

2026
April 26

Children and families are welcome in the Grace Space at the front, during worship.

Children will be called forward during service for Young Disciples time then head to Children's Chapel, with our youngest (3 and under) escorted to the Nursery.

*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.

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Gathering Music

Sheep May Safely Graze

J.S. Bach

Welcome and Greeting

*Call to Worship

We go through our week having our time, our energy, our spirits drained by our many tasks and responsibilities.

In this place we hear the gentle voice calling out to us.

Come, all who are tired and tense.

Come, all who are scattered and torn.

Come, all who are confused and searching.

Here in this holy space we come to be renewed as we listen for that voice of love that heals our brokenness and reveals God's grace.

*Hymn

He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought

UMH #128, vs. 1, 2, 4

Opening Prayer:

O God, shepherd of us all, we thank you for walking with us, guiding us, and loving us in all the times and situations of our lives. In this time of worship may we rest our hopes in you. Lead us in the ways of compassion and mercy. Hush the distracting thoughts clamoring for attention in our minds. Center our spirits in your peace as we open our hearts to your guiding ways. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Lesson:

Psalm 23

Diane Bodalski

Special Music

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

arr. Douglas Wagner

Chancel Choir

My shepherd will supply my need, Jehovah is his name.
In pastures fresh, he makes me feed beside the living stream.
He brings my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake his ways,
And leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay;
One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows, thy oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;
O may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come;
No more a stranger or a guest, but like a child at home.

Scripture Lesson:

John 10: 1-11
Pastor Tim O'Brien

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

Young Disciples

Message

Voice of Hope

***Hymn**

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

UMH #138

Prayers of the People

Sharing of our Joys and Concerns
Prayer

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.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, an - swer me. O

The first system of musical notation is for the hymn 'The King of Love My Shepherd Is'. It consists of a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a half note chord of G4-B4-D5, and continues with various chords and intervals. Below the treble staff is a bass clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me.

The second system of musical notation continues the hymn. It features the same treble and bass clef staves with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody and accompaniment continue with similar harmonic structures, ending with a final chord in the treble staff.

Ministry Moment

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Prelude in C Major (BWV 846)

J.S. Bach

***Offering Response** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Gentle Shepherd, we bring our gifts this day to continue your kingdom's work. May these gifts become a voice of compassion and justice to those in need—feeding the hungry, comforting the broken, and touching this world with your love. Bless these funds and all that we offer as we continue your mission to spread mercy and love until our cups run over. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***Hymn** *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* UMH #381, vs. 1, 2, 4

***Blessing & Sending Forth**

O Lord, send us forward on the path you call us to walk - as instruments of your peace;
so that - where there is hatred, let us bring love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, may we be a people of peace – an example of joy. Amen
Amen.

***Blessing Response** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* UMH #302, vs. 1

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

***Postlude** *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* William B. Bradbury
(arr. Marianne Kim)

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



Jungle Crew Workday

Help Us Build the Rainforest

Hey friends—join us TODAY after worship and head over to Connection as we continue bringing our VBS rainforest to life.

This week's mission: cutting lots (and lots) of leaves—no experience needed, just jump in! If you've got scissors, bring them (we'll have extras).

More Jungle Crew Workdays are coming as we get closer to August—we've got a lot to build, and we're creating something really special for our kids and our whole community.

This isn't a "sit back and watch" project—it's something we're building together. There's a place for everyone, even if you're not sure what that looks like yet. Showing up counts.

We're also collecting:

- Brown packing paper (Amazon boxes = blessings 🙏)
- Stuffed animals (jungle-themed, to give or loan)
- Artificial greenery & tropical décor

Drop items by the church office—just look for **VBS Central!**



PIZZA and GAME NIGHT

BINGO & BOARD GAMES

THURSDAY, MAY 7TH
5PM – 7PM

We're thrilled to partner with *Life Navigators* again to bring you Bingo & Pizza Night—
and everyone is invited!

This is a night for our church family and our community friends to come together, build connections, and have a blast!



Win fun bingo prizes!



Enjoy delicious pizza!



Play your favorite board games!



Fellowship, laughs, and good times!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! We can always use helping hands for setup and cleanup. Thank you!

