

APRIL COLLECTIONS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY

Our Community Outreach Team invites you to contribute personal care and household products for those in need. You may place donations in the grocery cart in the entryway and Eric Olson, Team Representative on the Church Council, will deliver to The Food Pantry here in Port Washington at the end of this month. Here is a list of needed items:

- Toilet Paper
- Kleenex
- Paper Towels
- Shampoo
- Bath Soap
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste and toothbrushes



Additionally, our Church School program invites families and friends to donate a box of cereal for their April service project. See *page 7* for more information.



FAMILY PROMISE “VOICES FOR WELLNESS” EVENT

Our Community Outreach Team would like to lift up Family Promise of Ozaukee County and their upcoming fundraising event regarding mental health awareness featuring Meg Kissinger, author of *While You Were Out*, on May 14. [Click here](#) to view the flyer.



CONFIRMATION CLASS TO BEGIN WRITING STATEMENTS OF FAITH

In March, the Confirmation Class visited America’s Black Holocaust Museum in Milwaukee. The class toured the museum and discussed the experience as well as learned some of the ways our church has been a positive force for civil rights and justice for African Americans, as well as ways our church has been complicit in continuing racial prejudices. During classroom time, the UCC’s history was reviewed, and they learned how the United Church of Christ fits in with the wider Christian Family Tree. With Pastor Scott’s resignation and departure, the confirmands are fortunate to have Eric and Tina Olson stepping in to help lead the class through the final weeks. On April 8, the class will watch the final section of the DVD, “Jesus, the Complete Story” which focuses on Jesus’ final week including his crucifixion and resurrection. The class will also begin working on writing their personal Statements of Faith which will be presented on Confirmation Sunday, May 19. The class will be traveling to Holy Hill to walk the Stations of the Cross on Saturday, April 13. This year’s class includes Sawyer Crain, Simon Gilhooly, Ruby Hoffmann, Kylee Olson, Chloe Rychtik, Addison Wellenstein, and Sydney White.



LOOKING AHEAD - MAY AND JUNE DATES

Mark your calendars:

- Confirmation Sunday on May 19 - including music from our choirs and a picnic luncheon.
- Brat Fry at Saukville Piggly Wiggly on Saturday, June 1. Please contact the church office if you would like to help coordinate this church fundraiser.
- Spring Congregational Meeting on Sunday morning, June 23. The main item of business will be Church Council elections.

CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

Do you have difficulty with hearing? We'd like to hear from you as we try to improve our church accessibility for persons with hearing loss.

Church member, Mike Spalding, recently tested our Hearing Assistance Loop that was installed in the sanctuary 12 years ago, thanks to a donation from Paul & Bev Tutas in honor of their grandson, Max. Good news, Mike's testing found that our Loop System is in working order. This system works for hearing aid users when they switch their aid to the "T" (Telecoil) setting. For persons with hearing loss who do not use hearing aids, the church has a receiver device with headset that will also amplify sound transmitted through microphones connected to the Loop System in the Sanctuary.

If you would like to try the Loop System privately, set up a time with Mike Spalding by emailing him at mike.spalding1@frontier.com. Whether you can benefit from the Loop System or improved use of microphones at other church gatherings, please send your responses to the following questions to church member, Louise Mollinger at lmollinger@yahoo.com.

1. Have you experienced difficulty hearing at worship or other church gatherings?
If so, where or in which setting?
2. Do you use hearing aids?
Have you tried using the church loop system in the past by setting your aid to "T" (Telecoil)? Was this a positive experience?
3. How can our church improve communication for people with hearing loss?



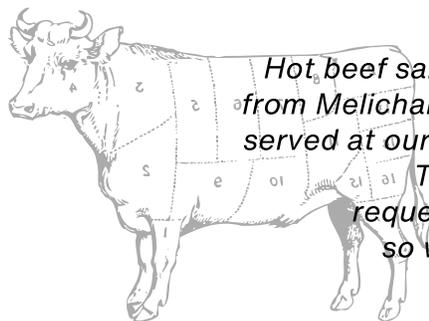
Submitted by Louise Mollinger & Mike Spalding,
in an effort to become fully Accessible to All (A2A)



HOT BEEF SANDWICHES RECIPE

Recipe from Jennifer Dimmer (a variation of **Best Danged Beef Pot Roast ~ Crock Pot**)

- Small to medium size rump roast
- 1 envelope brown gravy mix
- 1 cup water (to go with brown gravy mix)
- 1 individual size serving apple sauce
- 1 onion, diced
- Salt and pepper, to taste



Hot beef sandwiches, with beef from Melichar Broad Acres, were served at our potluck in January. The recipe has been requested several times, so we want to share it !

Sear the roast in frying pan with small amount of oil. Sear it well on all sides. Put roast in crock pot. Mix envelope mix with water and applesauce, then pour over all. Set crock pot on low and let it cook for at least 8-10 hours. Shred beef after cooking. Serve on rolls.