



The Profile

JANUARY 2020



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UPCOMING EVENTS...

- Jan. 10**—Terbilcox Memorial Service
- Jan. 12**—UMW Winter Brunch
- Jan. 25**—Pasty Bake and Sale
- Jan. 30**—Historical Society Program



From the Pastor

I really believe what I said during our fall stewardship program: “as we grow in gratitude, we grow in faith.” The pie social after church, the gratitude journals, bulletin cover “word clouds” made up of the gratitude prayers congregation members offered the previous week, the video made up of many expressions of gratitude, the visuals in the sanctuary and the special music all combined to make for a truly blessed November! God has given us so many gifts! Our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness taken together, are the response we make to God’s generosity.

On behalf of the stewardship team, I want to express my gratitude for the prayers of the faithful people of this congregation. Sixteen people said they will be part of our prayer chain and share in intercessory prayer ministry.

I am so grateful for the witness of this congregation, as each of you lives out your faith in the new year; for the ways you follow Christ every day; for our witness together as a congregation; for our priorities as a congregation; our social action team; our outreach to all people in Baraboo; and all the ways our actions speak louder than words. May everything we do in 2020 glorify God and lead others to believe “maybe a life with God revealed in Jesus Christ is possible for me too.”

Our team is so grateful for the 73 pledges that we’ve received. A total of \$151,604 was pledged for 2020. No matter what the total on these pledge forms, from the largest to the smallest, each is a sign of our commitment to God expressed through love for this congregation. We are also grateful for the additional pledges that will come in during the year. And we trust that what is pledged and what is given will be enough to fund the ministries to which we are called.

Fifty nine people returned Time and Talent surveys in worship on November 17th. Each of us is given a manifestation of the Spirit for the building up of the body of Christ. I am so grateful for these people and the gifts they will share with our church in 2020. We trust that the Lord will open the door for new people to serve too.

As we begin a new year we acknowledge the future is unknown; but our hope is in God. The Holy One we worship is a God of abundance. We are so grateful for what God has given to us, for what God is providing now and what God will give us in the future. I look forward to seeing what God does among us, as we continue to grow in gratitude and faith throughout 2020.

On Christmas eve, \$1,192 was donated to support God’s Loving Arms (to meet emergency needs of people in Baraboo through St. Vincent de Paul). Thank you for your generosity in mission giving, too!

See you in Church,

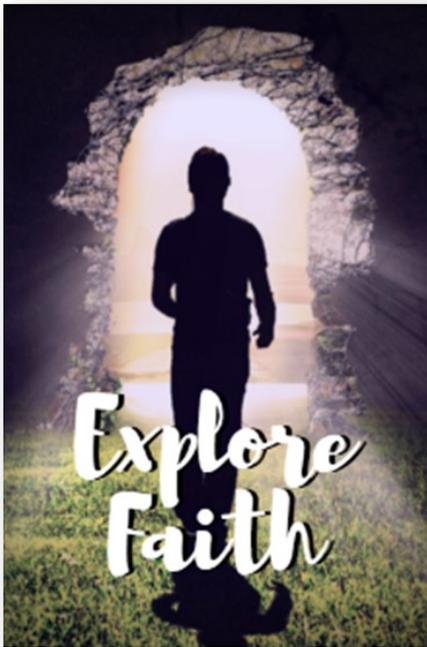
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Worship at First United Methodist Church



“Exploring Mark”

Here at First United Methodist Church, being a disciple of Jesus Christ means exploring faith our whole lives long. To “explore” means to travel to a new place in order to learn about it. We are traveling to new places in 2020! This is the year of presidential election, and at the global meeting of our church in May our denomination may take a new shape. Every Sunday through Easter, we’ll be exploring what it means to follow Jesus in this new year using Mark’s gospel as our guide.

January 5th “The Gospel of Mark”

Mark 1:1-13 Holy Com-

munion will be celebrated. (Everyone will receive a gift of the Gospel of Mark that morning.)

January 12th “Amazed and Amazing” Mark 1:21-45

January 19th “Breaking the Rules” Mark 2:23 – 3:6 The Band shares in worship leadership.

January 26th “Seeding the Ground” Mark 4:26-34; Special Music by Rex Flygt; Blessing of the Midwest Mission Distribution Center Work Team.



