

Cable UCC NEWSLETTER

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May Issue

IT'S THAT FUN TIME OF YEAR AGAIN! DONATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED

Be sure to check out the volunteer sign up sheet for fun opportunities to help with this all-church endeavor.

Only with your help can we make this another successful year of giving.

A list of those items that are not accepted for selling is posted on the church doors.

2nd Chapter Garage Sale at UCC

EVERY Saturday, weather permitting
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Opening Saturday, May 30th and runs until
Saturday, September 26th

Proceeds go to local, national and international charities.
There's a deal just waiting for you.
Come and get it!

BLAST FROM THE PAST ...

On the subject of the 2nd Chapter Garage Sale, here are some fun pictures of where it all started and where it is now. Lots has changed, except for the white round tables!



Thanks to John Uffenbeck for finding these gems.



Cable Community Choir

A COMMUNITY IN HARMONY.
ALL ARE WELCOME.

A welcoming community choir for all ages and abilities.

Cable Community Choir

A community in harmony. All are welcome.

No experience needed • All ages • All abilities • Do not need to read music • All are welcome!

Rehearsals begin: Tuesday May 5th @ 4:00 PM

Location: Cable United Church Sanctuary
13445 County Hwy M, Cable

Weekly rehearsals: 5/5 – 6/19.

Final performance on Sunday, 6/21, part of "Make Music Day" Concert at the Cable Community Farm

"Our goal is to have fun"
Helen Zasada, Director



A Prayer for Creation Justice by Bruce Sanguin

Gracious God, how can creation sing your praises,
except with the red wings of blackbirds flashing across blue sky, and the croak and splash of frogs playing hide-and-seek in the ponds?
How can the firmament proclaim your handiwork,
except in the wagging tail of a puppy,
and the focused attention of a toddler soaking in the wonder of it all?
How can the heavens proclaim your glory,
except through a morning sun rising upon gold-green grass, lighting up the face of lovers as Earth spins them once more into a new day?

Your beauty and goodness, O Immanent One, requires Earth's diversity and our own wildness, breaking down – and out of –
the monotony of prescribed patterns,
choosing rather to take our place in the dancing procession of differentness,
the variegated life of Christ finding expression in this body of the church and the bodies of our kin-creatures.

We offer this prayer in the Spirit of kinship, community, and grace.
Amen



In recognition of Earth Day on April 19th
Diana Randolph read her poem, "Forest Mosaic" published in *A is for Apostle Islands*, a locally published book that features original visual art and poetry from A-Z.



Thank you!

- ★ Thank you Simon Arthur, Manny Milam and Alberto Perez Carrera for your help in cleaning up after the Easter breakfast.
- ★ Thank you Jim Schemensky for your many hours of hard work to get wiring and an outlet in the Fellowship Hall for the TV hookup and Dale Kruse for connecting this new TV screen with the TV in the sanctuary.
- ★ Thank you Judith Benedict and Carol Elliker for your leadership in organizing the UCC crew for the C.A.R.E. April Community Dinner. And thank you to ALL the volunteers who donated their time and energy.
- ★ Thank you to all those who attended the Empty Bowl event. And a big thank you to all the volunteers who helped too: Teri and Larry Hanson, Barb Larson, Sue Rosa, and Nancy Schemensky.



Thoughts from Pastor Phil



Finding Peace in Times of Chaos Using the Beatitudes as Our Guide A Progressive Christian Reflection by Rev. Phil Milam

In the face of global turmoil and uncertainty, many of us search for a sense of calm and hope. As people of faith, we believe in the power of compassion, justice, and the relentless pursuit of peace; not only in the world, but within ourselves. The Beatitudes, spoken by Jesus during the Sermon on the Mount, offer profound guidance for finding inner peace, even when chaos surrounds us.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.” This Beatitude reminds us that peace isn’t just an external state or an absence of conflict; it’s an active calling. In times of war or division, we’re invited to seek reconciliation, to mend relationships, and to be voices for harmony. Inner peace flows from engaging with the world’s pain with empathy and courage, knowing that every effort for justice reflects God’s love.

The Beatitudes challenge us to find comfort in humility and openness: “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.” When chaos threatens to overwhelm us, the meekness Jesus describes is not weakness, but a posture of vulnerability and trust. We find peace when we let go of the illusion of control, trusting that God’s presence is with us, working through us, and calling us to transformative action.

