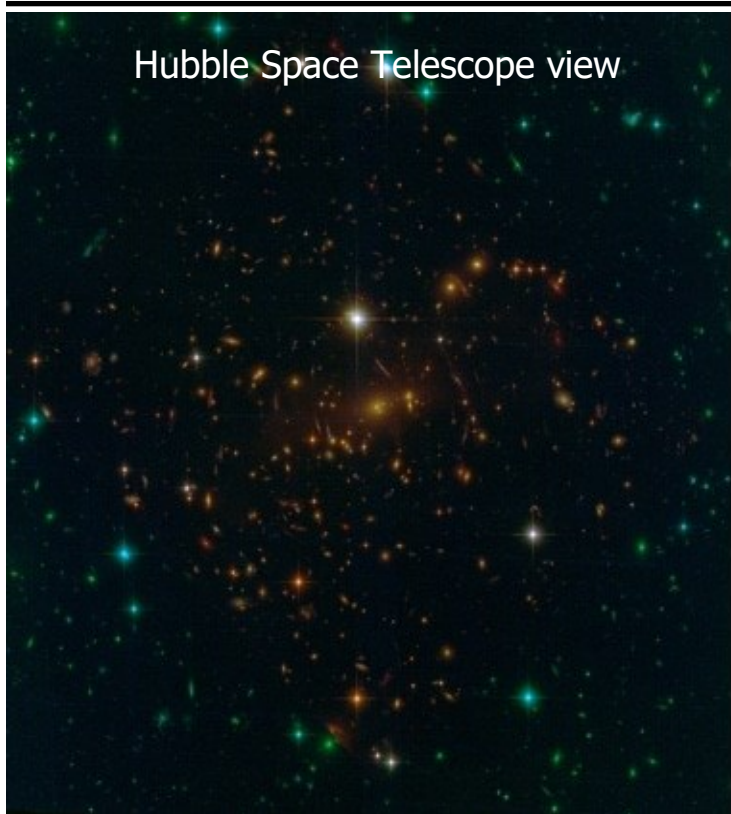
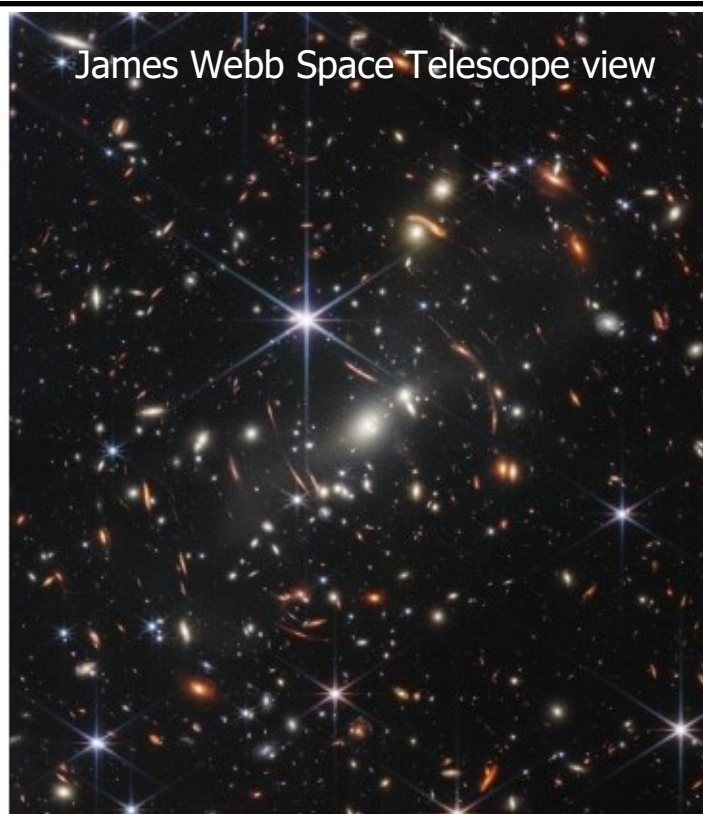


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Hubble Space Telescope view



James Webb Space Telescope view

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August Worship

**Summer Worship Series:
How Can I Keep From Singing: Hymns of our Faith**

August 7

Celebration of Holy Communion

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms - Deuteronomy 33:26-29

Rev. Jerad Morey

August 14

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore - Luke 5:1-11

Rev. Rachel McIver Morey

August 21

Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown - Genesis 32:24-32

Rev. Rachel McIver Morey

August 28

Walk Together Children - 3 John 1

Rev. Todd Campbell, Jr.



