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Joys and Concerns

Recovering from Surgery... Debby Strangeway (home)

Calendar**July 7**

9:00 am Men's Bible Study – Heywood Room
 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Group – Parlor
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall

July 9

7:00 pm Thursday Night Worship – Wesley Hall

July 10

4:30 pm Sr. High Brewer Outing

July 12

10:30 am "The Shack" Book Discussion – Fellowship Hall

July 13

5:30 pm Baking Circle – Fellowship Hall Kitchen

Upcoming Sermons & Themes

You are encouraged to read the texts before worship each week.

July 12: Mark 6: 14-29
Hearing Versus Doing

July 19: Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56
Compassionate Living

July 26: John 6: 1-21
Filled With Leftovers

Aug. 2 John 6: 24-35
The Ultimate Soul Food

Book Discussion - July 12th

"The Shack" by William Young, is a current fiction bestseller that many people have read and enjoyed. It's a book about a person who is dealing with tragedy and grief, but it is also a very theological book about God's place and action in human lives. The

writer confronts our ideas and images of God and Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, but in that process may open up and enliven our own ideas and images. If you would like to have the chance to discuss this book with others from our church, Pastor Sue will facilitate a discussion hour on Sunday, July 12, at 10:30am. We will gather in the east side of Fellowship Hall. If you haven't read the book, it's a pretty quick read and is available in paperback or there are multiple copies in the Milwaukee Public Library system. This discussion is open to youth and adults. Feel free to pick up a cup of coffee and join us.

Brunch in the Garden

Plan to be with us **August 16th** and stay after the 9:30 am service to share a brunch together. Egg casseroles will be prepared and we will be asking people to bring fruit or muffins/rolls. This will be a summer opportunity to enjoy some time spent visiting with others from our church and sharing a Sunday brunch. For those who would prefer eating inside that day, fellowship hall will be available. More information will follow but, for now, mark your calendar.

Sound System Update

We are in the midst of the installation of a new sound system, which has been provided by a generous donor in our congregation. You may have noticed that some of the pews in the sanctuary have been removed in preparation for this installation. The new system will provide uniform, full range, intelligible audio coverage, using column line array speakers. For the best results, two pews needed to be removed on both sides of the front of the church. Half pews will be the first two pews on the north side. This will not only provide the desired audio coverage, but will allow for more room to enter the sanctuary, exit the elevator, and space for those with wheelchairs and walkers. In addition, some pews have been removed in the back, to make room for a roll top desk unit, which will hold the soundboard and recording deck. We hope to have this new sound system operational by July 12th.

Altar Flowers Opportunity

Donating flowers for the altar is a way that you can honor someone you care about, share your joys, or pay tribute to the treasured memories of loved ones. Dates that are still open this summer are: August 9 & 30, and September 6. Just write your name on the sign up calendar next to the coffee in Fellowship Hall. You will be contacted by Erin McGargill before that Sunday.

Summer Coffee Hour Hosts Needed

Coffee hosts are needed for many dates this summer. If you enjoy refreshments and fellowship following worship, please call the church office to volunteer or sign up in Fellowship Hall next to the kitchen window. All you need to do is put out the refreshments and bring a smile. (Those who serve after the 9:30 service are asked to clean up and put things away.) Cookies and juice are provided, unless you have a special treat you like to bake. Instructions are posted in the Fellowship Hall kitchen.

Advertising Opportunity

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book and Directory for the church. This book helps us all to know more about our church. As last year, the book is being provided at no cost to us, including the mailing to each family, and again is being subsidized by local businesses who advertise in it. If you own or manage a business and want to find out how to advertise in the book, please call the church office at 414-453-0700.

Summer Music Opportunities

We are once again seeking anyone who would be interested in singing/playing a solo, duet, trio, small ensemble, for our 8:00 and/or 9:30 services **through Sunday, September 6**. For more information or to sign up, contact Pastor Jan at 414-453-0700 or email at janbeutin@sbcglobal.net.

Volunteer Opportunities at Sojourner Family Peace Center

Women and men are needed days, evenings and weekends to volunteer at Sojourner Family Peace Center. They offer opportunities to volunteer on the Domestic Violence Hotline, with battered women and their children at the shelter, Sojourner Truth House, with children at Belle Resource Center, with men and women in our Beyond Abuse program and in the Domestic Violence Unit at the Milwaukee District Attorney's Office. A minimum of three (3) hours each week for 6 months is requested. A 1½ hour evening training program begins on September 15 and continues on September 17, 22, 24 & 29 from 5:30 - 9:00 pm. All five evenings are required. Please call Melinda Wall Piraino at 414-933-2722 by September 11 for further information.