

# NEWS FROM Hudson United Methodist Church

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## Musings

### Mission Statement

To accept all people along their spiritual journey.

SEPTEMBER 2025

*A Church for all Generations*

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SEPTEMBER Mission of the Month:  
United Methodist Children's Services of  
Wisconsin.

### Rally Day Sunday, September 7

Plans are under way to celebrate the end of summer and the return of school. We invite you to ask your neighbors, children, grandchildren and friends about our fall kick-off of fun.

**Salads and Sides** are needed to compliment the potluck on Sunday Sept. 7. Please consider bringing a dish to share. A sign-up sheet is located at the greeter's table. We also need help with set-up and clean-up afterwards.

**Games:** It would be fun to have some outdoor games, too. If you can bring a game, please let Kathy know.

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**DIRECTORY KICK-OFF**

#### Be a Part of the New Online Church Directory

**On September 7**, you are invited to include your information in the online directory. You control what information and the photo you would like to share. We encourage you to share your favorite photo by emailing it to the church office at [HUDSONUMC@SBCGLOBAL.NET](mailto:HUDSONUMC@SBCGLOBAL.NET) or you may have a photo taken by Regina Zedell, who is not a professional photographer on **Sunday, September 14 or 21** from 9 am to Noon. Please sign up on Rally Day at the greeter's table.

**Directory:** The directory can be accessed digitally from your phone and computer. It is safe, secure, and private, and uses email-based authentication to ensure security. When you log in to the online directory, you can see individuals and families in the congregation. Each listing includes the information you would like to share such as phone numbers, email addresses, mailing addresses, birthday's, and anniversary's.

Not only a digital version is available but also a printed one. Please let Kathy know if you need a printed directory.



## Activities & Events

### Highlighted Events

*Activities and Events are subject to change.*

*Current as of 8/15/25*

Participating in fellowship brings joy to you and to others around you. Will you share our activities with those in our community? Everyone is welcome to join in church events.

### ZOOM Opportunities

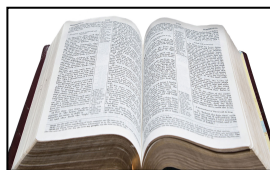
Download the ZOOM App. Log onto <https://zoom.us/>.

*Subject to change. Current as of August 15, 2025*

#### Every Wednesday, 10:30 am ZOOM Book Study

You are invited to jump into class as you have time. This group meets every Wednesday at 10:30 am via Zoom. Our fall book study will be "*Christianity and World Religions: Questions we ask about Other faiths*", by Adam Hamilton. The plan is to begin with an orientation session on **September 10th and chapter 1 on September 17**. The bookstore downtown has a couple extra copies of the book if you need one and would like to buy local. Please call the church office to receive the Zoom link and contact Darci Strutt for additional information on the study. All are welcome.

#### Wed. @ 7 pm Zoom Prayer + (Plus) You are Welcome Anytime



Are you vacationing at the cabin or traveling throughout the U.S. or worshipping at home? Do you miss worshipping with your Hudson friends? We might have what you are looking for. Consider logging on to Zoom and enjoy a half-hour service. **The meeting id and password is available in the church office.** Drop in once, or as often as you like. We offer you an opportunity to prepare for Wednesday Prayer +. Take a look at the following scripture. *The Scripture is subject to change.*

**Wednesday, September 3** Scripture: Psalm 139:1-6, 10-16

**Wednesday, September 10** Scripture: Psalm 14

**Wednesday, September 17** Scripture: Psalm 79: 1-9

**Wednesday, September 24** Scripture: Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-16

### In-person Activities

#### Every Wed. Bakery & Produce Drive-Thru Give-Away

**@ 9 AM**



Need an item or two for your pantry? Everyone is welcome to drive-thru to pick up food items every **Wednesday at 9 AM**. Are you looking to share your summer garden produce with others? Drop off your food items Tuesdays between 8 AM to Noon or Wednesday's before 8 AM. Please label your donation.



#### Every Wednesday Men's Koffee Klutch @ 9:30 AM

Men, bring a friend to the HUMC fellowship hall to enjoy a "steamy cup of coffee," conversation, and a mouth-watering sweet roll. Drop by **Wednesday at 9:30 AM**. Just come whenever you can, as often as you like. ☺ Contact Gery Campbell if you have any questions.

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## LABOR DAY – September 2

Hudson United Methodist Church Office will be closed in recognition of the Labor Day holiday. The church office will re-open on **Tuesday, September 2**.

