2026
November 1

Children's Chapel is offered during the school year and will resume this fall. In the meantime, children and families are always welcome in the Grace Space at the front of the sanctuary. Children are invited to come forward at any time during worship to enjoy quiet activities while remaining part of our worshiping community.

*Indicates to stand as you are able.

Words in bold invite a community response.

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

Prelude *For All the Saints* Ralph Vaughan Williams
arr. Cindy Berry

Welcome and Greeting

***Call to Worship**

There are many who have walked the path toward God before us, showing us the way with their lives and the gifts they have shared.
We come to give thanks for them.
As they were called, so are we called to live as Jesus did with our hearts set on God's love,
Our hands ready to share our blessings as we bind up the hurts of this world.
Our feet ready to go the extra mile.
Like the ones who have gone before us, let us follow the path to live God's generous love every day.

***Hymn** *For All the Saints* UMH #711, vs. 1-2, 4, 6

Opening Prayer:

O God of all people, of all times, we are here seeking your presence, in our time of remembrance. We honor all those who have finished their race and give thanks for the legacies of faith they have left behind. But at the same time we come seeking you, O God, our constant companion, a source of strength on the road of life. We, too, need your guiding presence as we continue on our journey. We pray that your mighty presence will be felt by all who are gathered here this morning surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Lesson: Revelation 21: 1-6
Sandy Retherford

Special Music *In My Father's House* Anna Aileene Hanks Williams
Chancel Choir Soloist: Greg Fischer

In my Father's house, you will find a place in the warm embrace of an open door,
In my Father's house, leave the past behind, come inside and find what you're longing for.
In my Father's house, solace can be found, comfort will surround the bruised and broken,
In my Father's house, children live in peace, war and hatred cease and love is spoken,
In my Father's house, in my Father's house. Lyrics continued on next page

In my Father's house, you will find a place in the warm embrace of an open door,
In my Father's house, leave the past behind, come inside and find what you're longing for,
In my Father's house, pardoned from all sin, free from what has been, life can start again.
In my Father's house, prodigals come home, no one walks alone, come and enter in.
In my Father's house, in my Father's house, in my Father's house.

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 5: 1-9
Pastor Tim O'Brien

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

Young Disciples

Message Legacy of Faith: Never Forgotten

***Hymn** *Bring Forth the Kingdom* TFWS #2190 vs. 1-2, 4
no call and response

Prayers of the People
Sharing of our Joys and Concerns
Prayer

Special Music *Lord of the Small* Dan Forrest, music
Johanna Anderson, text

Chancel Choir

Praise to the Lord of the small, broken things,
Who sees the poor sparrow that cannot take wing, Who loves the lame child,
and the wretch in the street, Who comforts their sorrows and washes their feet.

Praise to the Lord, the faint and afraid, Girds them with courage and lends them His aid.
He pours out His Spirit on vessels so weak that the timid can serve and the silent can speak.

Praise to the Lord of the frail and the ill,
Who heals their afflictions or carries them till they leave this tired frame and to paradise fly,
To never be sick, and never to die.

Praise Him, O praise Him, all ye who yet live, Who've been given so much and can so little give,
Our frail, lisping praise God will never despise:
He sees His dear children through mercy filled eyes.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *Voluntary* John Zundel

***Offering Response** *What Gift Can We Bring* UMH #87, v4

This gift we now bring, This present, this token,
These words can convey it, The joy of this day!
When grateful we come Remembering, rejoicing,
This song we now offer in honor and praise!

***Prayer of Dedication**

O God, we freely give this day with the hope and confidence that through all we do, all we offer, all we say, all we think, and all we hope is remembered by you as it takes root in this world as expressions of love, justice, of compassion. Use all that we are and have as we recognize that the greatest gift is the gift of love. May our offerings distribute this love to the world: the small world of our family, our neighbors, and our community; and the larger world where the power of love is sorely needed. Amen.

Time of Remembrance

Remembering the beloved members of our Community UMC family who have entered eternal rest since last All Saints Sunday.

