

Welcome to **OUR SAVIOUR'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**
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Pent 8/Prop 11

July 16 & 19, 2026

** All who are able please stand*

L: Leader; P: People

Prelude

Accompanists:

Words of Welcome and Good News.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: As we harvest our growing abundance in this time of mid-summer, may we relish in the fruit of our labor,

P: As we harvest the fruitful seeds of nature and God's Garden, let us share in the bounty with our neighbors.

L: While we channel resources - water, light, fertile ground to the produce we desire in our gardens,

P: May we also recognize that the weed, the rabbit, the caterpillar also has needs for sustenance.

L: We have enough, and an attitude of plentifulness increases through sharing.

P: For what our land grows with our tending, is only ours for a moment in time, filling a short term and immediate need.

All: May we share the harvest by tithing back to nature, feeding the hungry among us, storing for the future without hoarding, and setting enough seed aside for the next season of planting.

***HYMN:** "All People that on Earth"

R2/Projected

***INVOCATION**

All: God of many names, mother of all creation, father of all that is, womb of life, and wellspring of all that we can ever know, we invite your presence here as we seek to embody your loving spirit and create your presence among us. We are in need, and we turn to you to be with us as we practice creating the kingdom of heaven here on earth. Amen.

***RESPONSE & INVITATION: "Alleluia"**

by Jerry Sinclair

**Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia,
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WITNESS OF FAITH: Genesis 28:10-19a

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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.

***CONFESSION OF SIN**

ALL: God of creation and plenty, it can be easy for us to forget the abundant nature of your love. We forget that there are ample riches from this earth if we manage your resources, you and we share generously among all your beloved children. We forget that we are all created in your divine beauty, perfect specimens of your holy vision for a people who can love without bounds, share without tallying, and celebrate among the great diversity you created to thrive together. Guide us to give of that abundance, to receive with grace and gratitude, and to turn our hearts from the perception of scarcity. We confess that we fall short; and we ask that you show us the path again to your fruitful garden where all things grow and flourish.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

L: Let us know that in Jesus our sins are forgiven. God has always provided us with growth and abundance and will continue to guide us in the care of bounteous fields that spring forth with plant and animal, both weed and seed. We are all worthy of this enduring joy and sustenance as beloved children of God.

P: Let us Rise up in the new life of the Spirit. Amen.

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

WITNESS OF FAITH: Romans 8:1-12-25

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 13:24-30,36-43

A TIME OF LEARNING SERIES: "The 10 Commandments: 5th" Projected
Luther's Understanding from the Luther House of Study

*STATEMENT OF FAITH: The United Church Christ (1957) 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 & Lord's Prayer

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:	“Holy Spirit” with Bryan & Katie Torwalt	Projected
MEDITATION:	“In Hope we were Saved”	Rev. Mundell
HYMN:	“Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”	R312/Projected

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

L: As recipients of the many ways in which God provides, let us share this generosity with others whose seeds have not yet taken root, whose plots need tending.

*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 resources to doing God’s work among God’s people.
May these gifts plant seeds of justice for God’s children who seek it; may
they remind us to love more mercifully; may all walk humbly as we learn to
trod gently upon this earth. 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



OUR SAVIOUR'S
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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.



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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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Becky Mulder July 16, Karen Schultz July 17, Leighton Boers and Audrey Cluppert July 19

ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK

Thursday:	In-Person: 7	Livestream: 54	Total: 61
Sunday :	In-Person: 52	Livestream: 69	Total: 121

General Fund: \$3,885.00 OCWM: \$123.50 Capital Improvements: \$151.50

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

SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAMS

A/V: John Kwiatkoske/Kelly Mundell **Liturgist:** Rorie Nitz **Musician:**

IN OUR PRAYERS

OSUCC member, Gloria Hughes, passed away at age 93 on July 10, 2026, at Prairie Place in Ripon. Please pray for her family and friends as they grieve her loss.

