

West Bend Mallard UMC

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January 2019

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Hello friends and love ones of Mallard and West Bend UMC!

Last month, I greeted you all a Merry Christmas, and now, I would like to continue sending you a greeting of a Happy and Prosperous New Year to all!

I want to take this opportunity to convey my (with Reby included) appreciation of the thoughtfulness that you have shown through your presents, greetings and love. Thank you for the Cheques and Cash gifts (we got one from anonymous giver), gift cards and Gift certificate. God bless your hearts.

Reby expressed during Christmas Eve that although we miss our immediate family (who are in Minnesota and Dubai), especially our children and grandchildren who lives far away, we felt the love from everyone that somehow eased a little bit of homesickness.

It has been a wonderful year being in the two church communities and let me express my gratitude, too, for sharing your time and talents in participating in the ministries that we do to our communities. And even though there was a period of transition for all of us, with our differences such as language and culture, we all have come to understand and accept each other as parts of the body of Christ, sharing his love for the world – through our communities. Your warmth, graciousness and goodness have made our transition very smooth and you made us feel really at home, and not strangers here.

While I am certain of what 2019 holds for us, I am certain of one thing, God never changes and God's love for all of creation will remain the same. And this love will always surround us as we face challenges together.

This truth has been written a long time ago and it is still true today.

“I alone know the plans for you, plans to bring you prosperity and not disaster, plans to bring about the future, you hope for.” Jeremiah 29:11;

“We know that in all things God works for good to those who love him, those he has called according to his purpose.” Romans 8:28.

2018 has given us challenges, expect that 2019 will be as challenging but we surely will be hoping for a better year than the past. One thing that I am sure, though, is that God always leads us to better pathways for 2019 and beyond.

From our household near and far to yours, Happy New Year and God bless us all!

West Bend United Methodist Church Administrative Council

December 5, 2018

In attendance: Darla W., Pastor Nathan, Don B., Diane D., Rita T., Mary Ann C., Clyde J., Becky C., and Donna B. Darla opened the meeting and after concerns were shared, Pastor Nathan led us in prayer.

November secretary's report was read and approved.

Treasurer's report Diane: Income \$10615.91. Expenses \$7333. Balance November 30 \$3283.91. Clyde moved to approve, Mary Ann seconded. Motion carried.

Finance Report Clyde: Last half of the Advanced Specials need to be sent in. We have borrowed \$2000 from the Angel account.

Iowa Conference Agencies from the Stover Account chose Neighbor Helping Neighbor in Iowa, Wesley Woods and Lake Okoboji Camps for their \$379.05 Approved by the Council.

The Local Community Projects Stover committee chose to give the EMTs \$758.09. Carried. For the Councils' Stover the carpet in the front of the church needs to be cleaned, so Angie and Neil will do it for \$232 when they have time.

With the \$300 left in the council's Stover account, they will get toys to fill all the requests on the gifting tree. Clyde moved and Rita seconded to give the rest of the money to the school to apply where needed for lunches not paid. Carried.

No Trustees Report.

Missions Report Mary Ann: Nothing more to report.

Worship/UMW report Rita: Outdoor greenery has been purchased and hung.

Rita passed around the list of ushers for 2019.

Christmas Eve service in our church will be at 7:30 pm.

UMW will meet at Darla's on December 12 at 7:30 pm.

Announcements and Pastor's Report:

December 16 is our next potluck. Soup will be provided.

AWANA Christmas program will be Dec. 19 at 4:15 pm

Family fun nights will be Saturdays Jan. 12, Feb. 9 and March 9 at 6:30 pm.

Adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Secretary, Donna Bonnstetter

Next Meeting: January 5, 2018

WEST BEND UMW

January 9:

Noon

Hostess: Diane Wilson

Program: Diane Wilson

MALLARD

UMW

No information given.

Mallard United Methodist Church Council

December 12, 2018

The Mallard Church Council met at the Church Annex at 7:00 pm on December 12, 2018 with 9 members present. Chair George Zech called the meeting to order. Prayers of Joy and for Concerns were offered.

The Secretary's report was read. Motion by Rev Nathan 2nd by Deb Travis motion passed.

The Treasures report was read. The current balance is \$295.28. Motion by Deb Travis and 2nd by LB Hurley. Motion passed.

Rev Nathen report:

Reported on his visitations and other activities for the month.

Other Business:

Snow Cancellation Procedure: Jim Gehrt will decide for the town
LB Hurley will decide for the country. Rev Nathan will contact KICD of closing.

