



Week of July 5th - 11th. This Sunday, July 5th: Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Church Service July 5th at OLD WHITE CHURCH

Don't forget, the *church service on Sunday, July 5th, will be at the Old White Church.* (Brewery Rd.)

Same time, different location!

Church Directory Pictures ... Thank You! (& late submissions)

Thank you to all church members for taking time out of your busy schedules to have your family picture taken for our new church directory. The church directory is very important to new members.

For members who were unable to participate the week of photo sessions ***there is still time to submit a family photo!*** Have a friend or neighbor take a digital picture (or use one you already have) of your family and ***submit it to the church office by July 15th.*** Questions? Please contact Doris Fish (203-5160), Carmen Fowell (798-2292) or the office (798-2777).

Two Exciting Ministry Opportunities ...

First -- I am so pleased to offer the *opportunity for people to become more involved in visiting our home-bound*. This is a vitally important ministry that we provide, and your assistance will allow us to do an even better job of visiting people on a regular basis. I would like to meet to discuss what this ministry would look like in terms of your commitment. *Please plan to attend an informational planning meeting on Sunday, July 12, following coffee fellowship time, approximately 10:30 in the Library*. Please mark your calendar. I look forward to this exciting opportunity to do ministry together – sharing God’s love with those unable to worship with us weekly anymore. Let me know if you have any questions.

Second -- We have been contacted by Community Connector Mindy Moore from United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Dane County to **enlist our community to partner** with her in **providing opportunities for adults with varying degrees of disabilities in the Cross Plains community to broaden their support network**. This is an excellent opportunity to be church outside our walls and into our community. You will be matched up with an adult that has similar interests as yours, providing an opportunity for individuals to make new connections outside of their families. What an exciting opportunity to share God’s love with others, loving our neighbors as ourselves! You will have guidance from Mindy when being introduced, and she will help you establish a connection with your person before you go solo.

If you have any of the following interests, then you might be the perfect match!

Bowling / Shopping / Going out to eat / Going to Brewer’s games / Fishing / Going on walks / Playing checkers / Love to watch sports / Love to watch musicals

If you are interested in finding out more, please let me know. Peace, Pastor Kirsten

July Book Club

WHEN? THURSDAYS – JULY 9, 16, 23, 30

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

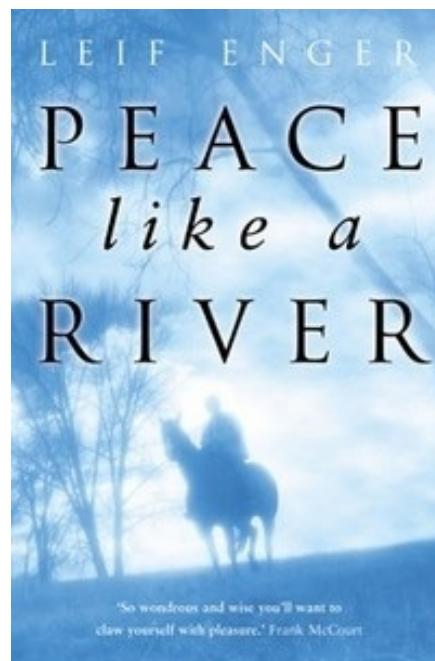
WHERE? CROSSROADS COFFEEHOUSE (2020 MAIN STREET, CROSS PLAINS)

WHY? TO TALK ABOUT HOW FAITH INTERSECTS WITH LIFE

BOOK? PEACE LIKE A RIVER (BY LEIF ENGLER)

Summary: A young asthmatic boy named Reuben Land narrates the story of his family after his brother kills two bullies who had targeted them. His brother Davy is convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to prison. His brother escapes from prison and heads for the Badlands in North Dakota. Reuben and his family then go on the road in search of the brother, and along the way, they learn the ways of God.

This is the first book of many books I hope to share with you. We will read and discuss several chapters each week, beginning with chapters 1-5 for our first meeting. Please join me to discuss this lovely book about life, faith, and how the two connect. - Pastor Kirsten



'Simply Giving' direct deposit ...

