

Welcome to **OUR SAVIOUR'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**
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Church Propers 18 Communion September 3 & 6, 2026

** All who are able please stand*

L: Leader; P: People

Prelude

Accompanist: Rowen Erickson

Words of Welcome and Good News.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Let our praise today be made new.

P: May we sing a new song, pray a new prayer, dance a new dance, and speak and hear a new word.

L: Let the faithful delight in the Holy One's marvelous acts

P: From the seats in the sanctuary to the couches in our homes.

L: Let us glorify God with our voices, the work of our lives, and the joy of our souls.

P: Glory to God! Praise the Holy One!

***HYMN: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"**

R13/Projected

***INVOCATION**

ALL: God who journeys with us, we give thanks to be gathered in your presence. May we acknowledge you in the brightness of the day and in the stillness of the night. Provide us a vision of your reign on earth and in our lives. Make us your witnesses to a world in need of hope and peace. Infuse us with your love, and may this time gathered as your people transform us to reflect your goodness in the world. Amen.

***RESPONSE & INVITATION: "Alleluia"**

by Jerry Sinclair

**Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia,
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WITNESS OF FAITH: Exodus 12:1-14

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CALL TO CONFESSION

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

***CONFESSION OF SIN**

ALL: Holy One, we confess that accountability can be discomfoting, and we avoid discomfort. We seek the good enough, convenient, and easy over the good, possible, and hard. Hold us accountable to the gospel. Hold us accountable to our claim and commitment to follow you. Hold us accountable to your will. Help us to receive your grace and liberate us

from shame in order to embrace accountability as a loving act of community.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

L: Beloved, accountability from God is rooted in love, hope, and mercy. Know that your past actions and attitudes do not define your present nor limit your future. In Jesus' you're your sin is forgiven and through God's grace, you can grow, learn, and thrive.

P: Thanks be to God!

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

WITNESS OF FAITH: Romans 13:8-14

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 18:15-20

A TIME OF LEARNING: "The Law"

Projected

From the Animated Bible Project

***STATEMENT OF FAITH: The Apostle's Creed (Old Language) 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: "Reckless Love" with Corey Asbury

Projected

MEDITATION: "Be Defined by Love"

Rev. Mundell

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

L: Romans 13:10 tells us, "Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfillment of the law." Sharing of our time, talent, and treasure manifests our love in the world. Let us give generously to the ministry of this church from an abundance of love of God, neighbor, and self.

***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 God, thank you for the gifts you give and allowing us to be gift givers as well. May our generous offerings bear fruit to nurture our community, our neighbors, and all creation. Amen.

HYMN: “Let Us Break Bread Together”

R210/Projected

HOLY COMMUNION

***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
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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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Margaret Wendt Sept 4, **Kathy Schieler** Sept 7, **Sharon Sauerbrei** Sept 9

ATTENDANCE AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR LAST WEEK

Thursday:	In-Person: 13	Livestream: 185	Total: 198
Sunday :	In-Person: 53	Livestream: 241	Total: 294

General Fund: \$1800.00 OCWM: \$146.50 Capital Improvements: \$150.50

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

SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAMS

A/V: Kelly Mundell/Phil Wepner **Liturgist:** Jackie Bogucke **Musician:** Rowen Erickson
Gatekeepers: Tom & Julie Stellmacher **Greeters:** Team 1

HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY!

Our apologies for the typo in last week's birthday list. Chris Retzlaff celebrated his birthday on Sept 1st, not Larry. Very sorry, Chris!

SENIOR CHOIR STARTING BACK UP

Welcome back, Singers! Senior Choir will resume rehearsals on Thursday, September 10th, meeting weekly from 5:15 pm through 6:15 pm. This group typically sings 4 part harmony and new singers are welcome to join. The ability to read music is helpful, but not required.

UPCOMING SABBATICAL

Rev. Kevin will be starting his six week sabbatical on Monday, September 7, 2026, returning to the office on Monday, October 19th.

Rev. Clay Salmela will be filling in for all of our Thursday evening worship services. Rev. Becky Johnston will fill in for five of the Sunday morning worship services, and Rev. Jim Mohr will fill in for one Sunday worship service.

Rev. Clay will be available for Pastor visits to those who Rev. Kevin usually sees and, should the need arise, would also be available for funerals or memorial services.

If you have an emergency, please contact a member of the Church Council. Thank you!

SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF APPROACHING

Sunday School Kickoff is September 13th so we're sending a shout out to all parents and grandparents of school age children in our congregation and community who would like to have their kiddos attend our weekly Sunday School! Classes start at 10:15 am each Sunday and run for 1 hour.

We invite children 3 years old through Confirmation age to participate in bible study, perform with the Scott Street Puppeteers, play handbells and sing fun songs, and enjoy other activities together. We're blessed with wonderful teachers, helpers and musicians that make these experiences fun for everyone involved!

Registration packets are available in the East Narthex or in the Church Office. 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 September are: Peanut Butter, jam and jelly; canned tuna, chicken, salmon, stew; oatmeal; rice; pasta; pasta sauces; dehydrated, condensed, evaporated or shelf stable milk; kid-friendly healthy after school snacks; canned fruits; dried fruits; instant potatoes; protein bars; crackers; canned soups; Hamburger Helper; Mac & Cheese; flour; white sugar; brown sugar; condiments; salad dressings; cooking oil; pancake syrup; brownie and cake 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: Brent Heitmann, Emily McGuire, Maggie Moon, Kathy Schieler, and 10 Unspoken.

LOOKING AHEAD

- October 4th - WCUC "Neighbors in Need" Offering and World Communion Sunday
- October 10th - Toccatas, Tunes & Transcriptions *Pulling out all the Stops!* Organ concert here by Jared Stellmacher to benefit Ripon Education Foundation's Sandy Polcyn Music Scholarship.
- October 11th - Anniversary Sunday Celebration of our couples married 50+ years
- October 23rd through October 31st - Jane Brady on vacation. Judy Lueck and Janet Crook will be helping cover in the church office.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Thur.	Sept 3	9:00 am - Mind, Body, Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily 6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel with Communion
Sun.	Sept 6	9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary with Communion 6:00 pm - Lego Team
Mon.	Sept 7	Happy Labor Day! Church Office is Closed.
Tues.	Sept 8	5:30 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal - Grace Lutheran

NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Thur.	Sept 10	9:00 am - Mind, Body, Soul Clinic with Nurse Emily 9:30 am - Called to Care Team Meeting 5:15 pm - Senior Choir Practice in the Sanctuary 6:30 pm - Worship Service in the Chapel
Sun.	Sept 13	9:00 am - Worship Service in the Sanctuary, Sunday School Kickoff, and CWS Blanket Sunday 6:00 pm - Lego Team
Mon.	Sept 14	1:00 pm - Science Club 6:30 pm - Church Council Meeting
Tues.	Sept 15	5:30 pm - Sharing Table Community Meal - Immanuel UMC 5:30 pm - Missions Committee Meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat.	Oct 19	October Messenger Article Deadline
Sun.	Oct 20	10:00 am - Altar Guild Meeting
Mon.	Oct 21	4:00 pm - Worship Committee Meeting 5:30 pm - Christian Education Committee Meeting 6:30 pm - Evangelism Committee Meeting



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