

Welcome to **OUR SAVIOUR'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**
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Church Propers 15

August 13 & 16, 2026

** All who are able please stand*

L: Leader; P: People

Prelude

Accompanist:

Words of Welcome and Good News.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

P: It is like a summer rain which restores the parched earth.

L: It is like a cool breeze at the shore of a lake, at the top of a mountain or through a crowded city street.

P: God meets us here.

L: We have gathered to worship the Maker of Our Days, the Restorer of Our Souls and the Breath of Our Lives.

***HYMN:** “Christ is the World’s True Light”

R143/Projected

***INVOCATION**

L: Maker of Our Days, you created each of us unique beings with differing strengths and weaknesses. Help us not only to use our strengths to assist others but also to allow others to use their strengths to meet our weaknesses.

P: Restorer of Our Souls, you have seen the parched places we have made in our lives, along with the devastation thrust upon us by the action or inaction of others. Meet us in the places of our deepest pain so that our facades of self-sufficiency might fall away, and we might be drawn into right relationship with you and one another.

L: Breath of Our Lives, without you we are but a mound of clay. Fill us with your presence, invigorate our worship, set us on fire so that others might be drawn into your light and nurtured by the warmth of your loving care.

P: 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: Genesis 45:1-15

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CALL TO CONFESSION

L: Let us confess our sin, trusting in God’s grace.

***CONFESSION OF SIN**

ALL: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we earnestly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

L: Hear the good news: In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, we learn that God's love has no bounds. In Christ we are forgiven and are empowered to begin anew.

P: Thanks be to God!

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

WITNESS OF FAITH: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 15: 21-28

A TIME OF LEARNING SERIES: "The 10 Commandments: 9th & 10th" Projected
Luther's Understanding from the Luther House of Study

***STATEMENT OF FAITH:** United Church of 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: "Mercy" with Matt Redman Projected

MEDITATION: "God is for Mercy" Rev. Mundell

HYMN: "And Can it Be" Projected

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

L: In times of plenty and want, God provides for our deepest needs. Give generously out of the abundance of God's blessing so that in these challenging times God's work might continue.

***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: Holy God, you are our provider. We dedicate to your service our lives and these offerings from your blessing and our labor. Work in us and through us to extend your love and care, here and around the world. 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
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.



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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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Orrin Luedke Aug 16, David Bloch and Katie Schwandt Aug 17, Janet Crook Aug 18, Mary Meyer, Bev Mlodzik, Roeman Rahn, Aaron Roehl-Busse, and Eric Towne Aug 19

ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK

Thursday:	In-Person: 8	Livestream: 83	Total: 91
Sunday :	In-Person: 41	Livestream: 103	Total: 144

General Fund: \$3,024.00 OCWM: \$125.00 Capital Improvements: \$162.00

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

SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAMS

A/V: Bob Meyer/Kelly Mundell **Liturgist:** Keith Mulder **Musician:**

RIPON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT “STUDENT NEEDS CLOSET”

The purpose of the District’s Student Needs Closet is to provide students with basic need items that they don’t have access to--be it that they are homeless or their living situation isn’t able to provide for them. Can we help restock the District’s closet so that these kids have basic needs?

If you don’t want to shop yourself, you can make a monetary donation-- please note “RASD Student Needs” in the check memo. You’ll see the amount on your contribution statement and we’ll write a single check to RASD for all the monetary donations that are received.

Personal care items include men and women’s stick deodorant; lip balm; baby/body wipes; hair brushes; wide tooth combs; dry shampoo; hair detangling spray; hair ties; reusable water bottles; travel size fabric refresher spray; and travel size blankets and pillows.

Clothing items include Boys and Girls T-shirts (any color, sizes 4T-Youth XL); Men and Ladies T-shirts (neutral colors, sizes Adult XS-XL); Boys and Girls sweatshirts (any color, sizes 4T-Youth XL); Men and Women’s Sweatshirts (neutral colors, sizes Adult XS-XL); Boys and Girls Jogger Sweatpants (black preferred, sizes 4T-Youth XL); Men and Women’s Jogger Sweatpants (black preferred, sizes Adult XS-XL); Girls/Women’s leggings (black preferred, sizes 4T-Adult XL); Boys and Girls tennis shoes (Velcro closure, toddler size 10-Youth size 3); Boys and Girls socks (toddler size 10-Youth size 3); Men and Women’s socks (Adult S-L); Boys boxer briefs (4T-Youth XL); Girls underwear (4T-Youth XL).

Miscellaneous items include Kwik Trip Fuel Only gift cards, \$25; Hy-Vee gift cards, \$25.

YOUTH RETREAT DATES ANNOUNCED

Online registration for 2026-2027 Wisconsin Conference Youth retreats will open by Sept. 1. The scheduled retreats are:

- Nov. 6-8, 2026 - Youth Faith Formation Retreat I (grades 6-12)
- Nov. 20-22, 2026 - Knock Knock Retreat (grades 6-8)
- Jan. 15-17, 2027 - Winter Soulstice Retreat (grades 9-12)
- Feb. 26-28, 2027 - Youth Faith Formation Retreat II (grades 6-12)
- March 5-7, 2027 - Youth Faith Formation Retreat III (grades 6-12)

The same program is offered at each of the three Youth Faith Formation Retreat sessions. All retreats take place at Daycholah Center. Additional details will be forthcoming.

Please be aware that the online registration system, as it currently is, will require you to make a downpayment at the time of registration. We've been told that the system will be upgraded to accommodate church member scholarship registrations, but we don't have a date for that.

In the meantime, please let our church office know which camp you want to register your student for, the student's name, and the dates of the camp. We'll get the registration done and will have the full camp fee payment sent directly to the camp. The camp will then get in touch with you to complete any parent-related paperwork. Thank you!

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 August are: Peanut Butter, jam and jelly; canned tuna, chicken, salmon, stew; oatmeal; rice; pasta; pasta sauces; single serve cereals; kid-friendly healthy after school snacks; 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, and 10 Unspoken.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Thur.	August 13	9:00 am - Mind, Body, Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily 6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel
Sun.	August 16	9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary 6:00 pm - Lego Team
Mon.	August 17	4:00 pm - Worship Committee Meeting 5:30 pm - Christian Education Committee Meeting 6:30 pm - Evangelism Committee Meeting
Tues.	August 18	5:30 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal - Immanuel UMC 5:30 pm - Mission Committee Meeting
Wed.	August 19	Noon - Noon Rotary Meeting in the East Narthex

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Thur.	August 20	9:00 am - Mind, Body, Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily 6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel
Sun.	August 23	9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary 6:00 pm - Lego Team
Tues.	August 25	5:30 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal - 1 st Congregational
Wed.	August 26	Noon - Noon Rotary Meeting in the East Narthex



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Smart Phone.

