

APRIL TIDINGS



A Letter From The Pastor

BY PASTOR MYRA

Dear Friends,
What a wonderful Easter at Troy First. From an intimate gathering for our Sunrise Service, to a children's moment filled with joy and laughter to a final blessing. Thank you church for sending me into surgery feeling very blessed and very loved.

My intent is to be "off the grid" for two weeks. Rev. George Marck will be preaching those Sundays. I will be staying in for another week, I'll be back at the parsonage on that second week but will probably start to come in to church life via zoom. Rev. Rich Peacock will be preaching that third Sunday.

Let's take Easter joy out into the world.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Myra

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Financial Report 1st Quarter 2024

Finance Summary Page		Budget	Actual YTD	thru 3/2024
Total Income		\$480,000	\$151,844	
Total Expenses		\$518,299	\$134,909	
Income - Expenses		(\$38,299)	\$16,935	
Income YTD				
Income Budget Sources				
	Budgeted Income	Income YTD	YTD %	
Actual O&M Pledge Received *	\$403,000	\$120,524	30%	
67 2024 Pledge Cards \$287,724				
Facilities Income	\$50,000	\$18,345	37%	
Unpledged Received	\$7,500	\$518	7%	
Loose plate	\$3,000	\$1,227	41%	
Intrest Income & Adj	\$16,000	\$10,644	67%	
Gifts and Other Income	\$500	\$587	117%	
Total	\$480,000	\$151,844	32%	
End of Month	12	3	25%	
YTD % represents Year To Date funds received/ budget funds for respective item				
Expenses YTD				
Expense Budget Sources				
	Budgeted Expense	Expenses YTD	YTD %	
World Ministries	\$4,693	\$879	19%	
Pastorial & Staff	\$279,300	\$72,262	26%	
Trustees, Bldg Expenses, Maint	\$152,006	\$37,527	25%	
2024 Interest Only Payments	\$30,000	\$11,174	37%	
Church Bldg Mortgage				
Worship & Music	\$36,900	\$9,789	27%	
Navigators	\$2,350	\$1,140	49%	
Finance	\$6,200	\$1,684	27%	
Education	\$6,350	\$455	7%	
Community Outreach	\$500	\$0	0%	
Total	\$518,299	\$134,909	26%	
End of Month	12	3	25%	
YTD % represents Year To Date spent/ budget funds for respective item				
Banking Details				
91% Designated Funds	\$618,849			91%
9% Undesignated Funds	\$59,603			9%
Bank Funds on Deposit 62%	\$678,452	\$419,542		62%
Includes \$419,542 Restricted Endowment				
Mortgage Balance	\$1.3 mil			
Church Bldg & Contents Appraisal Value	\$10.3 mil			

*Jan income included \$31,545 funds for pledges given in advance (pre-pay).

Contribution Statements

I plan to send out your 1st Quarter Pledge and Contribution Statements in early April. Now is a good time to switch to paperless statements if you have not already done so. You will get your statements via email. Convenient for you, and saving paper and postage. Please let me know if you want to switch.

Kaj Ostergaard
Financial Secretary
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Committee Nominations

The Nominations Report details the current committee members who coordinate all activities and programs at Troy First. If there is a committee you might be interested in getting involved with, please talk to the Chairperson of that Committee.

Maybe you don't want to be involved in the meetings and the planning, but God could be calling you to help with short term activities. You could become a Friend of a Committee which enables you to hear about upcoming activities and then volunteer for something that piques your interest.

Hopefully, by being involved, you will find fulfillment from the activity/program and also be able to interact with other people who share your same interests.

Terry Pritchett, Lay Leader

SPRC

- ☒ Fred Dolehanty chair
- ☒ Kathy Sobanski
- ☒ Doug Goudie
- ☒ Cheraye Miller cheraye8370@gmail.com
- ☒ Elise Norwood norwood01@yahoo.com
- ☒ Bill Lee blee53slate@gmail.com
- ☒ Terry Pritchett

The lay leader(s) and Jan Peacock as lay representative are ex officio members of SPRC with voting rights.