If you would like to know more about becoming a member of First United Methodist Church, please speak to Pastor Marianne! All are welcome.

January Meetings

Jan. 5	Amazing Grays	11:30am
Jan. 7	Christmas Dinner Planning Meeting	5:30pm
Jan. 8	UMW Exec	4pm
Jan. 14	FOSB Comm.	6pm
Jan. 16	Finance Council	6pm
Jan. 20	Admin Council	7pm
Jan. 21	Q&A Group	6pm
Jan. 23	Christian Education Committee	6:30pm

January Worship Schedule

Date	Time	Liturgist	Church Opener	Greeter	Usher(s)	AV Booth
1/12	10:30am	TBA	Mondy Shogren	Jim & Becky Hovde	Miller/Moll	Mike Pullen
1/19	10:30am	TBA	John Goeckermann	Youth	Youth	Todd Krysiak
1/26	10:30am	TBA	Jim Cotter	Gladys Orton	Diana & Don Fox	Michael Lutz





Church Organ Update

Mr. Fred Hermes has been working to replace the relay system on our organ. The relay system transfers the electrical signals from the keys and stop tabs to the appropriate pipes. In the process Fred discovered that the old relay cabling would

not fit the new relays. This has added time to the overall project. The organ repairs are anticipated to be completed in the first half of 2020. Thank you for your patience, as Mr. Hermes helps ensure our beautiful organ will continue to enhance our worship experiences for many years to come.

The youth ended the year with some great fun at their annual Christmas party.

YOUTH GROUP

Lots of pizza, ice cream, silly white elephant gifts and laughs were to be had. Youthgroup activities will resume on Wednesday, January 8th from 6:30-7:30.

~Kenda Scott and
Mary Krszjaniek

BARABOO FUMC TO HOST HISTORICAL SOCIETY PROGRAM JAN. 30

By Keri Olson

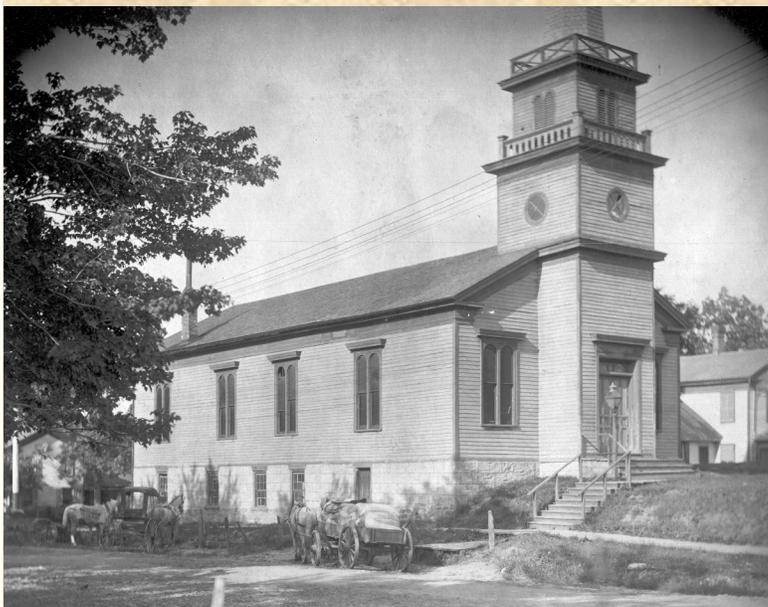
Did you know that our church was the first one in Baraboo, thus why our church was often called “Baraboo First”? Did you know that our congregation built the first church building in Baraboo?

Mark your calendar for Thursday, January 30 at 7:00 p.m. when Paul Wolter, Executive Director of the Sauk County Historical Society, will present a history program at our church, titled “House of Worship: Baraboo’s First Church Building and the History of the Methodist Episcopal Church.” The program will be free and open to the public.

The Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in Baraboo in 1842. For a time, they met in homes and in the old court house. By 1849, the congregation had grown to the point where a church building was deemed necessary.

That first Methodist Episcopal Church building, located at the southeast corner of 5th and Broadway, was constructed during the winter of 1849-50 and was put into use in January 1850, 170 years ago. It was a crude structure composed of rough sawn boards inside and out. A bronze plaque erected by the Sauk County Historical Society in 1914 commemorates the location of that first church building.

