

The Tower

Gathering As Friends... Growing in Faith... Sharing God's Love

Confirmation Sunday May 4 at 9:45am

We are looking forward to confirming thirteen young people on the first Sunday in May. Plan to be with us as we affirm this step in their lives, when they take their vows of membership in the life of our church.

Music Ministries & Staff Recognition Sunday: May 18

All of our choirs will be sharing with us and we'll celebrate the various ministries of music of our church. In addition, we will recognize the church staff, for all their work in the life of the church.

The Kat Trio

Mark your calendar and plan to be with us on June 8 when the Kat Trio will play during both our 8:15 and 9:45am worship services. They will also present a 20-minute concert following the 9:45 service. We were privileged to have them with us three years ago and it will be a treat to hear them again. This violin-clarinet-piano ensemble from Ekaterinburg, Russia was formed in May 1998 in Ekaterinburg by three friends—Victoria Gorbich (violin), Vladislav Gorbich (clarinet) and Vasil Galiulin (piano). They had just graduated from the Ural State Music Conservatory. Today “The Kat Trio” is Victoria, Vladislav and pianist Justin Snyder. Victoria and Vlad are doctoral graduates of Arizona State University. Justin is a graduate of University of Michigan and recently has finished studying in London at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama. Kat Trio concerts showcase unique Russian arrangements and transpositions of timeless melodies and feature classical works, well-known inspirational songs, and even American pop standards, including Scott Joplin’s rags.

Summerfest at WAUMC!

Summer music...not just for the choir anymore.

The summer music schedule is just around the corner, it starts on May 25th and runs through Labor Day. Wendy Kamerling and Tim Karth will once again coordinate and manage the schedule and serve as musical liaisons.



This is an open invitation to all members of the church to help us host our own SUMMERFEST. Please consider sharing your musical gifts this summer. This is a great opportunity to sing or play a solo, duet, or a small ensemble. Any age... any musical configuration. We are blessed with many accomplished musicians in our church. I am sure that current members of Agape and Chancel will be sharing special music... but not every week. This is also a great opportunity for the youth of our church to step forward in service to the church.

Summer is also the perfect time to learn how to be a Sound Tech. We are still looking for individuals to provide some relief for our current crew. A training session will be offered May 25th. It will take place right after church and will last no more than 45 minutes. You will come to learn just how easy it is to operate our sound system.

To reserve a date (sharing music or learning about the sound board) or for more information, please contact Tim Karth at tim.karth@sbcglobal.net or 414-688-6805 (call or text).

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Sunday Schedule

8:15 a.m. Traditional Worship - Chapel
9:45 a.m. Blended Worship - Sanctuary
9:15 & 10:45 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship
10:00 a.m. Sunday School - Children & Youth
11:00 am Adult Sunday School Hour

Church Staff and Office Hours

Sue Burwell

Pastor

Tuesday - Friday • 9:30-3:00

Charles Bauer-King

Pastor of Visitation

Monday & Thursday • 9:15-2:00

Natalie Stumpner

Director of Christian Education

Monday - Thursday • 9:00-4:00

Jodie Hunt

Church Administrator

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday • 9:30-4:30

Jackie Onan

Financial Secretary

Monday • 9:00-2:00; Thursday • 9:00-12:00

Dr. Sheila Feay-Shaw

Chancel Choir Director

Tim Karth

Agape Praise Team Director

Martha Aslakson

Organist (9:45 service) & Tower Bells Director

Janet Smith

Pianist (8:15 service)

Amanda Prosser

Cherub Choir Director

Susan Watson

Troubadour Choir & Youth Ensemble Director

Heather Sugden

Agape Accompanist

Laurie Froemke

Nursery Coordinator

Charles Zaffiro

Maintenance/Security

Marie Rider

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**2013
Tower Deadlines**



May 14 - June (summer)

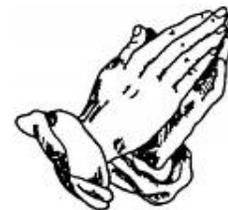
August 6 - September (fall start up)

September 3 - October (All Saints/Thanksgiving)

Please place your articles in the Tower folder in the church office across from Jodie Hunt's office or email to waumc@sbcglobal.net by the above dates.