Reverend Ronald Retherford
Mary Tanin
John Wermuth

Remembering the beloved family members and friends of our congregation who have entered eternal rest.

Dr. Gary Major
Charlotte Vitek
Leroy Vitek
Meg Wartman
Matt Fuchs
Katherine Nicholson Rose
David Meyer
Joanne Chacon
Cheryl Peschel

Celebration of Holy Communion

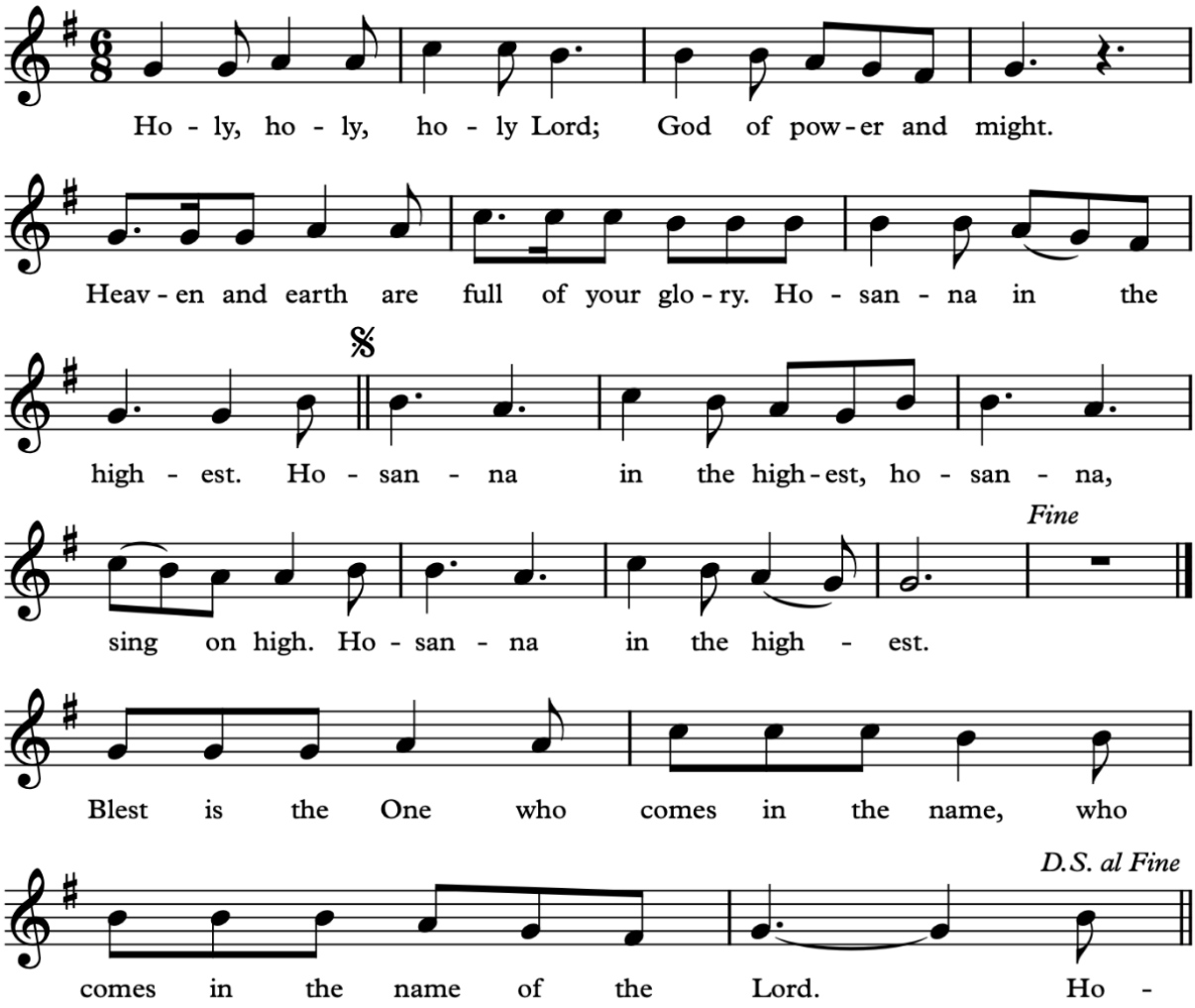
The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

