

MALTA UNITED



Methodist Church

July 2023



PASTOR JEREMIAH'S MESSAGE

Philippians 4:6-7: *"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."*

As of July 1, 2023 I begin another year as your pastor (my fifth), and begin my first (and what I hope will be the first of many) years as the Pastor of Grace United Methodist Church of Maple Park. This new situation, however, brings changes. Now the reality of anything new is there are some changes, we have an idea of what will be changing. I can give you a few of those. The first and perhaps largest is our worship time moves to 11:00 AM at Malta UMC. I won't be able to lead Adult Sunday School any longer, so if we are to continue it, it will be lay lead. We have some people talking about that already. We are looking to change to a "one board" model of church decision making, which will mean we will not have as many separate committee meetings as before. Those are the known changes.

However, there are unknowns as well. I don't know if the change in worship time will change, in any way, the feel of worship. We hope it might bring more people to worship, but we don't know. Changes on how we make decisions about the church, will bring changes, but exactly how that will play out, we aren't sure. What it means that I will be in Maple Park a couple of days a week, is yet to be fully understood. Unknowns can bring discomfort, even anxiety. In such times I find it is extra important for me to seek out God's guidance in prayer, I will need to be praying much in the coming weeks and months, and I encourage all of you to pray as well.

God is with us! I feel God's presence so much of the time and I know many of you do as well. I pray that we all feel God's comfort, and that we also feel and then accept God leading us, as we move into a new era in our church, as we seek to grow in faith and to share Jesus' Love.

Blessings and Peace to you all siblings!

Pastor Jeremiah

CONGRATULATIONS



Great Grandparents,
Marilyn & Harry Berg
Celebrate the Winneconne W. HS Graduate,
Ella Jaeger.

Her parents are Meredith & Drew Jaeger
and Grandparents are Jerry & Linda Jordal

MALTA'S



EVERYONE 55 & OVER WELCOME

115 S. 3rd Street, Malta, IL

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Monday, Wednesdays & Fridays

Fellowship, Fun & Games

Director: Mary Lambert (815) 901-6082



Our deepest Sympathy to the
Sue Vaughn Family

Her "Celebration of Life" was held on
Friday, June 16th with a Memorial Service
at 11:00 and Luncheon at noon.



MALTA /AREA MILITARY MEN AND WOMEN CURRENTLY SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Almburg, Brett
Bakken, Benjamin P.
Bakken, Monique
Builta, Andy
Clark, Ben
Clark, Kerry
Howe, Chase
Hoyle, Steve
Johnson, Brett & Mrs.
Johnson, Samantha.
Madsen, Jeff
Nelson, Michael

Norman, Jacob
Nunez, John
Nunez, Nicolas
Page, Greg
Peterson, Eric
Ritter, Matt
Swink, Ashley
Tucker, Bryan J.
West, Jonathon M.
Wilson, Kim
Woodyatt, John M.
Yedinak, Pete



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LEMON SHEET CAKE RECIPE



INGREDIENTS:

- 1 Package Lemon Cake Mix (Regular Size)
- 4 Large Eggs, room temperature
- 1 Can (15-3/4 ounces) Lemon Pie Filling
- 3 Ounces Cream Cheese, softened
- ½ Cup Butter, softened
- 2 Cups Confectioners' sugar
- 1 ½ Teaspoons Vanilla Extract
- 1 to 2 Tablespoons 2% Milk

Optional: Assorted yellow sprinkles and Colored sugar.

DIRECTIONS:

In a large bowl, beat the cake mix and eggs until well blended. Fold in the pie filling.

Spread into a greased 15x10x1 inch baking pan. Bake at 350 degrees until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. 18-20 Minutes. Cool on a wire rack.

In a small bowl, beat the cream cheese, butter and confectioners sugar until smooth. Stir in vanilla and enough milk to reach desired consistency. Spread over cake. If desired, top with sprinkles or colored sugar.

Store cake in refrigerator. Makes 24 servings.



THANK YOU

On Sunday, June 11, God blessed us with a cool, windy, rainy afternoon and a hearty, enthusiastic group of church members and friends to participate in our FUNdraiser Auction. A huge "Thank You" to all who participated! Whether you donated items to the auction, bought items, or tried to buy, your support and generosity is greatly appreciated. With many of our repeat "famous" items and several new items of interest, our auction made just over \$6,900 profit for our church, a tremendous accomplishment!

Thank you to Kevin and Denice McArtor and Pastor Jeremiah for assisting with set-up, displaying items, and cashiering.

