

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

October 16 & 19, 2025

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\* *All who are able please stand*

*L: Leader; P: People*

Prelude

Accompanists: Terri Wilke; Nicole Burdick

Words of Welcome and Good News.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: As the sun sets behind the hills,

**P: We celebrate hope in our Creator.**

L: Even as the sun strikes the earth in daytime

**P: We celebrate peace in our Creator.**

L: As we move about this earth from day to day

**P: We celebrate the love of our Creator.**

\*HYMN: "Sweet Hour of Prayer"

B505/Projected

\*INVOCATION

*ALL: Holy One, Holder of our Hearts, from time to time, we notice our souls are heavy from injustices. From the ways our community members are treated to the lack of compassion towards folks in faraway places, we attempt to embrace hope and often feel defeated. Yet you continue to be the bearer of dreams, God of Love. May we feel your Spirit's peace even when struggles accumulate. May we be baptized by your glimmers even as we journey through a world filled with ashes. 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: Genesis 32:22-31

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CALL TO CONFESSION

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

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*ALL: We have promised to live as your people, God. Yet, we confess that we fail you and one another. We do not honor one another as we should. As the body of Christ, we are often disjointed and clumsy. We do not work together as one to your glory. We refuse your cry for help in the voices of*

*the poor and hungry. We have not been faithful to the trust you have placed in us.*

*Merciful God, receive us as we are, and forgive us. Encourage us with your love that we may commit ourselves anew to live as those who belong to you; through the grace of Jesus Christ. 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: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 18:1-8

A TIME OF LEARNING: "What is Prayer?" with GQKidz                      Projected

SUN. SPECIAL MUSIC: "They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love"  
Voices Ala Carte

\*STATEMENT OF FAITH: United Church of Christ                      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: "The Church" with Austin French                      Projected

MEDITATION: "Proclaim the Message"                      Rev. Mundell

HYMN: "God, Speak to Me, That I May Speak"                      B531/Projected

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

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

L: God our Creator looks for us to celebrate hope, peace, and love through the ways we give from our spirits. May we find our hearts become full of light as we share our treasures, talents, and time with our communities.

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: Divine Connector of our Souls, with much gratitude, we share our gifts with you today. We continue to search for your dreams and fulfill your visions as we create your Realm here on earth. Energize us to utilize our gifts for the strength of all humanity. Empower us to share our time, talents, and treasures as we seek to never lose hope and heart. 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**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
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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### **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.

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*Debora Cluppert Oct 17, Stephanie Prellwitz Oct 18, Tamara Widlake Oct 22*

**ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK**

Thursday:	In-Person: 9	Livestream: 164	Total: 173
Sunday :	In-Person: 94	Livestream: 167	Total: 261

General Fund: \$3,941.50                      OCWM: \$156.50                      Capital Improvements: \$247.00

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

**SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAM**

**Audio/Visual:** Bob Meyer/Kelly Mundell    **Liturgist:** Heidi Schwanke    **Musician:** Nicole Burdick

**BULLETIN SPONSOR**

The bulletin this week is given in Remembrance of Erwin and Mabel Alvin’s wedding anniversary by their daughter, Carol Alvin Blattner, and her husband John.

**PURPLE SUNDAY DONATIONS**

The Called to Care Committee thanks everyone who participated in the Purple Sunday Loose Change Collection. A total of \$110.47 was donated and a check has been sent to the Alzheimer's Association in Milwaukee. Thank you again!

**ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER**

Great Galloping Gobblers, the Turkey Dinner is upon us, and Prep Week starts this coming Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup>! Oh my!

There are Volunteer Sign-Up sheets in the East Narthex for anyone who would like to help out in some capacity, and there are many opportunities to choose from. Please help spread the word to friends and family too. Perhaps helping out together at the event could become a new Fall tradition! Thank you and we appreciate everyone’s help and prayers with this endeavor.

**DO THE CAN CAN!**

Wondering where the collection cans went for Pack 3735? They shared that they totally appreciated our efforts to support their project, but have made the decision to stop collecting the cans and wanted to say thank you to all who brought our cans in for them.



## CHAPEL RAMP UPDATE

As you have probably noticed, the old ramp that needed repair has been removed and a new ramp is in progress. The contractor is also addressing water runoff concerns in that area so that rainwater flows properly away from our building. The project will not be complete until the handrails are installed on the ramp, so please refrain from trying to use it before those are up. Thank you!

## REV. DIETER TOMETTEN VISIT

Rev. Dieter Tometten and Ute, his wife, are visiting the US in October and will be joining us at our Sunday, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> worship service. He was our exchange pastor for a year in 1986.

Come say hello to Rev. Dieter and Ute at coffee hour following the service! There will be picture boards set up so if you have any photos you would like to share, please bring them along for all to enjoy. 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, Mark Sabel, Barb Schultz, Joe Wrzinski, the family and friends of Evelyn Thom, Mary and Jim Schultz and family as they mourn the loss of her brother Jerrold Laybourn, and 16 Unspoken.

## 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 October are:* Canned tuna, chicken, salmon; peanut butter; oatmeal; rice; pasta; single serve cereals, apple sauce, etc. (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!



## 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. Oct 16 9:00 am - noon - Mind, Body and Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily  
5:15 pm - Sr. Choir Practice  
6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel  
6:30 pm - Lego Multiverse Team
- Sat. Oct 18 November Messenger Deadline
- Sun. Oct 19 9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary  
**10:00 am - Altar Guild Meeting**  
10:15 am - Sunday School  
10:30 am - Adult Christian Ed  
6:30 pm - Lego Multiverse Team
- Mon. Oct 20 **Turkey Dinner Prep Week Begins**  
**4:00 pm - Worship Committee Meeting**  
**5:30 pm - Christian Education Committee Meeting**  
6:15 pm - Scott Street Puppets  
**6:30 pm - Evangelism Committee Meeting**
- Tues. Oct 21 **5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal, Immanuel UMC**  
**5:30 pm - Missions Committee Meeting**  
6:00 pm - Pack 3735 Den Meeting

## NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

- Thur. Oct 23 9:00 am - noon - Mind, Body and Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily  
5:15 pm - Sr. Choir Practice  
6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel  
6:30 pm - Lego Multiverse Team
- Fri. Oct. 25 **23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Turkey Dinner - 11 am - 1 pm; 4 pm - 7 pm**
- Sun. Oct 26 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. Oct 27 6:15 pm - Scott Street Puppets
- Tues. Oct 28 **5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal, 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational Church**  
6:00 pm - Pack 3735 Den Meeting