When the congregation continued to grow, that crude church structure was quickly replaced with a new church building on the same site. Construction began in 1851 and



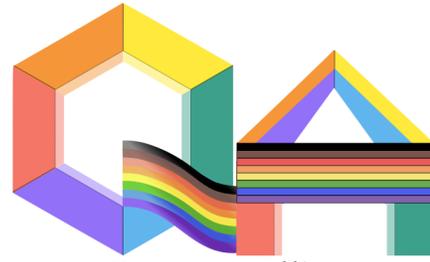
was finished in 1853. In 1866, that church building was enlarged with a 25-foot addition to the south and a bell tower (as shown in the photograph). That building was used until 1898 when, due to even more congregational growth, a new church building was erected again, this time at the northwest corner of 4th and Broadway, our current church location.

One final “did you know”: Did you know that our church bell, cast in New York state in 1853, was installed at 5th and Broadway in time to ring for the 1854 Independence Day celebration? When the congregation moved to the current building, they paid \$10 to have the 795-pound bell moved from the old building to the new one. It still rings today to summon the faithful to worship.

Prayer Shawl Group

- January 8th at Oak Park Place at 2 p.m.
- January 22nd at church at 2 p.m.
- February 12th at Oak Park Place at 2 p.m.
- February 26th at church at 2 p.m.
- March 11th at Oak Park Place at 2 p.m.
- March 25th at church at 2 p.m.

Blessings,
Carol Quinn



Queers & Allies

Queers & Allies (Q & A) is a new group for Sauk County adults interested in support and advocacy for, and education about the LGBTQ community. Monthly meetings are held at our church. LGBTQ+ people, friends, family, and allies are invited to attend. Upcoming meeting is 6:00 p.m. on January 21st. For more information, please contact Merri Lindgren at: lindgren.merri@gmail.com.

The January SPIRIT meals schedule is:

- 1/8- Kurt cook, Foxes clean
- 1/15 - Lutzs cook, Angela clean
- 1/22 - Youth cook and clean
- 1/29 - Kimmels cook, S-team cleanup



More help with meal setup and cleanup is always welcome. If you know of someone who'd be willing to commit to help at least once a month, please let Mike Pullen know!

OFFICE UPDATE

Our Office Administrator, Dick Stransky, will be on vacation from Monday, January 20 through Thursday, January 24. The office will still be open on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday that week from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and will be staffed by volunteers.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

"When Mourning Dawns" is the material used as the basis of the grief support group which will begin Sunday, January 5 at the First United Methodist Church. The group will be led by Judy Ellington and will meet from 3 to 5 p.m. each Sunday through February 16th, 2020.

Anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one through death or divorce, loss of friendship, loss of identity, a loved place, job or multiple other causes of grief are welcome to join the group.

The support group is a place to come together with other grievers who understand the uniqueness of grief and the need to be able to share the experience that is a part of each person's process.

There is no charge and no registration is necessary. You are encouraged to invite anyone you know who might benefit from the group. Many times the first time to attend is intimidating so bringing a friend who will be supportive can be helpful.

Again the first meeting will be Sunday, January 5, 2020 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church.

Blessings,
Judy Ellington, Facilitator

A NOTE OF



Dear Christmas Meal Crew:

Thank you so much for the wonderful Christmas dinner. Everything was absolutely delicious from the turkey and ham to the two pumpkin breads. Truly an "embarrassment of riches."

Special thanks to the two adorable kids and their Dad who took the time to bring it to my door. Again, thank you and best wishes for the New Year!

Most sincerely, G.H.

I was so surprised on the size and quality of the Christmas meal. Thank you so much, it was very appreciated, and delicious.

Sincerely, G.S.