NUMC WELCOME STATEMENT

We affirm that all people are created in the image of God and, as beloved children of God, all are worthy of God's love and grace, regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity, family status, race, ethnicity, physical or mental ability, socio-economic status, or age. We unreservedly support and affirm the full inclusion of persons of all sexual orientations and gender identities in all facets of ministry at Northfield UMC, including ordination and marriage. Following Christ's example, we open our hearts, minds, and doors to welcome all who come to us in God's grace.

FINANCE UPDATE

How to make tithes and offerings

You can make your tithes and offerings a few different ways:

1. Make automatic donations from your bank account. Contact northfieldumc@gmail.com for a form.
2. Donate online using a credit card, by clicking on the GiveMN tab on the church website northfieldumc.org.
3. Drop a check in the offering basket during in person worship.
4. Mail a check to: Northfield United Methodist Church
1401 S. Maple St., Northfield, MN 55057

Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving!

Electronic giving offers convenience for individual congregation members and provides much needed donation consistency for our congregation. Please consider electronic giving.

Authorization forms are available on our website northfieldumc.org or by emailing northfieldumc@gmail.com.

General Fund June 2022 contributions \$19,321.66
General Fund June 2021 contributions \$17,462.66

General Fund YTD 2022 contributions \$172,782.42
General Fund YTD 2021 contributions \$180,387.96

NUMC COVID-19 POLICY

The Northfield United Methodist Church follows the CDC color-coded system to address on-going COVID-19 concerns (see the chart below). When Rice County is "green," we are at low risk and masking is optional; when we are at high risk or "red", we will require masking indoors. If you want more information, please visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html>.

Low	Medium	High
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay <u>up to date</u> with COVID-19 vaccines • <u>Get tested</u> if you have symptoms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you are <u>at high risk for severe illness</u>, talk to your healthcare provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautions • Stay <u>up to date</u> with COVID-19 vaccines • <u>Get tested</u> if you have symptoms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wear a <u>mask</u> indoors in public • Stay <u>up to date</u> with COVID-19 vaccines • <u>Get tested</u> if you have symptoms • Additional precautions may be needed for people <u>at high risk for severe illness</u>

People may choose to mask at any time. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask. Masks are recommended in indoor public transportation settings and may be required in other places by local or state authorities.

NUMC Board

The governing body of the church is the NUMC Board. The members of the board are duly elected at an annual meeting, or "Charge Conference," open to all membership. Share any concerns with the NUMC Board here: info@northfieldumc.org

Co-Chairs: Kevin Dahle and Pierce Follansbee-Delong
Treasurer: John Stull
Secretary and Communications: Carolyn Seas
SPRC Liaison: Jody Friedow
Stewardship and Finance Liaison: Tim Goodwin

At-Large Members: Sara Newberg, Jessy Hoffer, Allie Lyman, Warren Winkelman, Bruce Benson, David Wolf, Bruce Dalgaard

Northfield UMC Leadership Board - Wednesday July 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Bruce Benson, Carolyn Seas, John Stull, Pierce Follansbee-Delong, Warren Winkelman, Kevin Dahle, Jody Friedow, Sara Newberg, Allie Lyman Pastor Rachel McIver-Morey

Not Present: Tim Goodwin, Bruce Dalgaard, Dave Wolf, Jessy Hoffer

Meeting Called to order: 7:00 pm by Pastor Rachel

NUMC Prayer (prayer cards distributed)

Pastor Rachel presented the board with an overview of the newly created board's responsibilities. The Board will be charged with the care and oversight of the functions and ministry of the church.

Elections: Board chair and lay leader/vice chair)

After a brief discussion, the board agreed to create a chair and a co-chair position. Warren Winkelman nominated Kevin Dahle as chairperson and Pierce Follansbee-Delong as co – chairperson. Both agreed to serve. **The nominations were unanimously accepted.**

The other titled positions on the board are as follows:

Staff/Parish Liaison – Jody Friedow

Treasurer - John Stull

Finance – Tim Goodwin

Secretary/Communications – Carolyn Seas

All positions were unanimously accepted.

Report: Next Steps Team

Pastor Rachel presented a report from the Next Steps Team, prepared by Bruce Dalgaard.

