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The Vote Date Has Been Assigned!

Bellpoint has just received its vote date to determine whether or not we will disaffiliate from The United Methodist Church or remain connected to it. We were hoping to conduct the vote on a Sunday morning. Unfortunately, our District Superintendent notes this would not work because this vote requires that an ordained elder officiate, and they, themselves, are in their church pulpits on Sunday mornings. As such we have been assigned the date of **Thursday, March 23rd at 7:00 PM.**

All registered members are highly encouraged to attend this vote.

The Superintendent asked that I pass along that no non-members may be in attendance that night, even to just observe. The Conference is concerned with maintaining the highest degree of integrity in the voting process. (I understand the reasoning behind this, but wish it were otherwise.) However, if you are unable to vote please be in prayer for our congregation as we make this important decision.

When you arrive on the 23rd, remember there will be no debate or discussion concerning the matter before us. You will register your attendance and receive your ballot. In order to disaffiliate, 2/3 of the total voting members in attendance that night must vote “yes.” In addition to making a decision about disaffiliation, we will vote on two other matters. The second vote will determine who of our lay leadership will sign the necessary paperwork should we achieve a 2/3 majority in favor of disaffiliating. The third vote is whether or not to affiliate with the new Global Methodist Denomination.

As the date approaches, may we all be in deep prayer, asking the Lord for discernment and that we might be obedient to His leading.

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On a lighter note - let me encourage you to support our Youth as they put on a Spaghetti Dinner on **Sunday, March 5th beginning at 5:00 PM** in The Fellowship Hall. There is no set admission. The youth ask only for a donation. All proceeds will go to help fund this Summer's Youth Mission Trip to do hurricane relief work.

Lastly, I'd like to invite our men to join us for a ten-week Bible study called "Ten Men of The Bible". This is a study developed by New York Times Bestselling Author, Max Lucado. It begins Monday, March 13th @ 7:00 PM at the Church. (We will meet ever other week.) Please purchase the study guide by Max Lucado in advance of the first study and be ready to dive in. This study can be ordered from Amazon.

If you have any questions about this or the upcoming vote, please contact me at 740-816-2675.

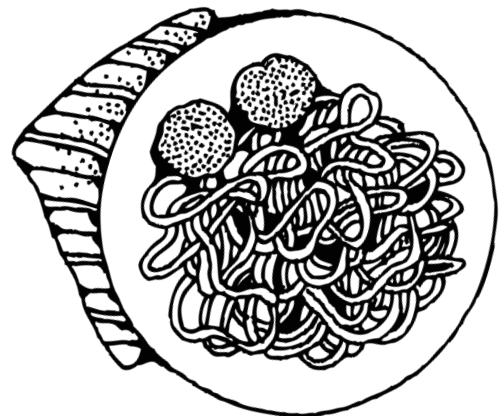
Your Servant in Christ,

Paul



Join Us!

Support our Youth Mission Trip by joining us for a Spaghetti Dinner on **Sunday, March 5 at 5:00 p.m.** There is no set admission - donations are accepted and encouraged!



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Church Office Hours:

Monday - Friday

8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events

March 5
Spaghetti Dinner
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

March 7
Finance Committee Meeting
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

March 15
Children's Council Meeting
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

March 16
Breakthrough Prayer
7:00 - 7:30 p.m.

March 23
Church Vote
7:00 p.m.

March 29
Missions Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m.

Committee News

Worship Services

Traditional Service - 8:30 a.m.

Sunday School - 9:35 - 10:30 a.m.

Contemporary Service - 10:30 a.m.

K-4th graders, come join us in Bible Adventures during second service, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Bellpoint Community Church Groups (all groups meet at church unless otherwise stated)

- **Adult and Children/Youth Sunday School:** 9:35 - 10:30 a.m.
- **Teen Disciples:** Sundays from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. (see page 5 for details)
- **Adult Bible Study:** Mondays at 10:30 a.m. (weekly home rotation)
- **Men's Bible Study:** Meets every other Monday, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the church. New study starting: Ten Men of The Bible by Max Lucado.
- **Women's Bible Study:** Meets on the third Sunday of the month, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Contact Lori McCullough for additional information.
- **Emerging Adults** (high school seniors through early 30s): Meets once per month. Contact Kelly Solli at 740-816-9383 for date, time, and location.
- **Young Family:** Small group study meets biweekly at the Kraicks' home. Contact Holly Kraick at 317-670-5725 for date, time, and location.
- **The Founders' Speech to a Nation in Crisis by Steven Rabb:** Contact Larry Hopper at 614-551-3832 for additional information.

March Birthdays

Mar 1	Amy Harding
Mar 3	Todd Miller
Mar 14	Alexander Kraick
Mar 15	Roberta Vangundy
Mar 18	John L. Davis Daren Lehman
Mar 19	Izzy Michael
Mar 21	Joann Stegner Virginia Finley
Mar 22	Mya Ritchie Deborah Carpenter
Mar 24	Logan Kelleher
Mar 25	Carrie Stevens
Mar 26	Bob Himes
Mar 27	Brody Counts
Mar 28	Benjamin Chapa

Happy Anniversary



March 27

Matt & Cheri Maxim

Married 30 years

Committee News

Children's Council

- ◆ Vacation Bible School - Officially Announcing HEROES - Making a Big Difference in Small Ways as our theme. It will be held **July 10 - 13th** from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Yes, we are holding VBS for 4 days! If you are interested in helping in any capacity please see Susan.
- ◆ Children's Council is looking for volunteers for the Nursery and Bible Adventures during second service. There need to be two people for each so we continue following Safe Sanctuary rules. Teens can be volunteers as well! Volunteers for Bible Adventures do not necessarily have to be the teacher, you can be the secondary person. The lessons will be ready along with any supplies for the teacher. Please see Susan for any questions or to sign up as a volunteer.
- ◆ Children's Council meetings are held every third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ Calling all kiddos from K-4! Join us for Bible Adventures during second service. We will join in the worship music at the start of service, 10:30, then head down to the Bible Adventures room located in the back hall of the church. Parent pick up is at the room after service.

