

May 2023



Williamsburg United Methodist Church

open hearts
open minds
open doors

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As I write this, it is the beginning of May, and it has been snowing for the last 24 hours. It just doesn't seem quite right! Is spring ever going to get here? I think we know the short answer is YES!

There is an order and a reason for each season. Even if things don't go the way we anticipate, snow in May is a reminder that we are part of God's creation and we are not the ones in control.

As a church, we have been through a difficult season. We spent a lot of time looking at possible directions for the future of our church. This is a process that can seem as frustrating as snow in the month of May.

This time of transition brings with it a bit of uncertainty. As you may know, Fife Lake UMC voted on April 29, to disaffiliate from the United Methodist Church. As a result, our connection with the Unified Parish will cease as of July 1, 2023. At the same time, the church is also waiting for the appointment of a pastor, with the understanding we may be yoked with a different church, creating a new parish partner.

Change is difficult and the unknown can be unsettling. However, we need to keep in mind that we are not going through this alone. Christ is with us. We are also part of a connectional ministry. Please know that the bishop, along with our district superintendent and appointive cabinet, have been in prayerful discernment for our parish. Soon appointments will be made, with the best interests of each church in mind.

Just as the snow will stop and spring-like weather will return, our church will enter a new season of hope, with the promise that God will never leave us or forsake us.

Pastor John

SAVE THE DATE:
Memorial Day Parade
Monday, May 29th @ 9am
American Legion Post #289



Combined Parish
Worship Service @
Whitewater Twp.
Park, followed by a
Picnic!
Sunday, May 21st at
11am

Noisy Offering
Our Noisy Offering for
May is
Supporting Ryleigh
Lambright Service
Dog Fund, in honor of
Dave Galligan. More
Information can be
found in the
Narthex, thank you!

**Support WESA &
Whitewater Fire
Department @
WUMC on May 6th,
4-7pm
"Taco Dinner Bar"**

Do you know anyone
who is in need of a
Prayer Quilt?
Call Holly!

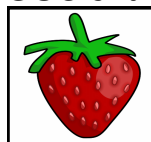


Carol is always
looking for
volunteers! Thank
you!



**Welcome Tom
Clemens as our
Guest Speaker on
Sunday May 28th!
Thank you Tom!**

We are still looking for
a Chairperson for our
Annual Strawberry
Social!



**Pentecost Sunday,
May 28th**



May Celebrations!

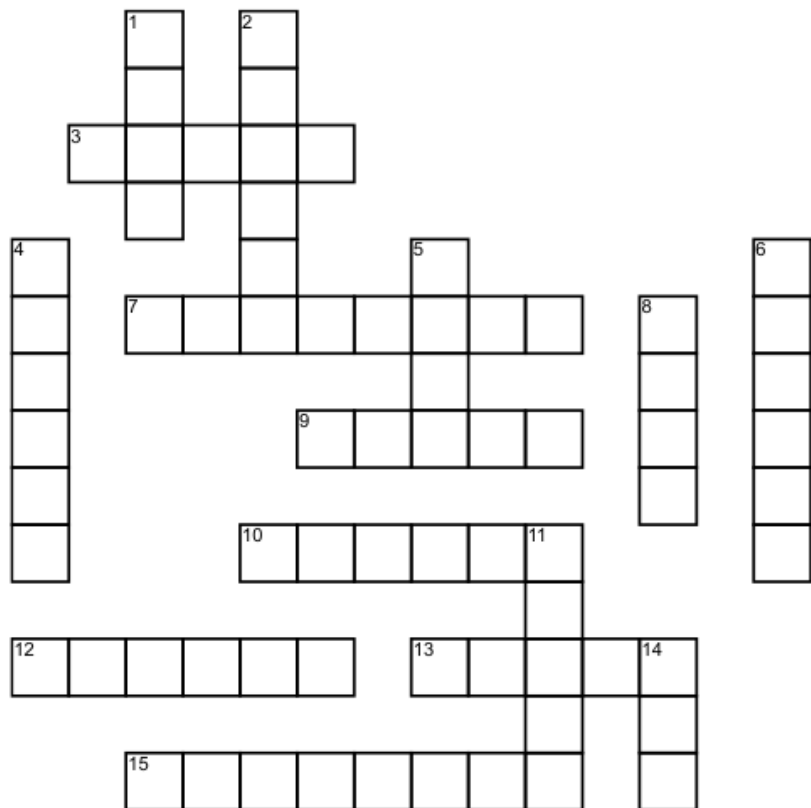
3rd Wanda Provins
 5th Pete Morrison
 6th Nick Lloyd
 7th Chelle Lints
 7th Brandon Gualtiere
 7th Nate Graham

11th Grant Woods
 14th Scott Graham
 20th Isabelle Stapleton
 24th Emma Woods
 24th Rod & Kim Kuncaitis' Anniversary!

Spring

Across

- 3. round _____ or pretty bird
- 7. America's favorite past time
- 9. easter chocolate _____
- 10. First spring flower
- 12. dutch bulbs
- 13. marshmallow treats at easter
- 15. cherry tree _____




Down

- 1. kermit the _____
- 2. little yellow furry animals
- 4. the opposite of fall
- 5. _____ maker or weather that you need an umbrella
- 6. Spring Holiday
- 8. color them at easter
- 11. you plant them in the garden
- 14. warms our day



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Ad Council Mtg. 6:30 @ WUMC	2	3	4 National Day of Prayer	5 	6 WESA Taco Bar Dinner Fundraiser 4-7pm downstairs WUMC
7 10:15 Worship Service Communion Coffee Fellowship	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 10:15 Worship Service Mother's Day!	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 11am Combined Worship Service @ White- water Twp. Park Potluck	22 AD Council Mtg. 6:30pm @ WUMC	23	24	25	26	27
28 10:15 Worship Service Tom Clemens Guest Speaker	29 Memorial Day Parade 9am @ Williamsburg Post	30	31			

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