



**Livingston,
Montfort & Cobb**
United Methodist Churches

September 2019 Charge Happenings

Worship Times:

Cobb – 8:00 a.m.
107 E Main St
Cobb, WI 53526

Montfort – 9:30 a.m.
300 E Main St
Montfort, WI 53569

Livingston – 11:00 a.m.
415 Woodward Ave
Livingston, WI 53554

Website:

www.lmcumc.org



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Hello!

On New Year's we make resolutions, a new beginning. I believe that September is an opportunity for new beginnings as well. School is starting. The air is cooler in the mornings and evenings. And a routine/schedule begins to take shape. The whimsical days of summer are behind us; we give thanks to God for those moments of basking in the sun, unscheduled days with the kids, swimming and travel. And now we welcome the start of fall.

Regardless if you have kids that are starting school, empty nesters or you are retired, we can all feel that change is in the air. I invite you to make September a new beginning for intentionally focusing on your faith and discipleship.

Discipleship is a fancy churchy word that means learning and growing as a follower of Jesus. How do you do this? Personally you can read a devotional each day that includes scripture, you can sing praises to God, you can read your Bible each day, you can listen to podcasts and sermons.

God calls us to not just grow in our relationship with Jesus alone, but corporately. That is why we worship each Sunday at Cobb at 8, Montfort at 9:30 and Livingston at 11. The early Christians in the book of Acts learned that together their gifts from God complimented each other. They were stronger together than apart. Together worshipping God they had a shared experience, felt closer to God, had opportunity to support each other, invite new people and care for the least and the lost.

In addition to worship we can grow in our discipleship through weekly Bible Studies. On Sunday mornings at 9:30, there is a Bible Study in the Livingston Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to come. Also on Thursday nights there is a community Bible Study at 7 pm which is led by Pastor Greg Marsh, the pastor of the Free Methodist Church in Livingston. If you are interested in going, contact him at 943-6244.

There is also great opportunity for discipleship for our children and youth! Wednesday night Sunday school and youth group for our charge (meaning for all 3 churches) will be starting on Wednesday, September 18. Wednesday night Sunday school is from 5:45-6:45 pm at Livingston. Youth Group (grades 6-12) meets from 7-8:30 pm each Wednesday evening.

September is a season of new beginnings. I look forward to seeing you real soon!

~Pastor Ty

Helping our Communities

Mobile Second Harvest Food Pantry at Ss Anthony and Philip Church

The churches collect donations for the Mobile Second Harvest Food Pantry in Highland. This month's personal care item is **Bathroom Tissue (pk of 4 rolls)**. Donations can be placed in the designated area in the church entryway. Thank you to the folks that deliver the items!



Souled Out Youth Group

Starts Sept. 18th! We meet each Wednesday night at 7pm for 6-12th graders. The first two Wednesdays of each month is at the Livingston UMC, the rest of the month is at the Montfort UMC. Invite your friends & join us for some fun & learning!

Montfort UMW's Salad Luncheon

Will be held:

Wednesday, October 16th

At Noon

Mark your calendars!



Cobb UMC's annual Chicken BBQ



Wednesday, September 11th from 4 pm – 7 pm

For \$10.00 get half a chicken, potato salad, coleslaw & a piece of homemade pie.

Eat-in or Carry-outs available.

September Happenings

Sept 9 – Joint Council Meeting at 6:30 pm at Cobb

Sept 11 – Chicken BBQ at Cobb from 4 – 7 pm

Sept 15 – Confirmation meeting for youth & parents 6 pm in Livingston

Sept 18 – Charge Wide Sunday School starts at Livingston 5:45-6:45 pm

Sept 18 – Souled Out Youth Group starts at 7 pm at Montfort

Sept 22 – United Methodist Women Sunday at all 3 churches

This Month in Cobb

Worship at 8:00 am

Sept 9 – Cobb Council Meeting at 10:30 am

Sept 10 – UMW meets at 1:30 pm



This Month in Montfort

Worship at 9:30 am

UMW meets at church at 1:00 pm – **Sept 5**

This Month in Livingston

Worship at 11:00 am

Greeters & Ushers: Warne, Wunderlin & Hove Families

Acolytes: Mason Hove & Maddy Allen

Sept 17 – UMW meeting at 1:30 pm



September Anniversaries

3 – Eric & Kelly Thomas

4 – Thomas & Kelley Leix

6 – Travis & Michele Wetter

9 – Wayne & Pam Cordts

9 – Aaron & Katie Sedbrook

10 – Cory & Brenda Allen

13 – David & Mary Allen

15 – Matt & Beth Mueller

19 – Rod & LaVon Allen

19 – Jim & Joyce Neuendorf

21 – Ben & Ashley Baker

21 – David & Shelly Osterndorff

22 – Mike and Helen Laufenberg

We list anniversaries each month in the newsletter and birthdays on the calendar. If you would like yours to be recognized, please let Beth know in the church office by e-mail: umc.bethm@gmail.com or phone: 608-943-6606.