Missions and Outreach

- ◆ Making Meatballs - Join us in making meatballs for Common Ground Free Store after church on **Sunday, March 19th**. Lunch will be provided and so will the ingredients for the meatballs. All ages welcome!
- ◆ Next Missions meeting will be **Wednesday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m.**
- ◆ Habitat for Humanity - Mark your calendar for **Saturday, May 6th** to volunteer for a build happening in Marysville. We can have up to 8 volunteers over the age of 18. The day will run from 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. with a break for lunch at 11:30 a.m. We also need volunteers to make lunch for the construction volunteers and deliver it to the worksite.
- ◆ An Adult Mission Trip will occur in June (week of 10th-17th) or July (15th-22nd). More details to come! If you are interested in attending please see Pastor Paul or Susan.



Teen Disciples

6 - 12th grades

Meet Sundays at Church

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

March 5: Congregational Spaghetti Dinner 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

March 12: Teen Disciples 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

March 19: Teen Disciples 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Potluck Dinner

March 26: No Meeting - Spring Break

Sisters in Faith

There will be a planning meeting for Sisters in Faith on Saturday, March 11th at 9 a.m. at the Church. Breakfast items, coffee and tea will be provided. We will be discussing the July Ice Cream Social menu and some other events we would like to bring back from previous years. Hope to see a great turn out!

150th Anniversary of Bellpoint Community Church

In July, we will be celebrating our 150th anniversary as a church and we would like your help in planning various activities as well as your help in bringing this celebration to life. Below is a list of suggestions for activities to do during our month-long celebration. We may not use all of these ideas, but this list might bring other ideas to mind. We'd like for individuals or groups to take ownership of an activity and be in charge of all the planning, organization, and facilitation of that activity. If you have a different activity in mind that's not on the list, please share your idea(s) with Vicki Kidd or Dianne May (740-360-3581 | diannemay952@gmail.com).

Here are some of the activities we're considering:

- ◆ Talent show
- ◆ Potluck meal, possibly with games after
- ◆ Outdoor worship service
- ◆ Concert
- ◆ T-Shirts commemorating the occasion to have for sale during the month
- ◆ Church picture
- ◆ Pictorial directory
- ◆ Blood Drive as an outreach to the community
- ◆ Church cookbook
- ◆ Inviting former pastors to join the celebration
- ◆ Memories of Bellpoint
- ◆ Historical Bulletin inserts

Celebrating 150 years



New Prayer Requests:

- * **Emily Carpenter** – church planting in Boston on a Cedarville student mission trip
- * **Josh** – struggling with depression
- * **BV Student** – struggling with depression
- * **Vicky Spellman** – continued prayers
- * **Kraick Family** – Matt’s grandma passed away after a ten-year battle with Alzheimer’s
- * **Jake** – a senior at BV who’s in Children’s Hospital with COVID-19
- * **Marty Webb** – wrenched his leg and will need to see an orthopedist
- * **Family of Kris Jordan** – Kris passed away at age 46 leaving behind his wife & 3 kids

Ongoing Prayer Requests:

- * Lanie – upcoming surgery and radiation for cancer recurrence
- * Winnie Orahood – recuperating from a bad fall
- * Russ Ulmer – may be growing resistant to the cancer treatments he’s receiving and his hemoglobin is dropping
- * Doris – moved to hospice (Lori McCullough’s Aunt)
- * Brian Worth – lymphoma treatments for tumors in his abdomen that are pressing on his kidneys, kidney damage is a big concern (Kidd)
- * Sara – experiencing hard times
- * Janet Artz – cancer treatments (Kidd)
- * Beth Savage – stage 4 pancreatic cancer (Finley)
- * John Cordell – has leukemia and isn’t doing well (Rutherford)
- * Nancy Boyd – uterine cancer
- * Dawn – lung cancer
- * Gail Aumend – heart issues (Sayer)
- * Maryann – undergoing radiation (Watkins)
- * Cathy – myeloma (Wirz)
- * Belinda Daugherty – health issues

Community News

Greeters/Ushers

Now that we are settling into our new worship space, we would like to get back to having Greeters/Ushers to welcome people, answer questions, and make visitors feel welcome.

If you are interested in volunteering for this ministry, please add your name to the signup sheet outside the church office.

Prayer Chain

Are you looking for a way to serve Bellpoint Community Church and our community? Prayer is a powerful way to make an important difference in someone's life. The Prayer Chain is always looking for new members for this vital ministry, so please call the church office if you are interested.

If you hear of a concern or praise there are multiple ways to share the information with our Prayer Chain:

- ◆ Complete a paper prayer request located on the back of each chair.
- ◆ Post to the online prayer wall at bellpointumc.com/prayer-wall.
- ◆ Contact Brooke Williams, the church office manager, by phone at 740-369-5956 or by email at office@bellpointumc.com.

The Peal

If you do not have access to the internet or email, or simply prefer to have a hard copy mailed to you each month, please contact Brooke Williams, the church office manager at (740) 369-5956 or by email at office@bellpointumc.com.

Just a Reminder...

Please email all articles, pictures, and content for the April Peal to Rachel Kapraly at peal@bellpointumc.com by Friday, March 24.

Thank you in advance for your assistance!