In addition, we also hear the call to stand with the marginalized: “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.” Our longing for justice is holy, and it shapes how we respond to war, violence, and unrest. We can cultivate inner peace not by ignoring suffering, but by actively seeking justice and advocating for those affected by conflict.

Ultimately, the Beatitudes invite us to indwell a radical hope. In times of chaos, we’re invited to cling to the promise that God’s Realm is in the here and now; through peacemakers, justice-seekers, and those who show mercy. By embodying these teachings, we find a peace that isn’t dependent on circumstances but rooted in the unwavering love and grace of God.

May we, as a church community, continue to nurture this peace within ourselves and extend it to the world around us. The Beatitudes assure us that in our striving, our mourning, and our peacemaking, God is present, bringing comfort, hope, and a vision for a better tomorrow.

Many Blessing on the Journey
Pastor Phil



May Birthdays

Chris Parker, 5/9
Jane Benson, 5/12
Dean Hambrecht, 5/15
Reg Behrends, 5/27
Charlene Murdoch, 5/29



Empty Bowl Event

On Saturday, April 25th, the Trinity Lutheran Church of Cable hosted the Empty Bowl event at the Cable Community Center. Organizers Chris Radloff and Kari Bjork did an amazing job of getting together ten area restaurants to provide delicious soups for guests to enjoy. An estimated 65 folks attended with many from UCC volunteering to help...and to eat. The fundraiser raised \$1,578 to be donated to the Cable Food Shelf.

Congratulations and well done!

CABLE AREA FOOD SHELF UCC LITTLE FREE FOOD PANTRY



April was a busy month!

Thank you to the many volunteers who helped at the Cable Area Food Shelf last month. There were twenty seven families who visited. Everyone went away happy, with boxes full of good food to enjoy.

UCC: 'Hosts with the Most'

An evening of fun, food and fellowship was shared at the C.A.R.E. Community Dinner on Tuesday, April 14th. There were approximately fifty-five guests who enjoyed a hearty meal provided by UCC. An amazing group of volunteers helped to make it an extra-special event. Thank you to all!





- 😊 You're getting old when you get the same sensation from a rocker that you got from a roller coaster.
- 😊 If it ain't broke, fix it until it is!
- 😊 Age doesn't always bring wisdom, sometimes age comes alone!
- 😊 A day without sunshine is like night!
- 😊 You don't stop laughing because you grow old, you grow old because you stop laughing.

“New” Things to Explore in Cable



The new Forest Lodge Library building is looking fantastic. Hopes are for an early fall opening.

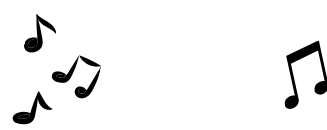


The Cable Natural History Museum will re-open May 12th with the new exhibit, “The Wetland Way”. Hours are Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 am to 4 pm.

New exhibits are being created at the Cable/Namakagon Historical Museum. This exhibit shows phones used by Cable residents over the past ninety years. Opening for the season will be on Saturday, May 23rd. Summer hours are :
Tues.-Fri. - 11:00 am to 3:00 pm
Sat. - 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.



Take Note...



On Wednesday May 27th - then Sunday May 31st - It is come-and-try-out Choir time!!
 Come to Choir Rehearsal on Wednesday May 27th @ 4PM in the UCC Sanctuary,
 then join and sing with UCC Singers on Sunday May 31, rehearsal @ 9AM.
A great way to try choir and see how fun choir can be!! No experience or music reading needed!

We look forward to enjoying special music during the month of May.



- 5/3 - UCC Singers, Gathered in the Upper Room & Table of Joy
- 5/10 - Scott Smith
- 5/17 - Ron Gran + Friends
- 5/24 - John Rosebush
- 5/31 - UCC Singers, And So We Sing (Bring A Friend Day)



UCC was well represented at the George's Goats for Gramma's Run/Walk on April 25th

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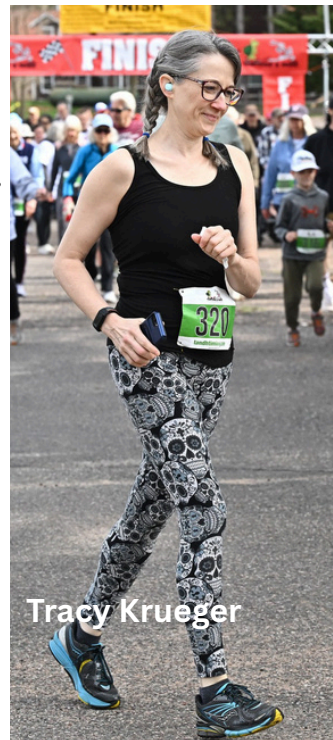
Approximately 129 runners and walkers took part in the annual George's Goats charity run-walk in Cable. Money from this race will go to support four orphans in Kenya, to bring rural kids to school in Busia, Uganda, as well as to help with veterans needs locally.