This MCCI team has spent many hours looking into various ministry needs within our local community. The report included several current outreach projects ,within the Northfield area, they feel the church could get involved with. This board will review these ideas at next month's meeting and decide which project(s) the church will be able to support and/or create, in order to further our ministerial outreach.

Report: Family Ministries fall preview

The Super Wednesday Meals Team have contracted with Ruth's on Stafford to provide the entrees for the coming church year. Our own team will still provide the side dishes, desserts, etc. to complete the meal. This will leave less work for our dedicated group of volunteers who provide our wonderful meals.

Report: Website design

Jesse Steed provided the board with some ideas for redesigning our website. The board agreed to go ahead with making needed changes and Allie Lyman agreed to work with Jesse on this project.

COVID protocol – Review

At their June 21st meeting, the Administrative Council voted to adopt the CDC color-coded system to address on-going COVID-19 concerns. When Rice County is "green," we are at low risk and masking is optional; when we are at high risk or "red", we will require masking indoors.

Next Meeting - Wednesday, August 17,2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at: 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by Carolyn Seas, Secretary

Message from the Pastor

I was sixteen years old in the summer of 1997, when the United Methodist Women of Arlington United Methodist Church sent me on a trip to Washington, DC and New York with other kids from points west and south in Kansas. There were about a dozen of us, all of us from small town and rural congregations - from my own church (which had maybe 60 folks on an average Sunday) there were only two youth. We were taking an Amtrak from Newton, KS to Chicago, where we would transfer onto another train to go to New York; after about five days there, we would finish up with a week in Washington, DC before boarding the train home.

My eyes were about to be opened very, very wide to the world around me.

In New York, we visited the building for our General Board of Global Ministries, which is right across the street from the United Nations campus. Many of our global ministries- education, health, hunger, housing, and new congregations the world over - come through this space, and the wide-eyed Kansas kids were introduced to some big projects underway. We met with inmates from Riker's Island Prison, and sought over the course of a tense two hours to find some sort of common life and language to our experiences. What I remember most, though, is that the room we met in had a stained glass window with a picture of an eye in it. The idea was that it showed the UN across the street that the people of the church were keeping an eye on what the political leaders of the world were doing. But, our guide also told us, it was also an eye that looked in: the world could see, in real time, how the church was handling its own affairs and tending its own mission.

After that we went to a couple of Broadway shows (Les Misérables and that spiritual classic, Chicago.. .!), we headed south on the train toward DC. As a city it is much more human in scale; with the rule that no building can be taller than the Washington Monument, the architecture of the place doesn't have the other-worldly skyscrapers of Manhattan. There we visited the United Methodist General Board of Church and Society - this is the agency in the church which keeps an eye on public policy, and lobbies on behalf of the church according to our Social Principles (worth reading if you never have - a quick Google search should lead you there, and we have copies available in our church library). At the end of this trip, I had spent two weeks in the largest cities I had ever set foot in outside of Kansas City. My world was bigger than before I had left, to be sure.

But the large eye in the window in the UMC Global Ministries building was what followed me home from that trip and stayed

with me all through returning to Washington, DC, as a young adult for my seminary education 4 years later. The church may be keeping an eye on how the world does its business, but as or more importantly, the world can see exactly what we are doing, and how we are doing it, and whether we are doing anything at all, period.

I write this days before the Moreys head to DC on a family adventure; we will see some old friends, visit monuments and museums, and ponder the relationship, always muddy and complicated, between the life of the church and the life of the nation. It is sinful to collapse the mission of the church into some pale imitation of a party platform, and we are rightly horrified by the ways our faith and its symbols and language have become weapons of violent extremist voices. It is also sinful to pretend that we can live our lives as we please, completely ignoring the wounds of the world around us. The task is ever before us to "work out our salvation with fear and trembling" (Philippians 2:12), and that demands that we take seriously the call to live our faith in every part of our lives - home, work, play, and in how we do life in public.

The temptation, as always, is to close our eyes, hoping - much like a toddler still developing object permanence - that if we can't see the problem, then it isn't real, and no one can see us. Images from the new James Webb telescope are instructive for us all: looking deep into the dark sometimes reveals things we never had the right lens and light to see before. We remember the words of Zora Neale Hurston: "they seemed to be staring at the dark, but their eyes were watching God."