Finance

- ☒ Rick Rhoades Chair
- ☒ Craig Dukes Treasurer
- ☒ Kaj Ostergaard Financial Secretary
- ☒ Tim Teagan
- ☒ Jim Wilberding
- ☒ Laura Barnes
- ☒ Gale Blair
- ☒ Michelle Williston
- ☒ Terry Pritchett

Trustees

- ☒ Bill Wesp Chair
- ☒ Roger Steiger Vice Chair
- ☒ Marcus Kelley
- ☒ Rick Maldonado
- ☒ Jerry Michaux
- ☒ Ralph Truelove
- ☒ Nick Olesen
- ☒ Terri Watson

Outreach

- ☒ Rich Peacock chair
- ☒ Cathy Miller
- ☒ Julie Olsavsky
- ☒ Jane Egermann
- ☒ Jayne Saeger
- ☒ Nancy Cameron
- ☒ Judy White ronjudw@sbcglobal.net
- ☒ Marjorie Kumar
- ☒ Marcus Kelly

Worship

- ☒ Phil Hughes chair
- ☒ Doug Goudie
- ☒ Betty Kalvoda
- ☒ Marjorie Kumar zorrokumar1@aol.com
- ☒ Doug Smith
- ☒ Jayne Saeger
- ☒ Sheryl Dukes
- ☒ Fred Dolehanty

Hospitality:

- ☒ Robin Ostergaard – chair
- ☒ George Marck – Pastor/ staff representative
- ☒ Carolyn Jones
- ☒ Sheryl Dukes
- ☒ Sue Sanderson
- ☒ Jayne Saeger

Committee Nominations Cont.

Lay Leaders:

- ☒ Terry Pritchett SPRC and Finance
- ☒ Jayne Saeger Outreach, Worship and Hospitality
- ☒ Cheraye Miller SPRC
- ☒ Majorie Kumar – Worship and Outreach

Memorials:

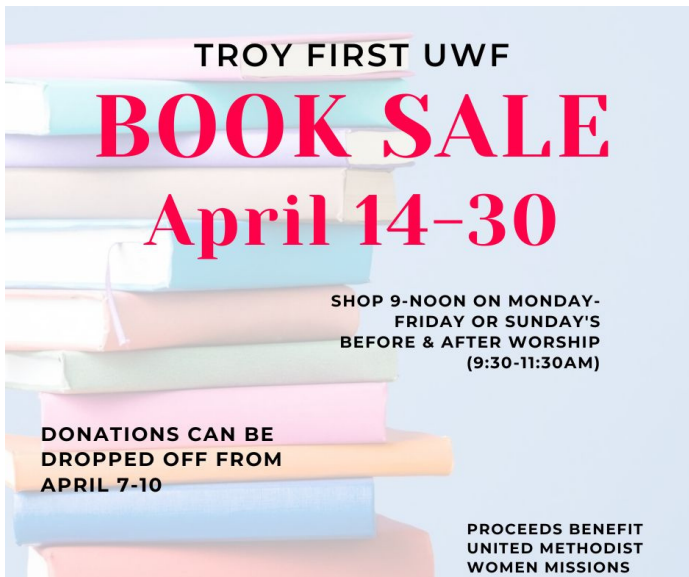
- ☒ Michelle Freeman Chairman
- ☒ Tim Teagan Treasurer
- ☒ Brooke Hartrick Secretary
- ☒ Jan Garrett
- ☒ Bill Rampenthal

Endowment Funds Committee

(to meet all Endowment Funds requirements for the newly merged BHSP and Troy First.)