Trish Kruse and friends



Ron Gran



Tracy Krueger



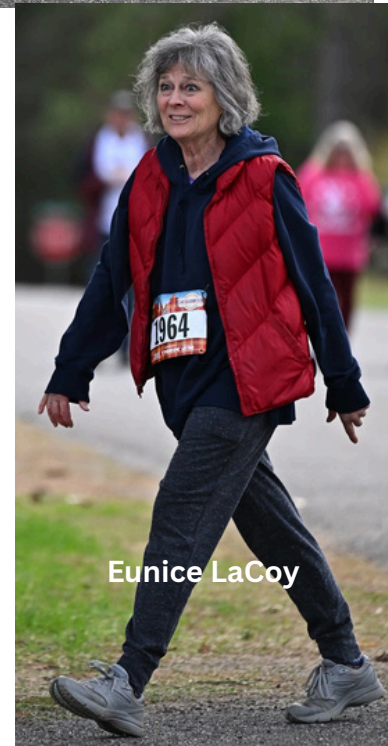
Diana Randolph



Volunteers Extraordinaire



Pastor Phil and Manny



Eunice LaCoy

Well done everyone!



Carla Peterson



Photos by Kelly Randolph and Becky Milam

Congratulations!



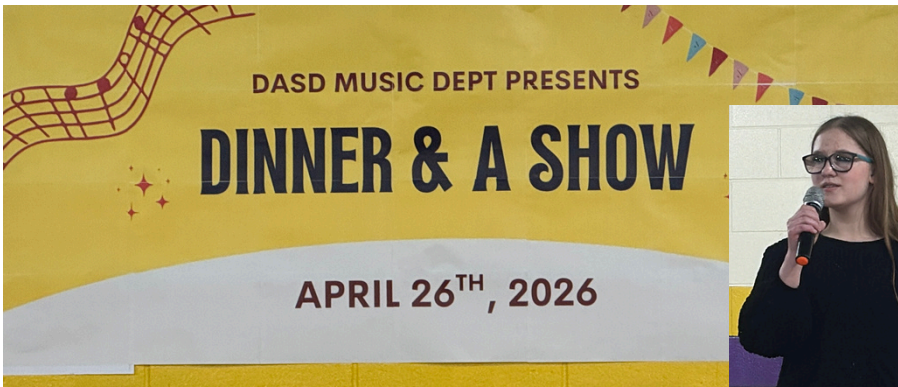
Introducing the Drummond High School Class of 2027 inductees into the National Honor Society. National Honor Society recognizes high school students who demonstrate outstanding achievement in scholarship, leadership, service, and character. We are proud to have church members Simon Arthur and Brett Hanson included in this outstanding group. Congratulations to all!



The Drummond High School Forensic Team received impressive ratings at the State Forensic Meet in Madison last month. Simon Arthur and Alberto Perez Carrera received Silver Ratings.



Mr. Giesregen, Middle School/High School Math Teacher at Drummond, took several students up to UW Superior for a Math Meet in April. Maddie and Simon Arthur received Honorable Mention!



Three members of the church participated in Dinner and a Show at Drummond High School. Lucy Sisco performed a vocal solo and saxophone solo; Manny Milam performed a vocal solo and trombone solo, and Jack Sisco performed a baritone saxophone solo. Great job everyone!

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UCC Board

The board met on Monday, April 14th at 1:00 in the church library.

- Church Treasurer Barb Mika asks that folks use the expense form (found on top of the mailboxes in the library) for any money to be reimbursed.
- Bibles for the five confirmands to use this fall have been purchased with funds from Women's Fellowship.
- Graduating seniors Cameron McKinney and exchange student Rose Fihey will receive gifts of \$100 each.
- The Health and Safety Committee supports a 'touchless' peace offering during church services, to begin immediately.
- With large television screens now in the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall, UCC will no longer have printed bulletins for church services.
- The Scholarship Committee will meet this month with over \$3000 to bestow.
- Helen Zasada reported that she is working with Cable Social Connections to start up two new choirs that will meet and practice at the church. Cable Community Choir and Raising Voices will perform at Make Music Day on the Summer Solstice. See Helen for more details and practice schedule.