We'll pray for you!

Our church prayer chain welcomes any prayer requests you would like to forward to us.



You may drop your written prayer concern in the collection plate on Sunday morning, or call or email it to: Penny McCanles at 414-453-5337, pmccanles@wi.rr.com; or Jodie Hunt at 414-453-0700, waumc@sbcglobal.net.

The requests are emailed each Monday to those who have agreed to pray for those who need our help. If you would like to join the prayer chain, please contact Penny McCanles at the above email address.

Feel Free to Contact Your Pastors

There are times when people are hospitalized, or have personal concerns or a crisis, and the pastoral staff would like to be supportive. If you or someone you know, goes to the hospital, or needs our care, please feel free to call the church and let us know. Pastor Sue makes hospital visits Tuesday through Sunday, and Pastor Charles makes hospital visits Mondays & some Thursdays. Also, contact the church office and let us know of the names of any home-bound persons who might like a visit. And, if your address changes, we also would appreciate receiving that information. After office hours, you can reach Pastor Sue at 414-257-1228 and Pastor Charles at 262-681-0570.

This will be an interesting summer around here, with the parking lot redesign project moving forward in visible ways. We had hoped the parking garage would remain fully functional until we were ready to take it down, but unfortunately this year's hard winter took its toll on that structure. Especially on Sunday mornings, I'm sure it has been a challenge, since members of other churches are also sharing the available parking here in the village. I do see people walking to church from their houses though, and entering the doors off the courtyard, which used to be the main way to enter the church (before parking was added in the back). If you live within walking distance, that may be a good pattern for the summer. And we're all grateful it's not mid-January, because we know what that was like and we wouldn't have wanted to walk any further than we absolutely had to.

I appreciate people's flexibility. I honestly have not heard grumbling. You may have grumbled to someone else, but it didn't make its way to me! What I do know is that things are going to get more complicated and messy before they will get better. So if we can be patient with each other throughout this project, that would be helpful.

Carolyn Esswein, a member of our Building Committee, shared the following story. I received her permission to share it, as a way to help us understand that what may be perceived as inconvenience initially, in the long run will mean things are going to be better. Here's her story:

One of the courses I teach at UWM is the graduate planning capstone course. We work with real clients each Spring semester. Students work in groups and produce a professional report that clients use to implement various projects and policies. Years ago we produced a design/development report for the Tosa Village area and this year are working on a Sustainability Project for Wauwatosa.

In 2007, 1.5 years after Katrina, one of our projects was for New Orleans. We took the four students and visited New Orleans for several days to meet our client, learn the neighborhood, gather public input, etc. On the day we arrived we drove through the neighborhood, the poorest neighborhood in the US at that time, and noticed

large piles of debris, furniture, and household items on the curb—about one pile every few blocks. The rest of the homes were vacant or boarded up. We commented how devastating it was to see personal belongings sitting in a pile on the street and the image that gave for the neighborhood. It was overwhelming to see so little change after 1.5 years.

The next day we met our client group and toured/walked the neighborhood. When we commented on the piles of garbage and belongings, they said each pile was a great sign of positive change in the neighborhood. Not a negative message. It meant someone was coming back to the neighborhood, gutting the house (from the water damage and mold all items needed to be removed), and renovating so they could move in.

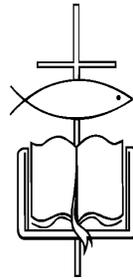
I guess it all depends how we view the signs... orange tape means parking problems and difficulties, or it means renovation and improved parking are coming soon!

The Building Committee is working with our contractors to finalize a design. (see Jeff Williams' article in this newsletter, on pg. 9). Having gone through a building project in another church, what I know is that not everybody will be totally satisfied about every decision that is made—not a surprise. But be assured that the Building Committee is trying to make good decisions for today, as well as for our church in the future.