There are many such places we can direct our own eyes: toward our neighbors at Viking Terrace, the bereft families of Uvalde, TX, emergency rooms and clinics serving through the chaotic consequences of Supreme Court rulings, the internment camps Russia is forcing Ukrainians into, the North African countries where devastating famine hurts infants and children first, every time.

Let's deploy a "James Webb telescope of the Spirit" toward the murky places of our own world. Don't be afraid of what it will reveal - let's rather be glad to know what we didn't before. And pray for what this knowledge will call us to do, however deep into the dark we may have to go to meet the God we have been watching for.

Blessings,
Pastor Rachel



Pastor Rachel will be on vacation August 23-27. If you are in need of emergency Pastoral care during that time please contact the church office at 507-645-5689.

Mark your calendars! For children, youth, and families, we will have opportunities for fun and faith development this summer. More information and pre-registration information will be available as each date approaches; join the family ministries or NUMC all-church email list to stay up-to-date. Questions, or need to sign up for the email lists? Let us know! info@northfieldumc.org.

Trailblazers Junior Camp at NUMC

August 1 and August 2 (Pre-K - 2nd grades) 6:30-8:00pm

Our youngest disciples may not be quite ready for sleep away camp, but we will have fun for them right here at church! We will explore God's creation and learn more about the amazing world God has made.

Daytrip: Canoes on the Cannon River (6th-12th grades)

August 13

We will gather at the church to carpool to the canoe launch point and share a day of fun in the sun on the Cannon.

Mark your calendars! Need any info on the ministries below? email us at info@northfieldumc.org

Fall Ministry Kickoff Celebration - Sunday, September 18th, 9:30am worship

Beginning Sunday, September 25:

Children's Church (5th grade and under)

Younger children are dismissed from the sanctuary at 10am to a worship service of their own, followed by fun and fellowship in the gym.

Sunday Youth Connect (6th-12th grade) 10:30am

Older youth are invited to their own time for fellowship and conversation in the high school room.

Beginning Wednesday, September 28:

KC3 (K-5th grade) 3:30-5:30pm

Join the fun after school at NUMC! Time to play, time to pray, time to learn and lead - children from Spring Creek Elementary are walked across the street, and students from other schools in the Northfield School District can ride the "church bus." Registration info coming the first week in September (NOTE: because of busing, registration in advance is required for KC3).

Super Wednesday Meal - Free Will Donation, Fellowship Hall 5:30-6:30pm

Youth Fellowship (6th-12th grade) 6:30-8pm

Older youth will gather for fun and faith development in the high school room after the Super Wednesday meal.

Open Gym (with supervising staff): 6:30-7:30pm

NEW! Parent Fellowship 6:30pm

We all need support and sounding boards as we do the hard work of raising kids and talking about faith with them in an authentic way. Let's figure out how to do it together! Meet up with Gregory Ennis, children's ministry coordinator, in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm.

Note: There will be no Super Wednesday October 19 (MEA week), November 23 (Thanksgiving week), and December 21, 28, and January 4.

Dismantling Racism Team (DRT)

Systemic racism is when a system ends up doing harm to people in a racial minority. The "system" can be government policy or corporate behavior. The policy or behavior does not need to name any particular racial group as its target in order to qualify, it simply has to disproportionately impact a racial minority.

Take the situation being faced by residents at Viking Terrace, a trailer park in Northfield. As reported by the Northfield News on July 6, new ownership is violating the law by having residents sign an onerous new lease agreement. Elements of the agreement include significant rent increases as well as new restrictions on such things as children playing outdoors, toys and decorations in yards, and built add-ons to trailers. These terms are not reflective of residents' previous lease agreements which are still in legal effect.



What makes this systemic racism? Most families in Viking Terrace are Latinx people. The economic system that is changing to make things worse is making things worse for a community primarily composed of people of color. The policies themselves may not be racist but the fact that the people predominantly affected are not white is evidence of the racism built in to our system.

We are fighting racism. Your church has teamed up with other faith communities to do something about the Viking Terrace situation. We hosted an info session for people writing complaints to Minnesota's Attorney General on July 7. Ours was the first of three sessions organized at churches in town and over 40 people showed up to learn more and learn how to file a proper complaint.

During the July 12 City Council meeting three rooms full of public commentators were all ready to argue in favor of our neighbors at Viking Terrace. City Councilors clearly heard their community's support for people living here. We learned that, after receiving the complaints we had written, the Attorney General began working with the city attorney to support Northfield's residents at Viking Terrace.