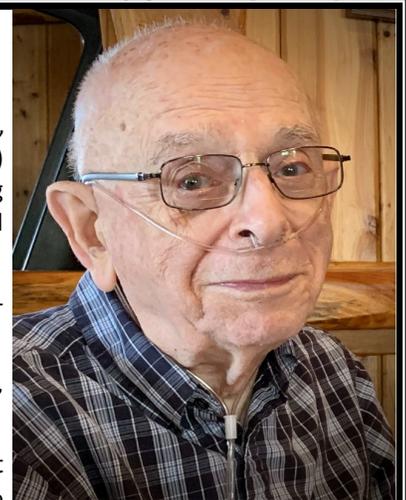
In Loving Memory

Frederick Charles Terbilcox, age 93 of Baraboo, passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020. Fred was born on Oct. 29, 1926 in Baraboo, the son of Fred and Pearl (Bauer) Terbilcox. Fred attended Baraboo High School and enlisted in the United States Navy serving his country during WWII. After his honorable discharge, he attended school in LaCrosse and transferred to Madison where he received a degree in accounting.

On Sept. 1, 1951 he was united in marriage to Betty Jane Latotzka at the EUB Church in Baraboo. From this marriage they had three children, Patricia, Thomas and Amy.

Fred was employed at Ohmeda Medical Supply Company for over 39 years. In his spare time, he enjoyed woodworking, Model Railroading, and silversmithing.

Memorial Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 10, 2020 at First United Methodist Church, 615 Broadway St., Baraboo with Pastor Marianne Cotter officiating. Visitation will be at the church from 10 a.m. until time of service. Inurnment will take place in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Baraboo with military rites provided by the Baraboo Veterans Honor Guard. Baldwin Funeral Services is assisting the family with arrangements.



Mission Committee – Love in Action Community Christmas Dinner:

Judy Ellington announced in church that approximately 250 people were served at the Community Christmas Dinner, including approximately 65 who received home deliveries and the volunteers who dined in. Thanks to all who helped!



Amazing Grays Outing

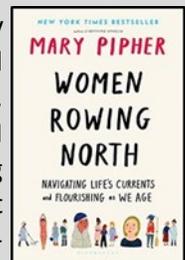
The Amazing Grays group will enjoy an evening out at Glacier Rock Restaurant on Friday, January 17th starting at 4:00 p.m.

Please RSVP to Jim Hovde at (608) 963-7906 (text/voice) or norske1956@gmail.com.

Upcoming Book Group Discussion Opportunity

This January-February I will be leading a discussion group of the book Women Rowing North by Mary Pipher. This book deals with issues women face as they age. As we struggle to put aside old roles and acquire new ones, many of us are looking for deliberate, authentic ways to go forward. Pipher's gentle approach and extensive interviews make for a very engaging book. As soon as I started reading this book, I knew it was one to share and discuss. If you are interested in being part of this book group, please let me know by email gaylaholzem@gmail.com or by signing up at church. We will start on Wednesday, January 8th, at 6:30 p.m. You will be responsible for rounding up your own copy to read. More to come!

Gayla Holzem



Come and Make your own cards.

The first Tuesday of each month, we will meet and make cards from 6 - 8 or 8:30pm. We will make 4 cards per time. You can pay by card which will be between \$10-11 a month or \$36 for four months. I need to know at least 1 week before the dates so that I have enough materials cut for everyone. It is possible that I have cut extra, but call before you come for availability. **Dates: Jan 7, Feb 4, Mar 3, and Apr 7.** If you have any questions, please let me know - 608-370-0156 revskell@gmail.com.
Thanks Barbara Kell

United Methodist WomenJanet Brice

January 8	Prayer Shawl Group	2:00	Oak Park Place – 3 rd Floor Pool Room
	Executive Board	4:00	Work Room
January 12	Winter Brunch/World Thank Offering	Noon	Singer Fellowship Hall
January 22	Prayer Shawl Group	2:00	Lower Level Youth Room
	UMW Circle	4:00	Work Room
January 25	Pasty Bake/Sale	8:00	Kitchen
January 30	Serve refreshments after Historical Society presentation	7:00	Singer Fellowship Hall



All women are welcome to join us for the Winter Brunch and World Thank Offering program. We'll enjoy brunch after worship, have the program, talk about activities and maybe do a project or two.

We can always use help for the pasty sale. There are a variety of jobs both standing and sitting. The main crew starts at 8:00. Some come a little early to do some preliminary work. The baking is usually completed by noon. You don't have to commit to a certain time or amount of time. Come when you can and stay as long as you'd like. It's nice to have a few people come at 9:30 or 10:00 to give the early crew a break.

