

Welcome to **OUR SAVIOUR'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**
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Reign of Christ Sunday & Our Harvest in Gathering November 20 & 23, 2025

* *All who are able please stand* L: Leader; P: People
Prelude Accompanists: Nicole Burdick
Words of Welcome and Good News.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: In this present time, no matter what passes before us,
P: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
L: As earth shakes and nations are in an uproar,
P: God is present with us and is our refuge in times of trouble.
L: As the world trembles in fear and worry,
P: May we find stillness and peace, knowing God is God of all.

*HYMN: "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" R88/Projected

***INVOCATION**

ALL: Holy Redeemer, in the dusk of this liturgical year, we recall the beauty of our days together. The blessedness of Christmas love and the light of Epiphany move us to bring illumination to our neighbors. The hope of Easter and the strength of Pentecost inspire us to bring the Good News of God's love to this world. All of this is to create God's Realm here on this earth, where we follow the steps of Christ, knowing the endurance of the Holy Spirit abides with us today and always. 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: Jeremiah 23:1-6

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CALL TO CONFESSION

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

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

ALL: Divine Grace, Jesus promises paradise to his neighbor on the cross. No matter what transgression the person had carried out, Jesus still promised a future filled with hope, mercy, and filled with your love. And yet, even when we pray "your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in

heaven,” we like to limit paradise for our neighbors. We quietly ask: What have they done in their lives that they must ask for help, receive assistance, and lack health? Yet what we don’t realize is that their misfortunes are not for us to judge. Beloved God, open our hearts wide to mercy - both in receiving and in extending it to others. May we shun judgment and open our hearts to a paradise here on earth where all your children can abide in peace and wholeness. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

L: Through the words and acts of Jesus, we experience peace, hope, and grace. In Jesus’ name, your sin is forgiven. God’s love is beyond limits and will move us to open ourselves to the beauty of infinite mercy.

P: Thanks be to God!

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

WITNESS OF FAITH: Colossians 1:11-20

GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 23:33-43

A TIME OF LEARNING: Blessing of the Food

Projected

SUN. SPECIAL MUSIC: “Gonna Sing My Lord”

With Voices Ala Carte

*STATEMENT OF FAITH: A New Creed (UC 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: “The King” with Harvest Worship

Projected

MEDITATION: “The Reign of Christ”

Rev. Mundell

HYMN: “At the Name of Jesus”

R69/Projected

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

L: What would happen if we were to set aside our worries and begin to create paradise on earth - here and now? What if we shared just a little extra of our time, talent, and treasures so that others can experience paradise on this side of heaven? When we share our gifts, the universe begins to transform for our neighbors, creation, and ourselves.

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: God of All Time and Space, you call us to transform the world through the extension of your grace to all of creation. May we find new and creative ways to share our treasures, talents, and time to create your Realm here on earth. May we work to create paradise beginning here today. 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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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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Steve Borgardt Nov 20, **Zachary Van Loo** Nov 21, **Jackie Bogucke** Nov 22,
Linda Neuenfeldt Nov 23, **Barbara LeGault** Nov 24, **Bob Krueger** Nov 26

ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK

Thursday:	In-Person: 8	Livestream: 104	Total: 112
Sunday :	In-Person: 64	Livestream: 152	Total: 216

General Fund: \$3,952.50 OCWM: \$102.50 Capital Improvements: \$73.00

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

SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAM

Audio/Visual: John Kwaitkowske/Kelly Mundell **Liturgist:** Dianne Heyn **Musician:** Nicole Burdick

HARVEST INGATHERING

Thank you to all who donated non-perishable food items to be divided between both food pantries here in Ripon. Thank you for helping those in need through your donations!

BAPTISM

Waylon Chase Pomasl, son of Michael and Creshane Pomasl, was baptized in a private ceremony in the Chapel last Saturday, November 15th. His sponsors were Monica and Adam Meyer. We welcome this child into the faith and family of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

CHRISTMAS TREES AND DECORATING

It's that time of the year again! On Friday, November 28th, at 9:00 AM we're planning a work party to bring down the Christmas trees, assemble them, fluff them, and get them all set up. If you can help, that would be greatly appreciated.

On Saturday, November 29th at 9:00 AM we're planning a decorating work party, and everyone is invited to help out. Rumor has it that donuts have been invited too! Maybe some coffee will show up since it heard that donuts were invited...hint, hint. Anyway, thank you to all who can help make our Christmas trees and church beautiful for the coming season!

THE ENCHANTED FOREST

Evangelism and Christian Ed Committees are working together to set up a tree as part of Ripon's Enchanted Forest, which runs from December 5th-7th at Horicon Bank. Our Sunday School children have made ornaments for the tree, so please come check it and the others out!

TURKEY DINNER COMMUNITY DONATIONS

We had a successful 2025 Turkey Dinner so thank you to all who supported it. Church Council voted to gift \$1,000 each to Ripon Area Food Pantry and to Ripon Community Food Pantry in support of their mission in our community.

HOLIDAY MEAL BAGS

Thank you so much for your generous support of the Ripon Community Food Pantry's Holiday Meal Bag program! As of Nov. 19th, you donated \$1,850 (37 meals) for Thanksgiving and \$100 (2 meals) so far for Christmas.

At their meeting last week, Church Council voted to donate an additional \$2,000 (40 meals) for the program as well. Both the checks will be in the hands of the pantry prior to Thanksgiving, so thank you again!

RED POINSTETTIA FOR CHRISTMAS

The Altar Guild is offering the opportunity to purchase beautiful red Poinsettias again this year. The cost per 6" potted plant will be \$12. Payment can be by cash or check made payable to OSUCC Altar Guild. The order form is here in the bulletin and also out in the East Narthex.

Our supplier has given us a very short window to get our order to them, so we do need everyone to return the order forms and payment to the church office by Monday, November 24th, at noon. Thank you for your cooperation!

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, Bonnie Mundell, Ron Prellwitz, Mark Sabel, Barb Schultz, Joe Wrzinski, 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 November 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; stuffing mix; 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.	Nov 20	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
Sun.	Nov 23	9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary - Harvest InGathering 10:15 am - Sunday School 10:30 am - Adult Christian Ed 6:30 pm - Lego Multiverse Team
Mon.	Nov 24	No Puppet Practice Tonight. Deadline to order Red Poinsettias.
Tues.	Nov 25	5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal, 1st Congregational UCC 6:00 pm - Pack 3735 Den Meeting

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Thur.	Nov 27	HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Office and Church are closed.
Fri.	Nov 28	9:00 am - Christmas Tree Work Party
Sat.	Nov 29	9:00 am - Christmas Tree and Church Decorating Work Party
Sun.	Nov 30	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.	Dec 1	6:15 pm - Puppet Practice
Tues.	Dec 2	5:00 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal, Our Saviour's UCC 6:00 pm - Pack 3735 Den Meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fri.	Dec 12	9:00 am - Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Hy-Vee. Shifts available!
Sun.	Dec 14	9:00 am - Children's Pageant during worship service 10:00 am - Mission Committee's Holiday Bake Sale
Thur.	Dec 18	6:30 pm - Blue Christmas Worship Service



QR CODES FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

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



Red Poinsettias

for Christmas 2025



In Memory of:

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In Honor of:

Given By:

Phone #:

of Plants:

Poinsettias are \$12 per 6" plant, payable by cash or a check made out to Our Saviour's UCC Altar Guild.

Plants can be picked up after the worship services or the following week. Thank you!

Sorry, we've had a very short notice from our supplier, so this form and payment need to be in the office by Monday, November 24th by Noon. Thank you!

