

Welcome to **OUR SAVIOUR'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
343 Scott Street, Ripon Wisconsin (920) 748-2544  
[www.OurSavioursUCCRipon.com](http://www.OurSavioursUCCRipon.com)

Second Sunday after Christmas January 1 & 4, 2026

\*\*\*\*\*

*\* All who are able please stand* L: Leader; P: People  
Prelude Accompanists: Nicole Burdick

Words of Welcome and Good News.

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Inspired by Psalm 147)**

L: Extol the Holy One! Praise the God who protects, strengthens, and redeems!

**P: God is the source of peace. God nourishes us with abundance.**

L: Extol the Holy One! Praise the God who protects, strengthens, and redeems!

**P: The Holy One is the Still Speaking God, whose word reaches the hearts of the receptive.**

L: Extol the Holy One! Praise the God who protects, strengthens, and redeems!

**P: Creator makes all things new and prepares our days. Praise the Holy One!**

**\*HYMN: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" R94/Projected**

**\*INVOCATION**

***ALL: Wise God, renew our minds so that we may be present with you as you are among us. Renew our spirits so that we may worship you and praise your name. Renew our hearts so that we might be receptive to your wisdom, correction, and call. In you, we find compassion and hope, courage and clarity, righteousness and grace. Surround us and forge us as a community committed to bring you honor and glory. Amen.***

**\*RESPONSE & INVITATION: "Alleluia" by Jerry Sinclair**

**Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia,**

**Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia.**

**WITNESS OF FAITH: Jeremiah 31:7-14**

**WITNESS OF FAITH: Psalm 147:12-20**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

L: God loves this world of flesh and blood, stone and tree, sheep and oxen, star and field. God loves the world so much that God comes to us in Jesus. Yet we are careless with God's creation. Let us confess our sin.

**\*CONFESSION OF SIN**

***ALL: Holy One, a new year invites us to begin again. As we reflect on the future, we ask that your grace would meet us as we strive to be the people you have called us to be. Help us to heal spiritually, emotionally,***

*relationally, materially, physically, and financially. Strengthen us and reorient our expectations of ourselves and one another. Give us courage to be true to our faith and values. Remind us that we carry no burden that you do not share with us. Shine your radiance through us. Amen.*

**\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

L: Image bearers of the holy, the Radiant God knows your struggles, honors your commitments, and meets you in your hopes. Receive the grace of God to liberate you from the past and release you to embrace the future with anticipation that the One who began a good work in you will abide with you through the journey toward renewal and revitalization. I say to you, in the name of Jesus, our sins are forgiven.

**P: Thanks be to God, let us Rejoice and Sing!**

(Let us bless one another with the peace of Christ)

WITNESS OF FAITH: Ephesians 1:3-14

GOSPEL LESSON: John 1:10-18

A TIME OF LEARNING: Who is Jesus?

Projected

SPECIAL MUSIC: "The Peace Carol"

The B-Attitudes

\*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: "As with Gladness, Men of Old"

R118/Projected

MEDITATION: "Grace and Truth came through Jesus"

Rev. Mundell

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

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

L: God has initiated everything in creation and made us co-creators so that the world in which we live also bears our imprint. Let us proactively, intentionally, and generously create the world in which we want to live by being good and faithful stewards of the gifts of time, talent, and treasure entrusted to our care.

**\*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: Creator, receive these offerings as we dedicate them to you and your kingdom. Magnify them and continue to bless us so that we may collectively meet the needs and hopes of our community and world. 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**



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

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

*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.



<https://OurSavioursUCCRipon.com>



<https://bit.ly/OSUCCFacebook>



<https://bit.ly/OSUCCYouTube>



**Staff Contact Information**

<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Dr. Kevin Mundell	revdrmundell@me.com	920-385-8990
<b>Bookkeeper</b>	Cheryl Wunder	cheryl.osuccripon1@gmail.com	920-748-2544
<b>Custodian</b>	Rick Stracy	rlstracy@gmail.com	920-229-1367
<b>Office Manager</b>	Jane Brady	osuccripon1@gmail.com	920-748-2544
<b>Parish Nurse</b>	Emily Burk	osuccpnripon1@gmail.com	920-748-2544
<b>Digital Media Manager</b>	Conrad Winkelman	osuccripon1@gmail.com	920-748-2544
<b>Livestream Technician</b>	Spencer Conlon	osuccripon1@gmail.com	920-748-2544

**OFFICE HOURS**

Our office hours are Monday, Tuesday, 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.

