

Who's Serving in Fennimore in March?

Ushers

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
3/10/2019	Bobbi Jo Pink Family Heidi Millin	Sheckler Family
3/17/2019	Chris and Pam Kruel	Glen and Christine Klais
3/24/2019	Bob and Maggie Miller	Rod and Jackie Wehrle
3/31/2019	Joe and Donna Grimme	Linda Stephenson

Greeters (Sanctuary)

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
3/10/2019	Rob and Karla Rands	Sheckler Family
3/17/2019	Chris and Pam Kruel	Glen and Christine Klais
3/24/2019	Davis Family	Rod and Jackie Wehrle
3/31/2019	Joe and Donna Grimmer	Connie Neal

Liturgist

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
3/10/2019	Brady Pink	Brent Sheckler
3/17/2019	Karla Witzig	Glen Klais
3/24/2019	Linda O'Kane	Jackie Wehrle
3/31/2019	Donna Grimme	Connie Neal

Acolyte

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
3/10/2019	Corbin/Brogan Demo	Ethan Sheckler
3/17/2019	Ava Winkers	
3/24/2019	Drew Torgerson	Jackson Sheckler
3/31/2019		

Kid's Time

Date	8:00 AM
3/10/2019	Krista Demo
3/17/2019	Confirmation
3/24/2019	Confirmation
3/31/2019	

Communion Assistants

Date	8:00 AM	10:30 AM

BE JOYFUL
always
- THES 5:16 -

Remember our Friends at:

Orchard Manor
Doris Schneider

Good Samaritan Center
Nip Leffler, Dave Lindow, Gerry McReynolds,
Dennis Freymiller, Jeannette Schneiderwind

Sunset Fields
Donna Blackburn and Paul Rector

Fennimore United
Methodist Church
Stitzer United Methodist Church
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Pastor Yang, Associate Pastor

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The Church Window

March
2019

Questions and Answers With "The Associate"

1. *How old am I?*

39 in May. I was going to give a long complex answer but I decided to stay with the short and simple

2. *Am I married or have I been married?*

No, I haven't been. My luck just isn't there when it comes to this love stuff but I'm working on it.

3. *How did I find myself in the ministry?*

I've always been part of the church since birth. When I was a teenager I thought about joining the ministry but went to a public school instead. After school I returned home to work which only reinforced the position that I should become a pastor since many of my co-workers said I was really "pastor-like" or pious like a pastor. After working for 4 years I finally signed up for the ministry class and found myself at Garrett Evangelical by Chicago. My first appoint was a Peace UMC in Green Bay in 2013.

4. *What does an associate pastor do the whole day?*

This is a good question. Some Associate Pastors are also youth or young adult pastors. Some others focus on music or entertainment. In my case my role is to support Pastor Bud and the leaders of Youth Impact as well as Sunday School. I also preach every Sunday either at Stitzer or Fennimore Church (or sometimes both) every Sunday. I also do the jobs that Pastor Bud cannot do due to time or distance difficulties. I also teach sermons at Orchard Manor, involve myself in other church and community events, and visit shut ins whenever possible. I'm also at the church from 9-12 AM Tuesday through Thursday every week though I will be at Stitzer from 9-12 AM every Wednesday. I'm sure there are still many jobs and duties I have yet to discover as time goes on.

5. *What do you like to do outside of church? What do you do in your free time?*

I like to walk especially during the warmer months of the year. Fishing is also a sport I enjoy and look forward to every spring. I also enjoy motorsports especially Indy Car and Sports Car racing. Watching movies and traveling are also two of my favorite things to do as well. If we meet and you have a question for me please do ask! As long as the question is appropriate I will probably answer it.

Pastor Yang



Searching For Truth

Looking for something to do while your children are in Sunday School? Wanting a closer relationship with Jesus? Or looking for how God's word pertains to your life today? Join us on Sundays starting March 10th from 9:15 to 10:15 AM. We will be using the Upper Room Devotional Book to guide our discussion to start. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Glen Klais at (608) 778-4953 or Christine Klais (608) 822-5578 (Text or Call).

Lost but not Forgotten

We extend our Deepest Christian
Sympathy to the families of:

Lorraine Bierman
Celine Shaefer

Vacation Bible School

Save the Date!

To Mars and Beyond!

Explore Where God's Power Can Take You with 2019 VBS: To Mars and Beyond. Galaxy voyagers will journey from their galactic outpost on special missions to collect power sources. Along the way, we'll learn how God walked with heroes of the Bible, and that God is always with us, too!