On another subject—people have had questions about how we are covering Don Truman's tasks. The good news is that we have hired two part time people to fulfill this role. Marie Rider is now our church custodian handling cleaning tasks and Charles Zaffiro is starting the week after Easter as our maintenance/security/meeting set-up person. Many of us know Marie because she is a member of our church and has served as the assistant custodian in the past, and holds the job of printer here. Charles is retired from Miller Brewery and rehabs/restores homes. He has plumbing, electrical and various repair skills. And, he lives close to the church—a three to five minute bicycle ride when the weather is good! We are pleased to have these two folks on board.

**Upcoming Sermon
Scriptures & Themes**

- April 27:** John 20:19-31; 1 Peter 1:3
Too Good to Be True
- May 4:** Philippians 2:1-7, 13
We Go From Where We Know
- May 11:** Isaiah 49:13-16
A Maternal Perspective
- May 18:** 1 Peter 1:22; 2:1-10
Christian Strippers
- May 25:** 1 Peter 3:13-22
True to the Brand
- June 1:** John 17:1-11
Yours, Mine & Ours
- June 8:** Acts 2:1-21
We'll Know It When We See It



If you are out of town or miss church some Sunday and would like to read the sermons, you will find them on our church website: www.waumc.org.

Strength for Service—May 25

Our church is one of many across the nation that supports Strength for Service, a devotional book written for those in the service of others. *Strength for Service to God and Community* contains 365 one-page devotionals written specifically for firefighters, police officers, emergency medical technicians and others who respond to everyday tragedies. It is a ministry of the Commission on United Methodist Men, an agency of The United Methodist Church. This book is patterned after *Strength for Service to God and Country*, a book of daily devotions first written for US troops in World War II and the Korean War, and updated a decade ago. More than 420,000 copies of this life-changing book have already been distributed overseas, but hundreds of thousands more are needed for those currently serving stateside or abroad.



If you would like to make a donation for both of these books, you will be given the opportunity on May 25. \$7 covers the cost of one book. Please make checks payable to WAUMC and identify "Strength for Service" on your check. We will then forward all the money to the General Commission on United Methodist Men. Thanks for your support.

Our Church Family

Recent surgery...

LaVerne Freyer, Barb Heckenbach, Cynthia Tottey

In Special Care...

Bill Slaybaugh



We rejoice in the baptisms of...

Annastatia Huck, daughter of Jennifer & Kevin on March 16

Breslin Mueller, son of Vanessa & Tyson, on March 23

Thomas Kell, son of Erin & Jeremy, on March 30

Ansley Joy Packard, daughter of Krissa & Marcus, on April 20

Opt Out

Here is a way for you to join the church GREEN TEAM. "Opt out" of receiving a paper copy of our Tower newsletter (published 6 times a year). You can read the Tower online at the church website: www.waumc.org.

Call the church at 414-453-0700 or send an email to waumc@sbcglobal.net with your choice to "opt out" and save paper, ink and labor resources. A notice will go in the bulletin and email announcements when a new Tower is published. If you opt out and find that you prefer a paper copy, you can notify the church office.



Spring Ingathering for Tosa Food Pantry — Vegetables



Please help our neighbors! Please bring some canned vegetables to help tide people over until fresh vegetables are available. Bring any canned veggie you want—corn, carrots, beans (of all kinds), peas and so forth to our Ingathering grocery cart at the bottom of the central set of stairs, and we will take the food to the Wauwatosa Food Pantry at St. Bernard's. *Any* non-perishable food you want to bring is appreciated! Gifts in the offering plate marked for *Ingathering* will go to The Hunger Task Force or local pantries and meal programs. Thank you!