That our community stood ready to support neighbors in a predominantly Latinx neighborhood shows our willingness to "Do Good." That our Latinx neighbors need the rest of the community to do so shows the reality of racism in our systems.

Systemic racism is sin, and our task is to root it out and dismantle it wherever we find it. This includes in the life of the church and the life of our broader community. The prophet Jeremiah encourages the people in exile in Babylon to "Pray for the good of the city in which you find yourselves, for in it's well-being you will find your well-being" (Jeremiah 29:7). Our advocacy for our neighbors at Viking Terrace is part of our commitment to repenting of all sin, systemic and individual, and working toward the kingdom of God.



We are called to live out our faith every day. That includes working for the wellbeing of everyone. Are you working for racial and economic equity for everyone as you go through your day? Two opportunities are highlighted this month:

Take time to learn about the character and positions of candidates in non-partisan and partisan primaries, seek God's guidance as you make a faithful decision and then cast your ballot on August 9th or vote early by mail or in person.

To register or to check on your registration go to the Secretary of State Website – <https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/find-county-election-office/> or the League of Women's Voter's website – www.vote411.org

Also, stay informed about Viking Terrace homeowners' complaints against the park owner about the unreasonable, and in some cases unlawful, requirements for renting their plots. Pray that the park owner and manufactured home owners can listen to each other and come to an agreement that allows the homeowners to continue to enjoy their homes and community. Be ready to take other action in support of our community residents when there is an alert.

To join the NUMC ISAIAH Team, contact Evelyn Burry (evelynburry@hotmail.com; 507-645-7481) You will receive occasional emails with alerts and information about other opportunities as they arise.



Notes from the Parish Nurse

August is Psoriasis Awareness Month. The National Psoriasis Foundation website (www.psoriasis.org) shares information about the disease and hopes to spread awareness that the disease is not contagious. It helps people learn how to manage psoriasis while promoting research to find a cure for the disease. The Foundation also has a Helpline, which is 800-723-9166.

Psoriasis is one of the most common chronic skin conditions. Over 8 million Americans are affected by this autoimmune disease and nearly 1/3 of them will develop psoriatic arthritis. Psoriasis occurs when a trigger causes one's immune system to become overactive so skin cells grow too quickly. The result is a rapid build-up of extra skin cells which form silver scales and red patches that can be itchy or painful. Although there is no cure for psoriasis, symptoms can be managed. The treatment goal is to stop skin cells from growing so quickly.

Symptoms of psoriasis differ from person to person. Common ones that can occur anywhere on the body, are the appearance of red patches of skin covered with thick silver scales or dry cracked skin that can bleed. Finger nails can become thick, pitted, and have ridges. And for some people stiff, swollen joints occur. A diagnosis of psoriasis can be made by observing the symptoms, taking a medical history, and doing a physical exam. Blood tests and/or a skin biopsy might also be done.

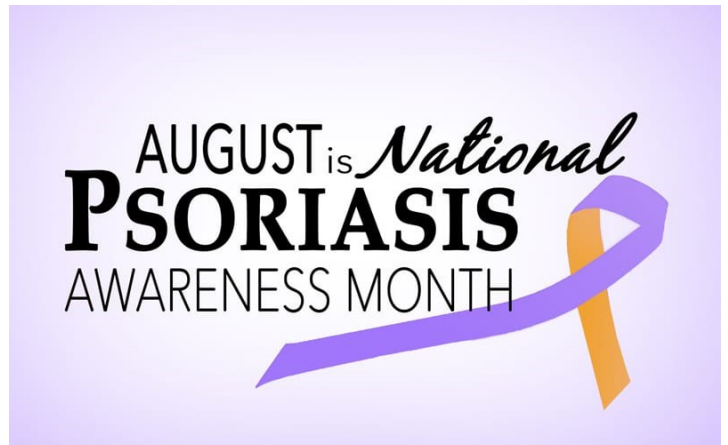
The most common symptoms of psoriatic arthritis include joint and back pain, stiffness and swelling of joints, and swollen and inflamed fingers or toes. Other symptoms include fatigue, skin rash, itching, dented nails, stomach problems, and eye pain. To diagnose psoriatic arthritis the methods listed above for the diagnosis of psoriasis are used with additional tests that could include x-rays, an MRI, or joint fluid tests. (www.mayoclinic.org)

Both genetics and environmental factors play a role in causing psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis. Some of the risk factors/triggers include: family history, viral or bacterial infections such as strep throat, injury to skin (e.g. bug bites, severe sunburn), stress (because of the impact on the immune system), smoking, obesity, heavy alcohol consumption, vitamin D deficiency, and some medications.