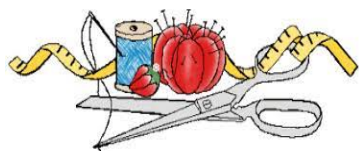
## Thursday, September 4 & 18



## Hudson Outreach Meals for Everyone

On September 4 and 18, dine-in meals are available at 5:00 PM at Bethel Lutheran Church, 920 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in Hudson. The **H.O.M.E.** (**Hudson Outreach Meals for Everyone**) meets every first and third Thursday of the month. The Thursday community meals exist to serve nutritious meals, at no cost, to anyone living in the

Hudson area who chooses to attend. Please contact either Joanne or Kim Campbell if you are available to help. Contact information is available in the church office at 715.386.3921.



## Monday, September 8 SEWMUCHNEED

Hudson United Methodist Sewing Missions Ministry

By Connie Nielsen

We will be meeting on Monday, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> from nine until noon. Our group welcomes everyone to come and observe or to work or visit, or sew, pin quilts. Check us out on September 8<sup>th</sup>. If you are unable to attend SEWMUCHNEED and you enjoy sewing, we have extra packets that you can sew at home. The packets are located in a plastic container in the hall across from the kitchen and in-between the restrooms. Feel free to pick up a home sewing packet and then bring back to church at your convenience. We will have new projects in the future to work on. If you have any questions, please contact Connie Nielsen or Clarice Huehne.



## 11:30 AM Sunday, September 14 All-Church Potluck

All are welcome to stop by the fellowship hall on **Sunday, September 14 at 11:30 am** for an informal potluck. It's a great way to meet new people and reconnect with folks who attend an early or later service than you do. If you can, bring your favorite food dish to share. All are encourage to ask to help, to set-up, place food on the table, and clean up afterwards. Please sign up at the greeter's table and let us know what food you are bringing so folks know who is bringing what.



## Sunday, September 15 Newsletter Article Deadline

The newsletters are reminders of activities and ministries in the church and in the community. Anyone can submit information. The next newsletter article deadline, for the **October** issue, is noon on **Monday, September 15**. Send your information to: [HUDSONUMC@SBCGLOBAL.NET](mailto:HUDSONUMC@SBCGLOBAL.NET). Church newsletters can be found in the information rack in the entryway/narthex. Pick up your copy today!

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### Wednesday Night Meals

We are offering Wednesday night meals on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month October through May. You are invited to gather a group together who are interested in cooking, set-up, and clean-up. **Please keep your meals & meal-planning simple.** Please sign up on the sign up sheet at the greeters table. Thank you.

## Aging & Disability Resource Center

### DayAway an ADRC Program

By Tara Murdzek, ADRC, Caregiver Support Coordinator, Health and Human Services, New Richmond

DayAway is a social respite program for older adults who are frail or who have memory loss. DayAway provides a day off for caregivers and a fun morning for the participant in a safe and comfortable environment. **The group meets every Monday and Thursday from 9 am to Noon at Hudson United Methodist Church in the lower level and every Tuesday at the United Methodist Church in New Richmond.**



Powerful tools for Caregivers classes help caregivers take better care of themselves while caring for a friend or relative. It's a six-week, in person, series and you will receive "*The Caregiver Helpbook*", which follows the curriculum and attendees will also receive handouts.

**Date:** Wednesdays October 1<sup>st</sup> through November 5<sup>th</sup> 2025

**Time:** 10 am to 11:30 am

**Location:** St. Croix County Government Center, 1101 Carmichael Rd., Hudson, WI

**Register Now – Space is Limited:** Call Tara at 715.381.4366.



### Friday, September 26, 2025 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Regional Caregiver Conference

**Time:** 8:30 am – 3 pm (In-Person);

8:30 – 11:30 am (Online Live)

**Location:** Northwood Technical College,  
1019 S. Knowles Ave., New Richmond, WI

**For more Information:** Scan the QR code or  
visit: [bit.ly/caregiver\\_sept2025](https://bit.ly/caregiver_sept2025)

Keynote Speaker: Jolene  
Brackey, author of, "*Creating  
Moments of Joy*," and  
Alzheimer's educator.





## September Birthdays



*Current as of 8/15/25*

We apologize if your name isn't listed. We wish you a Happy Birthday, too! Please inform the church office of your birthday, and your name and birth date will be added to the birthday list. Thank you!