Visitation for Gloria will be held Friday July 17, from 9:00 am till 11:30 am at Emmanuel United Church of Christ, 1306 Michigan St, Oshkosh. The funeral service will begin at 11:30 am with Rev. Mundell officiating. A luncheon will be served at Emmanuel following the funeral. Private burial will be in Scheller Cemetery.

GUEST ORGANIST SUNDAY, JULY 26TH

We are honored and deeply appreciative that Jane Holstein has decided to stay in Green Lake through the weekend after the concert and workshop, and has offered to play for our Sunday, July 26th worship service! What a lovely gift to our congregation!

Jane is the organ/piano clinician at the 2026 Fellowship of American Baptist Musicians Conference and is playing the organ/piano concert here in the Sanctuary on Monday, July 20th along with teaching the Conference's organ workshop here on Wednesday, July 22nd.

She grew up in Michigan but has spent her adult life residing in Wheaton, Illinois with her husband, David L. Weck. After graduating from Olivet Nazarene University, she continued her music studies at the University of Kansas and went on to receive a Doctor of Music from Northwestern University in organ performance. She is active in church music as Director of Music Ministries at the First Presbyterian Church of River Forest where she oversees the vocal choirs, handbell choir, and brass ensemble.

MISSIONS PROJECT FOR VBS - SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE

Wow, look at the new pillows, sheet sets, and throws that are being donated for the children! We had to move things to the office to make more room in the bin. Think how excited they will be to have their first new bed and new bedding! Thank you so much, let's keep it going!

"SUMMER SCHOOL LUNCHES" PROGRAM

The food drive for this program has concluded and the donations have been delivered to Community Food Pantry. They were deeply appreciative of your generous response to this need. Thank you so much for helping the children to have the food they need to get through the day!

FELLOWSHIP OF BAPTIST MUSICIANS (FABM)

The Organ & Piano concert will be held here at OSUCC on Monday, July 20th at 7:15 pm in the Sanctuary. FABM clinicians Jane Holstein and Joel Raney will be performing. The concert is open to our members and the general public. We hope you will attend this free concert! Learn more at <https://www.fabm.com/celebrations>

VBS REGISTRATION AND VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

It's not too late--you can still visit <https://www.riponvbs.org/> to sign up your kiddos and their friends for camp now, plus sign yourself up to volunteer at the same time. Volunteers are definitely needed!

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 July are: Peanut Butter, jam and jelly; canned tuna, chicken, salmon, stew; oatmeal; rice; pasta; pasta sauces; single serve cereals; canned fruits; dried fruits; instant potatoes; protein bars; crackers; Manwich style sauces; Hamburger Helper; Mac & Cheese; shelf-stable milk; flour; white sugar; brown sugar; condiments; salad dressings; cooking oil; pancake syrup; brownie and cake mix; biscuit mix. Thank you for your support of our local area food pantries!

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: Emily McGuire, Maggie Moon, Kathy Schieler, the family and friends of Gloria Hughes, and 10 Unspoken.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Thur.	July 16	9:00 am - Mind, Body, Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily 6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel
Sun.	July 19	9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary 10:00 am - FABM - Pre-concert Organ & Piano Practice
Mon.	July 20	7:15 pm - Fellowship of Baptist Musicians (FABM) Organ Concert - <i>Open to the public, all are welcome to attend</i>
Tues.	July 21	5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal - Immanuel UMC 7:00 pm - Lego Multiverse Team Leader Meeting

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Wed.	July 22	Noon-3:00 - FABM Organ Workshop in the Sanctuary
Thur.	July 23	9:00 am - Mind, Body, Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily 6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel
Sun.	July 26	9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary <i>with Guest Organist</i> 10:00 am - FABM - Pre-concert Organ & Piano Practice
Mon.	July 27 - 31	5:45 pm - 8:00 pm - Kids Church Camp (VBS) - Immanuel UMC
Tues.	July 28	5:30 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal - 1 st Congregational UCC



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