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**Pastor's
Corner**



Dear Friends in Christ,

This past July 4th we had the joy of welcoming a new family into our Community of Faith, the Labayen Family, Raymundo (dad), Lorraine (mom), Noel (son), Nathan (son).

The Labayen's are from Quezon City, Philippines. Lorraine is Leilani Cristobal's sister. Their first day at church was without a doubt a joy as we together celebrated the 4th of July by welcoming the Labayen's to America. Hopes and dreams filled the sanctuary as we all sang together the beautiful hymn "God Bless America" and a joy to be part of a church that practices hospitality as a key tool for evangelism.



Without a doubt, here at ORUMC hospitality has become a transformative evangelizing tool that has changed our view of welcoming new comers, inviting others into our space and inviting new friends to make our space their space.

I am proud to say that our church family is intentional in practicing the gift of hospitality which is central in the biblical narrative. The Church is "the

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household of God,” inviting us to dwell with God. Here at ORUMC we are a body of Christ that welcomes new friends to “dwell”, to feel protected in His presence and accepted in a place of grace.

Throughout his ministry, Jesus taught his disciples what it meant to be together, encouraging them to look after one another and attend to each other's needs. It is a joy to see our members following our Lord's teachings as they welcome not only neighbors but brothers and sisters who come to our country in search of a new opportunity.

We are grateful to God for this journey that has allowed us to experience the blessing of getting to know new friends and experience the joy of sharing with others what God has given us, for we know neighbors when we share our table with them, whether it is a delicious bountiful potluck or a coffee hour after church or simply a latte at Starbucks.

As we bless meals together, we recognize that we do not sustain ourselves, but are sustained by God, by the bounty of God's earth, and by the work of a community of people that has brought this food to our table. Around those same tables, we share stories about our living: our hopes and regrets, jokes we have heard, struggles we are having with work or family, experiences

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we have enjoyed or wish we could have, our joys and our sorrows, remembering that there are too many people who do not share the blessings of good food, loving community, and meaningful labor. So many brothers and sisters who are not welcomed to the table for the simple fact of looking our sounding differently. I am thankful for all of God's blessings, grateful for the support, encouragement and devotion of our church family. I am looking forward with hope and anticipation to what Christ sets forth for us after the summer.

Let us publicly celebrate the stories of hospitality, grace and transformation that are happening in our midst.

With you, in Christ's ministry, together,
Pastor Shirley



Calling All Greeters!

We would love to see you join the Greeter Group! Please take a look at your calendar and sign up for the Sundays that work best for you to be a greeter! The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex located on the cabinet directly outside the Sanctuary doors. Thank you

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United Women in Faith

Fall Retreat: UWF Retreat:

When: Friday September 27 and Saturday September 28

Where: Wesley Woods Williams Bay WI

Cost: \$90 for overnight (includes breakfast and lunch) OR \$50 Saturday only (includes lunch)
Registration is open. Please reach out to Pam Miller ASAP to secure your spot

Upcoming events:

Tuesday 9/3 fall meeting - The History of Our Redeemers as we celebrate our 60th anniversary
Sunday 10/27 ORUMC 60th anniversary celebration
Sunday 11/24 Heavenly Treats
Tuesday 12/3 holiday meeting with our annual White Elephant exchange



The United Methodist Men meet over breakfast at 9:00 am every second Saturday. The next meeting is August 10th on Pastor Shirley's Patio.

John Wesley's Rule

DO ALL THE GOOD YOU CAN.
BY ALL THE MEANS YOU CAN.
IN ALL THE WAYS YOU CAN.
IN ALL THE PLACES YOU CAN.
AT ALL THE TIMES YOU CAN.
TO ALL THE PEOPLE YOU CAN.
AS LONG AS EVER YOU CAN.

John Wesley / @InspiringThinkn

The following are the June 30, 2024 Year-To-Date Financial Data:

Revenues	109,521
Expenses	120,173
Deficit	(10,652)

The following are the July 31, 2024 Year-To-Date Financial Data:

Revenues	132,988
Expenses	141,561
Deficit	(8,673)

Caring Ministries Corner

Schaumburg Township Food Pantry



Hello and happy August! As always, THANK YOU for your wonderful support of the food pantry – we are able to serve over 1100 households in our community each month because of your generosity. Your donations allow us to continue to serve those in need with dignity and respect. Provided you are financially able, please contribute at least a few food items each week and bring them to the designated cart in the narthex. We are told that the most needed items for the month of August are Pancake Mix and Syrup, Shelf-stable Microwave Meals, Spam and Canned Chicken and Kid-friendly Lunch

“If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one.” ~ Mother Teresa



Feed My Starving Children

Summer break is here and there are multiple ways for anyone over 5 years old and all physical abilities to participate - FMSC is accessible and has a job for everyone! We will serve at the Schaumburg Feed My Starving Children center on Friday, August 9th from 2:30- 4:00 PM. If you would like to join in, please inform Melissa in the office or register at FMSC.org using join code ZW721B . If you are unable to come for our time slot, please see their website for alternate times.

The more of us who come to serve.

“Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”

Romans 12:21




WE WANT YOUR OLD SHOES!

Clean out your closets while raising money for MS AND help people in developing countries feed their families! Donate your unwanted or old shoes to collection boxes in the narthex. ANY kind of shoes and size: children's/men's/women's/heels/boots/flip flops...well any kind! MS Crop for a Cause and the National MS Society are partnering with FUNDS2ORG to collect shoes. They sort and bag them for Funds2Org to pick up. Shoes collected are sent to micro-entrepreneurs worldwide in developing nations and become an economic lifeline. People are trained in how to repair, repurpose and sell the shoes in their local marketplaces to support their families. In return a donation is made to the National MS Society based on the weight of what we collect. So, this is a win-win! Shoe drive fundraisers go beyond supporting just our organization. They make an impact on thousands of lives. Please see Edie or John Machonis if you have any questions.



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