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Trinity United Parish

**Jesus said to love God, love your neighbor and
love yourself. We believe in doing all three.**

From Pastor Jim

A few weeks ago, I went to a “Fresh Expressions” workshop. Fresh Expressions, or FX, is a movement among churches to bring the church to others in creative ways.

Michael Beck, a pastor from Florida, led the workshop and shared stories about really creative ministries. One ministry they started was a worship service in a tattoo parlor. Another was a brief, weekly worship in a dog park. They have “burrito church” in a Mexican restaurant, using the chips basket for the offering, and they serve informal Holy Communion. The church that Michael serves as pastor has converted their former Christian Education wing to transitional housing for people overcoming addiction.

These ministries may sound a bit extreme, but they meet real needs, and meet people where they are, where they are comfortable. Others from around the country are doing similar things. Not everyone can come to church on Sunday morning. Some work at that time. Others have been hurt by churches or are simply turned off by some things that “Christian” people do.

At the same time, there is an incredible spiritual hunger in the world. People find it hard to trust institutions, but really want to have something really trustworthy in their lives. Fresh Expressions is a movement to try to meet that spiritual hunger in creative ways.

If you are interested, I can connect you to resources. There is a monthly zoom call with Michael Beck you could join. There are books, podcasts, websites and more.

Let me know if you are inspired to be creative...

Pastor Jim



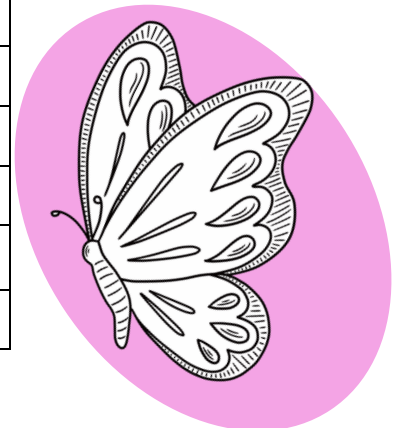
May 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Bulldog Stomp Pardeeville WI
3 9:00 a.m. BUMC Worship Communion	4	5 Office open 9—3	6 Yoga 9:30 a.m. BUMC	7 Missions Committee 10:00 a.m. MUMC Office open 9—3	8	9
10 9:00 a.m. BUMC Worship	11 Heritage House 10:30 a.m. 5:45 p.m. MUMC Finance 6:30 p.m. MUMC Council	12 Prayerful Stitches 1:00 p.m. Parsonage Office open 9—3	13 Yoga 9:30 a.m. BUMC	14 Faithful Fellows 8:30 a.m. MUMC Office open 9—3	15	16 Raising Chickens 1 p.m. N1362 Cnty Rd O Endeavor
17 9:00 a.m. BUMC Worship Youth Outing after worship	18 Food Ministry 9:00 a.m. BUMC Bread Bake 2:00 p.m.	19 Office open 9—3	20 Yoga 9:30 a.m. BUMC	21 Office open 9—3	22	23
24 9:00 a.m. BUMC Worship	25 Briggsville Parade 1 pm Office Closed	26 Church Chix 8:30 a.m. MUMC Office open 9—3	27 Yoga 9:30 a.m. BUMC	28 Office open 9—3	29	30
31 9:00 a.m. BUMC Worship						

May 11—Briggsville Protestant Cemetery Annual Meeting 7:00 pm BUMC

Date	Liturgists	Greeters
May 3	Cheyenne Martin	Danny and Wendy Stowell
May 10	Rebecca Richmond	Curt Summers and Judy Lapp
May 17	Debbie Brancel	Bob and Emma Brancel
May 24	Jim Brancel	Gail Brancel & Carol Brancel
May 31	Jake Roller	Cheyenne Martin & Kayla Roller



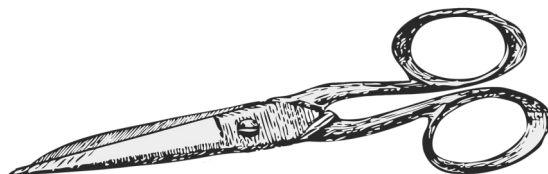
Collection Stewards: Linda Krejchik and Sherri Fry



More about what Nomads, Anne and Bob Oelke, were up to this winter in Mercedes, Texas.

The team has repainted the secretary's office, replaced light bulbs, light fixtures and gotten the timers for illuminating the stained glass windows working. We replaced all the tips on the folding chairs so they wouldn't scuff the new flooring in the fellowship hall, sanded and varnished 2 exterior doors to the sanctuary. Lots more doors to go. We drywalled and painted the kitchen ceiling for a local homeowner. We were able to facilitate getting an electrician to replace a sub panel and wire in an outlet for a dryer. We met with the owner of Jackson Ranch Chapel, and have cleaned up the yard and cemetery there, repaired a waterline, replaced a vanity, and repaired the ceiling of the Chapel. Also fixed the rope so the Bell would ring again.

Prayerful Stitchers





Thirteen people attended the Friends in the Pantry workshop, "Cooking on a Budget With Chicken" on April 13th in Moundville. The following recipes were made and tasted:

- Chicken pot pie cupcakes for .73 cents/serving
- Chicken stir fry for \$1.69/serving
- Chicken egg rolls for .37 cents/serving
- Chicken rice casserole for \$1.87/serving
- Chicken salad for .83 cents/serving
- Air fryer chicken tenders for \$1.37/serving

Participants enjoyed and were eager to try making these recipes at home.

Looking Ahead



FRIENDS IN THE PANTRY

Bread Bake
learn to make bread
from scratch
Monday May 18



Moundville Church
W5501 CR-O,
Endeavor, WI, 53930

Come anytime
between 2pm -6pm
allow 4 hours to
complete the process

\$5 for three loaves.
You may bring your own pans



Saturday May 16 at 1pm

RAISING CHICKENS THE BASICS

visit a local farm and learn the
basics about raising chickens,

**N1352 COUNTY ROAD O
ENDEAVOR, WI**



Friends in the Pantry

Please call or email to sign up
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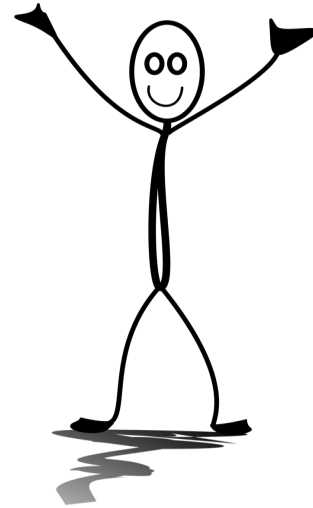
Cottage Cheese Containers

For the June "Friends in the Pantry" workshop, we need some used plastic containers in which to put freezer jam. The simplest container is the kind that cottage cheese or sour cream or butter spread comes in. The smaller size is best: 12 to 16 ounces.

Please drop them off at either church kitchen.

Thanks!





BUMC After the Storm

April 14, 2026

Pictures taken by Jim Brancel



