

APRIL 2023: *No Celebrities Except Jesus*

1 Corinthians 14: ³³ For God is not a God of disorder but of peace—as in all the congregations of the Lord’s people.

Following are some excerpts and comments on an article in **April 2023 Christianity Today:**
‘No Celebrities Except Jesus’: How Asbury Protected the Revival

Asbury Theological Seminary is a Wesleyan school that has a tradition of revivals, and a theology that teaches people to wait and watch for a divine wind to blow. The university is named for Francis Asbury, the early American Methodist bishop who encouraged and celebrated revivals from Maine to Georgia and Maryland to Tennessee.

The most recent revival began at a regular chapel service on February 8th, 2023 following a devotion on Romans 12. The service ended as usual, but 18 or 19 students, awakened by the Spirit, stayed and kept praying. Before long, students and staff became aware there was something special happening in their midst. The hall began to fill not only with people, but with their heartfelt praises, worship, prayer, weeping and confessing. God’s peace, presence, and power was palpable to all.

Alexandra Presta, editor of the student newspaper, posted a report online. *“During a call of confession, at least a hundred people fell to their knees and bowed at the altar,”* she wrote. *“Hands rested on shoulders, linking individual people together to represent the Body of Christ truly. Cries of addiction, pride, fear, anger and bitterness sounded, each followed by a life-changing proclamation: ‘Christ forgives you.’”*

News of the singing, praying students ripped across social media, Twitter, TikTok, and Facebook. People came from far and wide, including some who began to loudly trumpet personal or political agendas. Through the wisdom and authority of the Holy Spirit, the leadership asked these people to give way to the peaceful spirit of the movement. *“We want to be true to how the Holy Spirit showed up with our students,”* said Baldwin, the vice president of student life. *“We experienced joy. We experienced love. We experienced peace. There was lots of singing and testimonies. Those became our signposts. This is how, in front of our eyes, we are seeing the Holy Spirit come upon our students, and we want to honor that.”*

There were also Christian leaders who came quietly, just to pray and participate without trying to take the stage. Kari Jobe, a contemporary Christian music singer went down to the altar; several students prayed for her, without appearing to know who she was. A leader of the Vineyard Church came and went without announcing anything on social media. Former vice president Mike Pence tweeted and noted his own religious awaking at a music festival there in 1978. Ministers didn’t say their names or job titles, but would say, **“There are no celebrities here, no superstars, except Jesus.”**

As BhBC is rebirthed in 2023, may we likewise watch for a divine wind to blow. May we invite a fresh move of God’s Holy Spirit to awaken us. May we overflow in praise, worship, prayer, repentance, reverence and awe. May revival take place in our hearts as we set our gaze upon Jesus, Who is the only Celebrity among us!

Onward and Upward, BhB Church! PK

thank you!

WORLD VISION 30-HOUR FAMINE UPDATE

Thank you for your prayers and financial support! We raised over \$800!

Through World Vision we're helping children overcome food insecurity, poverty and social injustices. For 30 Hours our group of youth and adults ATE NOTHING! Water was always available and juice breaks had assigned times. During our event, we learned about Mahana, a 10-year-old girl from a small rural village in Niger, Africa. By studying her family's plight, we considered all of the blessings God has bestowed upon us. We also competed in TRIBE: Global challenges, a water walk, creating Famine posters, shopping for food to break our fast, and more.

This year's Famine participants: Carolyn Elliott, Sean Elliott, Anna Gerike, Calvin Hartley, Wesley Hartley, Jedidiah Sorg, Janessa Adams, Laura Mallon and Sylvia Timm, Pastor Kendall and Karen Schlittler.

Thank you for supporting Black Hawk Youth Fellowship.

We have a new "used" snow-thrower/lawn mower for the church & parsonage. Many thanks to Gene Unger for hunting this machine down, making the deal and transporting it back to Black Hawk BEFORE another (Thursday) snowstorm. Thanks to Pastor Kendall for all the tinkering he did to get it in tip-top shape for the work of snow removal and lawn cutting. What a blessing!

"YOU HAVE CHRIST'S CHARACTER"

Chapter 12 of Our Methodist Heritage by: Charles W. Keysor

When evangelism is a PASSION, it is concerned primarily with souls.

When evangelism is promotion, it is concerned chiefly with statistics.

When evangelism is a PASSION, it is used of God to advance God's kingdom.

When evangelism is promotion, it is used by people to enlarge an institution.

