

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

August 21 & 24, 2025

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*\* All who are able please stand*

*L: Leader; P: People*

Prelude

Accompanists: Nicole Burdick

Words of Welcome and Good News.

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**L:** Let us worship the Holy One, our refuge, hope and trust. Our praise is continually of our God!

**P: God will not put us to shame. God is our rock!**

**L:** Turn to the God who saves and delivers. Our praise is continually of our God!

**P: God's righteousness redeems. God is our shelter!**

**L:** Find rest and delight in the Holy One. Our praise is continually of our God!

**P: We lean upon the Holy One. God is our sure foundation!**

**\*HYMN:** "Now thank we all our God"

R307/Projected

**\*INVOCATION**

***ALL: God of the Sabbath, you make this day holy. As we gather in your name, redeem the days when our focus wandered and draw us back to you. Let your wisdom, justice, and compassion guide us. Slow our pace to attend to those things that matter. Open our understanding to the good that needs to be done. Sustain us for the challenges we face, make your name known among us and through us. We glorify and honor you in spirit and in truth, in word and in deed, in season and out of season. 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 58:9b-14

**WITNESS OF FAITH:** Psalm 103:1-8

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

***ALL: Holy God, we confess that we have trampled the sabbath. We claim your name and not your way. We cling to excuses to avoid discomfort or sacrifice in service of our neighbor. We turn from human suffering. We***

*keep silent in the face of wickedness. Transform us, O God, that we might be saved from the vise of evil and the lure of inaction. Rebuild us with righteousness and hope and redeem us for your kingdom. 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!**

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

WITNESS OF FAITH: Hebrews 12:18-29

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 13:10-17

A TIME OF LEARNING: Does God Require Sabbath keeping of Christians?  
With GotQuestions Projected

\*STATEMENT OF FAITH: A New Creed (UC of Canada) 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: "Be Still My Soul (In You I Rest)" Projected  
With Kari Jobi

MEDITATION: "Living Sabbath" Rev. Mundell

HYMN: "My Hope Is Built" C537/Projected

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

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

L: We invite you to participate in the kingdom of God through generous giving of time, talent, and treasure. Our financial contributions enable this church to

meet the needs of our community and spread the love of God. Let us give in grateful expression of our faith and gratitude for our generous God.

#### 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:** Gracious and Generous God, receive these gifts in faith and trust. Help us to be good stewards of the resources you have given to us and bless our generosity for your glory. 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



**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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**Bill Van Denburgh Aug 21, Jeanette Garb Aug 22, Jeff Mueller Jr. Aug 23,  
Harland Hilke and Jenny Turner Aug 24, Jean Luskey Aug 25**

**ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK**

Thursday:	In-Person: 0	Livestream: 0	Total: 0
Sunday :	In-Person: 38	Livestream: 106	Total: 144

General Fund: \$3,241.00                      OCWM: \$233.50                      Capital Improvements: \$228.50

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

**SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAM**

**Audio/Visual:** Bob Meyer/Phil Wepner                      **Liturgist:** Keith Mulder                      **Musician:** Nicole Burdick

**ORGAN CONCERT**

The Worship Committee would like to thank everyone who attended or watched last Thursday evening’s wonderful organ and piano concert with Jared Stellmacher. Who knew an organ could make music that let us experience birds chirping, water moving, the breeze, and woodland creatures frolicking? Thank you, Jared, for another amazing concert!

The concert was a benefit to help the flood relief efforts in the Southwestern US, and Worship Committee reports that \$700 was given in free will offerings the night of the concert. How wonderful and generous that is--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:*** *Jim Badtke, Sharri Dailey, Tara Koller, Emily McGuire, Sue Meyer, Mark Sabel, Barb Schultz, Joe Wrzinski, the family and friends of Sandra Badtke as they grieve her loss, the family and friends of Marilyn Hageman as they grieve her loss, the family and friends of David Wood as they grieve his loss, and 15 Unspoken.*

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Information for Sunday School registration and the start date will be available soon so keep an eye out for more information in the bulletin. If you have questions or are interested in assisting with Sunday School, please contact 920-960-1307 or via email at jackiebogucke@gmail.com.

## **SR. CHOIR AND VOICES ALA CARTE STARTING UP**

Welcome back from summer break to all those who enjoy raising your voice in song and adding to our worship experiences! Anyone who is interested is welcome to join Sr. Choir and/or Voices ala Carte. You don't have to read music or have a great deal of experience to be involved.

What's the difference between the two groups? While both will sing once a month at a worship service, Sr. Choir meets weekly on Thursday at 5:15 pm to practice with their accompanist and director, Deborah Stark. Most of the music is SATB (soprano, alto, tenor, bass) and multiple songs are worked on each week. It's a fun group of really nice folks to sing with. The choir wears choir robes and sits in the choir area by the organ and piano during the worship service.

Voices ala Carte meets about 45 minutes before the worship service they are scheduled to sing at to learn the song. Most of the time it's a song in unison (everyone sings the same notes) that you know or have heard before. The director is Barb Stracy, and she will often accompany the group on guitar. The group is more fluid based on who is there that week and it is fun group to sing with also. No robes are involved for worship service--dress as usual for the worship service.

The first Sr. Choir practice of the season is scheduled for 5:15 pm on Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> and the first worship service they sing at is Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>.

Voices ala Carte sings for the first time on Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, so you would be here about 8:15 am to learn the song before the worship service.

## **NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS, PLEASE!**

We're still missing a lot of member photos for the new directory! Call 920-748-2544 or email the Church office ([osuccripon1@gmail.com](mailto:osuccripon1@gmail.com)) to set up your time, Monday - Thursday 10:00 am till 2:00 pm, or Sundays after worship service from 10:15 am till 11:30 am.

Committees and groups will be contacted in the Fall to set up times for their photos, but we'd like to make the online directory available to you all sooner than that.

## **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:* Canned tuna, chicken, salmon; peanut butter; oatmeal; rice; pasta; single serve cereals (used in emergency food bags); boxed cereals; protein bars; breakfast shakes; canned vegetables, fruit, stew, chili; Hamburger Helper; Mac & Cheese; Rice a Roni; shelf stable milk; flour; brown and white sugar; mayonnaise; mustard; ketchup; salad dressing.

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

### **THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

- Thur. August 21 9:00 am - noon - Mind, Body and Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily  
9:30 am - Called to Care Committee Meeting  
6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel  
6:30 pm - Lego Multiverse Team
- Sun. August 24 9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary  
6:30 pm - Lego Multiverse Team
- Tues. August 26 5:30 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal, 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational Church

### **NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS**

- Thur. August 28 9:00 am - noon - Mind, Body and Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily  
6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel with Communion  
6:30 pm - Lego Multiverse Team
- Sun. August 31 9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary with Communion  
6:30 pm - Lego Multiverse Team
- Mon. Sept. 1 **Happy Labor Day!**
- Tues. Sept. 2 5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal, Our Saviour's UCC

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Thurs. Sept. 4 5:15 pm - Senior Choir Practice



### **QR CODES FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE**

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