**Hope you have a wonderful day with family and friends**

09/03 John Dolan	09/19 Bob Maki
09/04 Barb Chapman	09/27 Ava Lindley
09/04 Nick Hallen	09/28 Margaret Bertelsen Brown
09/04 Annette Helwig	09/28 Arvid Stephens
09/06 Jane White	09/29 Heather Tank
09/06 Nicole Munro	09/29 Lynn Watson
09/07 Jean Hogan	

## Book Club & Discussion

By Ruth Knapp

Do you enjoy curling up with a book? Enjoy reading? Then this group is for you. Feel free to join us on **Sunday, September 21 at 6 pm** in the fellowship hall. If you would like to read ahead, please refer to the book list below. Hope to see you! Direct your questions to Carla Bebault or Ruth Knapp.

Book title	Author	No. Pages	
The Lager Queen of MN	J. Ryan Stradel	353	September 21
Dinners with Ruth	Nina Totenberg	304	October 19
The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store	James McBride	385	November 16

## Christian Community Home Update (CCH)

By Shelly DeStasio



### Red Cross Blood Drive

A little goes a Long Way! CCH has a American Red Cross Blood Drive on **Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM-4:00 PM @** the Marie Blakeman Center on our CCH Campus. Register at [Redcrossblood.org](https://Redcrossblood.org) Enter Hudson for the date above.



### Save the Date!

CCH invites you to our **Annual Fall Fest & Pancake Breakfast!**

There will be food, live music, games & much more!

All are welcome!

**When:** Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup> from 9AM-11:30 AM

Keep your eyes peeled for more information coming in the October bulletin!

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## Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for volunteers!

- Monday morning Baking group in preparation for our Craft & Bake Sale coming up in November!
- Sing-a-long Leader and a Pianist to play or sing on Thursdays @ 10AM. This can be weekly or however you might be able to help.
- Assist with various different programs
- Special Events and Day Trip/Lunch

Please reach out to Deb Tonsager @ 715-386-4524 or apply online @ [cch-seniorliving.org/volunteers](http://cch-seniorliving.org/volunteers)

We look forward to meeting you!!!

## Education Update

By Amy Norelius

### Rally Day

My co-worker's bouncy house met its demise thanks to a family of chipmunks. We will have available at the Sept. 7 Rally Day, crafts, face paintings and yard games, bubble and cotton candy machine and Sunday School registration will be available. If anyone has a bouncy house or knows of someone we could borrow from, please let me or Kathy know. We also need lawn games.

### Children's Sunday School

#### A Multi-age format: Preschool through 5th grade

We will be doing a **Children's Sunday \*aka Sunday School** alternating Sundays beginning September 14<sup>th</sup> and then going every other Sunday from there. *Calendar is subject to change.*

**Sunday School Dates in 2025 are:** September 14, 28; October 12, 26; November 9, 23; December 7, 21 (Dec. 21 Happy Birthday Jesus Party and Ornament making. No Sunday School.)

**Sunday School Dates in 2026 are:** January 4, 18; February 1; March 1, 15, 29; (Easter, April 5 – no Sunday School) April 12, 26; May 10 (Last Day of Sunday School & Mother's Day)

**We will have one youth in confirmation:** Charlie Dolan

See you all soon, Amy

## Finance Update

### Finance Secretary Update

By Lisa Lindley

If you are not already aware, Steve Close has agreed to take over for me as Finance Secretary. The past few months, I have been working with Steve to make sure we have a smooth transition. Please direct any questions about your giving/pledge to Steve. Contact information available at [HUDSONUMC@SBCGLOBAL.NET](mailto:HUDSONUMC@SBCGLOBAL.NET). Thank you! Lisa Lindley

Note from Kathy: Lisa has volunteered as finance secretary for 7 + years. If you have a moment, please send your notes of appreciation to Lisa Lindley, 1401 Laurel Ave., Hudson, WI 54016

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## Treasurer's Report

By Nicole Munro, Treasurer on behalf of the Finance Team

Summary: End of July 2025

YTD 2025

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	% Budget
General Fund Income	<b>\$197,723</b>	\$160,417	123%
General Fund Expense	<b>\$198,303</b>	\$206,290	96%
Net Profit/Loss	<b>-\$581</b>	-\$45,873	

**\*NOTE:** The General Fund Income total includes Pledges/Envelopes plus other income (i.e. Special Holiday Giving, Loose Coin Offering, Interest Income from Investment Accounts, etc.)

