

Sunday Worship 8:00 & 10:00 AM
Online 9:00 AM

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May 2022/ Monthly Newsletter of TUMC Lomira

UPDATE ON UMCORS UKRAINE EFFORTS

By Elliott Wright

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Donors to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) are providing food, water, medicine, shelter and transportation to Ukrainians and other refugees fleeing Russian invaders inside their country and to those seeking refuge in neighboring countries.

“As of April 4, UMCOR has allocated nearly \$2 million to a broad range of local and regional refugee-related services, and other expenditures reaching into the hundreds of thousands of dollars are in planning,” according to Roland Fernandes, general secretary of Global Ministries and UMCOR. “More than \$5 million has been given for the Ukraine work to date. Gifts by mail or through local churches arrive more slowly but contribute significantly to the long-term work of meeting refugee needs.

“Humanitarian response for people displaced by war or natural disasters is always long-term and involves careful action to alleviate immediate suffering and also to lay the groundwork for unfolding, often unexpected, events. UMCOR has an excellent track record in pulling together resources to cover extended needs.”

The conflict in Ukraine may result in as many as 10 million refugees, according to various estimates. Dealing with even half that number of displaced persons is a major international humanitarian challenge.



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

After rolling and raking the personage yard on Saturday 23rd 2022. I decided to put my snow shovels away, hoping that we won't see any more of that white stuff for many months! I see more signs of spring every day. The maple trees are tapped, drawing sap to make maple syrup. The tulips are blooming already, and the grass in yards turn a vibrant green again.

Hopefully very soon, the sun will shine with power to warm the earth and warm the air. Then the fragrance of freshly turned earth will fill the air as we drive through the countryside of Lomira, Fond du Lac, Oshkosh... and see the tractors in the field, preparing the earth and planting the new seeds in the field. All this shows that the month of May has many signs of new life.

The changes in our weather aren't the only seasons that we experience in our life. In fact, King Solomon starts the third chapter of Ecclesiastes saying, *"For everything there is a season."* Solomon gives many examples of "changing seasons" in that chapter which show that our entire life is a season in the greater concept of time.

For many of us, the May warmer weather is not the only change of season happening right now. Nine of our congregation children are getting confirmed on the first day of May, this is the beginning of a new season of life as they take the next step in their faith affirming their baptismal vows, confessing their faith in the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit and promising to live out their faith during the communion of saints. We have graduating seniors in our congregation who are ending this season of life and heading off to college in the fall. So, as you can see, these are just a few of newness of life celebrated in the month of May.

The important thing we need to keep in our minds is the newness of life all Christians should look for is found in the forgiveness Jesus offers. So, as we enter the month of May, let's be proactive in the world we pronounce every Sunday while praying the Lord's prayer, *"Forgive our sins as we forgive those who sin against us"*. It's by putting these words in practice that Jesus offers the newness of our relationship with God, whom we now can call Father. That Jesus gives us a new family, as we are called into a family of brothers and sisters in Christ, a communion of saints of all time and places including the communion of saints we gather with to worship on Sunday mornings. That Jesus gives us newness of life with the power of the Holy Spirit to forgive as we are forgiven, so we can make our broken relationships new.

May is the season of new life. We witness the newness of life as spring wakes the earth from its winter rest. We see new life all around us in the plants and new baby animals being born. These are all a witness to the newness of life we have in our Lord Jesus, through his death and resurrection. We have life and newness of life in his name.

Truly yours in Christ,

Rev. Mulongo Mpoyo



All aboard for fun at VBS!

Rocky Railway is rolling into Trinity on
June 3 (6pm-8:30pm) and June 4 (8:30am-2:30pm),
and we are in need of 2 volunteers to help lead the youngsters
from activity to activity. Please consider helping out.

Reach out to Sarah Kretschmer 920-904-6373

Registration is free and open to all area kids 4K-6th grade!!!

Forms available on the Sunday School bulletin board.

Registration deadline is 5/8



Our Choir Season is coming to an end.

Time to enjoy the Summer months ahead!!

Please join us at Trinity, as the Choir sings their season finale song, on Sunday, May 15th at the 9:00am service. Each year, I have the choir pick out one of their favorite songs, to sing at the choir finale. This year they chose, "Like A Lighthouse".

