



# WELCOME TO COMMUNITY

## – UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**Sunday Service**  
**April 21, 2024**

Children and families are invited to the Grace Space at the front of the church for an enhanced worship experience.

\*Indicates to stand as you are able.

**Words in bold** invite a **community response.**

Assistive listening devices and large print hymnals are available. An usher will happily assist you.

What has your faith in Jesus offered you in your journey that other sources have not?

### Gathering Music

*Now Glad of Heart -*  
Randy Bryant

Kayron Lee Scott

### Welcome and Greeting

#### \*Call to Worship

The Good Shepherd knows us, and we belong to him.

**Christ is our shepherd.**

He speaks, and we listen for his voice.

**We gather to worship him and offer our praise.**

#### \*Hymn

*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

UMH #57, vs. 1-3, 5

#### \*Opening Prayer

**We are your people, O God, the sheep of your pasture, the flock you have gathered. Lead us beside still waters; teach us the way of righteousness; and feed us at your table; through Jesus Christ, our good shepherd.**

**Amen.**

### Special Music

*Prelude*  
*The Bells of Moscow*  
Clarion Bells

Sergei Rachmaninoff  
transc. Douglas E. Wagner

### Prayer for Illumination

**Shepherding God, by the leading of your Spirit, help us to listen for your voice and follow in your paths all the days of our lives. Amen.**

*Psalm 23*, Sung

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### Scripture

Psalm 23 and Acts 4: 5-12  
The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God!**

### Message

*Different Paths, Same Moon*

#### \*Hymn

*He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought*

UMH #128

## Prayers of the People

### The 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### \*Special Music

*Blessed Assurance*

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

### Ministry Moment

### Invitation to the Offering

### Offertory

*Theme of Devotion*

Frederic Chopin

### \*Offering Response

*What Gift Can We Bring*

UMH #87, vs. 4

### \*Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, we give you thanks that you have shown us the meaning of love through Jesus Christ. Show us how to share Christ's love by giving of ourselves for the wellbeing of others. Bless these gifts that they may be a sign of your grace and provision for our neighbor. Amen.

### \*Hymn

*How Firm a Foundation*

UMH #529 vs. 1-3

### \*Blessing and Sending Forth

### \*Postlude

*He Lives*

Alfred H. Ackley

*Thank you to Lisa Nordin  
for being our cantor this morning.*

*The flowers this morning are given by the Retherford family  
in memory of Shawn for his birthday on April 20,  
loved and missed by all his family.*

God's love abides in everyone who sees a brother or sister in need and offers help. With love for God and neighbor, let us offer our lives to the Lord.

You are invited to join us for fellowship and refreshments at The Connection!

## Psalm 23

1. The Lord's my Shep - herd; I have all I need;  
 2. He guides me in the paths of righ - teous - ness;  
 3. Your rod and staff give com - fort un - to me, Lord,  
 4. Sure - ly Your good - ness, and Your mer - cy, Lord,

He makes me lie down in the pas - tures green.  
 For His name's sake, gives in the dance to me.  
 You serve a feast in pre - sence of my foes;  
 Will fol - low me for all my days and more;

Be - side still wa - ters, He does gent - ly lead;  
 Yea, though I walk through with oil of dar - kest death,  
 My head a - noint with in the house of all to see;  
 And I will dwell in the house of the Lord,

Re - stores my soul when I am up - on Him lean.  
 I fear no evil for my pre - sence o - ver - flows.  
 My heart is full, and and my cup o - ver - flows.  
 Dwell in His house and and pre - sence e - ver - more.

### Weekly Happenings

#### Sunday – April 21<sup>st</sup>

- Sunday Service – 9:30am – Sanctuary
- Connection – 10:30am – Revelation Room
- Journey Class

#### Monday – April 22<sup>nd</sup> (Pastor Kris' Sabbath)

- Welcome Word Assembly – 8:00am – Youth Center
- Milwaukee Children's Choirs – 6:00pm – Choir & Revelation Rooms
- AA Group Meeting – 8:00pm – Fellowship Hall

#### Tuesday – April 23<sup>rd</sup>

- Praise Team/Contemporary Rehearsal – 7:30pm – Sanctuary

#### Wednesday – April 24<sup>th</sup>

- Breakfast Fellowship – 7:30am – OFF SITE – Panera at Ruby Isle
- Clarion Bells Rehearsal – 6:15pm – Library
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal – 7:30pm – Choir Room

#### Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>

- AA Group Meeting – 8:00pm – Disciple Room

#### Friday – April 26<sup>th</sup> (Pastor Bridget's Sabbath)

#### Saturday – April 27<sup>th</sup>

#### Sunday – April 28<sup>st</sup>

- Sunday Service – 9:30am – Sanctuary
- Connection – 10:30am – Revelation Room
- Journey Class – 10:45am – Disciple Room

**QUARTERLY MISSION FORCUS: Love Your Neighbor**  
**April, May & June**  
**Eras Senior Network**

Our second quarter mission partner is Eras Senior Network, serving Milwaukee and Waukesha Counties. Eras' mission is to engage and support seniors, adults with disabilities and family caregivers in leading meaningful lives. Eras' programs reduce isolation for seniors and mobilize volunteers of all ages to make important contributions to community needs. Eras is the result of a successful 2007 merger between the Retired & Senior Volunteer Program of Waukesha Co. and Interfaith Caregiving Network. Clients in Milwaukee County are residents age 60 years and over. Clients in Waukesha County are residents age 60 years and over or age 18 and over with a disability. For more information, please visit: <https://eras.org>.



The food pantry of Rooted & Rising; Washington Park (formerly UMCS) is requesting these "suggested" items for April. Thank you for your donations!

- breakfast grains (oatmeal, grits, cream of wheat)
- dinner grains (brown rice, noodles, quinoa, barley)
- spices and herbs
- condiments

**Intergenerational Service Opportunity**  
**Games Night and Pizza with Life Navigators**  
**Thursday, May 9 from 5 to 7 pm!**

The Intergenerational Service Opportunities Team has exciting plans to expand our support for our Mission Partners. With that thought in mind, we will be hosting a Games & Pizza Night for Life Navigators. We are inviting CUMC members and their families to play bingo and board games with our guests, and to share a pizza meal.

**Ways that you can participate: call the church office 262-782-4060 or email [deb.cornell@cumceg.org](mailto:deb.cornell@cumceg.org) to sign up:**

- 1) Attend the event
- 2) Donate new, small gifts for prizes (Most of our guests will be adults.)  
Prize suggestions include: Cards, notebooks, lotions, coloring books, etc.
- 3) Make a donation toward the purchase of the pizza
- 4) Bake cookies for event

Contact Susan Krechel for more information [skrechel1@gmail.com](mailto:skrechel1@gmail.com).



**SERVANT LEADERSHIP TEAM**

Tom Twinem; Dean Johnson; Christian Fuller; Katy Wilson; Don Down;  
Sheryl Cavan; Jeff Turmel, Justin Forbes; Tom Connor

**CHURCH STAFF**

Pastors: Rev. Kris Androsky & Rev. Bridget Case  
Office: Chriss Stump – Office Administrator; Deb Cornell – Secretary  
Music: Danielle Bridges – Director of Music; Tyler Walters – Praise Team;  
Susan Krechel & Randy Bryant – Organists