Interested in using Direct Deposit for your church giving? You can find authorization forms (the 'Simply Giving' program) in the Narthex, under the Stewardship section, far right. If you would like a form emailed to you, contact the office and we will send one.

There is also a link for this form on the home page of the website (www.stmartinscp.org).

Super Summer Events at St. Martin's

Summer is often a more relaxed time to connect with friends and have some extra fun as well. **St. Martin's Worship Planning Team has lined up some spirited events that guarantee to provide inspiration and fellowship for all ages.** Invite your friends too!

Surprise Sundays

- July 5 – Sundae Sunday (worship at the old White Church, make an ice cream sundae)
- July 19th – Bike-to-Church Sunday (worship, get some “gorp”, gab with others)
- August 2th – Youth in Mission Sunday (Youth share mission trip experiences)
- August 9th –Soul Purpose Sunday (Brian and Ed lead worship with Paula Elver joining)
- August 16th – Sunday Buzz (worship, skit, kick off ELCA Malaria Campaign, “mosquito” treats)

Wonderful Wednesdays

- July 22 – Spoke Folk Concert (potluck, be entertained by 'Spoke Folk', learn bike safety)
- August 19th – Gather Round the Campfire (S'mores, storytelling, sing-a-long)

Renew your faith, enjoy fellowship with others – summer is here!

Blood Drive - Thursday, July 9th

The summer months are an especially difficult time to maintain a sufficient blood supply as many donors are vacationing or spending time with friends and family. ***Please consider a blood donation at the Cross Plains Blood Drive, next Thursday, July 9th.***

What: Cross Plains Community Blood Drive
When: Thursday, July 9, 2015 (Time: 1:00-6:00 pm)
Where: St. Francis Fellowship Hall

For an appointment, contact 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit www.redcrossblood.org Use sponsor code 'Cross Plains'

Walk-ins welcome

Thank you!

Church Office Hours & Additional Email Addresses

Scheduled office hours are:

Mon: 8:30 - 3:30 Tue: 10-2 Wed: 8:30 - 3:30 Thur: 10-2 Fri: 8:30-10:30

-- OFFICE: Ph: (608) 798-2777 Email: om@stmartinscp.org

-- Pastor Kirsten: PastorKirsten@stmartinscp.org

-- Youth Director: Youth@stmartinscp.org

-- Church Property Management Team (building & grounds maintenance requests / issues):
Property@stmartinscp.org

Church Calendar for July 5 - July 11

Sunday, July 5

9:00a - Sunday Worship - At OLD WHITE CHURCH -- Pastor Kirsten Curtis

Monday, July 6

Open Schedule

Tuesday, July 7

6:30a - 8:00 am - Men's Bible Study L

6:00p - Worship Planning Committee L

6:30p - TLC 3/4 Classroom

7:00p - 9:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop 87 LL FH

Wednesday, July 8

9:00a - Stewardship Meeting L

Thursday, July 9

Open Schedule

Friday, July 10

Open Schedule

Saturday, July 11

9:00 - 11 am Overeaters Anonymous LL

S—Sanctuary; L—Library; B—Building; MR—Music Room; FH—Fellowship Hall; CR—Choir Room; OS—Off Site; N—Nursery; PG—Prayer Garden; GLC—Gunderson Life Center; YR—Youth Room; LL —Lower Level Classroom

Worship Participants for July 5th

Presiding Minister -- Pastor Kirsten Curtis

Musicians -- Brian Graedel, Jeff Postle, Ron Goplin, Mark Richardson, Cole Ferguson, Jason Niebuhr

Song Leaders -- Karen Windels, Jason Niebuhr

Greeters -- Mike and Kay Calvin

Ushers -- Jeannie Hering-Schumann, Jim Doyle

Acolyte -- Henry Hartung

Nursery -- Cole Ferguson

Counting -- Team 1 (Jenny Niesen, Darlene Schulenberg, Gale Kooistra)

Altar Guild -- Patty Hillebrand

AV Team -- James Hartung, Paul Schluter

Coffee & Treats -- Deb Goplin, Jeannie Hering Schumann, Karen Seibel

Lector & Communion Assistants (Open)

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