After a nice Summer break, the choir season will start up again in the Fall. Our first choir practice will be on Wednesday, September 7th at 6:00pm. Practices will continue on each Wednesday, at 6:00pm. We sing on the third Sunday of each month. (This is subject to change, at any time). If you like to sing out a song unto the Lord, please consider joining the choir. New voices are always welcome!!

Thank you to all of my choir members. It's been a fun and musical season. I'll see you all in the Fall.

Over the Summer, let the Lord guide your footsteps, as you take your daily walk with Him.

Keep a song in your heart!!

Pam Hilker

Adult Choir Director



Announcements

If you know of members graduating from High School, an apprenticeship, technical program or college, please let Jessica in the office know, so they may be recognized in the June newsletter.

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Thank-You



Summer Schedule

**Trinity will continue to have one
Sunday Worship Service at 9:00 AM.
Online livestream service will also
continue as usual.
Thank-You!**

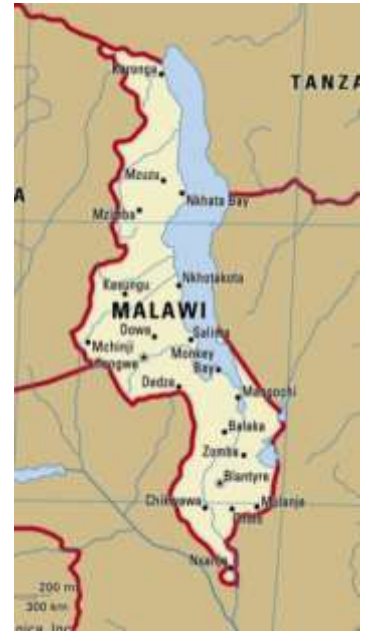
Graduate Sunday

Our 2022 graduates will be recognized during the 5/22 service, as well as our scholarship recipients.

***The June Newsletter Deadline is May 25th
Please have all of your articles into the church
office by noon that day. Thank you!***

Children of Malawi, Africa... A Look Inside Their World

Shoeboxes packed by the Trinity Shoebox Project this fall were delivered to Malawi and Undisclosed Hard to Reach Places



Source: Official Operation Christmas Child Project Leaders

Author: Sue Luma

[February 3, 2022]

"Some things I learned on my journey all over Malawi. Kids are kids! No directions, explanations needed. I set out a soccer ball and pump, one child picked it up, pumped it up and they began playing. They jumped rope, and played with everything we brought. 1 or 2 matchbox cars are wonderful. Anything more becomes a burden. The child can't carry more than that and the car doesn't become special so its set down and they move on. The same with dolls. Clothing is so needed and appreciated. Dresses do not need underwear. I spent a lot of time showing the girls panties and they just didn't want them. There's no bathrooms in most villages. Most girls wear dresses or skirts so when squatting on the ground you are covered, the extra step of trying to balance with panties or take them all the way off was so strange to the girls. The same for pads and diapers. Water is scarce, the people here do not have extra time nor water to wash out and re-wear pads or underwear. Boys do wear boxer briefs as shorts. Clothing is worn for days and days until it basically falls apart. Backpacks and string bags are AWESOME! People carry everything. Children need school supplies to go to school or be taught in the villages. Most villages I saw didn't have a toothbrush or soap in sight. I'm not saying don't send it, I'm saying it's not commonly used. Silverware is another thing. We took a group to dinner. After trying to use a fork and spoon for some time they smiled at us, set it aside and ate with their hands. It was beautiful. Cups and small plates are very useful. Almost everyone keeps their hair short. Headbands were favorites. Most of the children I came in contact with have never seen themselves. When I showed them their pictures on my phone screen they laughed and wanted more. Keep packing, praying and loving... it's so good! In Jesus name! ♥"



Many THANKS to the Trinity Youth Group who assisted the Shoebox Project by unpacking, sorting, and banding the flatware purchased last fall from IKEA. This gift will be included in all our shoeboxes.

REPURPOSE T Shirts into JUMPROPE



JOYwithPurpose.com

Spring Has Arrived... [Well hopefully!]