Profile Profiles by Janet Brice

In honor of the 150th anniversary of United Methodist Women and its predecessor organizations, I'm writing brief profiles of some of the lovely women who led the way.



Virginia Roberts

grew up in Baraboo and returned after retirement. She had an active prayer life, enjoyed a variety of study groups and was an avid reader. She started a UMW reading group that met for 15 years. She was proud of her adopted grandchildren from Korea and China.



Sharon Rheaume

was very creative. She designed beautiful floral arrangements for the altar and made a variety of clever centerpieces for our UMW gatherings. She was active in the kitchen and rummage sale crews.



Alice Bales

was a dynamo despite a life-long visual impairment. She coordinated the activities in the church kitchen and volunteered in the office for many years. She was an avid knitter whose creations included beautiful afghans and family Christmas stockings.



Marilyn Hatfield

was presented with a UMW Special Mission Recognition pin during Sunday school on January 5. A donation in her name was made to the United Methodist Women district to be used in global missions. Marilyn has been a long time member and participated in a lot of projects in and out of the church. She was an assistant youth leader; worked in Sunday school and Bible school; served on the church mission committee and had a similar role in UMW; sponsored a child in Guatemala; went on a mission trip to Illinois; worked on the church's archive committee; and is a member of Purple Cow Poetry Society which presents poetry to dementia patients (and others) in nursing homes.



January 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 10am Fellowship 10:30am Worship	30 1pm Neighborly	31 10:30am Qigong	1 [NO SPIRIT NIGHT] 	2 3-6pm Kids' Ranch 5pm Girl Scouts	3 <i>Pastor's Sabbath</i> 6:30am Conversation 6pm Girl Scouts	4 9am Backup Project Pencil Giveaway
5 Communion 9am Christian Ed. 9:15am Children/ Tween Sunday Sch 10am Fellowship 10:30am Worship 11:30am Amazing Grays 3-5pm Grief Support Group	6 10am Staff Meeting 1pm Neighborly 3-6pm Kids' Ranch	7 10am Service at Oak Park Place 10:30am Qigong 12pm Koinonia 5pm Neighborly 5:30pm Christmas Dinner Wrap-up Mtg. 6pm Card Making	8 4pm UMW Exec Bd SPIRIT NIGHT 5:00pm Children 6:00pm Meal 6:30pm Youth Group 6:30pm Book Study 7:00 The Band rehearses	9 3-6pm Kids' Ranch	10 6:30am Conversation 11am Fred Terbilcox Memorial Service (10am Visitation) with graveside service and luncheon following 6:30pm Staff Training	11 11-4 Sierra Club RTS Annual Meeting and Luncheon
12 9am Christian Ed. 9:15am Children/ Tween Sunday Sch 10am Fellowship 10:30am Worship 11:30am UMW Winter Brunch 3-5pm Grief Support Group	13 10am Staff Meeting 1pm Neighborly 3-6pm Kids' Ranch 6pm Centering Prayer 6pm PEO	14 10:30am Qigong 12pm Koinonia 5pm Neighborly 6pm FOSB Meeting	15 SPIRIT NIGHT 5:00pm Children 6:00pm Meal 6:30pm Youth Group 6:30pm Book Study 7:00 The Band rehearses	16 3-6pm Kids' Ranch 5pm Girl Scouts 6pm Finance Council	17 <i>Pastor's Sabbath</i> 6:30am Conversation 3pm Powered Up Baraboo Bd Mtg 4pm Amazing Grays Outing 6pm Girl Scouts	18
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January Birthdays

John Lomurut	1	Marlys Schulz.....	17
Christ Kuter.....	3	Mary Krszjaniek.....	18
Ken Bonnell.....	4	Danna Groom	22
Susan Vrabec.....	5	Gerry Schneider.....	26
David Kuter	7	Wendy Schneider	27
Bre Scott.....	14	Janet Brice.....	28
Evie Thompson	14	Clayton McCaulley	29



Are you a Facebook user? Have you "liked" and "followed" the Baraboo FUMC Facebook page? Our page is growing, having gone from 137 "likes" two years ago, to 314 "likes" currently. Social media is a fun and easy way to share all the good things that are going on at our church. Please click "share" on church posts and events from the church page, so that they appear on your page, for your friends and family to see. And be sure to "like" and comment on individual posts as well.