George reported on Max Yield Equity Initiative, Barb made motion to not redeem at this time. Seconded by Ron Hutchison. Motion passed.

No further business, meeting adjourned to January 16, 2019.

Marilyn Schutz, Church Secretary

GREETERS

FELLOWSHIP



It's Potluck Time!

Please plan to join us for the 2018-19 Potluck season!

Each will be a traditional potluck, with the exception of Thanksgiving & Christmas when the church will provide the main dish.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Contact Person</u>
September 16	Regular	Becky Collins, 712-358-0358
October 21	Regular	Alli Miller, 712-260-7560
November 18	Main Dish Provided	Donna Bonnstetter, 515-320-3102
December 16	Main Dish Provided	Becky Collins, 712-358-0358
January 20	Regular	Alli Miller, 712-260-7560
February 17	Regular	Donna Bonnstetter, 515-320-3102
March 17	Regular	Becky Collins, 712-358-0358
April 21	Regular	Alli Miller, 712-260-7560

If you have questions, call/text the person in charge.

Identify Your Dish

A special request has been made to 'Identify Your Dish'. If you bring a special, extra yummy dish, bring a card with your name on it for display so people can ask you about the recipe, what's in it, how it's made, etc.



New this Year!

Ask a friend to join you for
Worship and Potluck!

What better way to feed
their soul and their
stomach? Bring enough for
you and your friend(s).

Tell them they just
need to show up!

Bring one friend or many.

Make a Friend.

Be a Friend.

Bring a Friend to Christ!

PRAYER CHAIN INFORMATION

A reminder that a prayer chain is in place in both communities. In West Bend we have an E-prayer and information can be given to Darla Winkelhorst in person or by e-mail at dwinkelhorst@fsbiowa.com. Mallard prayer chain contact is Vi Hurley, 712-855-2368.

Scripture reminds us to “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”

(I Thessalonians 5:17-18)



BIBLE STUDY

Men's Bible Study will meet on Tuesdays starting at 6:00 am in the church basement with breakfast and bible study to follow.

Ladies' Bible Study will meet on Tuesdays also starting at 6:30 am in the church library.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER IS JANUARY 24th.



Communion Stewards
Mallard: Bev Goodchild
West Bend: Mary Banwart

Website Address:

wbmumc.com

Service Times

9:00 am Mallard

10:30 am West Bend

Church Email Address:

wbmumcs@ncn.net



PLEASE LISTEN



****In case of inclement weather please listen to KICD, KLG A or local channel 2 for cancellation of services.**

CLIP AND SAVE – West Bend

DUTIES FOR USHERS

1. Arrive ½ hour before church service.
2. Turn on all lights in sanctuary.
3. Greet people and hand out bulletins.
4. Give visitor cards to visitors, have them sign visitor book.
5. Assist candle lighters as needed.
6. Get cans ready and take up noisy offering at the beginning of the service.
7. Send candle lighters in during prelude.
8. Count the total attendance including those in the balcony. Record this number and the date in the little black book located in the rack beside the front door.
9. Collect the offering.
10. After the service pick up all bulletins, paper, etc. left in the pews and straighten hymnals in racks.
11. Turn off all lights in sanctuary and thorough out the church upstairs and down.
12. Check to be sure basement door is locked.

****If you cannot be present, please arrange for a substitute.**

January	Larry Bonnstetter Tim Bruns Gene & Diane Dahlhauser	September	Ray & Linda Brown Amy Brown Luke Brown
February	Mark Bato Loren Winkelhorst Jim & Linda Miller	October	Mark & Becky Collins Dave & Marilyn Fehr
March	Dan & Amy Classen Jerry & Rita Thatcher	November	Doug & Alli Miller Jerry & Tracy Vanderhorst
May	Clyde Johnson Wilma Cargin Don & Jane Banwart	December	Grant & Philys Gearhart Denny & Linda Barber
June 3	Denny & Linda Barber		
10	Dave & Marilyn Fehr		
17	Gene & Diane Dahlhauser		
24	Grant & Philys Gearhart		
July 1	Bob Meyers & Wilma Cargin		
8	Don & Jane Banwart		
15	Gary & Pat Alberts		
22	Jerry & Rita Thatcher		
29	Denny & Linda Barber		
August 5	Jerry & Tracy Vanderhorst		
12	James & Linda Miller		
19	Larry Bonnstetter & Bob Myers		
26	Luke & Amy Brown		