

MALTA UNITED



Methodist Church

JUNE 2023

PASTOR JEREMIAH'S MESSAGE

Psalms 100:1-2

- ¹ *Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.*
² *Serve the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.*

Every year, a few weeks before Annual Conference begins, the clergy of our Annual Conference gather for "Clergy Session." Now clergy session isn't always fun. Sometimes there are difficult matters that need to be discussed; like all aspects of life, it's not always happy. However, there are real times of celebration and joy that are also part of this yearly meeting. For me this year it was a joy as the clergy celebrated with the many retiring clergy, including Malta's former pastor, Pastor Noah. Even more joyful was the approval for candidates for ordination. I felt great joy as I saw two people I'd helped prepare for their interviews, and two others I've had a great joy to work with, get approved for ordination. One of my colleagues even raised her certificate of ordination and let out a whoop of joy that she had come so far. It was a beautiful moment.

Celebration when people achieve great things, is wonderful. We should feel joy when people do things that bless others

and will share Jesus' love in this world. We also need to celebrate because it's good for our hearts, souls, and even health. This season of late spring has many celebrations; graduations, confirmation, ordinations, often many weddings, and more. What do you have to celebrate right now? There are any number of things we can and should celebrate and let us thank God as part of the celebration. God invites us to sing, to dance, or to make music, literally or in our hearts in celebration. To feel this joy is a gift from God and that joy can continue for for a very long time, but the joy and peace from knowing God loves us is forever. It is true we all face struggles, but let us not forget to celebrate and show our joy when we have something to celebrate!

Let us make a joyful noise and thank God!

Pastor Jeremiah

JOY
is the
echo
of
God's life
in us.

CHILDREN'S AFTERNOON SUNDAY SCHOOL



Kid's talking about things
they are grateful for
that God created.



MALTA UMC "CELEBRATED"
OWEN FUCILLA'S CONFIRMATION
on Sunday, May 21st
during Worship Service and Fellowship.



Celebrating Owen's Confirmation
during Fellowship

Pastor Jeremiah & Owen Fucilla



Owen & his Sponsor, Tom
Plote



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CHURCH COUNCIL NEWS:

Next Meeting: June 5, 2023

Finance 7:00 p.m.

Church Council 7:30 p.m.

Church Council Committee:

Pastor Jeremiah Thompson

Church Council Chair: Ed Cheek

Secretary of CC: Sue Augustine

Church Finance: Bill Augustine

Church Trustee Chair: Tom Plote

Church Financial Secretary: Nancy Plote

Church Treasurer: Kevin McArtor

Lay Leader Delegate: Jodi Slade

Alternate Lay Delegate: Mary Lynn McArtor

Church Education: Kitty Jouris

Ruth Hueber, At Large



2023 VBS

"Hero Central"

We'll take kids on a hero adventure alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes, as we discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God's eyes! The program will include music and dance, recreation, science, crafts, storytelling, and snacks.

MONDAY, JUNE 26TH – THURSDAY, JUNE 29RD

6:00 – 8:30 P.M. Nightly

Ages 3 (must be potty-trained) to 6th Grade.



June

**14th Bill & Sue Augustine
(53 Years)**

**21st Dave & Katie Fenstermaker
(10 Years)**



3	Katherine Arndt Morgan Hill
5	Tom Plote
6	Terry Sandberg
10	Bill Augustine
12	Joey Plote
13	Ashley Dodge
17	Ed Arndt, Jr.
18	Sue Vaughn
25	Doug Cook
27	Justice Willrett
30	Samantha Sandberg





CELEBRATION IN MALTA

On Monday, May 29th we celebrated
our Fallen Heroes

Started at Malta UMC & ended at Malta Library
with Wreath Presentation & Honor Guard.



Wreath made by Ruth Hueber



NO CHOIR PRACTICE FOR THE SUMMER

STARTS AGAIN IN SEPTEMBER



Prayer & Fellowship moved to 7:00 p.m

2023 NI ANNUAL CONFERENCE

June 6-8th at the
**Renaissance Schaumburg
Convention Center.**

**Theme: Connected in Christ
COME TO THE TABLE**

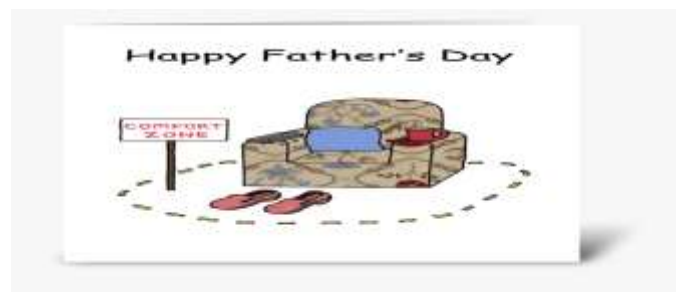
“BISHOP’S APPEAL”

This year, the Bishop's Appeal focuses on Migrant Needs. The funds that we raise together will go to organizations providing immediate needs like hygiene kits, temporary shelter, and food; and longer-term needs like employment, housing, medical care, and legal assistance. We will partner with groups such as Justice for Our Neighbors, World Relief, Refugee One, Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights (ICIRR), and local NIC Churches.



Upper Room Devotionals

are available for **May/June** I can mail one to you! Just call the church office at (815) 825-2118 or email me at maltaumc@outlook.com





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).