When evangelism is a PASSION, joy and exhilaration are found in the performance of its privileges.

When evangelism is a promotion, pressure and strain exist in the performance of its duties.

When evangelism is a PASSION, it is a spiritual exercise of the caring heart.

When evangelism is promotion, it is religious "gimmickry" to achieve ecclesiastical success.

It was PASSION for souls that led David Livingstone into the jungles of Africa. Years later, when his countrymen sought his return in order to lavish comforts and honors upon him in his declining days, this unearthly PASSION led him to choose rather to pour out the last dregs of life in darkest Africa.

It was this spiritual PASSION, utterly unknown by the natural person, that sent Whitefield through England and America preaching and weeping as he preached.

And so we might continue. But let this suffice: There has never been a person or a movement that had power with God and humanity that did not share this heavenly vision and this impelling PASSION.

APRIL 2nd

Students will process with palms.

PreK-3rd Graders sing: "Clap Your Hands".

Music In Motion presented by all ages.

Parents: the kids will rehearse with Karen at 8:40 AM in the sanctuary.

ATTENTION! NO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EASTER SUNDAY

**BIBLE BOWL &
BIRTHDAY BASH SUNDAY**
APRIL 30th, 10:00 AM
Celebrating
Feb-May Birthdays!



**Vacation Bible
School 2023**
AUGUST 7th-11th
9:00-11:30 AM

STELLAR...Shine Jesus' LIGHT!

Learning to shine the LIGHT of JESUS thru FUN
Music, Crafts, Games, Bible Adventure,
Cinema Chat, and Snacks! Invite a friend!

UMC CAMP COUPON

From: BhB Missions/Ministry

\$250/5-day

\$150/3-day

Towards camp registration for any member/friend
attending a United Methodist Camp at
Lake Lucerne or Pine Lake.

Give your registration receipt
to Karen Schlittler for reimbursement.

SOWING & GROWING

WOMEN'S WORKOUTS MONDAYS 5:30-6:15 PM

Join Karen at church for a 45-minute workout:
cardio, strength, stretching exercises to
inspirational music. Teens welcome too!
Bring a mat, water bottle and light weights.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS 8:30 AM

Read. Discuss. Share. Laugh. Pray. Together.

All are welcome to attend!

Call Karen for location 608-544-3991

SPOUSES WITHOUT SPOUSES

Ladies, meet for lunch at Jose's in Sauk City,
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19th at 11:30.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19th at 6:30 PM

Meet at church to study the Gospel of Matthew.
Read. Discuss. Pray.

Night of
HOPE
FOR THE HUNGRY

Friday, April 28, 2023
6pm at 6:8 (821 Industry Rd. Sauk City)

**SILENT
AND LIVE
AUCTION**

cook off
Soup
Bread
Dessert



SPRING CLEANING SATURDAY

APRIL 29th

8:00-NOON

A list of jobs will be
hung up at church. If
you can't come on Saturday, but have
time during the week to do some
cleaning, you are welcome to do so.
Please cross off the completed chore.
Many hands make light work!
Thanks for helping!

APRIL 2023 SERVANTS

Worship Leader

2nd Chris Elliott
9th Ranju Been
16th Tom Owens
23rd David Stienmetz
30th Marilyn Horstman

Acolyte

2nd Paisley Jaquish
9th Micah Bennett
16th Abigail Hartley
23rd Sarah Gerike
30th Sarah Elliott

***Audio/Visual Technician**

1st Sunday Brian Ullmann
2nd Sunday Gene Unger
3rd Sunday Nick Hartley
4th Sunday Katey Ullmann
5th Sunday Rhett Jaquish

CHAT & CHEW SUNDAY! April 2nd AT 10:00 AM

(Read to the tune of Chattanooga Choo-choo

Lyrics written by Rev. Dennis Weis)

Pardon me folks—

But there's a Chat & Chew at Blackhawk.

Come join us all...in the Fellowship Hall!

There are snacks for the kids,

And for adults there's even coffee!

Come grab a treat, and talk with people you meet.

There may be cookies, bars or cupcakes

Just a waitin' for you!

Fill your plate, it's not too late to sit down and chew.

Nothing could be finer. No! It's not a diner...

Just a time of fellowship prepared for you!

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After Church this Sunday, in the Fellowship Hall!

