

Welcome to **OUR SAVIOUR'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
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Easter Season

May 8 & 11, 2025

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*\* All who are able please stand*

*L: Leader; P: People*

Prelude

Accompanists: Nicole Burdick

Words of Welcome and Good News.

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: We gather once more as a great multitude from various peoples and places,  
we've come

**P: Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor and power be to our  
God.**

L: We gather once more to shout "Alleluia!" Salvation belongs to the Holy One.

**P: Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor and power be to our  
God.**

L: We gather to worship day and night the one who guides us to the springs of  
life.

**P: Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor and power be to our  
God.**

**\*HYMN:** "Joy Dawned Again on Easter Day"

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**\*INVOCATION**

***ALL: God, our shepherd—Restorer of our souls—The one who calls us to nap  
in green pastures—We enter into this moment of worshipful gathering  
trusting that you will guide us along the paths of righteousness. Wherever  
we may be in this world, let us know the comforting presence of your rod  
and staff. We are expectant, O God, that our fears will fade, that our cups  
will overflow, and that your goodness and mercy will accompany us in this  
hour and beyond. Now, let us worship you in spirit and in truth. Amen.***

**\*RESPONSE & INVITATION:** "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" by Thomas A. Dorsey

**Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand, I am tired,  
I am weak, I am worn, Through the storm, through the night,  
lead me on to the light: Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.**

WITNESS OF FAITH: Acts 9:36-43

WITNESS OF FAITH: Psalm 23

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

L: With all the signs of new life in Christ around us, we still cling to our old  
ways. Let us confess our sin to God and to one another.

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

***ALL: God, we confess that we often let hopelessness have too much power over our lives. In the face of crisis, our faith has frequently faltered. In the midst of calamity, our fearlessness has faded. In the presence of tribulation, our worry has weakened our ability to act justly. Help our unbelief, O God!***

***Bring us back to you, Great Redeemer. Remind us of the unfailing treasure that is in your love and care for all of creation—For your grace is sufficient, from the valley of death to the tables you've prepared for us. Embolden us, again, and revive our spirits.***

**\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

**L: Friends, hear the Good News: God believes in us even when our belief in God is challenged. God's grace and mercy abounds, and in God our father, Christ the son, and the Spirit gifted us, we are forgiven.**

**P: Alleluia! Amen.**

**\*Passing of the Peace [Let us bless one another in Christ as we are comfortable.]**

**WITNESS OF FAITH: Revelation 7:9-17**

**GOSPEL LESSON: John 10:22-30**

**A TIME OF LEARNING: "What is a Mother?" Projected  
From The Skit Guys**

**\*STATEMENT OF FAITH: Nicene Creed Projected**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place  
I can feel God's mighty power and God's Grace  
I can hear the brush of angel's wings  
I see glory on each face  
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place**

**SPECIAL MUSIC: "Mother Song" The Scott Street Puppeteers**

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

**Prayer of Our Savior:**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts,**

**as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

HYMN: “Mother’s Day Song” with 3 Heath Brothers

Projected

MEDITATION: “Tabitha the Giver”

Rev. Mundell

HYMN: “Alleluia, Hearts to Heaven”

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### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

[Offering options by the sanctuary entrances/social media/mail/office.]

L: We believe in the God of justice and righteousness, and God believes in us to carry forth the mission of loving and caring for community. Let us now share our gifts and resources so that we may continue to walk humbly with God and with neighbors.

### OFFERTORY

#### \*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, you heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***ALL: We dedicate these gifts that have been shared for the fortification of the beloved community. Let these gifts do justice in the world. Let them be a sign of our belief in the God who saves, heals, and sets free. Let these gifts, and the works of our hands and feet, be a blessing to all in need. Amen.***

#### \*BENEDICTION: “Go Now In Peace”

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong, and true. Know he will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

#### \*Postlude



**We welcome all visitors and guests and are glad you can join us for our services.**

**OUR SAVIOUR'S**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
FAITH FAMILY FRIENDSHIP

*Large print bulletins and regular bulletins are available in the vestibule and online.*

## **Join us for worship on Sunday at 9:00 am and Thursday at 6:30 pm**

Our Sunday Service is broadcast via radio at 10:50 am on WRPN, AM station 1600. If there is a problem with the broadcast, please let the Church Office know on Monday morning.

All worship services are livestreamed on our Social Media Platforms and are available to watch at your convenience. If you are viewing from one of our Social Media Platforms, please make sure to leave a comment or like our post to know you are worshipping with us! If there is an issue with the stream, or you have any feedback, please let the Church Office know.



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### **Staff Contact Information**

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### **SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

Our summer office hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 AM till Noon. There is a drop box adjacent to the office door if you need to drop off items when the office is not open, or you can use the mail slot in the North Narthex if the building doors are all locked.