There are many different types of treatments for psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis. They might be used alone or in combination. Most physicians start with the mildest treatment, which is a topical medicine that can be purchased over the counter or by prescription. This may be combined with oral medications to be more effective. Physical therapy, occupational therapy and/or phototherapy (light) might be used too. Complementary and alternative medicine might be helpful to decrease symptoms. Biologics, drugs that alter the immune system, may be used for more difficult cases of the diseases.

People with psoriasis "have an increased risk of being diagnosed with depression and anxiety" and that risk may even be higher for people with psoriatic arthritis. (Rheumatologist Vinod Chandran, MD, PhD, www.psoriasis.org) Research has shown that this higher prevalence of mental health issues in people experiencing these diseases is related to the chronic pain, inflammatory state associated with the diseases, and the stigma one might feel because of the skin disease. Treatment for many people with these psoriatic diseases include taking a biologic and an antidepressant or anti-anxiety medication concurrently. Talk therapy and exercise are encouraged too.

No single treatment works for everyone, but good sleep, mindfulness practice, healthy eating, a regular exercise regimen that includes mobility and low impact exercise routines, medication, and alternative medicine can all lead to an outcome of improved energy, minimized joint damage, decreased anxiety and depression related to psoriatic diseases, and improved quality of life. In dealing with anxiety and depression, the National Psoriasis Foundation says, "You are not alone, we'll get better together."



MICAH NEWS

Methodists Investing in Care and Action for the Holy Land - Based on Micah 6:8

“What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God.” - Micah 6:8



Olive Oil for Sale

Palestinian organic, fair trade, extra virgin olive oil.

500 ml/16.5 oz for \$20.00

750 ml/25.4 oz. for \$25.00

Now available in the church office

We are currently well stocked with olive oil.



Save the date:

MICAH's Shop at the Brick Oven Bakery Day is back!

Saturday, Sept 24th 6:00 am – 3:00 pm

10% of sales that day will be given to MICAH for the support of our Bethlehem family.

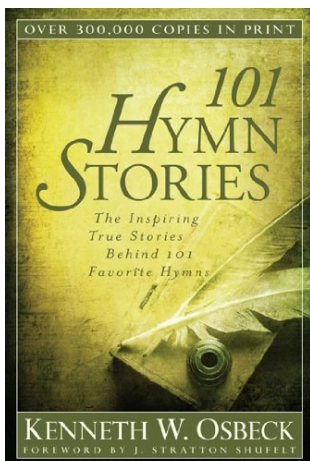
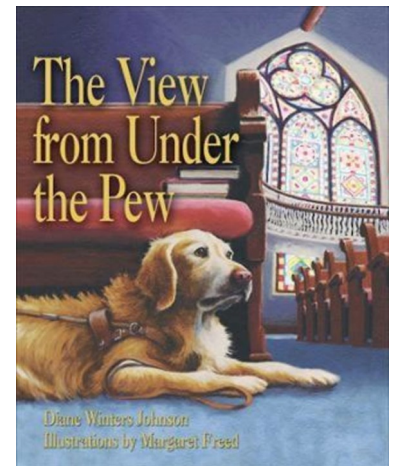
The mother of our Bethlehem family is a baker, so this Brick Oven Bakery (B.O.B.) event is a fitting way to help support her and her family.

Family sponsorships is an ADVANCE project of the United Methodist Church's General Board of Global Ministries.



The lazy, hazy days of summer, get even lazier and hazier, but there is one book, which should be brought to your attention. Everyone's attention, young and older.

The View from Under the Pew is now on the Library display able in Fellowship Hall. Be sure to check out the back cover. A number of years ago, there was *someone* "under the pew" here at NUMC by the name of Marley.



With the summer sermon theme continuing of *How Can I Keep From Singing: Hymns of Our Faith*, brief background information on the composers of the majority of those hymns can be found in one of the two volumes of *101 Hymn Stories* and *101 More Hymn Stories* or *The Hymns of the United Methodist Hymnal*.