Soap Sunday: Mother's Day, May 11

Church and Society is again sponsoring a collection of soap and personal care items. We will be collecting the toiletries for the transitional housing program at United Methodist Children's Services. UMCS has said they really want bar soap and laundry soap. Also shampoo and conditioner, razors, toothpaste and toothbrushes, feminine hygiene products, and other personal care items. These should all be new and unused. On SOAP SUNDAY, May 11, we will have baskets at the church entrances and in the back of the sanctuary and the chapel to collect your items.

Sandwich Service Project Dates

Our next dates to make 200 bag lunches for The Gathering are Saturdays, May 17 and June 21. We will meet from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. on those Saturdays at our church to make peanut butter sandwiches, bag cookies and carrots or fruit, and pack the lunches. Some of us will take the lunches to St. James Church at 8th and Wisconsin. Please sign up online at www.signupgenius.com/go/5080A4DAEA72AAA8-pbj, so they can plan on your help and/or coordinate your contributions. Or see the sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall on Sunday. We especially need fruit, cookies and workers. Co-sponsored by Church & Society.



Summerfield UMC Saturday Meal

On Saturday morning, **May 17**, while we are in the kitchen making peanut butter lunches, we will also prepare a complete hot meal to take downtown to the Summerfield UMC meal program at 728 E. Juneau Avenue. They feed 35-50 people a hot meal for Saturday supper weekly. A few of us will deliver and serve the food from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. Please let Jennie Ehrmann know if you would like to help serve the meal Saturday afternoon/evening at jmehrmann59@gmail.com. Going forward, we expect our next quarterly date will be August 16.

St. Benedict's Meal Program

May 4: Pick up plastic buckets to make JELLO fruit salad for the St. Benedict's Meal Program. We provide the recipe. Or sign up to bring a gallon of 1% milk.

May 11: Return salad buckets or milk gallons to the main kitchen.

May 13: JELLO fruit salad and milk served to 400-500 hungry people at St. Benedict's, along with food provided by other groups.

June 1: The next JELLO bucket Sunday.

Postal Food Drive "Stamp Out Hunger"

On Saturday, **May 10**, be a part of a nation-wide food drive to "Stamp Out Hunger"! Please leave non-perishable food by your mailbox and your letter carrier will deliver the food to the Hunger Task Force. Please donate canned fruits and vegetables, canned meats/protein, and cereal. Other non-perishable foods are welcome. Food collected during this drive is absolutely critical to keeping meal sites and food pantries filled throughout the summer, according to the Hunger Task Force. Please put "food drive" on your grocery list.

Underwriting the Summerfield UMC Saturday Meal

We will be preparing and serving the meal at the Summerfield UMC meal program on E. Juneau Ave. on May 17. If you would like to help underwrite the cost of "our" Summerfield meal, please put your gift in the offering plate marked "Ingathering" or "Summerfield."

It's Time for Summer Sunday School!

Summer is almost here. Our Summer Sunday School program will start on Sunday, June 1. During the summer months, children will continue to be dismissed to Sunday School right after children's moment in the 9:45 worship service on Sunday mornings. Our youngest children, 3 and 4 year olds, will continue to meet in the Preschool room. There is also a special summer class for our 5k-4th grade classes. Children in grades 5k-4th grade are welcome to gather as a large group class on Sunday mornings. After being dismissed from worship, children are invited to gather in the 2nd-3rd grade classroom.

Note: there will be no Summer Sunday School over Memorial Day weekend, 4th of July weekend or Labor Day weekend. Children are encouraged to worship with their family on these Sundays.

There will be no summer program for our tweens group (grades 5, 6, and 7). Tweens are welcome to worship with their families on Sunday mornings or act as helpers in the preschool classroom. Please see Natalie for a very quick training session if you have a tween interested in helping.

Teachers are a vital part of the summer program and will be needed for both preschool and large group classes. **We are asking each family to consider leading a class once during the summer months.** Sign-up sheets are located in the stair well leading to the 3rd floor.

If you have any questions about our summer program, please feel free to contact Natalie via email at nataliestumpner@sbcglobal.net or by phone at 414-453-0700.