Special thanks also to Andrew Almburg of Almburg Auctioneering for donating his services to our cause. Andrew truly enjoys coming to Malta Days and helping our church with the FUNdraiser. None of us could get the bids he pulls out of the crowd. Thanks also to the Village of Malta for giving us the opportunity to participate in Malta Days.

Bill & Sue Augustine



Next Meeting: Monday, August 7th
Finance 7:00 pm / Church Council 7:30 pm

AD Council Committee:

Pastor Jeremiah Thompson

Church Council Chair: Ed Cheek

Trustees Chair: Tom Plote

Secretary of CC: Sue Augustine

Church Finance: Bill Augustine

Church Financial Secretary: Nancy Plote

**Send all monies & donations to
Nancy Plote at 411 S. Malta Road,
Malta, IL 60150**

Church Treasurer: Kevin McArtor

Lay Leader Delegate: Jodi Slade

Alternate Lay Delegate: Mary Lynn McArtor

Church Education: Kitty Jouris

Ruth Hueber



(Worship Service starts at 11:00 a.m.)

JULY

2nd Carol Sandberg **16th** Frank & Kitty Jouris
9th Marcia Hueber **23rd** Denny & Vicke Heins
30th Harry & Marilyn Berg

August

6th Marcia Hueber
13th Frank & Kitty Jouris
20th Harry & Marilyn Berg
27th Denny & Vicke Heins



Malta UMC Lay Leadership

Church Council Chair: Ed Cheek

Board of Trustees Chair: Tom Plote

Committee of Finance & Stewardship Chair:

Bill Augustine

Staff, Pastor & Parish Relations Chair:

Marcia Hueber

Worship Ministries Chair: Jodi Slade

Mission & Outreach Chair: Mary Lynn McArtor

Christian Education Chair: Kitty Jouris

Membership Chair: Sue Augustine

Committee on Lay Leadership Chair:

Pastor Jeremiah

Committee on Records & History Chair:

Marilyn Berg

If you are interested in joining one of these groups, please contact the Chair.

They would love to hear from you!



Upper Room Devotionals

Upper Rooms are available on the narthex table for **July/August**. I can also mail one to you! Just call the church office at (815) 825-2118 or email us at:

maltaumc@outlook.com





	JULY
1	Mark Madsen
2	Vicke Heins
5	Matt Anderson Alice Quincer
7	Jacob Willrett
10	Matt Plote
11	Niki Rempfer
12	Amy Hueber
15	Darla Arndt
19	Pat Siebrasse
21	Marlin Anderson
24	Randy Willrett
29	Connie Boyden
31	Jordan (Mattis) Simusa

HELP MIDWEST MISSION DISTRIBUTION CENTER

- Liquid Laundry Detergent 32-64 oz.
- Colored Pencil 12 Pack
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- Scissors Student Size
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- Bleacher Lumber to make desks
- Blankets – Can be gently used
- Rulers 12" long with metric
- Toothpaste – 2.5 oz. or larger

The Midwest Mission Distribution Center will also accept any MMDC Kits, treadle sewing machines, gently used tools, new or slightly used medical supplies and equipment.

They will also accept a financial contribution. Send checks to Midwest Mission Distribution Center at 1001 Mission Drive, Pawnee, IL 62558.

Check out their web page:

umcnic.org/2022MissionChallenge



10th ED & BECKY CHEEK (41 Years)

13th DOUG & DAWN COOK (21 Years)

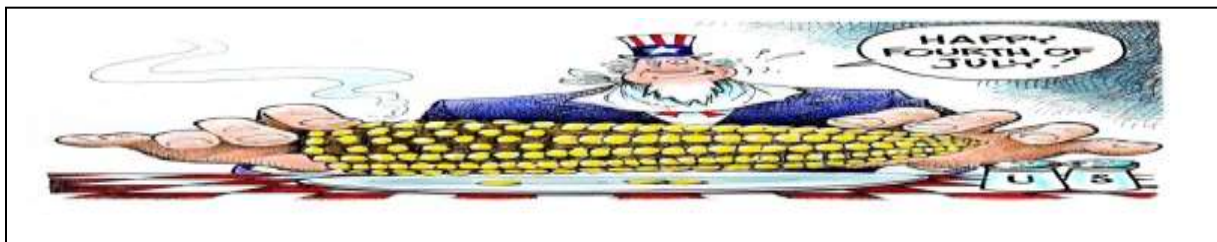


**NO CHOIR PRACTICE
FOR THE SUMMER**

STARTS AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER



**NO 4H Meetings in
JULY & AUGUST**





HELPING OUR KIDS AT MALTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Below is a list of supplies and items we can donate to help the children of our Malta Elementary School. We will have a collection box for these items in the narthex of the church.