Also found on the table in Fellowship Hall for this month will be the Karen Kingsbury series three of her Baxter Family set. After August, her books will be located in the fiction section of the Church Library should you wish to continue reading this collection.



United Women in Faith

Apple Pies for Sale August 15 to September 4. Baking September 6.

United Women in Faith August Meeting Dates:

August 1, 2022 – UWF Executive Board meets – 3:00 Fellowship Hall
August 21, 2022 - Esther Circle – 5:00 Annual Picnic in person members and friends
Kildahl Park Pointe, 888 Cannon Valley Drive, Northfield, MN
Mugs and Muffins – August 15, 2022 – 9:00 AM
Northfield UMC church library Program: Boys of the Bible in Quilt Blocks

Apple Pie Pre-Sale begins August 15 through September 4. Cost remains \$10. Pie baking will be Tuesday, September 6, 10:00 AM to the afternoon. Bring your lunch. We keep learning how to make pies. There will be more apples this year and less juice.

WHO CAN WE BE TOGETHER? It takes a congregation for a successful mission response.

Thank you to all that helped and worked the successful 2022 United Women in Faith Mission Rummage Sale. Your willingness to go the extra mile filling in times of service was greatly appreciated. All our efforts brought in \$2,469 for UWF missions.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED THEIR STUFF!!! You are the heart of the sale. Without you, we would not have made \$2,469. THANK YOU ALL!

Thank you for the changes in schedules so many made for UWF use of the Fellowship Hall. Craft/Sewing room 120 for early drop off the Sunday to Tuesday before the sale.

Rotary for relocating your meeting venue and equipment, so sale set-up could start on Wednesday. The Retired Men's Breakfast group who relocated to the library and stayed afterwards to assist on Friday.



Thank you to Sandy in the NUMC office who fielded callers' questions before and during organizing of the sale.

Thank you for the special leadership of Merrell Thornton, Thalia Duffield, Jody Mousel, Catherine Williams, UWF Treasurer Lin Wolf and the UWF Executive Board for the organizing before, during, and after the sale. They were the "go to leaders" if a problem needed solving.

A special thank you to John Newberg who took time out of his work day to set up our signs along Jefferson and Woodley.

A big THANK YOU to Mary Ann Polley who culled all our castaway items and separated them into the proper bins for composting, recycling, or trashing. UWF has a history of supporting such separation of trash.



Thank you to all other workers: Cindy Anderson, Linda Betzold, Allan and Darlene Cox, Linda and George Davis, Darla DeLong, Marla Erickson, Jody Friedow, Diane Genova, Lynn and Jim Gryc, Connie Hehling, Peg Jennings, Susan Johnson, Kathy Lillevold, Donna Maus, Marge Randolph, Ann Richards, Donna and Gary Rock, Corinne Simonson, Yosh and Phillip Soltis, Ruth and Ron Sommers, Bill Thornton, Robert Williams, Lin and Dave Wolf.

If I have forgotten someone, I apologize, Catherine Williams, UWF President. Thank you ALL!





Aluminum Cans for Operation Backpack

Collect your aluminum cans and place in the container behind the church kitchen. All proceeds from the cans go towards Operation Backpack.

Worship with Music

If your gifts include singing or playing an instrument and you would like to share these gifts with your church family, please email Pastor Rachel at rmorey@northfieldumc.org.



Mission Sewing Project

Mission Sewing is busy cutting out diapers and receiving blankets to be donated to Midwest Mission Distribution Center. In the next couple of months, we will be looking for volunteers to help sew.

We are also busy making quilts.

Mission Sewing meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month to tie quilts. We meet at 9AM in Room 120. Some of the quilts are given out at church baptisms. Some go to the Masonic Cancer or Children's Hospital. Some are donated to Operation Joy. Some go to refugee resettlement.

We would love to have some new members.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us for fellowship and coffee in the Fellowship Hall following worship every Sunday!

For Sunday 9:30 am livestreamed worship service, visit our website: northfieldumc.org



Mugs and Muffins

Mugs and Muffins will be meeting on August 15th at 9 AM in the church library.

We are continuing our study of the "Boys of the Bible Quilt Block Series." New members and guests are always welcome!

Card Making with Margie

Monday, August 22nd, 2:30-4:00 pm
In classroom #120

Cost: \$10 to cover supplies.
Join Margie Brockton for a fun time of making greeting cards. She will have all the supplies needed.

