

# Williamsburg United Methodist Church Newsletter

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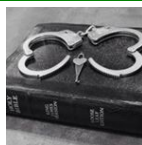
*From Pastor Nate:* You Are Called To Ministry! Did you know? Have you not heard?! God has called you to His ministry; to share the Good News of the Gospel with the world! For some, this might mean preaching, for some maybe mission work, but for ALL OF US it means reaching out to those in pain in manner reflective of the love God has for the world. We all have different spiritual gifts, but the same mission; make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Has it ever been so clear, the necessity for the world to be transformed? And how else could this world transformation take place, but through those whose hearts have been transformed? In the weeks to come we will be exploring every persons call to ministry, the world's need for each of us to act on that call, and how this transformation can start here, with you!

Specifically, we will be talking a lot about our daily interactions with the world; our words and the effect they have for, or sadly sometimes against, the growth of God's Kingdom here on earth as it is in heaven. We will be exploring clichés, especially. So often, when we find ourselves wanting to console a neighbor who is experiencing pain or loss, we want to say something to help them. Quite often, though they may come from a good-hearted place, our “go-to” lines may be doing more damage than good. We all struggle with the right thing to say when confronted with someone who may be mourning or dying, so we will look at what we most often say, its intended effect, and its actual effect.

I pray you all take time in the weeks to come to reflect on the words you say in difficult times, and the effect they have on those who hear those words. And that you come to Worship with an open heart and mind that God's Holy Spirit continues to transform your heart, that your heart might transform the World!

## Noisy Offering



### Keys to Freedom

**The Noisy Offering this month is to support Keys to Freedom—a jail ministry.**

The 2nd Annual Keys to Freedom Banquet is coming up October 20th at 6:30 at Traverse City Christian school, 753 Emerson Rd, TC (just off of Hammond Rd.)

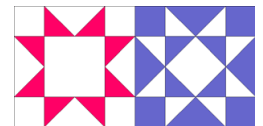
We hope to see you all there! Please call (267-5466) or see Marcy Block for reservations. This is a fundraiser dinner, with music and testimonials. (free-will offering)

“... I was in prison and you came to visit me.”

“Trully I tell you, what ever you did for the least of these... you did for me.”

Mathew 25:36 and 25:40

## Prayers and Squares



### What is a Prayer Quilt?

The idea behind prayer quilts is simple. A heavy thread is used to take stitches through the quilt layers, and the ends are left free to be tied with a square knot. As each knot is tied, a silent prayer is said for someone in special need, who then receives the finished quilt. This is a gift of love and prayer. *How can you help?* 1. pray & tie a knot. 2. Continue to pray for the recipient. 3. Donate materials. **4. Join us on Thursday, Oct. 15th from 1-4pm and quilt with us or learn!** 5. Donate to purchase supplies.

Absolutely everyone is welcome—no experience necessary!

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## AA Schedule:

Mon. 8pm everyone welcome

Wed. 7pm Women only

Sat. 10am Men only, 7pm everyone welcome

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10am, 7pm Bible Study  Don & Clara Hasenick's 60th Anniv.	2	3
4 Communion 10am Worship Svc.  Mark Walter's BD	5 Pete & Sue Morrison's 42nd Anniv.	6 Laurie Gogolin's BD	7 5pm Hamloaf dinner @ Kewadin UMC  Tim & Sue Whitney's 48th Anniv.	8 10am, 7pm Bible Study	9	10
11 10am Worship Svc.  No Potluck; CROPWalk @ 1:30pm	12 Shane Barrett's BD	13	14	15 10am, 7pm Bible Study  *1-4pm Prayer-Quilting	16	17
18 10am Worship Svc.  Potluck & Ad Council Mtg.	19 Jim Hockin's BD	20 *6:30pm Keys to Freedom Dinner  Jo Purdy's BD	21	22 10am, 7pm Bible Study  Steven Surowitz' BD Marcia Clone's BD	23	24 11am Church Conference @ Kalkaska UMC  *5-7pm Trunk or Treat!
25 10am Worship Svc. Brunch Women's Fellowship Meeting  Jean Ridge's BD	26 Dave Galligan's BD	27	28 ServSafe Class  Gabrielle Gualtiere's BD	29 10am, 7pm Bible Study	30 Kaitlynd Hamstra's BD	31



## CARE PACKAGES

Every year around this time, the Williamsburg Women's Fellowship fills care packages for our college students, military folks and any other youth living away from the area.

Please let Beth in the church office know if you have a loved one you would like to receive a package.

There will be a tub in the Narthex labeled 'Care Packages'. If you would like to contribute, please bring 20 of the same item and place them in the tub.

If you'd like to help pack the boxes, we will be doing it right after the worship service on Sunday, November 1st.

Need ideas?

Candy, popcorn, juice boxes, pencils, band-aids, erasers, note pads, tea, hot chocolate, toothpaste or anything else you can think of.

Thank you for letting the older youth and young adults know that we love them, miss them and are praying for them.

Thank you for your support.



## Crop Walk

**CROP WALK IS COMING ON Sun., OCT 11TH at the Grand Traverse Civic Center!** We are looking for people to walk or rock or pledge! Please see or call Amy Starkey (267-3044) for more info.



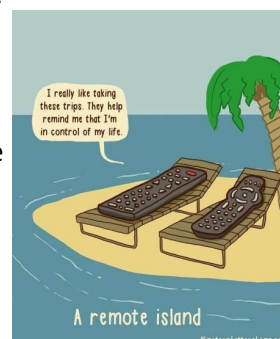
## Halloween Party

**Community Halloween Party at Whitewater Fire Station on October 31st, 4-8pm!** Looking for volunteers, donations and attendance. Please see Rod Kuncaitis (632-7914) for info! LOTS of food, treats, music, haunted hayride.....everyone is welcome!



## TRUNK OR TREAT AT WUMC!

COME TO A "TRUNK OR TREAT"! WUMC is having a "Trunk or Treat" event in our church parking lot, Sat., October 24th, from 5-7pm! **The community is invited!** Decorate your vehicle and be ready to hand out treats to kids! There will be kid-friendly games, food, and music! All sorts of family fun! (& I believe a prize for the best car decoration!)



MAKE UP YOUR MIND



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