This committee: oversees all funds at the United Methodist Foundation of Michigan with oversight by the Pastor, Finance committee and the Church Council Pastor Myra Moreland Advisor to the committee:

- ☒ Terry Pritchett, Lay Leader and EF Committee Chair
- ☒ Rick Rhoades, Chair Finance team
- ☒ Craig Dukes, Treasurer
- ☒ Kaj Ostergaard, Financial Secretary
- ☒ Gale Blair, Trustee rep to Finance



TROY FIRST UWF
BOOK SALE
April 14-30

SHOP 9-NOON ON MONDAY-
FRIDAY OR SUNDAY'S
BEFORE & AFTER WORSHIP
(9:30-11:30AM)

DONATIONS CAN BE
DROPPED OFF FROM
APRIL 7-10

PROCEEDS BENEFIT
UNITED METHODIST
WOMEN MISSIONS



DIAPER DRIVE

April 1-30
SIZE 4 & 6

Drop off to bin in the Mercer Hall
Any Questions contact Kathy Sobanski

Youth/Family

BY CORINNA OLESEN

Sunday nights from 6:30PM to 8:00PM during the school year

In March, this amazing group of individuals did a plethora of acts of service. During our Easter season, the youth cleaned up after a Come Home dinner, made sandwiches for Lighthouse, helped set up the Easter eggs for the Family Hunt, and kept the little bunnies on track and running smoothly. Shout out to our youth! You Rock! (I have to say I was thrilled to have 21 kids through this hunt!)

Many of our youth group filled the role of acolytes and crucifers through the month. It warmed my heart, as it reminded me of when I used to do the same thing! There are so many fun opportunities coming up this month. We are teaming up and fellowshiping with two other local youth groups. We are always welcoming new youth, come try it!

Blessings,
Corinna



Hospitality

BY ROBIN OSTERGAARD

Lighthouse lunch preparation a success!

Thank you to all who helped in any way during our 'host' week at the Lighthouse Family Shelter. During the week of March 17-23, we prepared 50 lunches daily for a total of 350 lunches. Whether you made sandwiches, packed lunches, shopped or donated food or cash, we are truly grateful, as are the residents of the family shelter. A special thank you to Julie and Steve Olsavsky who shopped for supplies and made most of the daily deliveries to the shelter.

If you are interested in participating in the future, we are planning to host a week in the fall. Stay tuned for details later in the summer.

Dinner groups are having tons of fun!

We have 6 dinner groups that have a total of 50 people! Everyone has been having a great time and getting to know each other better. And eating at lots of different places. If you didn't have a chance to join in dinner groups this spring, plan to join in the fun this fall. Bon Appetit!

Welcome to the Hospitality Team!

OK, maybe you are not officially on the Hospitality Team. But as members of the body of Christ, all of us have the responsibility to greet visitors and make them feel welcome. See someone new sitting in your pew? Greet them warmly and encourage them to sign the black registration book, so that we can connect with them. Are they a first time visitor? Offer them one of our cute welcome popcorn packets, which are located in the Narthex area and at the welcome desk. Our Hospitality team does it's best to seek out visitors and welcome them, but we don't want to miss an opportunity to share our warm hospitality. Troy 1st is famous for being a friendly church. Let's just take it to the next level. Thank you for being part of this 'all-church team' and doing what you do best-share Christ's love. If you have any questions, please contact Robin Ostergaard.

What's coming in April

Apr 7: Communion Worship, 10am, LIVE in Sanctuary and online; FIRST KIDS; Coffee & Conversation, 11:00am; Book Sale Collection Begins, Adult Sunday School classes, 11:20-12:00pm; Contemplative Prayer, 5:00pm; UMYF Youth Fellowship, 6:30-8:00pm

Apr 8: Book Sale Collection; Member Book Club, 12-3pm; ECLIPSE, 2-4pm; Bell Rehearsal, 6:45-8:15pm

Apr 9: Book Sale Collection; Finance Mtg., 7pm;

Apr 10: Book Sale Collection; Mid-Week Word, 10:00am; Choir Rehearsal, 7-8:30pm;

Apr 11: Book Sale Opens, UWF Hosting Cluster Luncheon, 11:30am; Deborah Circle, 7:00pm

