

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

July 3 & 6, 2025

** All who are able please stand*

L: Leader; P: People

Prelude

Accompanists: Nicole Burdick

Words of Welcome and Good News.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Sing praises to the Holy One, O you faithful, and give thanks to God's holy name

P: Shepherd and Source, you guide us in wisdom. You cover us in love.

L: Sing praises to the Holy One, O you faithful, and give thanks to God's holy name

P: Comforter and Spirit, you encourage us in times of trouble. You strengthen us for the journey.

L: Sing praises to the Holy One, O you faithful, and give thanks to God's holy name

P: Redeemer and Friend, you hear our cry, redeem the years of struggle, and restore our joy. Praise the Holy One!

***HYMN: "God Moves in a Mysterious Way"**

R39/Projected

***INVOCATION**

ALL: God our Good Shepherd, we come to worship you, to tell of the story of your marvelous deeds, to lament the horrors and suffering in the world, to find strength to be your witnesses, and to remind ourselves of the truth of what is possible. May our prayers rise to your heart, and your heart infiltrate our prayers. May we sing songs that move you with delight and compassion. May we recognize and ponder the wisdom you impart to us. And may peace rest upon us as we gather in your name. 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: Isaiah 66:10-14

WITNESS OF FAITH: Psalm 66:1-9

CALL TO CONFESSION

L: Jesus said: You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, but we fear the Spirit's power. Let us confess our slowness to embrace the new life of the Spirit.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

ALL: We have promised to live as your people, God. Yet, we confess that we fail you and one another. We do not honor one another as we should. As the body of Christ, we are often disjointed and clumsy. We do not work together as one to your glory. We refuse your cry for help in the voices of the poor and hungry. We have not been faithful to the trust you have placed in us.

Merciful God, receive us as we are, and forgive us. Encourage us with your love that we may commit ourselves anew to live as those who belong to you; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

L: People of God, leap up, dance! The Spirit is here in healing power. Your sins are forgiven. Rise up in the new life of the Spirit.

P: We rise through the power of the Spirit. Thanks be to God!

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

WITNESS OF FAITH: Galatians 6:7-16

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 10:1-11,16-20

A TIME OF LEARNING: Worship

Projected

Series: Changes in the Church from Luther House of Study

***STATEMENT OF FAITH: Apostle's Creed (old language)**

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

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: "Breathe" with Marie Barnett

Projected

MEDITATION: "Doing What is Right"

Rev. Mundell

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

L: Galatians 6:2 challenges us to, "Bear one another's burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ." The reign of God assures us that there is enough. The Holy One's creation and provision remains abundant, and we participate in the kingdom by refusing to hoard and to withhold from our siblings. Let us magnify the name of Creator by repudiating the falsehood of scarcity. Let us share in all things good given to us by the Generous One for common benefit and mutual aid.

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 give you thanks, Wise God, for cultivating generosity within us and alerting us to the needs around us. Use these gifts for the expansion of your will on earth and the blessing of your beloved. In your name and in hope, we give these gifts. Amen.

HYMN: "Let Us Break Bread Together" VS. 1&2

R210/Projected

HOLY COMMUNION

*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
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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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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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Laura Kaufman July 4, David Sauer and Charlett Wiegand July 5

ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK

Thursday:	In-Person: 7	Livestream: 181	Total: 188
Sunday :	In-Person: 52	Livestream: 71	Total: 123

General Fund: \$1,207.50 OCWM: \$79.50 Capital Improvements: \$102.00

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

SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAM

Audio/Visual: Keith Mulder/Kelly Mundell **Liturgist:** Cal Fischer **Musician:** Nicole Burdick

NO JULY BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

Nurse Emily will not be available to hold the July 6th Blood Pressure Clinic but is available for you every Thursday morning from 9:00 am until Noon in the church office. Thank you!

RIPON AREA VBS

We're just a month away from the start of this year's VBS program, "True North - Trusting God in a Wild World". The theme does resonate with many of us right now, doesn't it? VBS starts at Grace Lutheran on Sunday, July 27th at 5:45 pm until 8:20 pm, and continues through Thursday, July 31st. There are tasty snacks provided Sunday - Wednesday, with a family meal being served on Thursday, July 31st. You can still get involved by registering as a volunteer in various roles at www.riponvbs.org. Thank you!

