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NEW HOPE



SHELTER & TRANSITIONAL HOUSING



LAKE LUCERNE GOSPEL CHAPEL

Don Dewing, Pastor

Our Seder Passover Meal went well. About 50 people came and shared with us learning about the Death Angel who passed over the Israelites, the last plague to rescue God's people from Pharaoh. Thanks to all who brought the food,

set each place setting with specific items and for Adam Dewing who cooked the lamb. We came together for a Good Friday service. Easter Sunday started with a breakfast followed by the 11 am service which brought about 90 people.

Our Wednesday Bible Study has taken some weeks off during the summer and will resume in September.

We celebrated Arlene Alloway's 90th Birthday on May 12. Arlene was one of the founders of the Lake Lucerne Gospel Chapel back in the 1960's. We love having her in church each Sunday!

Kids are already asking about summer camp. This year's camp will be July 16-20. Consider sponsoring a camper this year.

Thanks so much for your prayers for this Potawatomi Community.



Patsy Shepard, Teleka and Don Dewing
Arlene Alloway

WABA NUN-NUNG GOSPEL CHAPEL

Richard Jensen, Pastor

Dear Friends,

The last three months have shown God's faithfulness and love in abundance. Through March we were finishing our series on the Passion of Christ culminating with the resurrection on April 1. The Gospel of Luke we studied on Sunday morning was both enriching and challenging. On April 11th we were out of town visiting Plymouth Church in Oshkosh. We shared the ministry with them, giving them an update of the work here, and they blessed us greatly with their hospitality and kindness. We have now resumed our exposition of Exodus, currently studying the significance of the priestly vestments, and even the craftsmen God chose to do the work of constructing the tabernacle and weaving the garments. Since all of it points to Christ, none of it was left to chance or the will of man. God gave very specific instructions and Moses faithfully declared and followed them. In the month of June our study took us to the passage on the golden calf, and God's discipline of the Israelites to bring them to repentance. In junior church Cheryl was teaching key Scriptures for the children to memorize, and emphasizing the significance of the resurrection. The men's Bible study on indigenous faith was great insight into how we shine as lights and relate to our human cultures. We completed the study in April. In the ladies Bible study Cheryl completed the study of Rahab, or perhaps more accurately how God worked in Rahab's heart and brought her to faith in Him.



SUNNYSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Hello, in Christ's name!



We had quite the odd Spring this year, with 30+ inches of snow in April alone! And then we had about 2 weeks' worth of warm, high temperatures in May! All of our wild flowers and forest foliage, including the Trilliums, Wood Violets, and Ramps (wild onions), bloomed at the same time instead of being staggered through the season. All of the trees leafed out just as they would be by July, so it will be interesting to see just how large the leaves get by Autumn.

Our family has been in our new house now for about a year. Everyone still remembers all the hard work and seemingly endless days so well ... it's amazing to me that a whole year has passed already! And since we don't sit and do nothing very well, we are currently in the process of building a barn. I (Jennifer) have wanted a Jersey cow since I was a little girl, so I was quite excited when my dream came true with the purchase of a cow in March! She has been living at the dairy farm of our dear friends, Abe and Samantha Good, who came to help us with the building of our house. We also purchased 50 chickens and have hopes to get a few pigs next year. The chickens have been in the coop for about 3 or 4 weeks now, so it's time to concentrate on the remainder of the barn.

Since we have been having our church services in the evening each Sunday, we decided to have a supper instead of a breakfast for Easter Sunday. We weren't sure how that would go, but we ended up having a lovely amount of people come. Adam took a different route this year and gave an overview of how Christ fulfills the law, the prophesy and why His crucifixion was necessary.



We recently had an Indian Taco sale (Indian Tacos are large pieces of fry bread topped with taco

fixings. They are very popular here!) at church and between sales and donations, \$600 was raised. Praise the Lord for His provisions! Even though our attendance is small, the Lord has always provided the funds we need to pay for the church's bills.

Thank you for all of your continued support and prayers! We are all the body of Christ and each of us are necessary to fulfill His will.

In Christ's name, Adam and Jennifer Dewing

1 Thessalonians 1:2 - "We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers."



DON DEWING NEWS

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Summer has arrived and with it came several days of 90-96F. We rarely get to 90 degrees in any given year. We are wondering what kind of summer we will have this year.

Don had eye surgery on April 2 to remove a cataract that developed a second time in his left eye. It has healed well. He continues to get shots every 4-6 weeks in his right eye for Branch Retinal Vein Occlusion. They don't always go well. Keep him in prayer.

