



Arlington United Methodist Church

NEWSLETTER

September 2017

WORSHIP IN THE PARK "THE PRODIGAL DAUGHTER"



Paul Strickert as Jerry Springer



Michele Hopp as the Angry Daughter



Welcome to the Jerry Springer Show! Today's topic is "Kids Who Leave a World of Hurt Behind When They Leave Home," featuring Doug McLain as the Father & Dianne Vielhuber as the Prodigal Daughter

Five area churches - Arlington UMC, North Windsor UMC, Poynette Community Church, Poynette Inch UMC & Poynette Presbyterian Church - came together to enjoy Worship in the Park on Sunday, August 20 at Firemen's Park in Arlington.

Clergy from these churches created a modern version of the Biblical Story of the Prodigal Son, entitled, "The Prodigal Daughter." Paul Strickert wrote the skit, and played Jerry Springer from the Jerry Springer Show. Dianne Vielhuber played the wayward prodigal daughter, Michele Hopp played the angry, hurt and self-righteous older daughter, and Doug McLain played the girls' father, who was thrilled to be reunited with his prodigal daughter, but also had to deal with anger from his older, "good" daughter.

The congregations engaged in discussion after the skit, talking about how they had experienced life lessons similar to "The Prodigal Daughter" story.

Poynette Community Church's worship team led the group in singing contemporary worship songs. Everyone enjoyed a fabulous potluck afterwards featuring grilled hamburgers, hot dogs and brats!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Adult Bible Study Wednesdays, 3-4 p.m.

Join us as we study Isaiah.

Bucky Books

The new Bucky Books are here! A punched copy is on the back table at church for your review. We are selling Bucky Books to support the Prairie Pride Food Pantry. They cost \$35 and \$12 goes to the Food Pantry. To purchase a book, or to assist in selling books, please contact Connie Wilsnack at 608-577-7792.

Basic Lay Servant Class

Sundays, October 8, 15,
22, and 29, 5-7:30 p.m.,

Concordia UMC

Prairie du Sac

This course is open to anyone interested in becoming a Local Lay Servant. To receive credit as a Local Lay Servant, a student must be an active member of a United Methodist Church. \$25. For more info, contact Pastor Doris Simpson at pastor@concordiaumc.org or call 608.643.8822

Advanced Lay Servant Class - Leading Prayer

Saturdays, Nov 11 & 18,
9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Merrimac UMC

\$20. For more info, contact Pastor Roxanne Gnatzig at pastorroxi@gmail.com or call 608-415-1626.

Michele Hopp

Lay Supply Pastor

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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.

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Cast Your Cares on the Lord

by Michele Hopp



Almost all of us worry from time to time. According to a recent *Psychology Today* article, the most common things that we worry about are relationships, work, finances, and health.

God knows that we tend to worry, so he gave us wonderful advice in 1 Peter 5:7:

Cast all your worries and anxieties to God, because he cares about you.

Several years ago I had a routine mammogram, and got the phone call that all women dread. The radiologist had found a mass, and I would have to go in for follow up tests.

After these tests, the radiologist told me that I'd need to have the tumor removed and biopsied to be sure that I didn't have cancer.

So I asked God to help me get through the surgery and to heal me. I cast my worries to God.

But I found that I just couldn't let my worries go. Each morning around 2 a.m., I'd wake up and worry. What if I had trouble with the anesthesia? What if I never woke up? What if I ended up with a deformity? What if I had cancer?

Do you see what I was doing? Instead of casting my worries to God and leaving them there, I was reeling them back in and trying to fix them myself. I needed to completely trust God with my problems instead of trying to control them myself.

PRAYER: Loving God, remind us to cast all of our worries and anxieties on you, because you care about us. Help us to grow in our faith so that we're not tempted to reel our worries back in. Amen

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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:

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Fall Yard Sale!

**Friday, Saturday & Sunday, October 6, 7 & 8
Arlington United Methodist Church's yard.**

Proceeds will benefit the church. Donations of items accepted. What doesn't sell that weekend will be donated to Easter Seals, Savers or Goodwill.

For more information, contact Angela Ullrich at 635-8996.



United Methodist Women Annual Gathering “A Call to Community”



Barbara Dick



Janan Najeeb-MMWC

October 20 and 21, 2017

**First United Methodist Church
121 Wisconsin Ave, Waukesha, WI**

FRIDAY 2-4 P.M.: Pre-conference tour of Northcott
Neighborhood House

FRIDAY EVENING: District Leaders Training

SATURDAY SPEAKERS: Barbara Dick & Milwaukee
Muslim Women's Coalition

Register at 8-8:45 a.m. Program begins at 8:45 a.m.
with sending forth around 3:30 p.m.

Registration deadline September 27, \$27.00 in-
cludes Saturday lunch. Contact Arlene Trull, 305
Becker St, Rothschild, WI 54474, aetrull@gmail.com

Any questions, contact Cindy Morse at 635-2916.

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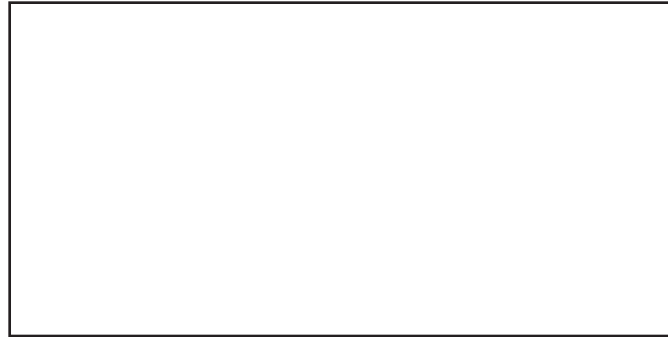
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Sunday Worship: Experience God!

- Worship Time 10 a.m.
Come As You Are!



Prairie Pride Food Pantry

Prairie Pride Food Pantry is open 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.