## Finance Secretary Update

By Steve Close

Finance Secretary Report as of July 31, 2025

Month	Fund (Monthly)	Monthly Giving	Budget	YTD 4005	Fund YTD	Budget	Actual 4005	Variance 4005	Actual 4005	Variance 4005	Amount	Unpledged
January	\$ 22,917	\$ 33,927	\$ 11,011	\$ 22,917	\$ 33,927	\$ 11,011	\$ 28,302	\$ 5,625	\$ 28,302	\$ 5,625	\$ 21,419	\$ 12,508
February	\$ 22,917	\$ 34,245	\$ 11,329	\$ 45,833	\$ 68,172	\$ 22,339	\$ 18,648	\$ 15,597	\$ 46,950	\$ 21,222	\$ 25,463	\$ 8,783
March*	\$ 22,917	\$ 31,110	\$ 8,194	\$ 68,750	\$ 99,283	\$ 30,533	\$ 47,747	\$ (16,636)	\$ 94,697	\$ 4,586	\$ 27,134	\$ 3,977
April**	\$ 22,917	\$ 26,475	\$ 3,558	\$ 91,667	\$ 125,758	\$ 34,091	\$ 19,047	\$ 7,428	\$ 113,744	\$ 12,014	\$ 15,148	\$ 11,327
May	\$ 22,917	\$ 17,178	\$ (5,739)	\$ 114,583	\$ 142,935	\$ 28,352	\$ 19,611	\$ (2,434)	\$ 133,355	\$ 9,580	\$ 14,454	\$ 2,724
June*	\$ 22,917	\$ 27,029	\$ 4,113	\$ 137,500	\$ 169,965	\$ 32,465	\$ 30,450		\$ 163,805	\$ 6,160	\$ 16,608	\$ 10,422
July	\$ 22,917	\$ 23,397	\$ 480	\$ 160,417	\$ 146,568	\$ (13,849)	\$ 21,263		\$ 185,068	\$ (38,500)	\$ 18,903	\$ 4,494
August *	\$ 22,917			\$ 183,333		\$ (183,333)	\$ 29,829		\$ 214,897	\$ (214,897)		
September	\$ 22,917			\$ 206,250		\$ (206,250)	\$ 11,911		\$ 226,808	\$ (226,808)		
October	\$ 22,917			\$ 229,167		\$ (229,167)	\$ 22,368		\$ 249,177	\$ (249,177)		
November*	\$ 22,917			\$ 252,083		\$ (252,083)	\$ 25,642		\$ 274,819	\$ (274,819)		
December	\$ 22,917			\$ 275,000		\$ (275,000)	\$ 22,126		\$ 296,945	\$ (296,945)		
Total	\$ 275,000	\$ 193,361	\$ 32,944				\$ 296,945	\$ 9,580			\$ 139,127	\$ 54,234

### Giving Notes:

Pledged Amount through 7/31/25 was \$91,465 amount received was \$139,127.

\*5 Sunday Month

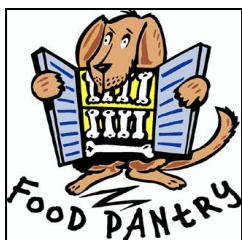
\*\* Easter Sunday

### Annual Pledge Comparison

Year	# of Pledges	\$ of Pledges	Received
2022	72	\$ 242,432	\$ 359,673
2023	60	\$ 214,245	\$ 218,257
2024	56	\$ 232,018	\$ 224,084
2025	51	\$ 209,740	

## Food Cupboard Update

By Denise Stalker



Thank you to all of you that have signed up to volunteer at the Hudson Food Cupboard in September.

If volunteering time isn't an option, the Hudson Food Cupboard is in need of the following items:

Gravy (packets, cans, or jars), Jello/Dry Pudding, Stuffing, Kleenex, Deodorant, Feminine Products, Tomato Products (sauce/paste/stewed/crushed).





## Missions Update



### September Mission of the Month

The **September Mission of the Month (MOM)** noisy tin can offering will be **donated to the United Methodist Children's Services of Wisconsin** where miracles happen. For more than 25 years, the Growing Tree Children's Center has been a delightful and

welcoming place for children. Our team of educators is excited to introduce new programs that will continue to build on this legacy while providing even more opportunities for learning and growth. We owe our success to the unwavering support of our community, and we invite you to join us in our mission to provide top-notch services to families in the Washington Park neighborhood. By contributing to UMCS, you can help us create an early childhood education program that meets the unique needs of our young learners and ensure that the Growing Tree Children's Center remains a source of joy and education for generations to come. To learn more go to <https://www.umcs-wi.org/>.