…And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



…And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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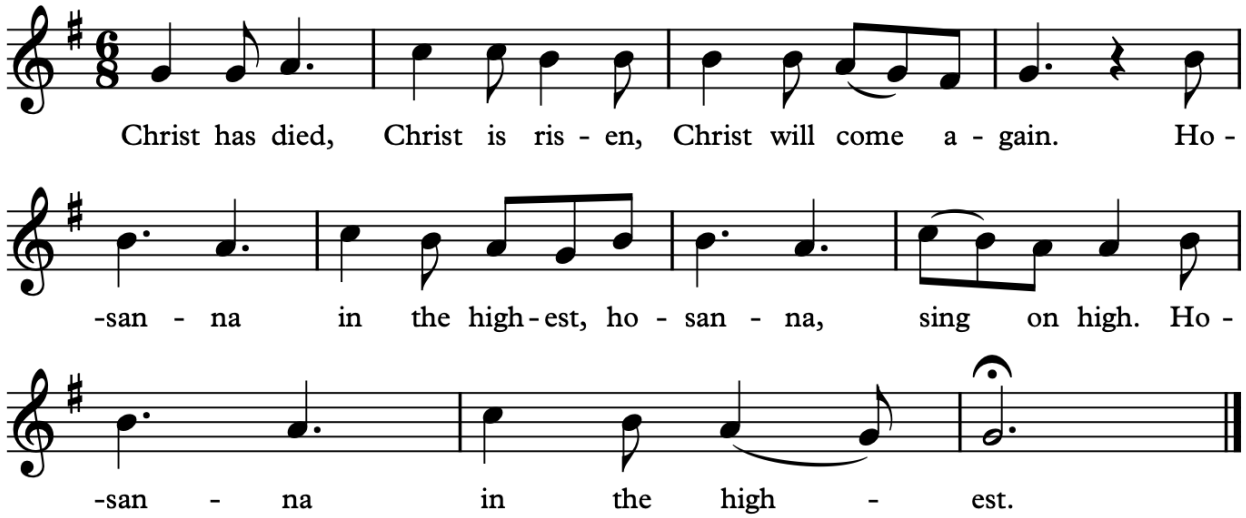

…Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

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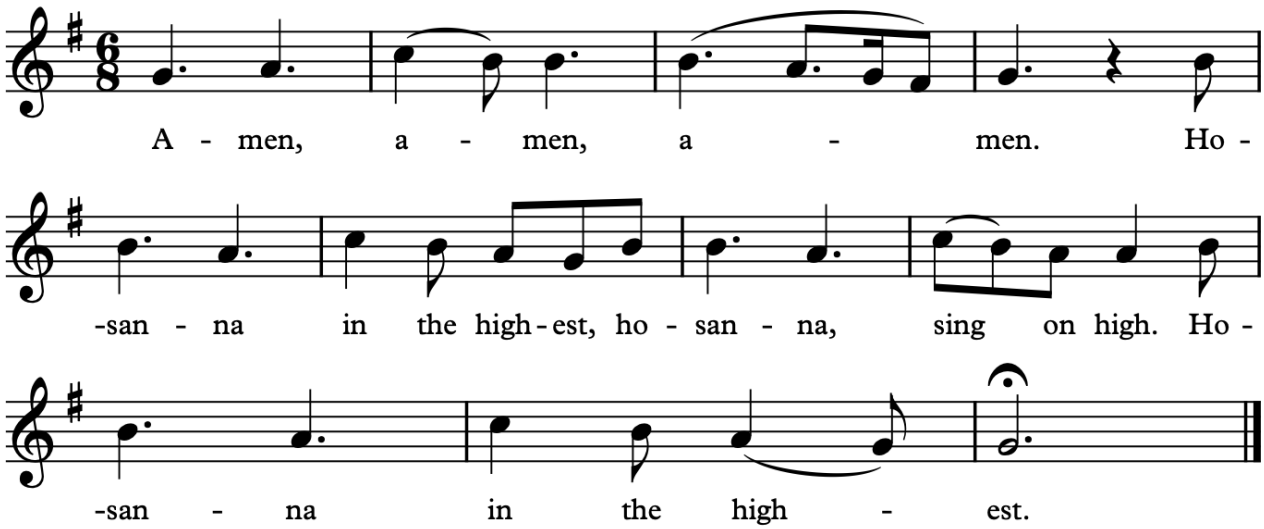