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*Harley Louise Langenfeld May 9, Dannica Petrak May 11, Amy Wondra May 12,  
Garry Gehrke May 13, Chester Burton May 14*

**ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK**

|           |                |                 |            |
|-----------|----------------|-----------------|------------|
| Thursday: | In-Person: 10  | Livestream: 135 | Total: 145 |
| Sunday :  | In-Person: 121 | Livestream: 116 | Total: 237 |

General Fund: \$4,039.00                      OCWM: \$147.50                      Capital Improvements: \$1,362.50

*Thank you so much for your continued support of in-person, mailed in, and online contributions.*

**SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAM**

**Audio/Visual:** John Kwiatkoske/Judy Lueck    **Liturgist:** Dianne Heyn    **Musician:** Nicole Burdick

**ALTAR AND ORGAN FLOWERS**

The altar and organ flowers this Sunday are given in Loving Memory of Kathleen Luedke by Melissa Busse.

**DONATION RECEIVED**

Thank you to Greg and Cheryl Coburn for their recent donation to our Sharing Table Community Meal in honor of Phil and Susan Manthei's 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary!

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

You are cordially invited to an Open House on Saturday, May 17th from 2-4 PM to celebrate Larry Retzlaff's 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday! The party is being held here at church in the East Narthex.

**RED GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST**

Our Altar Guild has contracted with Hounsell's for beautiful red geranium plants that can be ordered now and that will adorn the altar in the Sanctuary on Pentecost Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. Order forms are now available!

Last year's plants were beautiful and we're expecting the same this year. The plants will be in 4" pots and will cost \$6 per pot. Your order form and payment needs to be into the church office by Noon on Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, please. Thank you!

## **NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS**

It's still photo time! Call 920-745-2544 or email the Church office (osuccripon1@gmail.com) to set up your time, Monday - Thursday 10:00 am till 2:00 pm, or Sundays after worship service from 10:15 am till 11:30 am. Committees and groups will be contacted to set up times.

Oh, and come prepared-- you'll need to have a joke ready to tell the photographer!

If you would prefer to send in a current candid photo that is not copyrighted, you can email that to the church office at osuccripon1@gmail.com or drop it off during office hours. We'll be sure to return any photos that are dropped off.

## **OSUCC LOGO LONG SLEEVED T-SHIRTS**

The Evangelism Committee will have two different types of long sleeved T-shirts in a selection of colors with our Church logo embroidered on them for sale in the East Narthex. There is an option to add the letters OSUCC in screen print on one sleeve for an additional \$5.

One type is a light weight long sleeved T-shirt Hoodie, men and women sizes for \$24, and the other is a crew neck long sleeved T-shirt in Unisex sizes for \$32. Check them out and place your order by May 10<sup>th</sup>, please. Thank you!

## **MISSIONS FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION**

We currently provide donations to the Ripon Area Food Pantry, located at St. Catherine's, and the Community Food Pantry, located at Traded Treasures. The items you donate are divided between the two pantries.



Suggested items for May are:

Peanut butter; oatmeal; pancake mix; pancake syrup; single serve cereals (used in emergency food bags); boxed cereals; oatmeal; protein bars; breakfast shakes; canned meats such as SPAM, tuna, or chicken; Hamburger Helper; Mac & Cheese; Rice a Roni; shelf stable milk; flour; baking soda; brown and white sugar; mayonnaise; salad dressings; BBQ sauce; mustard; toilet paper; paper towels; and tissues.



## **PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY**

Are you in need of special prayers? Feel free to use our prayer chain ministry by contacting Caroline Retzlaff, 920-748-2367.

***IN OUR PRAYERS:*** Sandra Badtke, Cattibree Dailey, Tara Koller, Emily McGuire, Sue Meyer, Mark Sabel, Barb Schultz, Chris Wiegand, and 13 Unspoken.

## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

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| Thur. | May 8  | 9:00 am - Mind, Body, Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily<br>9:30 am - Called to Care Committee Meeting<br>5:15 pm - Senior Choir Practice<br>6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel      |
| Sun.  | May 11 | 9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary - <a href="#">Happy Mother's Day!</a><br>10:15 am - Sunday School<br>10:30 am - Adult Education<br>4:30 pm - Pack 3735 Committee Meeting |
| Mon.  | May 12 | 6:30 pm - Church Council Meeting  |
| Tues. | May 13 | 5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal at Grace Lutheran<br>6:30 pm - Pack 3735 Den Meeting   |
| Wed.  | May 14 | 7:00 pm - Senior Recognition Night at Ripon High School   |

## NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

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|-------|--------|--|
| Thur. | May 15 | 9:00 am - Mind, Body, Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily<br>9:30 am - Called to Care Committee Meeting<br>5:15 pm - Senior Choir Practice<br>6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel |
| Sun.  | May 18 | 9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary<br>10:15 am - Sunday School - Final Day<br>10:30 am - Adult Education<br>4:30 pm - Pack 3735 Committee Meeting                      |
| Mon.  | May 19 | 4:00 pm - Worship Committee Meeting<br>5:30 pm - Christian Education Committee Meeting   |
| Tues. | May 20 | 5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal at Immanuel UMC<br>6:30 pm - Pack 3735 Den Meeting  |



## QR CODES FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

Please feel free to use either of these two scannable QR codes with your Smart Phone.