Call 507-649-2324 to register and for more info!



HAVING A SNACK/BEVERAGE OR ANY FOOD AT YOUR MEETING? REMEMBER TO COMPOST!

Contact Sandy in the church office (507-645-5689 or northfieldumc@gmail.com) with a list of items you need for your meeting/event (provided free for church related meetings).

THANK YOU!

Items available for your use:

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Forks, Knives, Spoons | 6" dessert bowls (white) |
| 4 oz cups | 6" dessert plates (white) |
| 9 oz clear punch cups | 9" dinner plates (white) |
| 9 oz clear beverage cups | 10" dinner plates (white) |
| 8 oz (hot) coffee cups | |

You will need to provide your own napkins.
All napkins are compostable.

AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Community Reservation</i> designates a room reservation for a non-church related community organization.	1 3:00 UWF meeting 7:00 <i>Community Reservation</i> 6:30-8:00 pm Trailblazers Junior Camp	2 9:00 Bible Study 7:00 Trustee meeting 6:30-8:00 pm Trailblazers Junior Camp	3 9:00 Mission Sewing 11:30-1:00 <i>Community Reservation</i>	4 12:00 <i>Community Reservation</i>	5 8:00 Men's Breakfast <i>Church office closed</i>	6 8:30-11:00 <i>Community Reservation</i>
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PLEASE RESERVE YOUR MEETING SPACE WITH THE CHURCH OFFICE

Did you know you can reserve your meeting space via our website? Go to northfieldumc.org and click on "Reserve a Room". Just fill in the blanks and click on submit.

It's that simple!

Need help? Call the church office and we will be happy to walk you through making the on-line reservation.

Meet on a regular basis?

You can reserve multiple dates on one form.

Reserving your meeting space in advance assures you the space (prevents conflicts with other groups) and schedules the HVAC/Air sanitizing system so your meetings are comfortable.



Church Office Summer Hours
Monday-Thursday,
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Closed on Friday

Don't Miss the
DEADLINE!

September Herald Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the September issue of the Herald Newsletter is:

Noon on Tuesday, August 23, 2022

Please submit your items in a digital format to northfieldumc@gmail.com.

Because every picture has a story to tell...



Merrell Thornton and Erin Updike have served as the administrative council chair (since 2016) and lay leader (since 2017) respectively. Through the MCCI process, reconciling vote, and then the pandemic, these two have served at the helm. We are thankful for their faithful leadership!



Merrell and Erin hand off the baton to our new NUMC Board co-chairs, Kevin Dahle and Pierce Follansbee-Delong. Pray for them as they take on this new mantle of leadership.



On July 7, community members gathered at NUMC to learn more about the plight of our neighbors at Viking Terrace, whose park has been purchased by a company making it very difficult to live there.

Mar Valdecantos and Gina Washburn provided details on the matter, and the 45 people present wrote letters of complaint to the MN Attorney general's office.

Good news: the attorney general's office is now working with the city of Northfield on potential remedies. We remain committed at NUMC to loving our Viking Terrace neighbors as ourselves, and we will continue to support them as they fight for their homes.



Another successful United Women in Faith Rummage Sale was held raising over \$2400 for UWF missions. Thank you to all who work so hard to continue this ministry year after year!



Mary Ann Polley and Darlene Cox have served faithfully in many ways, and we enjoy the beauty of their work every time we walk by the flowers planted at our doors! Want to join the fun in planting and tending? Join the team by contacting us here: info@northfieldumc.org.

Pastor Jerad brings the children forward for a moment on our Sunday celebration of new leaders in the church June 26th.



The NUMC trustees continue to spruce things up around the church campus. You may have noticed the handicapped parking areas received a new seal coating and new paint recently and the parsonage driveway received a new seal coating as well. Thank you to Kevin Merkle for spearheading this project.

Custodian Arturo keeps the NUMC building clean and shiny! (and always has a friendly 'hello' and smile for you as well).



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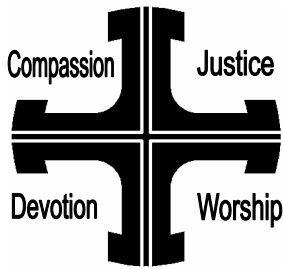
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Please cut out this form, fill in the information and place it in the basket in the church office or place it in the offering plate on Sunday mornings.

Please print clearly! Thank you!

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