The Lord's Prayer

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.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

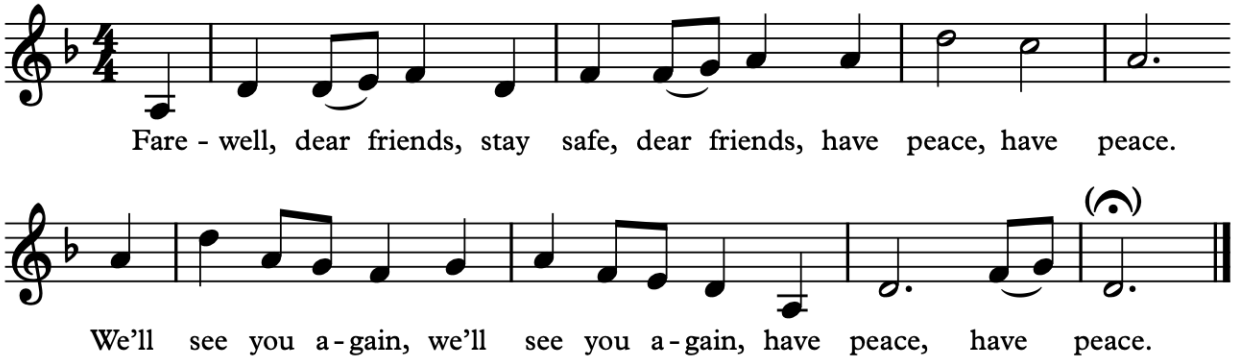
Ministry Moment

***Hymn** *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God* UMH #712

***Blessing and Sending Forth**

Let us go on our way rejoicing
as we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses.
In whatever good we choose to do,
precede it with hope, accompany it with prayer, and follow it with thanksgiving.
May the blessing, love, and peace of God be with us all. Amen
Amen.

***Blessing Response:** *Shalom* UMH #667



***Postlude** *To God Be the Glory* William H. Doane
arr. Victor C. Johnson

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

Zentangle Ministry

Veil of Grace

Wednesday, November 11
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

We'll be working on a beautiful **Translucen-Z tile** (translucent), exploring gentle lines, soft shading, and the quiet joy of creating together.

Location:
Disciple Room

Cost:
Free for our CUMC family (members and regular attenders); $10 for the public.

Seating is limited.
RSVP to **kimturmelczt@gmail.com** to reserve your spot.

Welcome ✦ Create ✦ Meditate ✦ Connect

Sunday, November 8 JOIN US AFTER WORSHIP!

Church Conference

Sunday, November 8
11 a.m.
Revelation Room

Please join us for our annual Church Conference as we gather together to reflect, celebrate, and look ahead.

Connection

Stay for fellowship!

Not part of the book study? We invite you to stay for **munchy snacks, coffee, and fellowship** after the Church Conference!

Project Work Day

We'll be cutting out lots of items and getting things ready for **Polar Express Night!**

Card Ministry

Monday, November 2
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Disciple Room

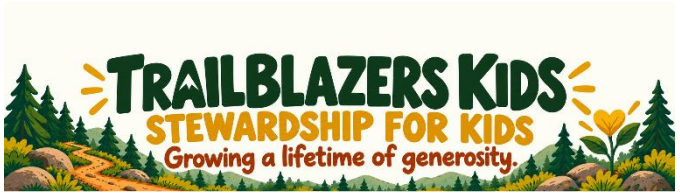
- **All are welcome!** No experience necessary.
- **All supplies** provided.
- We'll be making special Christmas extras!