**COPYRIGHT LICENSES:** CCLI #: 938092; CCS Perform #:9734; CCS Worship #: 9734; OL: A-729567



**Connie Turner Dec 31, Allan Mortenson and Earl Schrader Jan 2, Julie Carr, Holly Clarke and Bella Klettke Jan 3, Tom Carr, Lyle Lenz, and Linda Towne Jan 4, Jane Hilke Jan 5, Jessica Klettke Jan 7**

**ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK**

Christmas Eve 4 pm:	In-Person: 132	Livestream: 188	Total: 320
Christmas Eve 9 pm:	In-Person: 66	Livestream: 408	Total: 474
Sunday :	In-Person: 51	Livestream: 147	Total: 198

General Fund: \$5,712.00                      OCWM: \$245.50                      Capital Improvements: \$241.50

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

**WORSHIP TEAM**

**A/V:** John Kwiatkoske/Kelly Mundell                      **Liturgist:** Rick Stracy                      **Musician:** Nicole Burdick

**CHRISTMAS POINTSETTIAS**

Please don't forget to pick your plant up after service today. We are not able to donate plants to nursing homes, etc. any longer. Thank you!

**CHRISTMAS TAKE DOWN WORK PARTY**

On Saturday, January 10th, at 9:00 am we will be gathering to take down the arch, several smaller trees, and the beautiful church decorations. Any help you can give is greatly appreciated! Do as much or as little as you are comfortable with, every bit helps get the work done.

There is a rumor that there might be donuts at the work party just in case anyone feels faint from starvation. Thank you!

**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:** Sharri Dailey, Tara Koller, Emily McGuire, Bonnie Mundell, Ron Prellwitz, Mark Sabel, Barb Schultz, and 18 Unspoken.

## UPPER ROOM DEVOTION BOOKLET

The Called to Care Team apologies and wants you to know that there will not be any Upper Room Devotional booklets for the months of January and February. There was a mix-up on expiration dates for our subscription, so we've had to start a fresh one.

Unfortunately, the January/February edition has already been printed and shipped so the first devotional booklets under the new subscription will be the March/April edition and should be available to pick up by mid-April.

## SEEKING GREETERS

Do you like to smile and say Good Morning, and can hand a bulletin to those entering the Sanctuary for church on Sunday? Can you help visitors to our church feel welcome? If so, you are exactly who we are looking for! There are more things you would help with in the role, but you got this!

We are seeking a few more individuals or couples who would like to help by serving as Greeters for our Sunday services. There are 6 Greeter teams who rotate through the weeks of each month, so each team would only be helping one Sunday a month.

If you are interested in learning more or joining a team, email Debbie Hahn at [debbie.hahntrans@gmail.com](mailto:debbie.hahntrans@gmail.com) or talk with any of the Greeters who are helping on Sundays.

## MISSIONS FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

We provide donations to both the Ripon Area Food Pantry and the Ripon Community Food Pantry. The items you donate are divided between the two.



*Suggested items for January are:* Canned tuna, chicken, salmon; peanut butter; oatmeal; rice; pasta; pasta sauces; single serve cereals, apple sauce, etc.; dried fruits; boxed cereals; protein bars; crackers; canned vegetables, fruit, stew, beans, chili, stew; Hamburger Helper; Mac & Cheese; shelf-stable milk; flour; brown and white sugar; condiments; salad dressings.

Thank you for your support of our local area food pantries!



### QR CODES FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

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



## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Thur.	Jan 1	<b>Happy New Year!</b> <i>The church office is closed.</i> 6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel with Communion
Sun.	Jan 4	9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary 10:00 am - Blood Pressure Clinic with Nurse Emily 10:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Adult Christian Ed 6:30 pm - Lego Multiverse Team
Mon.	Jan 5	6:15 pm - Puppet Practice
Tues.	Jan 6	5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal - Our Saviour's UCC 6:30 pm - Pack 3735 Leaders Meeting

## NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Thur.	Jan 8	9:00 am - Mind, Body, Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily 5:15 pm - Senior Choir Practice 6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel with Communion 6:30 pm - Lego Multiverse Team
Sun.	Jan 11	9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary 10:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Adult Christian Ed 6:30 pm - Lego Multiverse Team
Mon.	Jan 12	6:15 pm - Puppet Practice <b>6:30 pm - Church Council Meeting</b>
Tues.	Jan 6	5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal - Grace Lutheran Church 6:30 pm - Pack 3735 Den Meeting

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun.	Jan 18	<b>10:00 am - Altar Guild Meeting</b>
Mon.	Jan 19	<b>4:00 pm - Worship Committee Meeting</b> <b>5:30 pm - Christian Education Committee Meeting</b> <b>6:30 pm - Evangelism Committee Meeting</b>
Tues.	Jan 20	<b>5:30 pm - Missions Committee Meeting</b>