



The Chronicle

United Church of Christ (Congregational)

46 Stam Street, Williams Bay, WI 53191

Sunday Worship at 9:00 am

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July 2021

FRESH WORD from Pastor Marty

Jesus “called for the Twelve and sent them out in pairs. He gave them authority over unclean spirits. ⁸He instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a walking stick. . . . ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that people should change their hearts and lives. ¹³They cast out many demons, and they anointed many sick people with olive oil and healed them” Mark 6.7-8, 12-13

As Jesus had formed a beloved community of shared life, he was also teaching by doing—creating an alternative imagination of life outside the harsh conditions of hand-to-mouth existence imposed by the cruel and corrupt powerful. Within this beloved shared life, Jesus also was healing, setting people free, feeding the hungry, and welcoming those made strange.

Then to the community’s shock—and no doubt our own shock—Jesus said, in effect, you too have the power of the Spirit within and among you to do what I am doing. You go and do it, too!

So.... let’s do it!

With you learning and daring to just do the mission that Christ shows to us, *Pastor Marty*



MAKING PROMISES: IN-PERSON WORSHIP & LIVE STREAMING ON FACEBOOK

This summer we will continue with in-person and live-streaming of the worship service. As we meet again in-person, we will also be making promises to continue with pandemic protocols for as long as they are needed. Here are quick reminders, in simple phrases, about the promises we are making to each other to practice these protocols while in the church building for worship and other church meetings:

- Arrive healthy
- Mask properly
- Record participants gladly
- Sanitize hands freshly
- Gather briefly
- Distance safely
- Speak softly

CELEBRATING COMMUNION IN-PERSON: Sunday, July 4 we share Holy Communion in morning worship both at the church building and at home. In the building, we will use the little packets of wafer and juice. Those who desire to bless and receive the sacrament at home, please prepare food for yourself and those with you as if it were a celebration of the unexpected gift of Christ's presence. It may be a slice or roll of bread, a corn tortilla, Naan, or rice cake and a cup of juice — perhaps grape or cranberry — or wine, with or without alcohol, and it may be closer to a meal.

Moderator's Moment

Thank you all for your continued support of our church and community during this unprecedented time. As you begin to venture out, please consider returning to church and meeting in-person during the weekly sip-n-chat gatherings. (We miss your smiles!)



This month we have a new gathering that I am excited about. "God on Tap" will meet on Wednesday, July 14th at Luckes' Cantina. We will meet to socialize and discuss a short article that will be available via email or snail mail. Now is also a good time to tell your friends and neighbors that we have resumed abbreviated services at the church and would love to welcome them to worship with us!

Ruth Anne

"I was glad when they said...Let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

From the Office Desk

Considering the heat we endured in June, it's hard to believe that the first official day of summer was June 20. I love opening the office window and listening to the birds when it's pleasant out, but some *kind soul* installed window AC units in my and Pastor Marty's office and it *really saved* us in June – *thank you!!*

I have been happily nesting in the church office and busy getting organized and learning the ropes. So far, everything's been great! Everyone has been so helpful and supportive during this transition. Being, working in this church is magical to me – I love being here, in what was my second home of my childhood, and feel so *blessed, happy* and *grateful!*

One of the things I've been doing, besides weekly bulletins, the monthly Chronicle and Zoom invitations, is sorting through historical files. And what a rich history it is! However, as you know, collecting and maintaining historic material is a challenge. For now I'm just gathering materials, but hope someday in the future, historical materials could be organized digitally, or in some more formal way before names and memories are lost. I believe everyone would enjoy having access to view the church's remarkable history and to reminisce.

As summer moves along, I will keep the Monday and Wednesday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. office hours. If you get a chance – come in and say hello! In the meantime, if there is anything I can do for you, do not hesitate to ask.

Peace and blessings, Sandy Johnson, Office Assistant



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Williams Bay Art Fest Fundraiser: Volunteers are needed for this awesome fun-in-the-sun annual event! We are selling water, soda and baked goods - no sandwich making this year. :) Jo Dewart is organizing this event. Please consider volunteering to work or bake. Contact Jo, or sign up at church if you would like to participate. The event takes place July 24 – 25 in Edgewater Park. UCC refreshments will be offered for sale from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sip N Chat will continue to meet in July on **Wednesday, July 21 and July 28**. We will meet in-person at the Boxed and Burlap Coffee House, 2935 Sate Highway 67, Delavan - across from Mercy Hospital, and via Zoom. You will continue to receive email reminders with the Zoom option. If you are not receiving these emails, but would like to receive them, please contact Sandy Johnson at uccwboffice@gmail.com.



God “on Tap” The Faith Formation committee and Pastor Marty invite you and your friends to this frothy and friendly “God on Tap” conversation on **Wednesday, July 14 at 4:00 p.m.** at Lucke's Cantina, 220 Elkhorn Rd, Williams Bay, WI. **God on Tap** will be a time for conversation, socialization and a libation. Our first session’s discussion will focus on the article [Things Have Changed](#) and can be accessed from the PDF link provided, or you can pick up a copy at church.

Summer Lunch in the Lot Join with friends to picnic in the church parking lot on **July 14 at 12:00 p.m.** Bring your own lunch and chair to enjoy the fellowship.

Sunday Brunch With Friends The Outreach Committee will host a take out Quiche Brunch (Sunday Dinner with Friends follow up) on **Sunday, August 8**. The menu includes a choice of vegetable quiche or quiche Lorraine, a fruit salad, and a slice of banana bread. The cost is \$10/per meal. You will receive a pre-order form by email or in the Worship Bulletin. Pre-orders are due by July 31. Pick up will be 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. at the lower level on August 8. Encourage your family, friends and neighbors to order since we will again share 25% of the proceeds with New Beginnings!