It was good to have Mark and Marti Kush from Marietta, Ohio, visit with us here in Crandon. It was good to show them the work here first hand and share a meal. They also brought supplies collected at their church for the New Hope Shelter! Thank you so much.

Don and I traveled to Parkersburg, Iowa on June 10, sharing at the First Congregational Church. It was good to be back in Iowa seeing friends and meeting new people.

On May 12 the Wasmogeshik Food Pantry received about 1,500 pounds of food from the Stamp Out Hunger food drive. Thanks to all who gave through the U.S. Postal Service.

Congratulations to our oldest granddaughter Hope Dewing, who graduated from High School on June 3! She turned 18 the week before.

Thank you all for your much needed prayers! Megwetch (thanks)

1 Thessalonians 5:25 - Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass.

JENSEN NEWS

Richard and Cheryl
Jensen

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Cheryl went in for surgery on her right ankle at the end of April. The surgery was successful but the recovery time will be long. The doctor said she will not be able to put any weight on that foot for two to three months. While Cheryl is out of commission, two ladies in our church have stepped up to teach junior church. Their names are Nancy and Bobbie. Please remember them in your prayers as you do Cheryl. Teaching Native children is often very challenging because they are starved for attention and stable supervision. The mission pantry has been busy as ever running 15 to 20 families every week. Our church pantry has also been blessed. We had 12 families in March, 14 in April and 10 in May. In addition, a woman came in who was quite distraught. I prayed with her and eventually she settled down enough to talk. I shared with her the hope we can have in Christ and what it means to know Christ personally and follow Him. She knew Ashley Dewing so I put her in touch with Ashley. Ashley is the wife of our youth and summer ministries leader, Benjamin Dewing. Ashley came and picked her up and gave her friendship and further counseling. On this particular pantry night, I missed Cheryl more than ever. I wished she could have been there to counsel the lady but Ashley stepped into the gap and I'm grateful that God has placed me in a ministry where I am surrounded by a team of people who love the Lord and are committed to helping others know Him too. I ask your prayers for her. For privacy reasons I am not giving her name, but the Lord knows who she is. Thank you for your faithfulness and prayers.



Prayer requests: For myself and the ladies teaching junior church, wisdom, confidence creativity and effectiveness. For Cheryl to recover quickly and to use her time away to build her walk with God. For the woman who came to pantry. And as always, for wisdom to make the most of every opportunity God gives us, for people to be spiritually hungry for truth, for salvation, for Christ.

In His Service,

Pastor Richard Jensen

As the body without the spirit is
dead, so faith without deeds is dead.
James 2:26



Pantry Garden 2018



YOUTH MINISTRIES

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Family News

The end of this school year was different from all the rest. This year was Hope's end to High School and the beginning of her life as a young adult. That's right, Hope has turned 18 years old and graduated High School in less than a month. Starting in the Fall she will be attending UW Green Bay for Elementary Education. It's hard to believe how fast time has gone by but we are very excited to see where the Lord leads her. She is also having her tonsils removed tomorrow which is a long time coming. It will be good to get this out of the way before starting school again, so needless to say she has a pretty full schedule.

The official first day of Summer is still a week away but we are in full summer mode here. For Mason and JessiLee we are in the heart of the Little League and Softball season. They are really enjoying their time on the field with their teams. JessiLee has also started water ski practice once again and her first show is this week. There is so much going on and before we know it, football will be starting for the boys.

As for Benjamin and I we are still doing Children's Church every week, getting things planned, prepared, and ready for groups and events to come, not including keeping up with 4 very active kids. It is great though! We know we are right where God wants us to be.

Throughout the summer we ask for prayers for the following: Hope's healing from surgery and her preparation for college, summer ministry events and groups, as well as balance and protection for our family.

We also would like to thank you for your continued support and prayers for our family, youth, and ministry.

Benjamin, Ashley and family



Youth News

Hello again! It's summer time!

Summer time always brings a touch of busy with it around the mission. We are getting ready for the rush of summer as we speak, readying the buildings and schedules. We start things off with a Vacation Bible School at the Mole Lake Church on the Chippewa reservation. Along with some new construction on our cafeteria building. Shortly after that we have our annual summer camp, which happens to be my favorite time during the summer. We also have another work project crew coming by this summer just to help work on the new building. And we'll finish things off in early August with another group to help with some work projects and outreach events.

The weeks seem to fly by pretty quick during the summer time. We enjoy staying in contact with the youth throughout the summer. We are also hoping to fit in a camping/canoe trip somewhere as well.

