



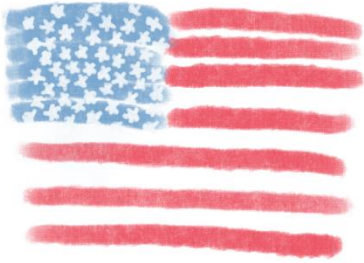
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NEWSLETTER



Pronouncing Judgement Before the Time, Before the Lord Comes.

"Therefore, do not pronounce judgement before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive commendation from God." (1 Corinthians 4:5) In our Christian faith journey we have many spiritual lessons to learn. They are happening in front of our own eyes and, if we observe and meditate on them, they can be helpful tools that all of us can use to make better decisions in pronouncing judgement to others. The advice to the church members of Corinth was not to pronounce judgement before the time. This means there is an appointed time for judgment.

Whenever we talk about judgement our memory takes us to the court room, the judge, the lawyer of the defendant, the DA, the victim and the accuser. While judgement in the court of law takes place every single day, everywhere in the world, pronouncing judgement before the time among the Christian community is inappropriate and irrelevant. Why? Because God is the judge of the living and the dead. We humans don't have all the facts available to us and, therefore, we might make mistakes by pronouncing judgement on someone else. Now and then we hear about a person on trial who was found guilty by a jury in the court of law and many years later the case is brought back to court, and the person is declared not guilty.

In Sunset Park Brooklyn, I asked the jail authorities in New York to allow an inmate to come to his

mother's funeral service. His mother was a member of the local congregation that I was serving in New York. They responded to my petition and allowed him to attend his mother's funeral. He had been found guilty of shooting and killing another man, but his mother told me before she passed away that he was innocent. His wife, according to his mother, had shot the man. However, since they had two children, he did not want her to go to jail. He tried to protect her and, therefore, he took responsibility for a crime that he did not commit. He served 8 years in jail. Unfortunately, his wife died of HIV before he was released after serving his time. He was alive but she died from an HIV infection.

When the Lord comes, he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. No one can lie to the Lord. On the judgement day, all the facts will be brought forth and presented and each one of us will receive from the judge who will be presiding on that day a just and fair trial. So, until that day, all judgements are suspended because He is the one who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and He will disclose the purposes of our hearts. The good news is that, if we follow God's instructions, each one of us will receive commendation from God. God will be the one who rewards those who are faithful to His covenant. To our wise and only God be the glory forever. Amen!

Pastor Rey Diaz



2024 Confirmands: Rhaya P., Phoebe C., Allie T., Tenley N., PJ V., Treysen P., Brogan D., Conrad B.

FENNIMORE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

June 2024

Article by Jackie Wehrle

Hello Summer,

The bugs are back as well as pollen and grass that grows overnight. Lately a lot of rain and storms have fallen on the Wisconsin area as well. When I look at my garden with all the water in it, I am concerned a family of ducks will take up residency. June kicks off the vacation season, picnics, family reunions, road trips etc. With longer days we can squeeze in more fun activities. June has the longest day of the year with the Summer Solstice called Vernal Equinox. This year it falls on June 20th at 4:51 Eastern Standard Time.

June is named for the Roman goddess Juno who was the patroness of marriage and the well-being of women. This is and has been a concern and mission of the United Methodist Women which is now called United Women in Faith. This faith mission is to improve the lives of women all over the world through faith actions. At last reported counts there was nearly ½ million members of the UMW. In 1869, missionary wives wrote to eight Boston church women asking for help and support for the poor women of India. Women, at that time in India, were uneducated, and had few options open for them. They could not even be medically treated by a male doctor. This plea for help sparked many women church groups to action. The legacy of these first groups have left is "showing up and getting things done". This is true of today's ladies still. Some of the first groups that were formed are as follows:

- Women's Missionary Association of the United Brethren Church in 1875
- Two Separate Women's Home Mission Societies in 1880 and 1890
- Women's Foreign Missionary Society in 1879

And many more from many different denominations. Today, the United Women in Faith continue support missions locally, nationally, and internationally with prayers, programs, education, money, and busy hands. Today's Motto is "Faith, Hope, Love in Action". Our Fennimore group supports with money and working hands at some of the following areas:

- Depot Exchange and Food Bank with Workers and Monetary Donations
- Sunday School and Bible School workers, Bibles for Sunday School Students etc.
- Red Bird School and the Village
- Quilts for people who have lost everything, lap robes for Veterans homes
- Grant County Holiday Project Christmas Gifts
- Flowers for Baptisms
- Funeral Luncheons
- Visits to Nursing Home Residents

Let's not forget that June is also Dairy Month. People from Wisconsin love their cheese and ice cream. I would guess maybe we eat more than other states, and why not when it tasted so good? As of March 1st, 2024, there were 5,617 dairy farms registered in the state with approximately 1,270,000 cows. In addition to cows there are dairy goat farms which have been steadily increasing. In many parts of the world people drink and make cheese from all types of cows, goats, sheep, camels, and water buffalo. Maybe not all of our cups of tea but go out and have a creamy, cold treat of ice cream this month and maybe a gooey grilled cheese sandwich on the porch.