Rummage Sale The church will not hold a rummage sale this year, however, for those who may have planned to declutter by donating items to the church for this event and for those people who love to shop, there is another opportunity. The **Williams Bay Historical Society** is holding a yard sale on Friday July 23 and Saturday July 24 from 8:00 – 3:00 p.m. at 420 W. Geneva St. in Williams Bay. Donations may be dropped off at the same address from July 5-21. If the garage is closed, please place items under the covered area in front of the garage. Please consider supporting this worthy local cause with either your items or your purchases.

Chapel On The Hill – Food Pantry Support Our outreach to New Beginnings has taken the form of food donations directed at providing good lunches to the children being served since they are not in school. New Beginnings doesn’t have the facility to handle food donations any longer, so we have changed our approach to support the food pantry. The Chapel’s actual preference is to receive monetary donations since they can more efficiently direct the funds to specific food items that are in demand at the pantry through their association with Feed America. If you choose to make a monetary donation, please you’re your check to the church office with “Food Pantry” in the memo section.

Calling all Volunteers! The 2021 Walworth County Fair offers volunteer opportunities to area churches including Golf Cart Driver, Souvenir Stand and Beer Stand servers. In exchange, the Wal. Co. Fair gives a donation back to the church. The dates of the fair are September 1 – 6; shifts are generally 4 – 6 hours and you can team up with friends. Let Sandy know as soon as possible if you would like to participate in this fundraiser.



Celebrating in the month of July!

Anniversaries

July 15 Roberta & Jim Killian
July 28 Daryl & Audrey Matthews

Birthdays

July 11 Elliot Johnson
July 19 Joyce Taplin
July 26 Ruth Anne Morava
July 28 David Johnson

OUR PRAYERS | *as of June 17, 2021*

God of your gracious rainbow promise, may these know hope in your promising care...

- +Peace for the Family of Maggie Trussler, who passed away In June. May her son, Stephen and daughter, Bekah, and all their family find comfort and strength.
- +Comfort to the family of Steve Neuville, good friend of the Burwells who passed away in June.
- +May you continue to give peace to Margaret and her family at the death of her great nephew.
- +Bless Pete, as he continues to struggle with a heart condition, after his bout with COVID.
- +Peace for Kepler, beloved family dog of the Killians', struggling with the pain of a herniated disk... and also for Jim, in his ongoing treatments and health concerns.
- +Peace for Brooke, Connie's great-granddaughter, and bless her health and give doctor's wisdom.
- +Bless Deborah with her treatments for breast cancer.
- +We are grateful that Fran, the Burwell's neighbor has found a place of care for her and her struggle with dementia, now bless her daughter and her health concerns.
- +For all those in India, and other poorer nations around the world, as the continue to suffer from the surge of COVID infections and illness. May there be comfort and healing and health.
- +Christ, may we follow your way of love, and grow as a shelter to welcome, to cherish, and to learn from all the diversity of our humanity.

With gratitude, we pray, Amen.

JULY LECTIONARY

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| <i>July 4</i> | 2 Sam 5:1-5, 9-10 and Ps 48; Ezek 2:1-5 and Ps 123; 2 Cor 6:1-13, Mk 6:1-13 |
| <i>July 11</i> | 2 Sam 6:1-5, 12-19 and Ps 24; Amos 7:7-15 and Ps 85:8-13; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:14-29 |
| <i>July 18</i> | 2 Sam 7:1-14 and Ps 89:20-37; Jer 23:1-6 and Ps. 23; Eph 2:11-22; Mk 6:30-34, 53-56 |
| <i>July 25</i> | 2 Sam 11:1-15 and Ps 14; 2 Kings 4:42-44 and Ps 145:10-18; Eph 3:14-21; Jn 6:1-21 |

WORSHIP | JULY 2021

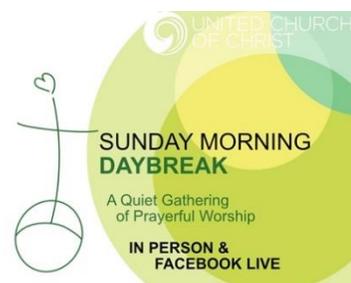
The Spirit Gathers Us, Our Creator Still Speaks—We are listening for Wisdom, and Christ Sends Us into Life!

July 4 | Mark 6:1–13 (Communion)

July 11 | Mark 6.14-29

July 18 | Mark 6.30-34, 53-56

July 25 | John 6.1-21



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- July 4 Worship Service, 9:00 a.m., in-person and on facebook.
- July 11 Worship Service, 9:00 a.m., in-person and on facebook
- July 14 Lunch in the Lot, 12:00 p.m., church parking lot
- July 14 God on Tap, 4:00 p.m., Lucke’s Cantina
- July 18 Worship Service, 9:00 a.m., in-person and on facebook
- July 5 – 21 Drop off Rummage Sale items at 420 W. Geneva St.
- July 21 Sip N Chat, 11:00 a.m., Boxed & Burlap and Zoom
- July 23, 24 Historical Society Rummage Sale, 420 W. Geneva St.
- July 24, 25 Williams Bay Fine Art Fest, Edgewater Park
- July 25 Worship Service, 9:00 a.m., in-person and on facebook
- July 28 Sip N Chat, 11:00 a.m., Boxed & Burlap and Zoom
- July 31 Pre-orders for Sunday Quiche Brunch due.

Address Correction Requested

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