### Hudson High School Raider Network Backpack Program

It's that time of year again! We'll once again be collecting food for the Hudson High School Raider Network Backpack Program. It is nice to have some lunches shortly after school starts, so we'd like to get a supply of the food as soon as possible. On a table in the narthex, there are lists and bags for you to use to get the supplies. As always, thank you for your generous support for this much needed service!! Thank you in advance! Margi Bertelsen Brown

#### SHOPPING LIST HHS Raider Network

Choose **one** item from the list-Individual microwavable cups:

Mac & Cheese, Ramen noodles, Chef Boyardee meals

Choose **two** items from the list-Individual bags or single serving:

Goldfish crackers, Cheez-its, Snack crackers, Cheese or Peanut Butter crackers, Trail mix, Beef jerky, Beef sticks (non-refrigerated)

Choose **one** item from the list:

Fruit snacks, Fruit roll-ups, Fruit leather, Unsweetened applesauce cups-multi pack

The Mission of the Month offering tin can is found next to the offering plate in the narthex.

## Statistics Update

By Jane Dejno, Data Base Coordinator

DATE	SERVICES TOTAL	YOUTUBE PODCAST	USPS	TOTAL
7/6/25	76	34	23	133
7/13/25	66	34	23	123
7/20/25	78	45	23	146
7/27/25	71	43	23	137
TOTAL	291	156	92	539

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## AVERAGE TOTAL ATTENDANCE PER WEEK

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
JAN	118	155	177	*165	150	158
FEB	131	164	174	203	163	* 154
MAR	***155	170	169	182	182	155
APR	173	205	222	201	176	^182
MAY	166	172	190	176	217	150
JUNE	116	166	155	191	170	155
JULY	167	174	153	164	171	135
AUG	167	158	156	152	173	
SEPT	162	154	161	162	# 156	
OCT	153	171	175	165	169	
NOV	150	172	177	*161	*156	
DEC	157	194	*177	176	*165	

**FAITH**  
is like Wi-Fi,  
it's invisible but  
it has the power  
to connect you to  
what you need.

\*\*\*COVID 19 began – podcasts incl

\* Some service/s not held due to weather, holidays, or uploading issue, etc.

^ Does not include 98 total from Holy Week services

# home mailing attendance updated

## Stewardship Update

### *It's Not Nothing*

By Rev. Jason Mahnke, Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation

"Jesus said, 'They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.'" — Matthew 14:16

In the familiar story of the feeding of the 5,000, the disciples come to Jesus with a reasonable concern: it's getting late, the people are hungry, and they need to go somewhere to buy food. But Jesus turns the problem back on them: "You give them something to eat."

Their response? "We have nothing... except five loaves and two fish."

It's a statement of limitation. And maybe also embarrassment. This is all we've got? It's not enough.

But Jesus sees it differently. He takes the "not enough," gives thanks for it, and it becomes more than enough. We do this too, don't we?

We say things like:

- "I don't have much time to offer."
- "I'm not sure I have any real skills to share." • "We're just a small church."
- "We don't have the money for that."

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We minimize what we have. We measure our gifts against the size of the need, and we come up short. But Jesus doesn't measure the way we do. He isn't asking us to be miracle workers - just to be willing to offer what we have.

What you bring matters. Whether it's five loaves and two fish, one visit to a homebound member, an extra \$25 in the offering, or one prayer offered in love - it's not nothing.

In fact, in the hands of Jesus, it may be the beginning of something bigger than we can imagine.

~Rev. Jason Mahnke, Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation

## Thank You Notes



### Thank you, from *The Church Basement Ladies*

Thank you so much for joining the Church Basement Ladies at the Plymouth Playhouse! We're so grateful you gathered your groups and shared in the laughter with us! It's been a joy to celebrate this heartwarming return to the basement after 20 wonderful years.

We can't wait to see you again next summer for Church Basement Ladies 2: A Second Helping!

We'd absolutely love to have you with us again!

With heartfelt thanks, Katy and Tom

## WI Conference Lay Classes

### Lay Servant Ministries Retreat

*Friday, September 12 and Saturday, September 13*

*Luther Park Bible Camp, Chetek*

The North West District Lay Servant Ministry (LSM) Committee invites all to an overnight learning retreat in the beautiful North woods.

During this overnight learning retreat current and incoming Lay Servants and Speakers can choose from one of three LSM courses and one non-LSM course: Basic Course; Preaching;

Leading Worship; Prayer for Revival – a special, interdenominational course that is not included in the 6 LSM Advance Course.

Cost: base cost is \$80, includes overnight lodging at the Camp, Friday Dinner, Saturday breakfast and Saturday lunch. Optional Friday lunch costs \$9.50.

Course books for Leading Worship and Preaching is \$10. No additional cost for materials for the Basic Course or Prayer for Revival. For questions or register contact Pastor Adam Woods at 608.513.2937.