IN NEED OF A LIFT CHAIR?

We have a church member that has a lift chair they would like to donate to someone who needs it and can make good use of it. If anyone is interested please contact Nurse Emily via email, osuccpnripon1@gmail.com. Thank you!

REV. MUNDELL ATTENDING SYNOD MEETINGS

Rev. Kevin and Kelly Mundell will be gone from July 10th through July 16th as delegates representing the Wisconsin Conference at our National Synod. If you have an emergency in Rev. Mundell's absence, please contact a Church Council member for assistance. See the insert for their numbers, please.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

- Thurs. July 3 9:00 am - noon - Mind Body and Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily
6:30 pm - Purple Thursday, Worship Service in the Chapel with Communion
- Fri. July 4 Happy 4th of July to all!
- Sun. July 6 9:00 am - Purple Sunday, Worship Service in the Sanctuary with Communion
- Tues. July 8 10:00 am - Summer Adult Education Class, Session 1 ends, Chapel lounge
5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal, Grace Lutheran Church

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

- Thurs. July 10 9:00 am - noon - Mind Body and Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily
6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel
- Sun. July 13 9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary
- Tues. July 15 5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal, Immanuel Methodist
- Wed. July 16 7:15 pm - FABM Conference for Church Musicians Organ Concert, featuring Dr. Ann Marie Rigler and Dr. Melody Turnquist-Steed. This concert is open to everyone in our community.

UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

- Sun. July 27 5:45 pm - Ripon Area VBS begins at Grace Lutheran Church and continues through July 31st.
- Tues. July 29 10:00 am - Summer Adult Education Class, Session 2 Begins, Chapel lounge
- Thur. Aug. 14 6:30 pm - Organ Concert, sponsored by the OSUCC Worship Committee, featuring Jared Stellmacher. This concert is open to everyone in our community.



QR CODES FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

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



MORE ABOUT THE CHANGES TO OUR CONFERENCE

Rev. Mundell thought it would be helpful to explain a little more about the change to our Conference that has taken place.

This year's Wisconsin Conference annual meeting was a transition into a new governing framework. Our four associations voted to dissolve themselves and we, as a conference, voted to change the conference to function as a single association taking over the ministries of all four association with a new more flexible governing framework.

This process began about twenty years ago when the conference restructured bringing all paid positions from the associations and placing them within the conference structure. This change worked at the association level for a while with all four associations functioning using volunteers and the conference taking care of all major things via the conference staff.

Since COVID 19 we, as a conference and four associations, realized we needed another restructuring and so the process of listening and learning from all the ministry setting in the Conference began and continued over a two-year period. We are the last or second to last conference to make this transition away from having associations to a conference that functions like a single association.

From a local church perspective, the conference is now taking on the ministries of the associations with new possibilities and less effective ministries being discontinued. The process moving forward will take about one and a half to two years to fully live into the new structures and make them work well for us.

MORE ABOUT THE NATIONAL SYNOD MEETING

This July, Rev. Kevin and Kelly Mundell will once again be representing the Wisconsin Conference as delegates to our national Synod, called Synod 35. At our local level within the United Church of Christ we function with a congregational polity (how we govern ourselves) with each specific church in covenant with the Conference and the National setting.

At the national level we function as a Presbyter where each conference and ministry setting has so many delegates and these delegates come together to vote on issues that the denomination believes we should vote on and take serious in living out our Christian faith both locally and globally.

Each delegate votes their own conscious trusting the spirit of God to direct us collectively. Our denomination, the United Church of Christ, is not a top down hierarchy so what is expected is that when a Synod happens, the resolutions are looked at by local church. What they can, they implement but they are in no way expected to implement the resolutions and all resolutions that come from a synod started in three separate conferences to make it to a Synod.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR THE CHURCH COUNCIL

If there is an emergency or a situation during Rev. Kevin's absence, you can contact any member of the Church Council for assistance.

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