School supplies NEEDED:

Boxes of crayons with 24 colors, glue sticks, boxes of #2 pencils, boxes of Kleenex, 3 ring binders, plastic school folders, black dry erase markers, scissors, (for younger and older children, and boxes of regular colored markers. (I believe they come in boxes of 8 colors).



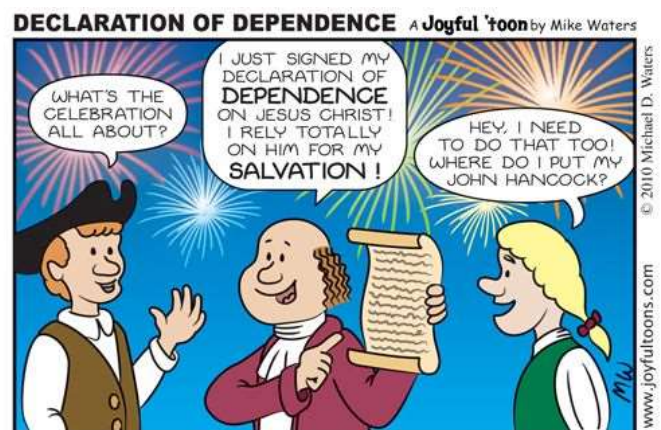
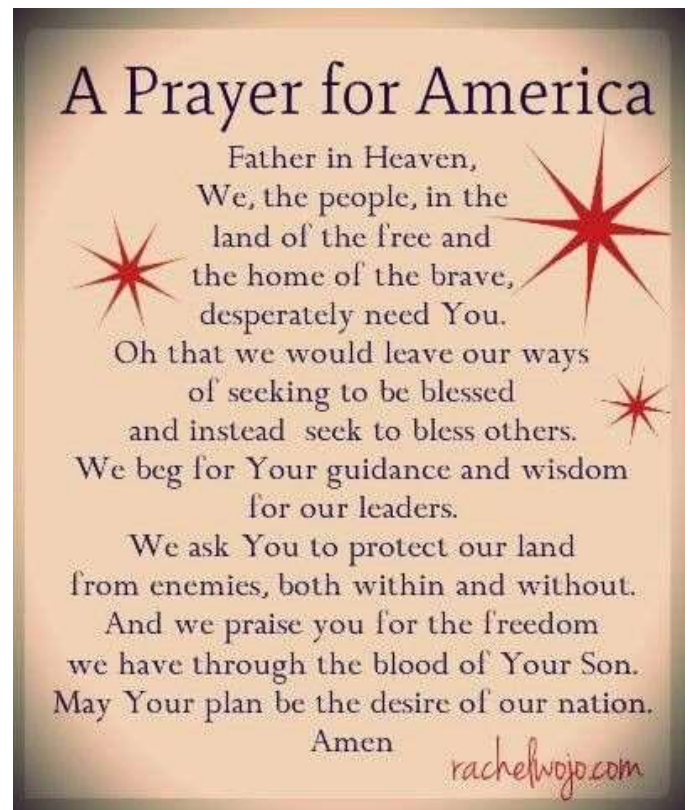
TODAY'S SISTERS
meets on Thursday, July 20th
9:30 a.m. at Oak Crest



Roast Beef Dinner

Saturday, November 4th

*more details to follow as we get closer to the date!



My salvation and my honor depend on God;
he is my mighty rock, my refuge.

— PSALM 62:7 NIV



ACTION GROUPS

FOR FELLOWSHIP/COFFEE TIME



MARCH 2022 / JULY 2023 / NOVEMBER 2021
(Coffee Hour 10:30 a.m.)

Co-Chairs:

Heins, Vicke & Denny	July 16th
Hueber, Marcia	July 2nd
Anderson, Ann & Marlin	815-825-2695
Berg, Marilyn & Harry	July
Jordal, Linda & Jerry	30th
Davison, Verna	815-756-2008
Fenstermaker, Katie & David	417-291-2031
Hopkins, Norma	815-751-1454
Hunt, Brenda & Jay	815-762-9845
Quincer, Alice & Jim	July 23rd
Marcia Hueber (In the Park)	July 9th

APRIL 2022 / AUGUST 2023 / DECEMBER 2021

Co-Chairs:

Jouris, Kitty & Frank	815-751-3238
Vint, Vicky & Larry	815-751-5178
Abbott, Joanne & Dennis	815-825-2563
Arndt, Noel	815-751-0404
Augustine, Sue & Bill	815-762-5553
Butler, Florence & Paul	815-761-4788
Glen, Stella	815-761-2302
Hill, Rachel & Jason	630-441-0585
Hueber, Ruth	815-764-9932
Kyler, Shirley	815-751-2435
Schafer, Sandy	815-825-2364
Thompson, Pastor Jeremiah	815-592-3764
Willrett, Hope & Gene Hickey	815-901-8486

2023 Northern Illinois Conference of The United Methodist Church by Ed Cheek

We dedicated much time in a state of worship centered on our connections, as a Church of Christians, on our love with our God and of Christ, and the Grace and Love we receive. We are a large and diverse Conference, but we strive to worship together at one table, open to all. Bishop Dan Schwerin kept our focus on this goal. The anxiety and sadness the disaffiliation of several churches of the United Methodist Church was felt throughout the week. The process was handled with grace and dignity, and prayers, wishing them well as they forge a new path in their faith. There were also, sadly, three churches that closed due to very low membership numbers and could not maintain viability. Highlighting our worships together were the Ordination Service, the Retirement Service, the Memorial Service, along with many celebrations of our varied missions and ministries. We also participated in a Bible study centered on the parable of The Banquet and the 23rd Psalm. Some Legislative items discussed and acted on were: Fair minimum compensation of our local pastors; Amending policies that are harmful and discriminatory in language and intent; Updating Pensions and Insurance for our clergy; A response to the overturning of Roe v Wade; Immigration and Refugee treatment; Designating Special Sundays and collections; Child Labor and Justice System inequities. This process, at times, was a bit difficult for me. I know it was for many folks around me. Thank you for the opportunity to be part of Annual Conference this year.





KIDS TIME



As they were walking, some men from Jairus' house came to say that his daughter had died. Jesus took the child's father and mother, and the disciples who were with Him, and went to the girl. What happened?



Use the code and fill in the blanks.

♡=A	♥=E	★=I	☆=M	⊙=Q	◻=U
♥=B	♥=F	☆=J	★=N	◐=R	◼=V
♡=C	♥=G	★=K	○=O	◐=S	◻=W
♥=D	☆=H	★=L	●=P	⊙=T	◻=X
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CRAFTS



<p>How is the American flag like Santa Claus?</p> <p>They both hang out at the pole!</p> 	<p>What dance was very popular in 1776?</p> <p>Indepen-DANCE!!</p> 
<p>The length of the Statue of Liberty's nose is 4 feet 6 inches. Grab a ruler and measure it out!</p> 	<p>Do you know what everything on the American flag stands for?</p> 
<p>How is a healthy person like the United States?</p> <p>They both have good Constitutions!</p> 	<p>What famous pig signed the Declaration of Independence?</p> <p>John HAMcock!</p> 
<p>Sing "Happy Birthday" to America.</p> 	<p>Hold hands as a family and thank God for the freedom He gives through Jesus. ☺</p> <p>"So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." John 8:36</p> 



Vicke's Hours:
Mon, Wed, Thurs.
8-Noon

JULY

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2023

SUNDAY	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Communion on 1 st Sunday of each month.						1
JULY – WORSHIPS STARTS AT 11:00 A.M. with Fellowship at 10:30 a.m. FROM NOW ON!						
2 5 th Sunday after Pentecost with Communion SPECIAL MUSIC	3	4 	5 Prayer Group 7 p.m. In-person/zoom No Choir Practice	6	7	8
9 6 th Sunday after Pentecost WORSHIP IN THE PARK with Communion and a “Triple Baptism” Bring your lawn Chairs!	10	11	12 Prayer Group 7 p.m. in-person/zoom No Choir Practice	13 NO 4H Meetings In JULY or August	14	15
				June 13-19 Pastor on Vacation		
16 7 th Sunday after Pentecost Rev. Mary Gaye McKinney - Preaching	17	18	19 Prayer Group 7:00 p.m. In-person	20 Today's Sisters 9:30 a.m. Oak Crest	21	22
Pastor on Vacation Thurs. June 13-Wed. June 19						
Fellowship Hall Reserved today: 11:00 – 3:00 p.m. Hueber Reunion			No Choir Practice			
23 8 th Sunday after Pentecost Fellowship Following	24	25	26 Prayer Group 7:00 p.m. In-person/zoom No Choir Practice	27	28	29
30 9 th Sunday after Pentecost	31					

4^h of JULY - INDEPENDENCE DAY: Independence Day is a civil holiday set aside to celebrate the anniversary of the birth and beginnings of national independence on the 4th of July. It is observed as a legal federal holiday in the United States to commemorate the 1776 adoption of Declaration of Independence.



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