### Advanced Lay Servant Ministries Course: For the Common Good:

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## Discovering & Using Your Spiritual Gifts

*September 13 & 27, 2025*

The Advanced Lay Servant Ministries Course: For the Common Good- Discovering & Using Your Spiritual Gifts will be held on Saturday, September 13 and 27, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Brown Deer UMC in Milwaukee. The \$15 registration fee includes lunch and beverages. Participants are asked to obtain a copy of Christine Harman's book *For the Common Good: Discovering and Using Your Spiritual Gifts*, available through The Upper Room, Amazon, eBay, and other outlets, prior to the class. More information can be found at <https://www.wisconsinumc.org>.

## Worship Update

By Adele Dolan, Worship Team Chair

Summer has flown, apples are ripe and abundant, and the new school year is upon us! Whew!

When I was gone for 11 days in August, I felt off-balance after I got back. I'm thankful for amazing experiences and safe travels and now am refocusing on worship -especially music!

Some of you may wonder how we select the hymns for our weekly worship services. Once a month, Pastor Dan, accompanists, singers and I sit down to plan the music for the upcoming month or so. (This process has been especially important since the addition of our online service because we record the music a couple weeks ahead of time.). We look at the Scriptures for each week and the focus of Pastor Dan's message. The goal is to incorporate the "theme" of the day into what we sing, so that our worship honors that theme in both word and music. Sometimes a hymn everyone knows works perfectly; sometimes a newer hymn really goes well with the message. For hymns that are not as familiar as others to the congregation as a whole (so not for all hymns), we have been adding a leading voice on a microphone – like a cantor – to help everyone out. We are now going one step farther, when possible, by having that person sing through the "new/unfamiliar" hymn before the congregation joins. We have a wonderful collection of familiar tunes with new words (just like bar tunes turned into Christmas carols!), so if you respond to the tune with "Hey - I know this!", perhaps you will sing out with new confidence, even though the words have changed!

I have learned a painful lesson along the way of our hymn selection process, however: many songs that we planners think are "familiar", turn out not to be. Hence the occasional musical "gap" between song and singer. Trying to accommodate a variety of music styles and memories that work within our current capabilities can be tricky, and the word "familiar" often means different things to different people.

In an effort to encourage as many of us as possible to "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord," we are asking for more specific suggestions from YOU. This will help us figure out what "familiar" really means to the variety of singers in our congregation. We won't always find something everyone already knows, or be able to incorporate every idea. Our prayer is that we will be able to enhance worship each week with music that aligns with the text and message of the day, while at the same time helping everyone fulfill one of Wesley's "prime directives" of singing: "Above all sing spiritually. Have an eye to God in every word you sing. Aim at pleasing him more than yourself, or any other creature."

We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely in Christ, Adele Dolan, Worship Team Chair

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## September Worship Schedule

*Subject to change*

**Liturgists:** Please contact both Mary Ellen and Kathy in the church office, if you are unable to serve. We want to list the correct name in the bulletin. It is important for you to receive a Friday worship update so you can practice your part in the service.

**Greeters:** **Would you like to welcome others to church?** Sign up to be a greeter in the entry! Please arrive 30 minutes ahead of your service time. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Warnke, Greeter Ministry Coordinator.

### September 7 Communion Sunday & Rally Day

**8:30 am** Greeter: Sue/Glen Warnke; Liturgist: Mars Overlee; Pianist: Jona Hays;  
Usher: Scott Paulson; Preaching: Pastor Dan Fahs

**10:30 am** Greeters: Steve/Margie Close; Liturgist: Bonnie Sykora; Pianist: Jona Hays;  
Usher: Gery Campbell; Preaching: Pastor Dan Fahs

### September 14

**8:30 am** Greeter: Joel Merritt; Liturgist: Carla Bebault; Pianist: Mary Post;  
Usher: Scott Paulson; Preaching: Pastor Dan Fahs

**10:30 am** Greeters: Joanne Campbell; Liturgist: Craig Gibson; Pianist: Mary Post;  
Usher: Gery Campbell; Preaching: Pastor Dan Fahs

### September 21

**8:30 am** Greeter: Daryl and Deb Simonson; Liturgist: Deb Simonson; Pianist: Mary Post;  
Mission Update: Morgan Munro; Usher: Scott Paulson; Preaching: Pastor Dan Fahs

**10:30 am** Greeter: Helen Esmond; Liturgist: Nicole Munro; Pianist: Mary Post;  
Mission Update: Morgan Munro; Usher: Gery Campbell; Preaching: Pastor Dan Fahs