Theme Bible Verse:

Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us.
(Ephesians 3:20)

Date: Sunday, June 9 —
Thursday, June 13
Time: 5:30 — 8:00 PM
FREE Meal at 5:00 PM
Monday — Thursday





Youth IMPACT is going strong! Although the weather has caused some cancellations, it did not stop a group of 15 people (high school students and adults) from participating in World Vision's 30 Hour Famine. We went without food for 30 hours while learning about world hunger - and raising money and awareness! Thanks to the support of the Fennimore community as well as family and friends from afar, our small group raised over \$2000 for world hunger. (The number is \$2430 and counting, as we might still have a few donations trickle in!) This event included a community service component as well as prayer and reflection time, not to mention fun. The verse that now hangs on a decorated sheet in the Church Basement is from Philippians 4:12-13. It says, "... I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength." Although the lock-in started with some of us admitting our worries, I can say proudly that NO ONE complained of hunger during our 30 hour fast ... not even when we visited with some residents at Good Sam who were eating cookies! THANK YOU for your support and encouragement. Thanks, especially, to Audrey Doan and Rosemary Collins for the delicious spaghetti dinner that ended our fast.

Next up is the Middle School lock-in, which will take place from Friday, March 8 at 7pm until Saturday, March 9 at 7am. Although only 12 hours, these middle schoolers will get to stay awake all night if they so choose! Lock-ins are a GREAT opportunity for building relationship "capital". Games will be played, fun will be had, and of course, food will be served.

Youth Impact will continue to meet on Sunday nights from 4:30-6:30 PM in the FUMC Basement. (*We will NOT meet on Sunday, March 24 due to the start of Spring Break!) We typically have about 25 Youth (Grades 6-12) in attendance, as well as 6-8 adults representing multiple Fennimore area churches. We can always use prayer, and we also like treats. :)

THANK YOU for all your support!

Katie Volz-Oyen

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our Christian Education Main Area is need of a little "spruce up" this spring. The back wall is in need of a new coat of paint and we thought it would be fun for the kids if a mural or some type of Christian artwork was painted on it. If you are interested in doing this or submitting an idea, please contact me (Holly Straka) at (608) 778-2999 or via email, hollymstraka@gmail.com.

Upcoming Dates:

VBS Work Night — Thursday, March 14
6:00 to 8:00 PM (come whenever able)

VBS Work Day: Sunday, March 24
10:30 AM to 1:00 PM

VBS Work Night — Thursday, April 4
6:00 to 8:00 PM (come whenever able)

Easter Program Practice — Saturday, April 13
9:00 to 11:00 AM

Easter Program — Sunday, April 14
10:30 AM
(Palm Sunday)

"Who Am I?"

God is good. I would never have predicted that this is where I would be at this point in my life. It has been a great journey (most of the time) and it is amazing how God has blessed us. This is an introduction for Stitzer and a reintroduction for Fennimore.

It seems like yesterday it was January 1st and now we are entering March. Wow, and in between we have had a Polar Vortex and A LOT of snow. We have also had Stitzer and Fennimore growing through Jesus together. It is an exciting time as we get to know each other and engage in spreading the Good News in our communities and beyond. As we move forward in ministry, please be patient as this is a work in progress and this realignment is new to all of us.

God has led me through quite a journey, so here is some basic information. I was born in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin; lived in Vesper, Wisconsin; and then moved to Thorp, Wisconsin where I grew up and graduated from Thorp High School (the mighty Cardinals). My mom lives in Thorp (my Dad who raised me passed away in 1995) and my biological father and step-mom live in Wisconsin Rapids. I have one brother and four sisters (they will tell you I am the wisest and best looking).

I received my Bachelor of Arts Degree from UW-Eau Claire, my North Carolina teaching certificate from North Carolina Central University and my Master of Divinity Degree from Duke University. I was ordained in the United Methodist Church in 2000. Before I became a pastor, I was a high school history, English and drama teacher and football and softball coach. I love hunting (especially bow hunting for turkey), fishing, the outdoors in general, gardening, and reading (especially history and J.R.R. Tolkien (and am a Hobbit at heart), C.S. Lewis and Louis L'Amour) . I also have a large Hobbit and Lord of the Rings collection and a bobblehead collection. I love cheering for Wisconsin, Duke, Milwaukee

Brewers, Washington Nationals, St. Louis Blues, Washington Capitals, Nashville Predators, and THEE Minnesota Vikings! Probably the coolest thing I have ever done (other than accepting Jesus as my Lord and Savior) was visiting Easter Island. An incredible experience.

My wife, Lori, works in the IT department for Revlon. She is originally from Appleton, Wisconsin.

We have two daughters, Angela (Eric) Robertson and Brianne Budzinski. Angela and Eric live in Bethesda, Maryland and work in Washington, DC. Angela is a Communications Specialist for the Mexico Institute at the Wilson Center, Smithsonian. Eric works with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Brianne is a Junior/Senior at Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, North Carolina and is majoring in Hospitality and Tourism.