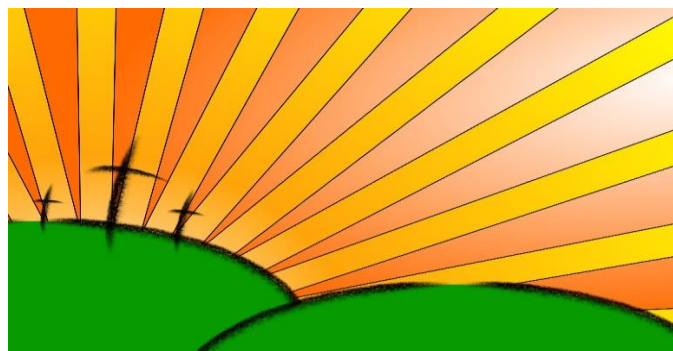


Black Hawk-Bethlehem
Good Friday Service

APRIL 7th

NOON-12:30 PM

A Reflective Time of
Scripture and Song



EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9th

Join us for Worship at 9:00 AM

Pinwheels will be given to the kids instead of a
balloon release this year. They were given by
LaNell Jaquish in memory of a Friend.

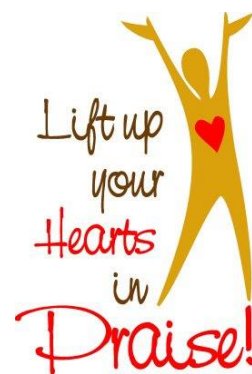
PRAISE CHOIR

Ladies & teen-girls...if you are
interested in singing with this
group, please join us for
rehearsals.

All are welcome!

**Practice Date: Sundays,
April 16th, May 7th**

Meet in the sanctuary at 10:15.



