

“I am the bread of life . . .” John 6:35

*Please share in this special
event as we move our dream
closer to reality . . .*

Racine United Methodist Church
Community Wood Fire Oven

(Official Naming Upon Completion)

Ceremonial groundbreaking

Sunday, June 28, 2015

at ten o'clock immediately following morning worship.

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Community Wood Fire Oven Groundbreaking June 28th 10:00 AM



Inspired by brick ovens being the centerpiece of European village life in the 1800s and early 1900s, Racine United Methodist Church members are committed to creating a similar community space through building a wood-fired brick oven in Racine, MN. Once built, the oven will be fired once or twice a month where all are invited to come and enjoy artisan breads, creative pizzas, and live music. We are excited to explore how bread making and baking in a wood-fired oven would give us the opportunity to slow down, discover the sacred in the ordinary, and connect - REALLY connect - with people in our community. This would truly be the gift that keeps on giving as we plan to offer a variety of baking classes. Any future proceeds that come from this oven would go back into the community where there is need (i.e., a family with medical expenses, park restoration, food shelf). To donate to this Community Project check us out at:

<http://www.gofundme.com/tk3ksn3k> or Donations may also be dropped off at Racine UMC

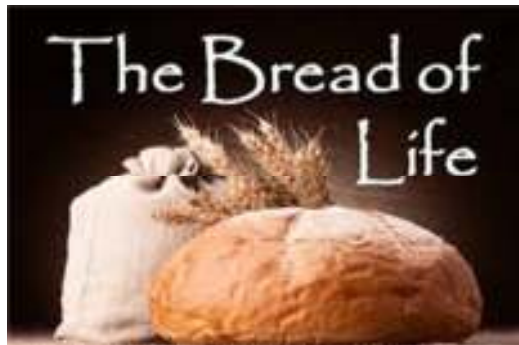
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That's what we believe at Racine United Methodist Church. To be a Jesus follower, we find life at it's fullest, feasting on the "bread of life."

Obviously, we can't take this verse literally, as we often cannot when reading scripture. Sometimes we can. I take the Bible very seriously, but often not literally. I believe Science and faith are compatible. I believe both are a search for truth. Where Science searches for fact, faith searches for truth. Both are true, but in a different sense. How do you measure love? It doesn't have any scientific weight. But, it's the greatest weight in any human life.

Certainty is not the same as faith. Doubt is not faith's enemy. But doubt prompts us to search for a more mature faith. Here at Racine United Methodist Church, you are free to ask questions and search for a faith that feeds your soul. I often counsel folks to pay attention to what drains our spirit and what feeds it. The things that feed our spirit are probably the direction God is asking us to move toward.

When we get the oven built, we will continue to ask ourselves, *"What would Jesus do with what we've baked?"* We'll keep thinking of the Great Commandment Jesus summarized from all commandments, *"Love God with all your heart, mind, soul and strength; and love your neighbor as yourself."* That's what followers of Jesus are asked to do.

I invite you to attend our Groundbreaking ceremony for the wood-fired oven on June 28th at 10:00am following worship. It is our hope that you will find your soul nourished as we strive to be faithful to God's call. We seek to be salt and light for the community we are planted in. We invite you to join in that calling.

Keep the faith,
Pastor Glen Holland

YOUTH SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

Camp Koronis

Ages 9-16

July 5-9 (Sunday-Thursday)

\$400 PER CHILD

Fishing, aquatics and archery are special activities during camp.

There is also an option for *"beginning horse riding"* -- for an extra fee.

All campers do everything else together. Meals, campfire & devotions.

MEGA SPORTS Vacation Bible School

Ages 4 thru Grade 5

\$25 PER CHILD

July 20-23 (Monday-Thursday)

8:45 a.m.-Noon at the Volley Ball Center in Century High School.

SPORTS: Soccer, Basketball, Cheerleading, Football

ARTS: Creative Arts Projects, Lego's Building Projects (grade k-3)

Intro to Lego Robotics (grade 4-5)

PRESCHOOL: Variety of Sports and Arts

4 Active Days of:

- Learning sports skills from local high School coaches/Athletes
- Learning arts & Legos from local Art teachers & Robotics team members
- Upbeat Rallies with music, sports stories
- Bible Stories/Object lessons
- Snacks
- Appearances by Mascots "Slider" (Honkers) & "Slapshot" (Ice Hawks)
- All children receive a free T-shirt, sports take home pages, and theme keepers!
- All children eligible for prizes for bringing friends.
 - Prizes include water bottles, gift certificates... even a bike!

**HELP YOUR CHILD TO DISCOVER CHARACTER TRAITS
THAT CAN HELP THEM EXCEL IN SPORTS AND LIFE!!**

"But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.

But do this with gentleness and respect."

1 Peter 3:15



Youth Mission Trip July 12-18 in Marshall, Minnesota

Leaving at 11:30 Sunday, July 12 and returning at 3:00 Saturday, July 18

Service To Others in Rural Minnesota (STORM) is about *"serving Jesus by serving others"*

This is for Grades 7-12. Cost: \$250. Scholarships available.

Yard work, minor construction, painting and other jobs

Lives are transformed by serving others, building Christian community & enjoying youth worship

Join 60 other youth for a great mission trip experience!

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE FOR ALL 3 EVENTS

CONTACT PASTOR GLEN IF YOU ARE INTERESTED

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