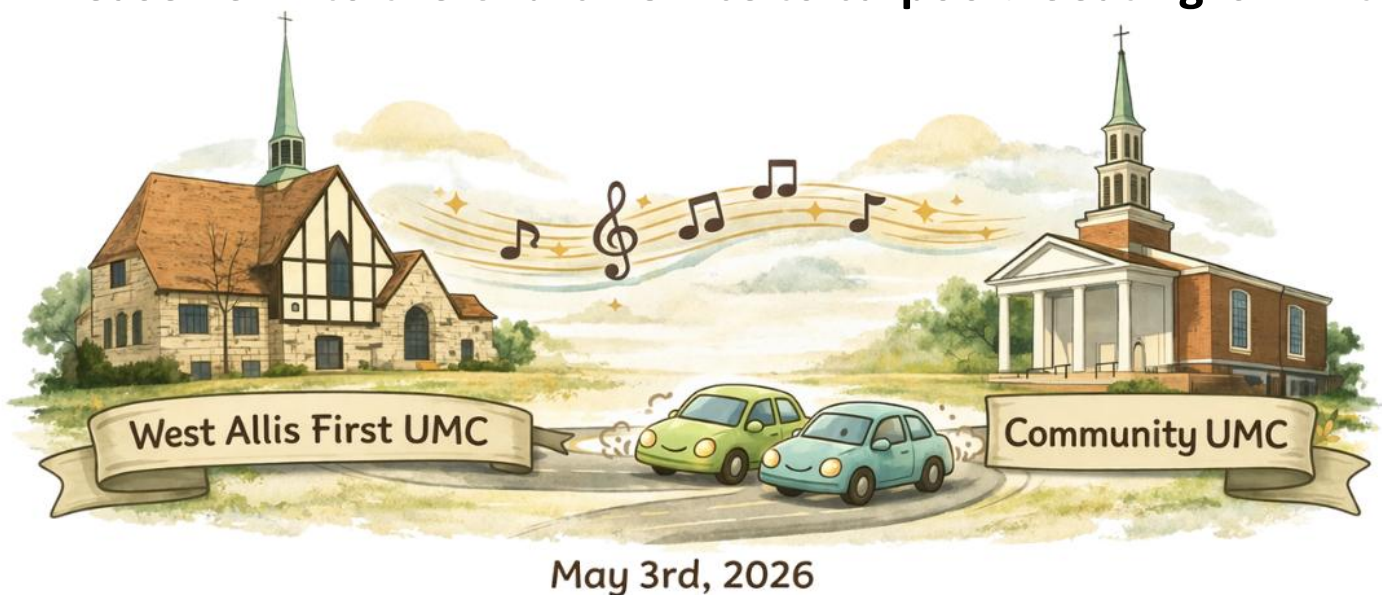
Bring your family. Bring a friend.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Community UMC is taking a field trip! Join us for a special morning of worship on Sunday, May 3 at 10:30 AM at First United Methodist Church in West Allis. There will be no service at the CUMC campus that morning—we'll all gather in West Allis to share in worship and communion.

If you'd like to head out as a group, meet in the Community UMC parking lot for coffee, donuts, and a chance to connect—and to carpool together. If you're hoping to catch a ride, please call the church office ahead of time so we can make sure there's space for everyone.

The choirs of both churches will come together to present a meaningful joint music service featuring beloved anthems from each congregation. Together, we'll put our hope for a more connected, loving world into practice by connecting with our neighbors.

Please RSVP to the Church Office to carpool! Seating is Limited!



Join us to “cut for a cause”! Sew Together is back on Thursday, April 30 at 1:00 PM in the Disciple Room—no sewing skills needed. We’ll be cutting and assembling book bag kits for Book Ahead, so just bring scissors or a rotary cutter if you have one. Come for the good work, stay for the great company—we’d love to have you!

Community
Food Pantry



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WASHINGTON PARK

APRIL NEEDS

HYGIENE ITEMS:

- TOILET PAPER, DEODORANT, BAR SOAP, TOOTH PASTE, INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED TOOTHBRUSHES

FOOD:

- LUNCH: CANNED SOUP, PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY/JAM
- DINNER: CANNED MEAT (CHICKEN, TUNA, SALMON) AND PASTA SAUCE
- EXTRAS: FLOUR, SUGAR, COOKING OIL, CONDIMENTS AND SNACKS



Have you been visiting Community UMC, thinking about membership, or just have questions about our church or the United Methodist faith? Join Pastor Tim on May 17 after worship in the library (10:45am)

Bring your questions, curiosities, and whatever's on your mind. Then on May 24, we'll celebrate new members during a welcome service in worship for those ready to make it official.



Monday – April 27th

- Mother's Day Out – Edu Wing & Rev Room
- Wisconsin Conservatory of Music – 4:00pm – Choir Room
- VBS Planning Committee – 6:00pm – Library
- Crosstown Harmony – 6:00pm – Revelation Room

Tuesday – April 28th

- Mother's Day Out – Edu Wing & Rev Room
- Staff Meeting – 1:00pm – Office Conference Room
- Chair Yoga – 2:30pm – Wellness Center

Wednesday – April 29th

- Mother's Day Out – Edu Wing & Rev Room
- Clarion Bells Rehearsal – 6:15pm – Harmony Room
- Festival Choir – 7:30pm – Choir Room

Thursday – April 30th

- Mother's Day Out – Edu Wing & Rev Room
- Floor Yoga – 10:00am – Wellness Center
- Sew Together – 1:00pm – Disciple Room
- Jubilate Chimes – 6:00pm – Harmony Room
- Festival Choir Rehearsal at West Allis FUMC – 7:30pm
- AA Men's Group – 8:00pm – Disciple Room

Thursday – May 1st

- Children's Choir – 4:30pm – Choir Room
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Saturday – May 2nd

- Salek PEO Group – 9:00am – Disciple Room

Sunday – May 3rd

- Combined Service at West Allis First UMC – 10:30am – Carpooling and Caravan will leave CUMC at 9:45am

**Quarterly Mission Partner/Loose Coin Offering:
SOPHIA**



SERVANT LEADERSHIP TEAM

Tom Twinem; Dean Johnson;
Christian Fuller; Sheryl Cavan;
Candace Kral; Tom Raley
Jeff Turmel; Tom Connor

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Timothy O'Brien
Chris Stump – Office Manager
Danielle Bridges – Director of Music
Tyler Walters – Praise Team Director
Sarah Kwon - Organist/Pianist
Jim Ausprung - Maintenance
Tracey Magyar – MDO Director
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Monday-Thursday: 8:00am - 3:30pm
Friday: 8:00am 2:00pm

Community United Methodist Church is building a community of people who love God and neighbor through a focus on Intergenerational Community Service and Overall Health and Wellbeing