BLACK HAWK-BETHLEHEM CHICKEN & DUMPLING DINNER SUNDAY, APRIL 23rd, 2023

SERVING 4:00-7:00 PM

**ENJOY a DELICIOUS DINNER
with family and friends!**

Carry-outs available

**Dumplings, Savory Chicken & Gravy,
Seasoned Carrots, Cranberry Sauce,
Cherry or Blueberry Dessert**

COST: \$15

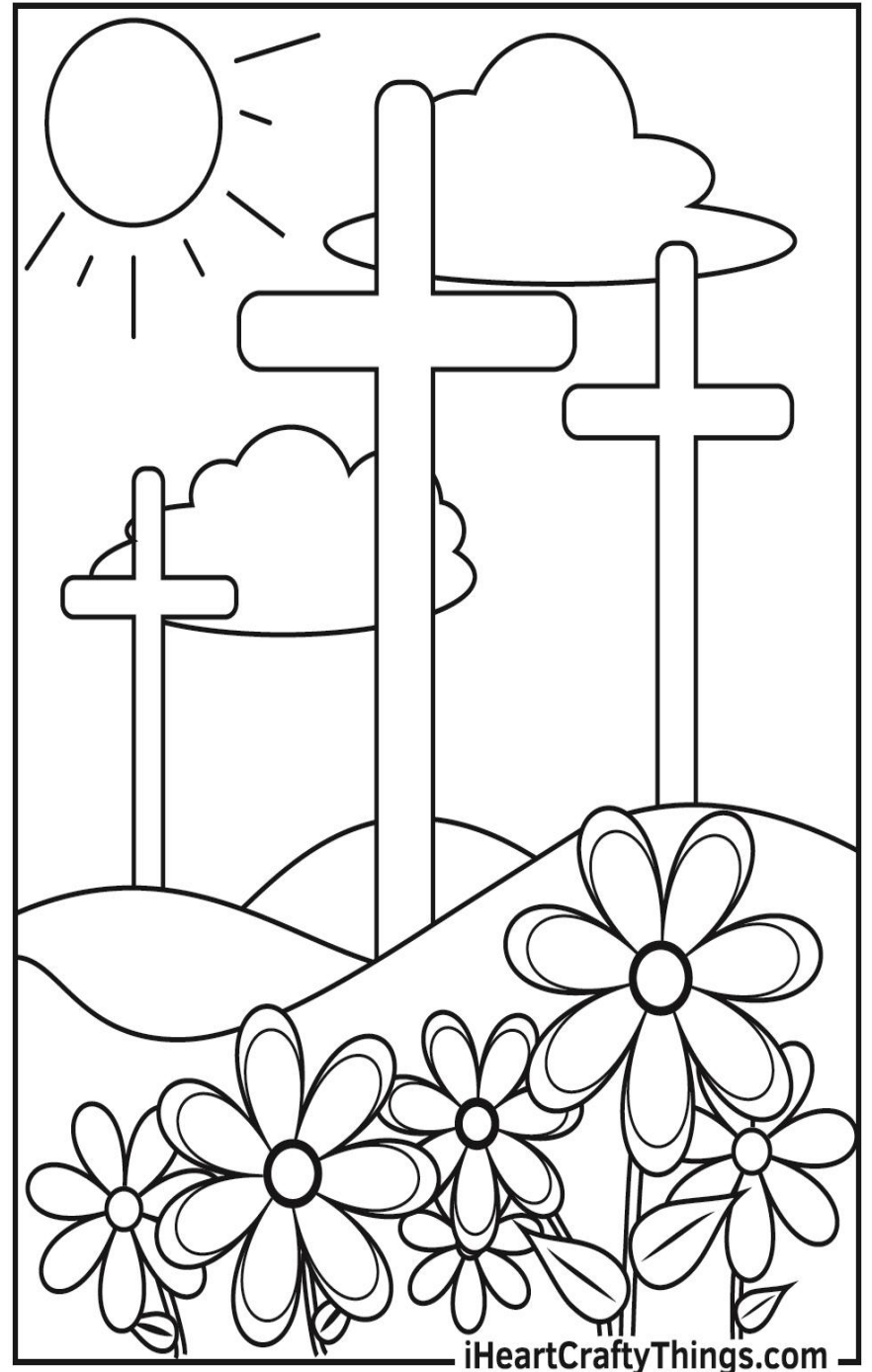
C&D DINNER HELP WANTED

If you are interested in working in the
kitchen or dining room, please contact
Shalome Ullmann or Jo Ballweg.

APRIL 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 PALM SUNDAY 8:40 SS rehearsal 9:00 Worship Communion 9:45 Christian Ed. 10:00 Chat & Chew 10:15 Choir practice 2:00 4H Club	3 5:30 PM Women's Workout	4	5 8:30 AM Women's Bible Study	6 MAUNDY THURS	7 GOOD FRIDAY BHB 12 Noon-12:30 PM Solemn service of Scripture and Songs	8 HOLY SATURDAY
9 EASTER SUNDAY 8:30 Choir Rehearsal 9:00 Worship NO CHRISTIAN ED	10 5:30 PM Women's Workout	11	12 8:30 AM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM SPRC 7:30 PM Admin. Mtg.	13	14	15
16 9:00 Worship 9:30 Christian Ed. 10:00 SS Music time 10:15 Praise practice	17 5:30 PM Women's Workout	18	19 8:30 AM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study	20 10:00 Maplewood 3:30 Pines	21	22
23 9:00 Worship* 9:30 Christian Ed.* 10:15 Choir practice* 4:00 Chk/Dmp Dinner 30* 10:00 Bible Bowl & B-day Bash	24 10:00 AM Circuit Clergy 5:30 PM Women's Workout	25	26 8:30 AM Women's Bible Study	27 10:00 Greenway	28	29 BHB SPRING CLEANING 8:00-NOON

CHRIST
THE LORD
IS RISEN
TODAY!
ALLELUIA!





AUGUST 7th-11th, 2023

9:00-11:30 AM

AGES 4 yrs.- 6th Grade

(please fill out registration form for each child)

Name _____

Age _____ Grade in the Fall _____

Parent Name _____

Address _____

Phone Contact # _____

Email _____

Allergies or medical problems we should be aware of _____

Mail this form to: BhB Church/Karen Schlittler S10174 Cty Rd C Sauk City, WI 53583

OR Call to register: 544-3991 Email: bhbumc@gmail.com



FAMILY A.C.T.S

(Applying Christ Through Service)

ROLLER-SKATING PARTY 2023

GALAXY SKATE/Richland Center SO MUCH FUN!!!



... Growing Generations of Faithful Since 1864

Black Hawk-Bethlehem
United Methodist Church
S10174 County Rd C
Sauk City, WI 53583

Return Service Requested

APRIL 2023 HAWK TALK

We, the faith community of Black Hawk-Bethlehem United Methodist Church,
exist to grow generations of faithful followers of Jesus Christ by:

Preparing the fertile soil bed of faith

Sowing seeds of God's Word in people's hearts

Cultivating and nurturing each individual's spiritual growth

Harvesting the fruit of souls made righteous by God's grace

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