To Malta United Methodist Church



FROM **UMCOR**

for a donation to the
Advanced #901515
in the amount of \$30.40
to UMCOR (United
Methodist Committee
on Relief) Sager Brown.



Please let the church office know if you have any high school or college graduates you would like to recognize.



HELP MIDWEST MISSION DISTRIBUTION CENTER **URGENT NEEDS!**

- Liquid Laundry Detergent 32-64 oz.
- Colored Pencil 12 Pack
- Liquid Household Cleaner 16-40 Oz.
- Scissors Student Size
- Liquid Dish Soap 14-32 Oz.
- Bleacher Lumber to make desks
- Blankets – Can be gently used
- Rulers 12" long with metric
- Toothpaste – 2.5 oz. or larger

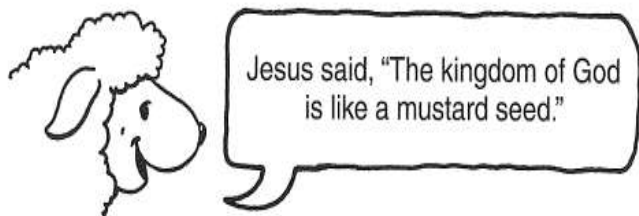
The Midwest Mission Distribution Center will also accept any MMDC Kits, treadle sewing machines, gently used tools, new or slightly used medical supplies and equipment. They will also accept a financial contribution. You can send your donation to Midwest Mission Distribution Center at 1001 Mission Drive, Pawnee, IL 62558. Check out their web page:

umcnic.org/2022MissionChallenge





VICKE'S HOURS THRU THE SUMMER
MON-WED-THURS 8:00-NOON



Fit the words from this list into the blanks. Read the story.

all	seeds	Birds	earth
But	grows	shrub	branches
seed	nests	great	smallest
			mustard



For JUNE

JUNE COFFEE HOUR COMMITTEE

Co-Chairs:

Cook, Dawn & Doug	815-757-3303
Slade, Jodi & Ken	815-761-2753
McArtor, Denice & Kevin	815-751-5812
Anderson, Annika & Matt	815-762-7569
Arndt, Darla & Ed	815-825-2701
Engstrom, Amy & Rod	815-901-0286
Fucilla, Jacque & Brian	630-248-5695
Gommel, Jeanette & Dave	815-751-8224
Mattis, Katie & Troy	815-825-2063
Rempfer, Niki & Derek	815-501-7885
Willrett, Larisa & Jamie	815-761-4781

JULY 2023 COFFEE HOUR COMMITTEE

Co-Chairs:

Heins, Vicke & Denny	815-252-0841
Hueber, Marcia	815-762-0010

Anderson, Ann & Marlin	815-825-2695
Berg, Marilyn & Harry	815-761-6232
Fenstermaker, Katie & David	417-291-2031
Hunt, Brenda & Jay	815-762-9845
Jordal, Linda & Jerry	815-601-6262
Quincer, Alice & Jim	815-761-8750
Siebrasse, Pat	815-970-5304

The Back Pew – Jeff Larson

NOW THAT'S COFFEE!



THAT HEAVENLY CUP OF COFFEE
 Brew unto others as you would have others brew unto you. **Folgers 3-16**



UP COMING EVENTS IN MALTA

MALTA /AREA MILITARY MEN AND WOMEN CURRENTLY SERVING OUR COUNTRY

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

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

Send Cards & Letters (anytime) to the **Troops**,

Send them to:

Support Our Troops

13791 N. Nebraska Avenue

Tampa, FL 33613.



FUN TIMES FOR ALL!



GIFT CARDS



Auction
At
Malta Days

Sunday, June 11, 2023
1:00 p.m.

*Don't miss the chance to buy homemade treats, meat bundles,
and other unique items from
the "best" cooks/artisans in town
Malta United Methodist Church*



Sunday, June 11

Malta UMC Worship in the Park 9:00 a.m.

Parade on North 2nd Street 11:00 a.m.

Malta UMC Fundraising Auction 1:00 p.m.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUES	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4 Trinity Sunday Communion Special Offering: Peach with Justice	5 Finance Meeting 7:00 p.m. Church Council 7:30 p.m.	6	7 Prayer & Fellowship 7 p.m. NO Choir Practice	8 4H 6:30pm	MALTA DAYS 9 TH , 10 TH , 11 th	
		184TH N IL ANNUAL CONFERENCE JUNE 6-8TH				
11 2 nd Sunday after Pentecost Worship in the Park 9:00 a.m. Fundraising Auction at 1PM in the Park	12 Ministry Review Due! _____ Worship Mtg 7PM – on Zoom	13	14 Prayer & Fellowship 7 p.m. NO Choir Practice	15 Today's Sisters 9:30 am at Oak Crest	16	17
18 3 rd Sunday after Pentecost FATHER'S DAY	19	20	21 Prayer & Fellowship 7 p.m. NO Choir Practice	22	23	24
25 4 th Sunday after Pentecost	26	27	28 NO Prayer & Fellowship	29	30	
	VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 6:00 – 8:30 P.M.					



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



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Rev. Jeremiah Thompson, Pastor

Vicke Heins, Adm. Assistant

Mon – Wed – Thurs 8-Noon.

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