Apr 12: RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE, 10am-4pm, REGISTER ONLINE NOW, redcross.org

Apr 13: Men's Breakfast, 8am

Apr 14: Baptism Worship, 10am, LIVE in Sanctuary and online; Book Sale Open; FIRST KIDS; Coffee & Conversation, 11:00am; Adult Sunday School classes, 11:20-12:00pm; UMYF, 6:30-8pm

Apr 15: Book Sale Open; Outreach at Lighthouse; Staff Meeting, 5:30pm; Bell Rehearsal, 6:45-8:15pm

Apr 16: Book Sale Open; Trustees Mtg, 7:00pm;

Apr 17: Book Sale Open; Mid-Week Word, 10:00am; Choir Rehearsal, 7pm;

Apr 18: Book Sale Open; Worship Team Meeting, 7:00pm

Apr 19: Book Sale Open

Apr 20: Book Sale Open

Apr 21: Sunday Worship, 10am, LIVE in Sanctuary and online; Book Sale Open; FIRST KIDS; Coffee & Conversation, 11:00am; Adult Sun. School classes, 11:20-12:00pm;; Contemplative Prayer, 5pm; UMYF, 6:30pm

Apr 22: Book Sale Open, Staff Meeting, 5:30pm; Bell Rehearsal, 6:45pm

Apr 23: Book Sale Open, Church Council, 7:00pm

Apr 24: Book Sale Open, Mid-Week Word, 10:00am; Choir Rehearsal, 7:00pm-8:30pm

Apr 25: Book Sale Open; UWF Fellowship Luncheon @ "Poached," 11:30am;

Apr 27: Book Sale Open; Bruce MacDonald Memorial, 1:00pm;

Apr 28: Sunday Worship, 10am, LIVE in Sanctuary and online; Book Sale Open, FIRST KIDS; Coffee & Conversation, 11:00am; Adult Sun. School classes, 11:20-12:00pm; Contemplative Prayer, 5pm; UMYF,6:30pm

Apr 29: Book Sale Open; Staff Meeting, 5:30pm; Bell Rehearsal, 6:45pm;

Apr 30: Book Sale: Final Day; Free Troy Community Concert in Sanctuary, 7:30pm

APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Jim & Nan Wilberding
- 2 Robert Jewell
- 3 Elizabeth Daly, Rich Peacock
- 4 Mike Rumel
- 5 Josh Boisseau
- 6 Lois Reid, Melissa Meek
- 7 Liam Dolehanty
- 9 Betty Kalvoda, Lexi Flores
- 13 Andrew LaCombe
- 14 Lane Ann Rumel
- 16 Jackson Steiger, Doug & Holly Goudie
- 19 Gary & Traci Elliott
- 20 Janeen Flores, Jean Roberson, Marjorie Kumar
- 21 Brian Dolehanty, Andrew Gordon, Scott Williams, Brian Johns
- 22 Colin Mile, Scott Williston
- 23 Jennifer Fry, Becky Head Frank
- 26 Paul Daly
- 28 Jill Woods
- 29 Alyssa Rumel
- 30 Tim Teagan, Scott & Michelle Williston



**LIGHTHOUSE
FOOD PANTRY**
Volunteers needed!

April 15
May 20
June 17

Any questions please contact Cathy Miller @ 248-408-0794

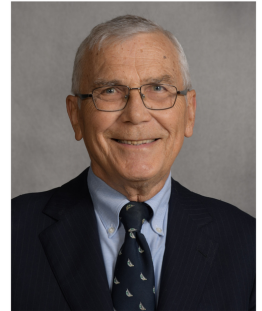
How to Reach Our Staff



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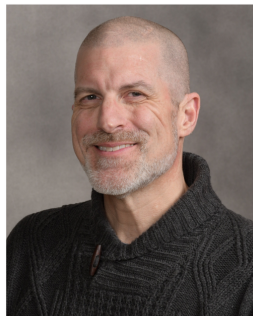
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