Everywhere Fun Fair VBS Save the Date!

Save the date! Everywhere Fun Fair VBS will be coming to WAUMC Thursday, August 14 - Saturday, August 16. Join us on Thursday and Friday, August 14 & 15, from 5:30-7:30pm and Saturday, August 16, from 9am-11am as we explore different cultures and learn how God's love is shared all around the world in our very own World's Fair. Meet some new neighbors as we play games, do crafts, and learn about being a



child of God. Watch the *Tower*, bulletin, and website for more details on registration and volunteer opportunities. Also keep an eye out for some special appearances by our Fun Fair Friends!

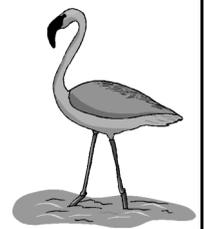
Pastor Sue's Book Discussion

Pastor Sue's next book discussion book will be "The Invention of Wings" by Sue Monk Kidd, which has spent weeks on the New York Times bestseller list. This is a work of historical fiction inspired by the real Grimké sisters, Sarah and Angelina. It is an important book for its history of the abolition of slavery and the early days of the movement for women's rights. But it's more than just that — it's also a book people will want to read for its compelling storytelling and unforgettable characters. Any interested persons are invited to meet in the east end of Fellowship Hall on Sunday, July 20, at 11am to share in the discussion. This is a popular book. There are numerous copies in our public library system, but you may need to put a hold on a copy.



Alert! Flamingo Migration Predicted

As spring draws near, Wauwatosa Avenue will get a chance to see a migrating flock of pink flamingos! As cute and friendly as they seem, these birds have been known to become pesky, pink pals. They have even been sighted at the homes of congregation members without warning. Good thing we have our very own flamingo wrangling crew here at WAUMC (aka the youth)! As we approach the month of May, watch the bulletin for information on Flamingo Insurance, which insures you that our wrangling crew will keep these birds away from your home and more details about how to send our pink pals to visit a friend or family member. Our flamingo wrangling crew is monitoring the migration carefully and will give you bulletin updates as the flock moves closer. Keep on the look out!



Spring Luncheon and Mission Program

The United Methodist Women will be hosting a spring salad luncheon on Tuesday, May 13, at noon. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy a delicious meal followed by an interesting program by Linda McDowel. Linda will be telling us about her mission work in Honduras. She recently returned from her tenth trip to serve in this Central American country. Please come! You do not need to be a member of UMW to attend. Men have a reserved "top hat" table. Call Jean Nelson at 414-256-6850.

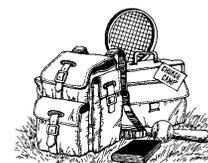
K'n'K



It will soon be time for another memorable potluck. The date is May 10 at 5:30 pm. We will meet in Fellowship Hall. (This is a change in location.) Callers will be calling you to see what you would like to bring. Think of something you like to make and/or eat. All are welcome.

UM Summer Camps are back!

Don't have your summer plans yet? Check out the huge selection of UM Summer Camps. Camps cater to a variety of interests including horseback riding, hanging out at the beach, music, art, and drama. There are camps available for every age group including families. For more information, please see the bulletin board outside of Natalie's office or log on to www.WIUMCamps.org



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Coffee Hour Thanks

I would like to thank the following for helping with the 2013-14 Coffee/Fellowship Hour:

Nancy Rohde	Myrna Kaufman	Brian & Amy Smallcombe
P.E.O. Chapter Group	Marit Gorr & Family	Clela Rueter
Meg Kruger	Missy Stippich & Family	Senior High Youth
Diana Schroepfer	Karen Peliska	Adele Hahn
Jennie Ehrmann	Boy Scout Troop 21	CIA Youth Group
Confirmation Class	Jennifer & Kevin Huck & Family	Beverly Lawrence
Lois Nugent	Mary Peterson	Sallie & Bruce Peterson
Penny McCanles	Sue Burwell	Steve & Carol Weber
Capital Appeal Group	Christine Flagge	Capital Appeal Team (Spec. Event)
Derald Walker	Sue & Ken Freitag	Roma Erickson
Marge Lammar	Mary Johnson	Katie Brown
Peterson-Gregory Family	Wendy Sodnik & Family	Tess & Dave Vollmers & Family
Beckie & Dave Beach & Family	Carolyn Dressler	Mary Hutton
Mary Spearo	Edith Brown	Pam Gibbs - Juice/supplies shopper



