Nylund Salt to a two-and-a-half year term on the Committee on Ministry and Elder Dorothy Richards to a two-and-a-half year term on the Committee on Preparation for Ministry
- The next meeting will be August 20, 2011 at Portage Presbyterian Church, Portage, WI

Help a Senior Citizen with minor home chores such as vacuuming, mowing, etc.



Contact: [West Madison Senior Coalition](#) at:

Phone: 608-238-7368 ext. 8

e-mail: [dianej@westmadisonseniorcoalition.org](mailto:dianej@westmadisonseniorcoalition.org)

website: [www.westmadisonseniorcoaliton.org](http://www.westmadisonseniorcoaliton.org)

Volunteer Coordinator: Diane Jones

Volunteer Office Hours: T, W, Th, 9 am to 4 pm and F from 9 am to 3 pm

**Home Chore Volunteers Needed:**

Home Chore Volunteers help seniors stay in their homes by assisting them with tasks that are difficult to manage. Chores vary, but may include general cleaning or organizing. Volunteers are paired with a senior based on need, interest, and availability. In helping a senior stay in their home, you may develop a lasting friendship.

Our organization has been serving seniors on the west side of Madison, Wisconsin since 1975. The programs and services we provide enable seniors to live longer... better.

# Read through the Bible in 1 Year!

Some Tips for reading through the Bible:

**READ...**the passage for the day, listening closely for what God is saying.

**EXPLORE...**what the Bible has to say by asking questions.

**ACT...**on the truth by finding one thing you can DO.

**PRAY...** the verses you have just read back to God

## From David to exile

June-1 Ezra 1-2

June-2 Ezra 3-5

June-3 Ezra 6-7

June-4 Ezra 8-9

June-5 Ezra 10

June-6 Nehemiah 1-3

June-7 Nehemiah 4-6

June-8 Nehemiah 7-8

June-9 Nehemiah 9-10

June-10 Nehemiah 11-12

June-11 Nehemiah 13

June-12 Esther 1-3

June-13 Esther 4-7

June-14 Esther 8-10

## God's faithful servant

June-15 Job 1-4

June-16 Job 5-8

June-17 Job 9-12

June-18 Job 13-16

June-19 Job 17-20

June-20 Job 21-24

June-21 Job 25-29

June-22 Job 30-33

June-23 Job 34-37

June-24 Job 38-40

June-25 Job 41-42

## Songs of praise

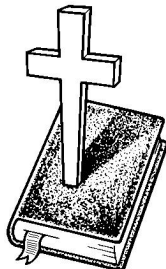
June-26 Psalms 1-9

June-27 Psalms 10-17

June-28 Psalms 18-22

June-29 Psalms 23-30

June-30 Psalms 31-35



June 2011

			1 Lunch and Learn 11:45 am; Choir potluck 6:00pm	2	3	4
5 Outreach Potluck 11:30am	6	7 John Knox Pastors' Prayer Group 1:00 pm	8 Lunch and Learn 11:45 am	9 Pastor Marilyn to COM	10	11 Men's Breakfast 8:00am
12 Pentecost Outdoor Worship Service 10:00am	13	14 Property & Finance Committee, 7:00pm	15 Lunch and Learn 11:45 am; Bosom Buddies 6:45pm; Session 7 pm	16	17	18
19 7 <sup>th</sup> Annual Hymn Festival; Father's Day	20	21 New Beginnings lunch, 11:30am	22 Lunch and Learn 11:45 am	23	24 John Knox Presbytery Day at Circus World in Baraboo	25 John Knox Presbytery Day at Circus World in Baraboo
26 Worship Committee 11:30am	27	28	29 Lunch and Learn 11:45 am	30		



## **Community Activities Held At Dale Heights**

### **Madison Sah-lang (Agape) Church**

We are the nesting site for this evangelical church belonging to Presbyterian Church in America.

### **Furniture Loan for International Students:**

Call Madison Friends of International Students office at 238-1046 for an appointment.

### **Breast Cancer Support Group:**

Third Wednesday of the month, 6:45 p.m. in the lounge.

### **Wisconsin Tibetan Association:**

Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. in the lounge.

### **Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts:**

There is a Girl Scouts and a Cub Scouts troops meeting at various times

### **Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association:**

There are various committees meeting at various times

### ***Dale Heights Mission Statement:***

*Our open-minded congregation affirms and celebrates God's gifts of love and grace.  
We seek to share God's love by inviting others to join us in following Jesus  
and by serving those in need in our community and world.*

### ***Dale Heights Presbyterian Church***

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### **Sunday Schedule**

9:00 a.m.

Christian Education

for all ages

September-May

10:00 a.m.

Worship

Child care provided

11:00 a.m.

Fellowship