Please keep the youth of our communities in prayer over these next few months. Pray for open doors, soft hearts, and plenty of energy on our part to keep up!

We appreciate all the prayers and support! We also appreciate all the churches that come and partner with us throughout the summer, and the kids and adults that dedicate themselves to reaching out to others. God Bless.

Benjamin and Ashley Dewing
Midwest Indian Mission
Youth Ministry





Pouring the slab for the cafeteria addition



Loading bales of clothing for a fundraiser





NEW HOPE SHELTER & TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

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Romans 15:5-6 Now may the God who gives endurance and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, according to Christ Jesus, so that you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ with one mind and one voice. (CSB)

Endurance, encouragement, and harmony; what wonderful blessings we are promised when we walk in-step with the Master! We have work to do and it isn't always easy; obedience rarely is, but we have the promise of encouragement and harmony when we endure hardship. Paul describes a few verses later that we should accept and serve each other, just as Christ accepted us in our current sinful state. Christ as an example, and acting in obedience to the Father, became a servant of the Jews, knowing they would still reject him, to save the Gentiles. My prayer is that we encourage and serve each other as we act in obedience to do whatever God puts in our path for today.

Romans 15:13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you believe so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. (CSB)

As we spring into summer we get busier and busier here at the shelter. Summer projects, lawn mowing, work groups, camps, VBS, and finding time to spend with our families keeps us hopping!

Michelle and I are enjoying the longer days and finding time for some summer activities. She is raising a few more baby chicks to add to her current flock. We are hoping to do some camping this summer and Jonah and I have been fishing a few times on a couple of the local lakes. Jonah just finished 10th grade and is passionate about everything outdoors, especially fishing. He works at the local sporting goods store slinging bait, sweeping floors, and cutting the grass. If he stops fishing long enough to take the driver's test he should get his license later this summer. Chase is still working hard in his job as a CNC machinist and has been enjoying the 4 day, 10 hour schedule he is currently on.

We installed a baler this spring to bale the clothing that we recycle as a fundraiser for the shelter and bale the cardboard the pantry generates. We sent out our first truckload of clothes the first week of June and it should take us 6 months to prepare another. June has brought us 3 new residents in the last week and we are busy getting everyone settled into a routine. We are busy every day with a seemingly never-ending list of goals to accomplish.

Things here at the shelter are going well. We had one gentleman check out last week and we currently have 2 single men and 2 single women in emergency shelter, and 2 single men in transitional housing. We are serving a total of 6 households, occupying all 4 of our apartments. We have a couple empty beds but we have had several calls from folks looking for shelter. Overall things are going as smoothly here at the shelter as we could possibly expect. We encourage our residents to join us in church, Bible studies, and fellowship groups but they are not required to attend. Some of our residents are interested in the discussions and message while too many are not; all we can do is provide the opportunity. We pray that He will prepare the hearts of our residents to be open to the Word of God.

Kathy, Eugene, and Russ continue to do an incredible job handling most of the everyday needs of the residents. It is such a blessing to have brothers and sisters in Christ that work very well together to split the workload so no one of us is overwhelmed. We continue to do a lot of transportation for our residents.

Thank you for your continued prayers. It is through your persevering faith in God's ministry here that we are able to keep doing His work in our community. We are so thankful for your donations of time spent in prayer on our behalf, the gifts of day-to-day supplies, and your generosity of financial support that keeps us moving forward in HIS perfect plan.

In His Service,
Micah Dewing - Shelter Director



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*“Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom (NIV)
Luke 12:32*

PRAISES

Pantry Support
Shelter Supplies Donated
2018 Shelter Funding
The freedom to share the Gospel
Summer Youth Opportunities
Cafeteria Addition Donations
Arlene's 90th Birthday
Hope Graduating High School

MISSION NEEDS

2019 Homeless Shelter Funding
Small Bulldozer

SHELTER NEEDS AND WANTS

Top Needs

Cleaning Supplies
Laundry Detergent
Dish Soap
Mouthwash
Shaving Cream
Gas Cards: Mobil, Shell, Marathon
Phone Cards: Tracfone, Straight Talk
Wal-Mart Gift Cards



Wasmogishek Camp

(Lighting Sky)

**This year's camp for ages 8-12 will be
July 16-20, 2018!! If you would like to
sponsor a camper the cost is \$45.**

PRAYER

Shelter Staff – Volunteers – Residents
Cafeteria Addition Project
Summer Ministries
Sunday School Classes
Cheryl Recovery from Surgery
Summer Work Projects
Hope Healing/College
Summer Camp!

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