Some of you helped more than once this past season. Thank you to everyone else who I might have missed for baking. A huge **thank you!** And to all of you who were taste testers who enjoy our refreshments.

— Lou Walker

AND thanks to Lou Walker for recruiting hosts & bakers and coordinating the calendar for coffee hour for the past two years.

Habitat for Humanity House

WAUMC's 14 house is complete & Natasha Flowers & her 2 daughters are moved into their new home after 250 hours of "sweat equity" labor. The house was funded by monies raised & volunteer labor provided by WAUMC, Emmanuel Community UMC Menomonee Falls, & Christ King Parish.



In early May we'll be having a House Blessing at the home for Natasha & family. Date will be set & publicized soon. We hope many of you can attend & see the home our church helped build!

Our 15th house will be framed at 2125 North 51st Street Tuesday, June 17 - Saturday, June 21. We'll be looking for 12-15 volunteers per day. More details to follow. Any questions please contact Anne Neafie at 262.797.6562 or neafie@wi.rr.com.

Tshala Mwengo's Untimely Death

As announced last week, Tshala Mwengo, Paul Webster's fellow missionary at Mujila Falls Agricultural Project, Zambia, was killed in a bus accident on April 9th. He is survived by his wife, Betty, with whom he served in ministry, and their two young children.

Global Ministries General Secretary, Thomas Kemper, gave thanks for the life and service of Mwengo. He stated, "I am thankful for the faithful ministries of Tshala, who had a strong commitment to agriculture and evangelism," he said. "This kind of unexpected loss is a tragedy and a reminder that even in the 21st century, mission can be a dangerous calling."

Please pray for Tshala's wife Betty and their two children during their time of loss.

Paul Webster wrote: "Tshala would have loved a love offering to the Mujila Falls Agriculture Center for some of the projects he wasn't able to complete." If you would like to do something in Tshala's memory, a donation may be given to WAUMC, just earmark your envelope or check: Tshala.

WAUMC's 2013 Mission Giving

One Great Hour of Sharing	\$1,780.00
Native American Awareness Sun.	253.00
World Communion Sunday	212.40
U.M. Student Day	254.00
Zambia Agriculture Project	1,284.00
Paul Webster—Missionary Support	2,500.00
Heifer Project	556.40
Imagine No Malaria	367.00
US Disaster Response	634.00
International Disaster Response	625.00
UMCOR	174.00
UM Children's Services	<u>211.00</u>
Total	\$8,850.88

Imagine No Malaria

For World Malaria Day, April 25, Imagine No Malaria is encouraging supporters to #CoverTheNet to raise awareness on Facebook and Twitter about a killer disease that claims the life of a child every 60 seconds. Let the world know you're one of a world of people unified in the fight against a needless killer. Here's how you can help us create social media buzz about this life-saving cause:

- Add a special World Malaria Day Twibbon to your social media profile photos to spread the word and let people know you support the cause. Twibbon is a microsite where supporters can support a cause in a variety of ways and ask friends to join them. Get your Twibbon here!
- Shout it out via Thunderclap! Thunderclap is a "crowdspeaking" platform that creates a big splash by blasting out a timed Facebook post and tweet from Imagine No Malaria supporters on April 25—all at the same time. When we speak together, our voices can be heard.
- Take cover! Change your Facebook cover image using the one we have posted at [Facebook.com/imaginenomalaria](https://www.facebook.com/imaginenomalaria). While you're there, check out our shareable posts and videos!
- #CoverTheNet with prayers for those at risk of death from malaria. Add your prayer to our wall on or leading up to April 25.