### September 28

**8:30 am** Greeter: Sue/Glen Warnke; Liturgist: Randy and Wesley Dahle; Pianist: Jona Hays;  
Usher: Scott Paulson; Preaching: Rev. Susan Amann, Deacon

**10:30 am** Greeter: Barb Chapman; Liturgist: Adele Dolan; Pianist: Jona Hays;  
Usher: Gery Campbell; Preaching: Rev. Susan Amann, Deacon

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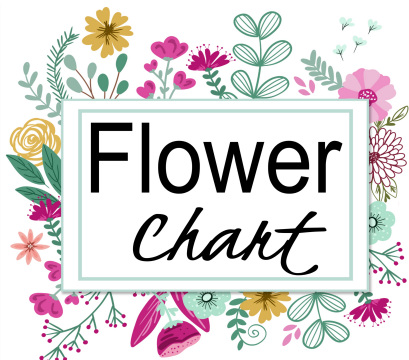


## Wiegand Ringers Update

By LeAnn Stein

The Weigand Ringers will be practicing every Monday evening from 5:30-6:30 PM. Our first gathering will be September 8. If you would like to come and see what we do, please drop in. Thank you, LeAnn

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## 2025 Flower Calendar!

By Vickie Deal

Please sign up on the 2025 flower calendar across from the water fountain, if you would like to provide altar flowers for Sunday morning worship. Please note any special occasion, or person they are in memory of for notation in the bulletin. Please have the flowers here before the 8:30 AM Sunday service and take them home after the 10:30 AM service. Please direct your questions to Vickie Deal. THANK YOU! **Worship Update continued on page 13**

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## The Sounds of Worship

By Anonymous

Have you ever paused to listen, really listen, to the world around you?

*"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!"* (Psalm 98:4, ESV)

The hum of morning birdsong. The laughter of children. The comforting voice of a friend. Even the quiet moments of stillness. These aren't just background noise, they're invitations to worship.

God designed a world that sings. Worship isn't limited to Sunday mornings or formal songs; it's woven into the everyday moments that tune our hearts to Him. And when we pause to truly hear it, we are drawn into praise, right where we are.

What sounds lifts your heart toward God today? Take a moment to listen. Let it remind you of love and nearness.

PERMANENT  
COLLECTION SITE

News

## Hot off the Press

### Midwest Mission Update

Midwest Mission has been blessed with volunteers across the Midwest who give of their time, energy and resources to assist us in carrying out God's mission to help those in need.

Some of these volunteers use the facilities God has blessed them with to provide a donation collection point for needed supplies. **These are our Permanent Collection Sites!**

You can find their contact information at [www.midwestmission.org/permanent-collection-sites](http://www.midwestmission.org/permanent-collection-sites).

### What's Happening at our Permanent Collection Sites?

**Asbury UMC, Sioux Falls, SD:** Lloyd Petersen shared that his Missions Team has placed empty school bags on the end of each pew. They are asking the congregants to fill the bags for Midwest Mission. They are also hosting a Summer Movie Night. Sounds like fun!

**Nebraska City FUMC, Nebraska City, NE:** Dean Thomson and his cohorts are still washing honey buckets (120 more) to send to Midwest Mission and will be sponsoring a Blessing Bag Pack in September. So sweet!

**Gay Street UMC, Mt. Vernon, OH:** Mary Ann Marin is expecting to receive 240 school bags at her location. Keep them coming!

**Emmanuel UMC, Nobleville, IN:** Pat Baumer has been collecting school supplies at his site to be assembled by the congregation. A portion of these will be assembled on-site at a local Assisted Living Community to allow them to join in on the fun! Thank you Pat and Sharon for working at our Pawnee warehouse a few weeks this summer. We love it when you are here!

**Riverside UMC, Park Rapids, MN:** Spike Wellman and members of Riverside are handing out flyers in their surrounding communities. This month they will host a FREE concert with the Jumpin Jehosafats, pizza, and ice cream! They will also share information about their upcoming Blessing Bag Pack in September involving three churches.





## September Prayer Requests

*Please support our church, family, and friends with your prayers, cards, and words of encouragement.*

**For those who are or have been in the hospital or receiving care:** Arvid Stephens, husband of Nancy Stephens; Shari Thomas, wife of John Thomas; Sally Friedlander.