I have served at Plank Chapel UMC in Kittrell, NC for 6 years; Salem UMC in Bushy Fork, NC for 8 years; Faith UMC in Burlington, NC for 5 years; and then after 25 years in North Carolina, God called us back to Wisconsin where I have served Fennimore UMC for 3 ½ years and now pastor Fennimore and Stitzer UMC. I look forward to serving both churches, the communities, and beyond. God is good and I am thankful that y'all are part of this next journey. God bless.

In Christ,
Pastor Bud

Meet Chelsea!

Hi everyone! Many of you know me, but many of you do not. So, here is a little bit about me!

I was born and raised on a multi-generation dairy (now beef) farm outside of Blue River, Wisconsin. I have 3 older brothers; Jeremy, Josh and Wes Wanek. My maiden name is Wanek but is now Bedward. My husband, Cory, works full time at Energy Management Consultants here in Fennimore, operates Bedward's Maintenance, LLC and has lots of side ventures. We reside in Boscobel.

I greatly enjoy being with my family, whether it is attending my nephew and niece's sporting events (I am a wrestling fanatic!), or just gathering together at my parent's farm. I also enjoy kayaking, ATV/UTV-ing, fishing (especially for Catfish) and camping. My dogs are pretty cool, too! Fraser is a rescue Jack Russell Terrier and McCoy is a 5 month old Weimraner!

I graduated from Riverdale High School in 2006 and continued my education at Southwest Wisconsin Technical College. There I obtained a degree in both Marketing and Business Management. How did I find my home here at FUMC? I applied to a "blind ad" for an Administrative Assistant. Low and Behold, I got a call for an interview at a Church! I would have NEVER pictured myself working in a Church BUT here I am and I LOVE it! I have a heart for helping people and am very grateful to be working at FUMC with an awesome group of people and being part of the "church family" from the very beginning.

My journey in faith began as a child. My family attended a non-denominational church for many years before finding our way to BMZ in Boscobel. This is where I really started to "grow". I still regularly participate, "lead" BMZ Kidz and volunteer at VBS. In 2011, I traveled to Jamaica and spent time working at West Haven Orphanage which

houses developmentally and physically disabled individuals (most of them being adult aged). The answer is yes, I wanted to take them all home with me! This experience opened my eyes immensely! God is not finished with me yet, and continues to guide me on new adventures!

If you have questions, need assistance or just want to chat, feel free to reach out. I'm always happy to help!



Mid-Week Lenten Services 7:00 PM

Ash Wednesday
Wednesday, March 6
Fennimore

Wednesday, March 13
Stitzer

Wednesday, March 20
Fennimore

Wednesday, March 27
Stitzer

Wednesday, April 3
Fennimore

Wednesday, April 10
Stitzer

Holy Thursday
Thursday, April 18
Stitzer

Good Friday
Friday, April 19
Fennimore

A Soup and Sandwich Supper will be offered from 6:00 – 6:45 PM in Fellowship Hall on March 13, 20 and 27 and April 3 and 10.

March Mission



Mission:

Appalachia Service Project is a Christian ministry, open to all people, that inspires hope and service through volunteer home repair in Central Appalachia.

Vision:

Appalachia Service Project's vision is that substandard housing in Central Appalachia will be eradicated and that everyone who comes into contact with this ministry will be transformed.

Repairing Homes, Transforming Lives

ASP provides one of the most rewarding structured service opportunities in the nation — bringing thousands of volunteers from around the country to rural Central Appalachia to repair homes for low-income families.

Since 1969, ASP has made homes **warmer, safer, and drier** for families and provided transformational service experiences for volunteers. Last year, 16,231 volunteers served with ASP, providing critical repairs for 493 families and constructing over 60 new homes!

For more information about ASP, please visit: www.asphome.org



United Methodist Women

Fennimore UMW News:

Hello March!

"March comes in a like a lion and goes out like a lamb", which means that winter is ending and spring is beginning. Yeah, the first Day of Spring will be here soon. Hang in there!

UMW will be hosting the Birthday Party for the residents at the Nursing Home on Tuesday March 12th. We need helpers. Time commitment is from approximately 1:45 to 3:00 PM. Bingo starts at 2:00 PM. We will be serving Angel Food Cake with Cool Whip.

If you can help please call Audrey Doan or Kim Cathman.

UMW will meet on Wednesday March 27th, at 6:30 PM for our first quarterly meeting of 2019. We'd love to have you come, and bring a friend. I hear rumors that a pistachio dessert may be attending!



March Food Pantry Needs

- Mixed Vegetables
- Peanut Butter
- Canned Fruit
- Ramen Noodles
- Shampoo
- Toilet Paper