A big thank you to all who donated food for our evening meals at Bible School. We were thankful for our great kitchen crew again this year. We are very happy to be able to serve the children and some family members a quality meal every night at a very minimal cost thanks to your donations. Providing these meals is a great help to busy working parents (and volunteers) and they are very appreciative. I know many of you also donated items for evening snacks each night. We really missed Susie Andrew this year. We could always count on Susie to walk in loaded with containers of bars, cookies, cupcakes, and always a couple of delicious pies for our adult crew.

Bible School is such an important part of our church mission outreach to the community. Many of the children that come have no other church affiliation. Bible School might be the only time they ever hear about the love Jesus has for each one of them. I had two of my own grandchildren at my house for the week and I loved waking up to four-year-old Decker asking the very first thing when we could go to Bible School (plus multiple times throughout the day). It is amazing what their little minds absorb. Every time we go anywhere in my van they all ask if we can sing Bible School songs. I hear so many adults who reflect on the great times they had at Bible School as kids at LUMC too and am thankful we still have this commitment to the children of our community. There are so many things in the secular world that are pulling our children in that direction... sports, school, friends, social media. This is an important mission! My cousins and I say Bible School is the only reason we can still recite the books of the Bible more than 50 years later. Michele and her wonderful crew do such an exceptional job with every single detail. I thank every one of you that helped make this year's Bible School so memorable for all of us!!!

~Rita



Sunday School is starting!

Join us Wednesday, September 18th at 5:45-6:45 pm for some Sunday School fun!

This year, all three churches will be included. So anyone from Montfort, Cobb or Livingston is invited! (As well as your friends!) Youth 5th grade & younger will meet us at the Livingston church for some fun learning about how God loves us! If you can volunteer, contact Michele Wetter at: 608-574-5439.

Confirmation Class

Starts Sunday, September 15th at 6pm

Confirmation is for youth 8th grade and older. Class will be Sunday evenings, at the Livingston Church all school year. The first meeting (on the 15th) is for students and parents to get acquainted with the expectations of class.

Kingdom Kids Ministry News

We had an amazing time at Roar! Vacation Bible School August 4th-8th! Each night, we had around 70 kids attending and 40+ adults and teens helping! The kids who attended and the adults and teens that volunteered all got to learn that when **Life is Wild....God is Good!** Each night, the children learned a Bible Point, a Bible Story, a Bible verse, and were introduced to a Bible Buddy.

Our mission project for the week was Schools 4 Haiti. Throughout the week they "met" children that are being cared for and educated by orphanages supported by Schools 4 Haiti. They were challenged to fill a metal pail with donations, and our fearless Pastor agreed to let us dump "rhino poo" over her head! This year we raised \$175.82 to give to Schools 4 Haiti. Way to go, VBS friends!

VBS would not be possible without the generosity of so many people giving their time, talents and donations. A huge, heart-felt thank you to the following people for making VBS week possible!

Station leaders, Crew leaders, Assistants, Snack Crew, Decorating, Monetary and Food

Donations:

John Kohlenberg	Allie Kleist	Al Laufenberg
Beth Mueller	Caitlyn Wetter	Josh Hines
Lori Laufenberg	Linda Roum	Brooke Shores
Cameron Shores	Pastor Ty	Zach Kohlenberg
Becki Kleist	Nancy Merwin	Lynn Grunenwald
Tammy Kohlenberg	Linda Brown	Amanda Linscheid
BreAnn Kohlenberg	Heather Bowles	Audrey Rowe
Kenadie Munson	Beth Grunenwald	Morgan Leix
Jeran Rux	Maddy Rogstad	Tari Novinska
Tiffani Dykes	Adrianna Jelle	Brianna Kleist
Rael Stecklein	Krysta Peterson	Rodney & Lavon Allen
Travis Wetter	Allison Bickford	Bill & Donna McLimans
Avri Kleist	Ella Wolfe	Rita Riley
Rylee Stecklein	Kay Moen	Stephanie Anderson
Matt Mueller	Mary Mueller	Lily Warne
Beth Granville	Jean & John Slack	Marion Leix

If I forgot to list anyone, please know your contribution did not go unnoticed or unappreciated!

A HUGE thank you to the women who organized and prepared the supper each night--around 120 meals every night! These amazing women are: ***Rita Riley, Stephanie Anderson, Linda Brown, Tari Novinska and Beth Granville.*** I know this evening meal was appreciated by the volunteers and families. Thank you ladies!

Thank you again, everyone, for a successful Roar! Vacation Bible School!

Sincerely,
Michele Wetter, VBS Director



To everyone who helped make our 3rd Annual Teacher Appreciation Luncheon a success!

The teachers/staff enjoyed lunch & many of them said they had been looking forward to it for the last few weeks! The pies were the highlight again, as many folks mentioned they were the best part! The school supplies were very much appreciated. The staff felt thanked & comfortable enough to sit & chat for a while before heading back to school.



We set up 88 seats in the Fellowship hall & almost all of them were filled!