If you have old t-shirts that are not worthy of handing-down or



donating to a local program, please consider donating them to the **Trinity Shoebox Project!** The t-shirts... any color, size, or condition... will be cut-up and braided to make **jump-ropes** for our **shoeboxes**. This is a great way to upcycle items that might otherwise be discarded or end up in landfills.

We are greatly **THANKFUL** to Lila Ebert for all the jump-ropes she masterfully crafted as well as sharing her expertise with others. Many **THANKS** also to Elaine Unferth, Becky Luedtke and their extended families for generously giving of their time to cut, stretch, braid and tag... much of the work done at their winter haven in Florida. What a wonderful way to continue to do God's work and share their gifts.

thank you

Thank you to our volunteers, youth helpers and bakers for all the help Saturday and Sunday. Each of you made the 2022 Easter breakfast a success after a 2 year hiatus. The breakfast raised \$561.30 that will go towards the church general fund.

Thank You!

Lee & Marlin



Mission Trip 2022

If you have any interest in doing a mission trip this year please sign up in the connections room or talk to Debbie Bintzler-Oestreich.

TUMC Prayer Concerns

- **David Rinzel** recovering from open heart surgery 4/21
- **Howie Gilbert** had a few strokes, recovering 3/31
- **Sara Marschie** (Josh's Mom) Multiple Myeloma, emergency surgery 3/28
- **Aiden** (2 yr old. Grandson of Tina Rawlins co-worker) brain and skull surgery 2/1
- **Jim O'Connor** health issues 1/6
- **Bob Geiger** brain cancer, had surgery to remove tumor 10/9
- **Laurie** (Carol Dillings Niece) recurrence of cancer 6/1
- **Pastor Rom** pancreatic cancer 2/4

***Our Prayer list covers for 6-8 months. If you feel someone needs to continue or be placed back on the list, please let Jessica know.
Thank You.***

May Birthdays

- 2 Jackie Eichstedt
- 3 David Luedtke
Cannon Klein
Peter Graf
- 4 Annette Michels
- 7 Caleb Toth-Rambousek
- 8 Damon Kavonius
Annie Sacotte
- 9 Owen Casper
- 12 Lila Ebert
- 13 Brian Stoffel
- 14 Isabel Westphal
- 15 Gerry Meyer
- 17 Janet Hesprich
- 21 Doug Kiehna
- 23 Eloise Alf
- 24 Joan Brasch
- 25 Donna Luther
John LaVarda
- 26 Bill Seefeld
Weston Rhein
- 27 Casey Buske
Peter Graf
- 29 Aisha Ullius
- 30 Joel Arndt
Jacqueline Zimmerman
- 31 Deb Wiedmeyer



TUMC Budget Totals

Year to date needed to meet budget:

\$77,877.00

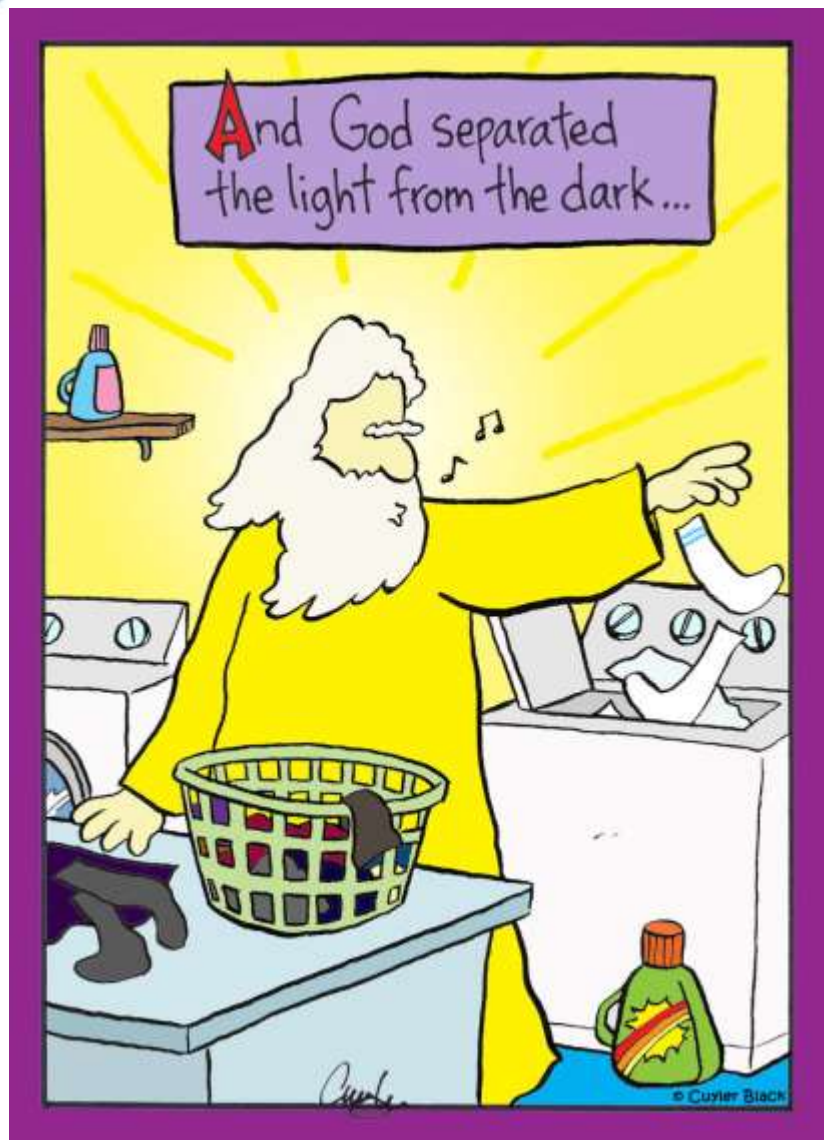
Received through

4-25-2021: \$64,444.38

Budget Shortfall: \$13,432.62

May Anniversaries

- 1 Jeffery & Rebecca Luedtke
- 2 Derek and Nicole Dittberner
- 4 Francis & Annette Michels
- 5 Jonathan & Lisa Luedtke
- 8 David & Michelle Wroblewski
- 9 Gary Jesse & Sandy Porter
- 10 Shawn & Amanda Ditter
- 21 Randy & Julie Faber
- 24 Glen and Pam Wellso



Golden Club

We have lots to celebrate this month!

David Luedtke

Turns 91 on 5/3

P. O. Box 86

Eden, WI 53019

Annette Michels

Turns 84 on 5/4

N11656 Butternut Rd.

Lomira, WI 53048

Lila Ebert

Turns 89 on 5/12

1030 North Ave.

Lomira, WI 53048

Joan Brasch

Turns 92 on 5/24

125 Cedar Ridge Dr. Apt S239

West Bend, WI 53095

Donna Luther

Turns 86 on 5/25

9009 Chemstrand Rd.

Pensacola, FL 32514

William Seefeld

Turns 84 on 5/26

W3785 Scenic Rd.

Campbellsport, WI 53010

Lets send them lots of Happy Birthday wishes!



Join us in celebrating Mothers on Sunday May 8th, when our Sunday School Children will be singing at the 9:00 Service.

This is also the last day of Sunday School.

May 2022 TUMC-Lomira

Worship Services 9:00 AM

Sunday School/Coffee Connection 10:00 AM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Confirmation Sunday Communion Sunday 12:30 pm LCT Meeting	2 6:00pm South Byron 4-H	3	4 6:30 pm AA & Al-Anon	5	6	7
8 Mothers Day Sunday School Kids Sing Last Day of Sunday School	9	10	11 6:00 pm VBS Meeting 6:30 pm AA & Al-Anon	12	13	14 10-11:00 am Food Pantry
15	16	17 6:30 pm SF Meeting	18 6:30 pm AA & Al-Anon	19	20	21
22 Graduate Sunday	23	24	25 6:30 pm AA & Al-Anon	26 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting	27	28 10-11:00 am Food Pantry
29	30 Memorial Day	31				

Mulongo Mpoyo, Pastor

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WORSHIP SERVICES

9:00 A.M.

Sunday School/Youth Group, Coffee Connection 10:00 AM

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