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Think of Easter as your faith-based New Year's resolution. This is your opportunity to fully



YOUTH GROUP NEWS



APRIL BIRTHDAY'S 2-Rylyn Friedley

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Thank you for your contributions to the Noisy Can Collection on Feb 11! As a

reminder, the Noisy Can is available in the narthex for your donations at any time.

ROAD TRIP

ANYONE? The NL students have Friday, May 3, off for staff training. I'm thinking of taking a chartered bus road trip with the YG students, staff, and interested parents to the Jam Pot and Monastery in Eagle Harbor, MI, with a bagged lunch stop at Lake Superior. We would depart the church at 7:30am and return around 5pm. Sign up by WED, APRIL 10, if your children (and maybe you, too!) would like to participate. There is no charge to the students for this excursion. It is a gift from the Joan Quimette

memorial fund, for which we are

grateful!

UPCOMING DATES

APRIL:

10 - Deadline to sign up for the YG Road trip to Eagle Harbor MI

MAY:

10 - Set up for Mother's Day Tea Party - all available parents/volunteers welcome-10:00am 12 - YG Sunday with Mother's Day Tea Party to follow

15 - Last day of YG & year-end party!!

19 - Confirmation Sunday - 9:30 worship service

STILL IN NEED OF A 6th GRADE YOUTH **GROUP TEACHER.** Give it a try!

There are only 6 Wednesday sessions remaining in this school year. On-the-job training! This could be your calling! Let Pastor Eric, Adele, or Heather know asap!



Comments/likes from our 6th grade students that met with Dick and Sheri Smith in February....

> Meeting Fat Cat; learning about weaving; asking Mr. Smith questions... he's funny

Their advice to us: Be a nice person and don't be disappointed when things don't go the way you think they should!!



A precious moment! Jaxon Volinek (Gr 2) helping Brayden Patterson (Gr 5K) with his project.

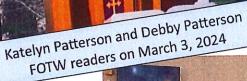
The heart of man plans his way. but the LORD establishes his steps.

Proverbs 16:9

MARCH 2024 YG PICS...



















Our Youth Group proudly singing their Palm Sunday praises!

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Bittersweet Transitions

As many of you already know, I'll be moving on shortly tackling the new challenge of Deputy Town Clerk in Manitowish Waters, with the intention of stepping into the Town Clerk position when Dana Hilbert steps down at the end of the year. While it is an exciting opportunity, it is not without some sadness that I leave my role at MWCPC.

I moved to the Northwoods from Chicago on November 30, 2021, and reported to MWCPC for my first day of training at my new job the following day, December 1! It was a whirlwind, to say the least, and it's been a fascinating, rewarding, meaningful - and, at times, challenging experience along the way.

The best part of the job is, hands down, the people. You took the time to greet me, to welcome me, to include me, and I will carry that with me long after I turn the key in the lock for the last time. Thank you for that!

My departure comes at an interesting time, as we're in the process of transitioning to a new software program - one that seems to have greater capabilities than our current program and which will likely make communicating with members of the church a more streamlined process. I'm also unsure what form the newsletter will take in the future.... My hunch is that some physical correspondence will still exist, but we might also implement a weekly (or bi-weekly) mini-newsletter in a digital format to help communicate news and other important information in a more timely manner. These are exciting possibilities that will continue to develop after I've left.

You won't get rid of me that easily, though, as I still plan to remain somewhat active in the life of the church - as a deacon, a bell choir ringer, a Show & Tell founder (more on this later in the newsletter!), and a concerned member of society! In a more practical sense, though, I'll still be here (in my current capacity) for a couple more weeks, and I've offered to stay a bit longer, in a limited capacity, to make sure that the basic admin responsibilities are met and to help train a new admin assistant should one be found in the near future. On that note, be on the lookout for the official job positing in the Lakeland Times and Rhinelander River News, as well as on the website. If you're interested in more information and/or applying, please contact Pastor Eric: pastorericpeterson@gmail.com. We'd love to hear from you.

Finally, a special thank you to Joyce Hoehn, Kay Krans, and Dave Vogt, who were instrumental in hiring me; Lois Bauers, whose patience, sense of humor, and specific knowledge throughout my training - and since then - is second to none; and to all of you for sharing your time, your second to none; and to stories, your laughte privilege to be on this side.... Heather stories, your laughter, and your lives with me. It's been a privilege to be on this journey with you. See you on the flip



With bated breath...

We walt with anticipation for some exciting new endeavors at MWCPCI
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Well, the wait is over. The first article about Fleazaar 2024 is here!

Here we go again! Another Fleazaar season beckons us out of hibernation.

We took in a large amount of merchandise from the Presbyterian Community Church in Lac du Flambeau when their thrift store had to close on short notice. It's sitting right where we left it, waiting to be sorted and boxed up, along with other items donated over the winter months. We plan to meet at the barns on the last two Saturdays in April (Apr 20 and 27) from 9am-12pm to get things prepped for our first official Donation Acceptance Day on Saturday, May 4.

I hope there will be enough people back in the area by mid-April to help with this project. Maybe, because of the strange winter we've had, people will be ready to air out their Northwoods cottages by then! I've made a commitment to take in some furniture on April 6. Not much out there yet, but that will change soon. With a little faith in God, and a lot of hard work, it should be another great year. Plan on a Fleazaar Meeting after the

My new and improved shoulder is getting used to my one finger pecking away on the keyboard, so I should be sending out an e-mail to all the regular volunteers shortly!

Denny (Head of All Things Fleazaar)

Your donations are always welcome, but we're emphasizing the opportunity to contribute on Sundays the Youth

The Mercer Food Pantry continues to need the following: mac & cheese, peanut butter, strawberry jam, and canned tuna. Please let Nan know if you're willing and able to deliver the donations we collect at church to the

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Food Pantry Update
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The Boulder Junction Community
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First Aid items Batteries
Alcohol wipes

You can place your donations
appropriate container on the M
Table in the Fellowship Hall. Than The Lakeland Pantry appreciated the sweat/athletic pants they received last month and will be happy to take more - especially in the larger sizes - though any size is welcome. This is the only current clothing need the pantry has, but they are also specifically looking for laundry detergent, fabric softener, dish soap, dishwasher detergent, and pet food. Larger bags of pet food are especially helpful, as volunteers at the pantry divide the food into smaller containers for distribution. All donations should be unopened and NOT expired, so please check those BEST BY and EXP dates before dropping off your items.

All donations are accepted at any time in the appropriate containers/bins in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for

The Boulder Junction Community Food Pantry is looking for the following items:

Smoke alarms

You can place your donations in the appropriate container on the Missions Table in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!







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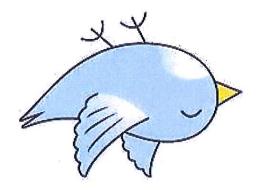
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