Salad Luncheon

Wednesday, August 7

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Fennimore United Methodist Church

WORD SEARCH PUZZLES

ICE CREAM FLAVORS

Puzzle # : 13

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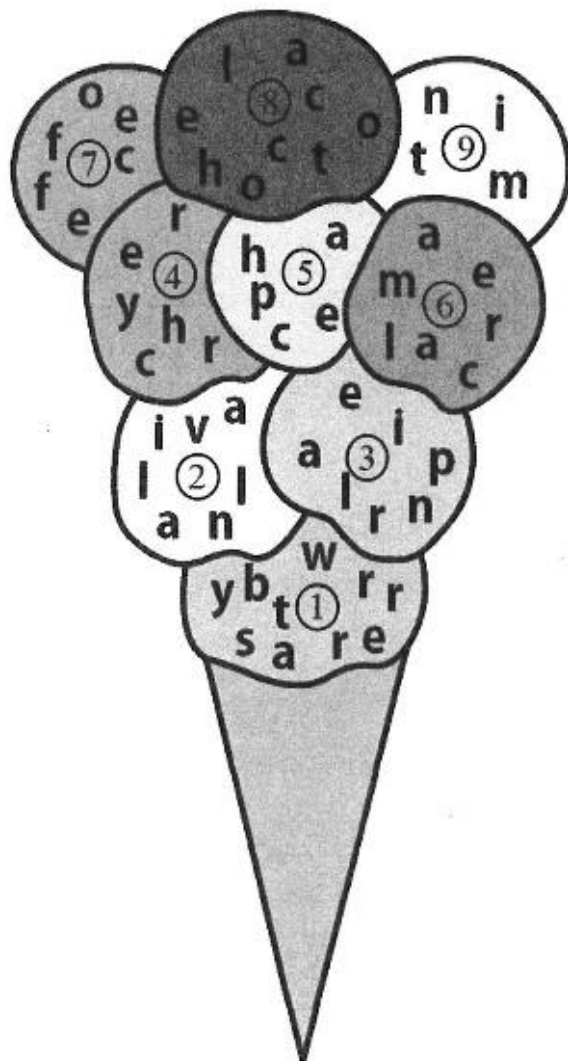
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STRAWBERRY COOKIES AND CREAM MOOSE TRACKS
COTTON CANDY BUTTERSCOTCH VANILLA REESES
MINT CHIP RASPBERRY COCONUT BANANA
TOFFEE CHOCOLATE PECAN FUDGE

Puzzle # : 16

ICE CREAM FLAVORS

Phil couldn't decide what flavor of ice cream he wanted most, so he just asked for a nine scoop cone. Unscramble the letters on each scoop to find out what flavors he enjoyed.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____



July 2024

Article by Judy Nelson

Summer has been full of ball games, graduations, weddings and relaxing family times. The weather is warming up and sitting under a shade tree is my favorite spot. The hot sultry days have been longer, but that is soon to change.

July is named for the Roman general Julius Caesar. July was his birth month. We will be celebrating on July 4. Did you know our past forefathers, felt we should celebrate on July 5?

However, on the 4th we will have parades, picnics and fireworks.

July Fun Days

National Blueberry Month

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National Picnic Month

National Watermelon Month

The United Women in Faith's "Creation Team" will not be meeting this Summer. Hopefully, it will start up again in the fall!

We will, however, be busy! We will be preparing a meal for the summer Vacation Bible School in July. We will also start our preparations for the Fall Salad Luncheon. Since school will be starting early this year, we will be moving the luncheon to Wednesday, August 7. We hope you can attend this delicious meal!

From the 1996 Cookbook

Party Dip

Contributed by Melba Gregory

1 Cup Cottage Cheese
1 Cup Sour Cream
1 pkg ranch dressing (dry)
2 cups salad dressing or mayo
Mix together

Very tasty with July raw vegetables!

Simple Punch

Contributed by Melba Gregory

1 large can Frozen Lemonade
1 can Pineapple Juice
1 can Hawaiian Punch
1 bottle Generic Brand Strawberry Soda Pop

Mix together.

Enjoy your summer!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We are excited for VBS! We will be partnering with St. Peter's Lutheran Church. VBS will be held at Fennimore United Methodist Church. It will run July 21-25 from 5:00 – 8:00 PM. A meal will be served for participants and their families from 5 – 5:30 with VBS beginning at 5:30 PM in the sanctuary. The VBS theme this year is "Twists and Turns". From classic tabletop games to video games and more, kids will play their way through VBS while learning that Jesus guides them through all the twists and turns of

their lives. They'll find that even when they mess up it's never "game over." We hope to see everyone there!



Care Facility Residents

Please keep our residents in your prayers!

Divine Rehabilitation and Nursing

Janet Barnes
Vicki Quincy
Sue Lewison

Orchard Manor

Christina Cathman
Bill Rotramel
Doris Schneider

Morningside Assisted Living

Marilyn Brodt

Park Place Senior Living

Geraldine Croft
Duane Furrer
Joann Schrader
Anna Grunder

Riverside Transitional Care (Lacrosse)

Donna Blackburn

Aspire Senior Living (Oshkosh)

Harriet Brun