Sew Together in November

Community service project to make **Book Ahead bags** at Sew Much More in Waukesha.

Friday, November 13
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
(drop in for any amount of time)

- **Bring your machine** or help by ironing or pinning.
- **Fabric** and **book donations** are also welcome.
- **Sew Much More**
  2140 W. St. Paul Ave., Suite L
  Waukesha



Monday – November 2nd

- No MDO – Fall Break
- Elm Grove School/Lifelong Learning – 9:00am – Fellowship Hall
- Greeting Card Ministry – 6:00pm – Disciple Room
- Crosstown Harmony – 6:00pm – Revelation Room

Tuesday – November 3rd

- No MDO – Fall Break
- Elm Grove School/Lifelong Learning – 9:00am – Fellowship Hall
- UWF/UWM – 9:30am – Library
- Praise Team – 7:30pm - Sanctuary

Wednesday –November 4th

- MDO – 8:30am – Edu Wing & Rev Room
- Clarion Bells – 6:15pm – Sanctuary
- Festival Choir – 7:30pm – Choir Room

Thursday – November 5th

- MDO – 8:30am – Edu Wing & Rev Room
- Tai Chi – 10:00am – Fellowship Hall
- Jubilate Chimes – 6:00pm – Harmony Room
- AA Men's Group – 8:00pm – Disciple Room

Friday – November 6th (Pastor Tim's Sabbath)

Saturday – November 7th

Sunday – November 8th

- Sunday Service – 9:30am – Sanctuary
- Children's Chapel - 9:45am – Start in Sanctuary
- Connection – 10:45am – Revelation Room
- Children's Choirs – 10:45am - Sanctuary
- Building Beloved Community – 10:45am – Fellowship Hall
- Church Conference - 11:00am – Fellowship Hall

Quarterly Mission Partner/Loose Coin Offering:
Rooted and Rising – Washington Park

Hospitality Team for Sunday - 11.08.26
Front Door: Tom Curl
West Door: Ann Walker
Narthex: Lynda Curl
Ushers: Darrel White, Dianne White, Anne Harberg, Joni McDevitt
Liturgist: Sheryl Cavan
Connection: Dean & Karen Johnson
Trailblazers: Debbie Clark, Linda Irwin

SERVANT LEADERSHIP TEAM

Tom Twinem
Christian Fuller
Candace Kral
Jeff Turmel

Dean Johnson
Sheryl Cavan
Tom Raley
Tom Connor

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Timothy O'Brien
Chriss Stump - Church Director
Danielle Bridges - Director of Music
Tyler Walters - Praise Team Director
Sarah Kwon - Organist/Pianist
Jim Ausprung - Maintenance
Nicole Gosia - Respite Director
Tracey Magyar - MDO Director
Amanda Glassman - MDO Asst. Director

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Friday 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

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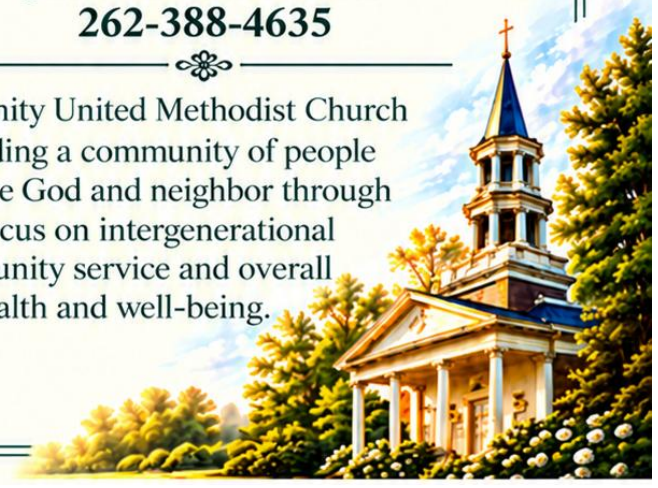
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