To learn more, follow Imagine No Malaria on Facebook or join the conversation online using the hashtag #CoverTheNet.

Parking Project

The Building Committee has selected MSI General as the contractor for our parking project. MSI provides architectural design and building construction services, and has been involved in more than 100 projects involving religious organizations. We are currently considering a parking lot that will be at, or near, street level where the parking structure is currently located. There will also be an elevator component to the project due to the planned street level parking lot. In addition to meetings with contractors, we have also met with Wauwatosa Alderpersons to discuss our plans and solicit their input.

We are planning to schedule a church conference prior to the end of May to present our proposal to the congregation. In the interim, please do not hesitate to contact Jeff Williams if you have any questions.

Green Team

We have been challenged by the Strategic Planning Team to find ways to include a "Sustainability Mindset" within our programs and practices at WAUMC. It is almost Earth Day, so we are asking everyone to join the Green Team. All the church committees and groups have been asked to find ways to make their particular church activities more environmentally sustainable—conserving resources and as a result, saving money in many cases.

As noted in the United Methodist Social Principles, "All creation is the Lord's and we are responsible for the ways in which we use and abuse it."

Our church has made some good changes already along these lines, and more are in the planning, but please take the time to put a little extra thought toward this important concept. Forward any ideas you might have to Diane Armstrong at warmstrong@wi.rr.com. We will be publicizing this very beneficial project — look for the bulletin board to mark our progress.



Spring Gardening Angels Needed!



The WAUMC Garden Committee would very much appreciate your help to restore our lovely grounds for the spring/summer season. We'll be gathering on Sunday, May 4, from 1-3pm (rain date Sunday, May 18, from 1-3pm).

Everyone is invited to help, and the more folks who come, the less time we'll need to do a thorough job. It's fun and fulfilling fellowship! Please bring your labeled tools (including rakes), gloves, and any containers or bags for yard waste (which can be emptied on site). Child care will be provided by the senior high youth by calling Wendy Sodnik (414-475-6655) to reserve a spot.

May Habitat Blitz Week Lunch Help

WAUMC will provide the lunch for the Habitat volunteers during their May Blitz Week, during which they plan to frame several new houses in the central city. We will be providing chili for 120 people, along with french bread, fruit and dessert for the lunch on Monday, May 12.



We would like help from you in making the chili. If you are willing to make a batch at home, starting with two pounds of ground beef (no noodles), please contact Mary Spearo at 414-475-0848. Please bring the chili to church on Sunday, May 11. (We'll have buckets to pour your chili into.) In addition, we would like toppings for the chili, such as oyster crackers, shredded cheese, sour cream and chopped-up onions.

We also will need 120 servings of fruit, washed and ready to go. Habitat suggests apples, oranges, bananas, grapes or strawberries in serving-size ziplock bags, so the workers can pick the fruit and take it with them.

Also, we will need several desserts, and French bread. Please call Mary Spearo at 414-475-0848 to let her know what you can bring. Then bring your contributions to church with you on Sunday, May 11, to the main kitchen.

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Please have in-home
April 24**

PENTECOST CELEBRATION

On June 8th we'll celebrate Pentecost. On Pentecost Sunday, the Holy Spirit is frequently represented by images of wind and fire. Many churches decorate their sanctuary with bright red colors, representing fire.



We would like to brighten up our worship space with red geraniums. You are invited to purchase one or more of these flowers, which can be taken home with you to be planted in your flower beds. (Or if you don't have a garden area and would like them to be planted at the church, that would be fine also.) These dark red geraniums will come to us in 6½ inch containers, and they will cost \$7.50.

Please fill out this order and return it to the church office along with your money, by **May 28**, if you would like to purchase these geraniums. Please make checks payable to: Wauwatosa Avenue United Methodist Church.

NAME _____ PHONE# _____ # OF PLANTS _____