Next board mtg: Monday, May 11, 2026 1:00-2:00

Women's Fellowship

Due to inclement weather on Thursday, April 2nd, the April meeting was cancelled.

This group will meet on Thursday, May 7th. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall, snacks at 9:30 and the meeting at 10:00.

Maintenance Committee

Terry Dahmen is working with Scott Binder to repair any window sills in the church. When this task is completed, the committee will look for someone to repaint them. The stumps behind the church should be ground out. Terry is working with Jane Benson to have some new bushes planted in the garden in front of the church. Busy, busy... And we thank you for all that you do!



The "HOT HOT Pink" themed art show is on display at Art Beat of Hayward. A lovely variety of works by many artists expressing the color, many of whom wore HOT HOT pink at the opening reception. Pictured is our own talented artist, Diana Randolph with her pastel painting on paper, "Petunia Pride".

Stop in to see this exhibit, showing through May 28th at:

ART BEAT

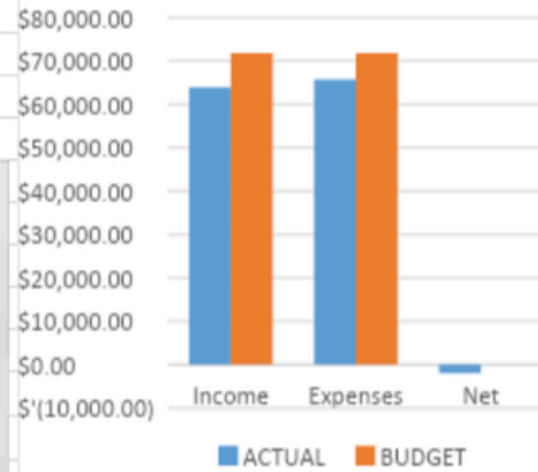
**15845 W. 2nd Street in downtown, Hayward, WI.
Open Wednesday - Saturday, 11am to 4pm.**

UCC Financial Report

submitted by Barbara Mika, Church Treasurer

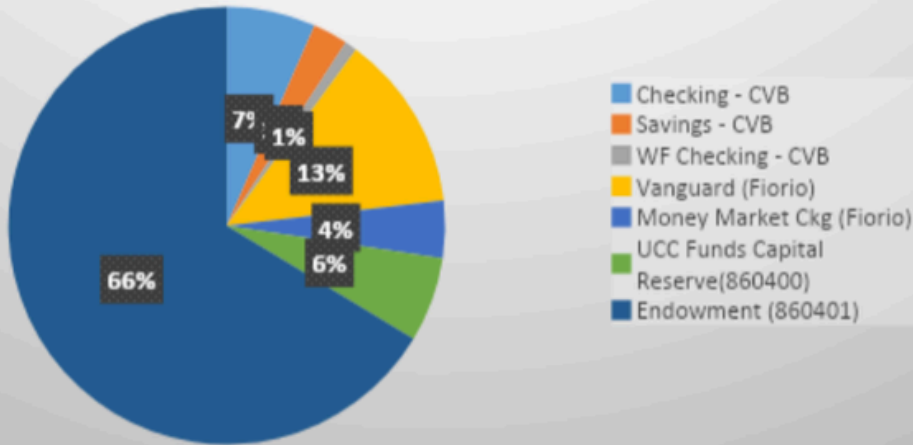
		P&L	ACTUAL	2026 BUDGET
Checking - CVB	\$29,699.61	Income	\$ 63,856.60	\$ 71,876.00
Savings - CVB	\$11,680.37	Expenses	\$ 65,781.71	\$ 71,876.00
WF Checking - CVB	\$4,069.98	Net	\$ (1,925.11)	\$ -
Vanguard (Fiorio)	\$58,938.02			
Money Market Ckg (Fiorio)	\$19,142.95			
UCC Funds Capital Reserve(860400)	\$28,242.86			
Endowment (860401)	\$298,955.48			
	\$450,729.27			

4/30/26 P&L



March numbers, statements received 2 weeks into the next month

INVESTMENTS & CASH ACCOUNTS



Incoming Cash

Collections	\$ 5,312.92	\$ 42,138.48	66%
Delta UCC	\$ -	\$ 7,053.00	11%
Online Giving	\$ 3,009.00	\$ 14,665.12	23%
	\$ 8,321.92	\$ 63,856.60	100%

Expenses	\$ 16,212.22	\$ 65,781.71	
Actual	\$ (7,890.30)	\$ (1,925.11)	