**For those who are mourn:** Family of Toni Jilek, friend of Mark Dolan.

**Pray for our meetings and celebrations: All month:** Online worship and ZOOM meetings; Sanctuary worship: Early Risers @ 8:30 & Rejoice! @ 10:30 AM; 9:30 AM Wednesday Men's Koffee Group;

10:15 AM Wednesday ZOOM Bible Study; **Sept 7:** Communion and Rally Day; **Sept. 14 & 21:** Photo

Directory opportunity; **Sept. 14:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month Potluck; **Sept. 21:** Book Club Discussion Group.

**Pray for our mission activities: All Month: August Loose-Coin Offering** is designated to the **United**

**Methodist Children's Services of Wisconsin ; Every Wednesday:** 9 am Wed. Curbside Food Distribution;

**Sept. 8:** SEWMUCHNEED; **Sept. 4 & 18:** H.O.M.E. Meal; **September 21:** Morgan Munro Mission Update

**Pray for our care list folks:** Jennie Hart, & Jane White.

**Pray for those with on-going health or life challenges:**

Amy, sister of Mike Galloway

Afsaneh Bebault's family, daughter-in-law of Mike & Carla Bebault

Ann, daughter of Craig Gibson

Asher, grandson of Darci Strutt

Carolyn, Auntie of Lynn Watson

Dana, relative of Jean Gunderson

Daughter of Becca Hallock-Wolff

D.A., friend of Regina Zedell

David, son of Helen Esmond

Diane, friend of Amy Norelius

Friends of Rev. Susan

Harris brother of Jean Gunderson

JJ friend of Mars Overlee

Jill, friend of Kathy Anderson

Rick, friend of Joel & Grace Merritt

Rod Beavers & family of Margaret Smith

Glenora Berres

Tom Burmood and Sue Burmood

Jennifer Chapman, daughter of Barbara Chapman

Greg & Joyce DuBois

Sarah Atkins Hoggatt

Leslie Atkins

Casey Dawson, friend of Joyce Johnson

Vickie Deal and family

Sue Dick, mother of Kathy Anderson

Gladys Enloe, daughter-in-law of Harriet Enloe

Nick Enloe, grandson of Harriet Enloe

Jeff Enloe, son of Harriet Enloe

Harriet Enloe

John and Linda Ewing

Mel Hermansen, husband of Louise Hermansen

Laurie and Bill Hilty by Sarah Atkins Hoggatt

Frank Huehne, husband of Clarice Huehne

Joyce Johnson

Maci Larson, granddaughter of Glen and Sue Warnke

Mary Lou Lewis and family

Jim and Sheila Lutiger, friends of Craig Gibson

Bob and Jeff Maki

Darci Strutt & family

Tom Meyers, nephew of Helen Esmond

Sara & Daniel Parrish, by Sarah Atkins Hoggatt

Becky Olson

Sean Perkins, cousin of Darci Strutt

Gerry Porten, friend of Mark Dolan

Lynn Raymond

Wally Riedel & family

Nicole Ruenter

Rob, friend of Mars Overlee

Dave Schroeder, husband of Kathy O'Brien Schroeder

Andy Shadrick

Rev. Don Stannard and Dee Standard

Chad Trainor and family of Carol Trainor

Taylor Atkins Tolbert, niece of Sarah Atkins Hoggatt

Jerry and Ellie Tulgren

Dorothy Watson, mother of Lynn Watson

Kyri Beaulieu, by Sue Warnke

**For our in-church ministries:** Accountable Leadership Board; Organization & final planning for Rally Day; Instant Church Directory; Reconciling Ministry.

**For those outside of these walls:** Our sisters and brothers at Harves' Time Outreach Church; Red Cross Blood Drive; Regional Caregiver Conference; Lay Speaker Retreat; Advance Lay Speaker Class.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>LABOR DAY</b> <b>AUGUST 31</b> 8:30a Sanctuary Worship 9:30a Fellowship & Coffee 10:30a Sanctuary Worship Online Sunday Worship	<b>SEPTEMBER 1</b> <b>Labor Day</b> <b>Office is closed</b>	10a OA Meeting 5:30p Music mtg. 6:30p Worship Team	2 9a Food Give-away & Men's Koffee 9:30a Men's Koffee 10:30a ZOOM Bible Study 7p ZOOM Prayer	3 9a ADRC Day Away 2p Sermon Recording 5p H.O.M.E. Meal 7p Circuit Meeting	4 9a ADRC Day Away 2p Sermon Recording 5p H.O.M.E. Meal 7p Circuit Meeting	5 No Activities
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Calendar

**Upcoming Dates: Estimate of Giving, (Stewardship Campaign):** October 19 through November 16; **Trunk or Treat:** Friday, October 31 5 pm to 6:30 pm  
 Dates and times subject to change.



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