



# Arlington United Methodist Church

## NEWSLETTER

August 2017

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Children learned that God's Heroes have heart, courage, hope, wisdom & power. VBS was held at Poynette's Pauquette Park on July 31, August 1 & August 2. Adult volunteers represented four area churches: Arlington UMC, North Windsor UMC, Poynette Inch UMC & Poynette Presbyterian Church.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Adult Bible Study

Wednesdays, 3-4 p.m.

Join us as we study Ecclesiastes.

#### Worship in the Park

Sunday, Aug. 20, 10 a.m.

Fireman's Park

Enjoy a modern take on the Bible story of the Prodigal Son, but with a Prodigal Daughter, instead! Plus 1/2 of the cash offering will benefit the Prairie Pride Food Pantry. Stay for a potluck picnic lunch after the service.

#### Bucky Books

The new Bucky Book will be available on August 29th. A punched copy will be placed on the back table at church for your review. A few coupons are dated for the quarter, but the majority are good through 9/30/18. The church is selling Bucky Books to support the Prairie Pride Food Pantry. Last year funds were used for milk and eggs. The book is full of grocery, restaurant, golf coupons and much more. You may trade or gift coupons. When bought locally, your purchase includes the Poynette Arlington area supplement. They are \$35 and \$12 goes to the Food Pantry. Contact Connie Wilsnack at 577-7792 if you would like to purchase a book or assist in selling this year. Please spread the word that we are selling them and encourage folks to buy to support a local group. Last year we sold 31 books and made \$400 for the pantry. Thanks to all who purchased last year. You have until September 30th to use those coupons!

## Pastor Michele Hopp

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[pastor@arlingtonumchurch.org](mailto:pastor@arlingtonumchurch.org)

If you would like to meet with Michele, please call or email her. She would be happy to visit you at home. Please let her know of your needs.

## Administrative Council

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Peggy Morse

**The Arlington United Methodist Church exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**



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## Greetings from your new pastor, Michele Hopp



I am so grateful to be appointed as your new lay supply pastor for Arlington United Methodist Church!

My husband, Rob, and I have been married for 33 years, and we live in Merrimac, WI. We have a daughter, Amanda, who is 32, and a son, Ryan, who is 31. As the result of blended families, we have 10 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. We often bring some of the little ones to church with us.

I have a degree in elementary education, and I'm also currently employed as a manager at Merrimac Communications.

I am a certified lay speaker, and I am beginning the steps to become a local licensed pastor. I have been very active in leadership teams for Wisconsin United Methodist Women where I have led worship at events. I have had leadership roles at Merrimac UMC including ad council chairperson, SPRC chairperson, lay delegate to Annual Conference, Sunday School teacher, newsletter editor and praise band member.

My spiritual gifts include preaching, teaching, encouraging and faith.

I am looking forward to meeting each one of you, and really getting to know you. I hope to help you find your unique spiritual path so that together we can make disciples of Jesus Christ. God bless you!

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### **Scrip Gift Card Program**

Kwik Trip Scrip Gift Card Program allows Arlington United Methodist Church to purchase Kwik Trip Gift Cards at 5% off the face value. Our church then sells the Gift Cards at face value and we keep the profit. In addition, we will earn an additional 10% rebate when church members and friends purchase in-store merchandise with their Gift Cards – giving our church the potential to earn a total of 15%!

Gift Cards come in denominations of \$50, \$100 & \$200 and can be used at the pumps or for any in-store purchase.

To get a card for yourself, or to give as a gift, contact:

**Sally Stewart  
608-635-4004**

**sallynstew@hotmail.com**

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## **Prairie Pride Food Pantry**



You can find volunteers Henry Morse and Marvin Powers with a smile on their face as they help Prairie Pride Food Pantry patrons on Wednesdays from 4-5:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9-10:30 a.m. in our church basement. A big thank you to all of our volunteers!

New volunteers are always welcome, especially on truck unloading day!

Pantry items we currently need are toilet paper, paper towels, 12-18 oz bottles of dish soap, 20 load containers of laundry detergent, saltines, 24 oz bottles of ketchup, kid-friendly canned foods like spaghetti and ravioli, and baby items including diapers and wipes. Cash donations are always welcome!

For more information about the Prairie Pride Food Pantry, call Peggy Morse at 608-697-5880.

## **United Methodist Women Gather in Wisconsin Rapids for MISSION u**



Arlington United Methodist Women were represented by Cynthia Morse at Mission u this year. United Methodist Women spent four days learning about mission, and talking about ways to put Faith, Hope and Love into Action on behalf of women, children and youth in our local communities, across the nation and around the world.

The studies that were offered this year were Climate Justice, Living as a Covenant Community and the Missionary Conference of the U.S.

*Pictured at left: Young women raised money for mission by painting nails.*

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Address correction requested

**Sunday Worship: Experience God!**

- Worship Time 10 a.m.

Come As You Are!



**Welcome to Arlington United Methodist Church!**

*A community of faith growing in the prairie.*