



COMMUNITY
- UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ELM GROVE, WISCONSIN EST: 1949

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

Palm Sunday - Cantata April 13, 2025

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.

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

Gathering Music *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* arr. Michael Burkhardt

Welcome and Greeting

***Call to Worship**

On this day, Jesus marched in between the city walls and the temple,
In between joyful Hosannas and doubtful whispers,
In between oppressive poverty and greedy power,
In between rampant fear and hope unfurled.
On this day, Jesus marched in between what had been and what could be.
So may we meet Christ in that liminal space. May we lay our coats down in that messy middle.
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in between!

***Hymn** *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* UMH #278

Call to Confession:

Friends, we are truth-tellers in the prayer of confession. We are honest about the fact that we are works in progress. We tell the truth of our lives and lay it all out before God. But this moment of prayer isn't just about us. In this prayer we also reveal who God is, and our God is merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. So let us pray, knowing that God's truth will always mean grace for us.

Prayer of Confession

Great Creator, forgive us when we speak before listening, speak over our neighbors, speak with barbed words. Forgive us when we listen to society, to our friends, to the news, but not to you. Forgive us when we shout but do not shout your name; when we listen but do not listen for your voice. Create in us clean hearts, O God. Amen.

Words of Assurance and Forgiveness

Friends, whether or not you stuck to your Lenten goals this year, whether or not this is your first time in church or your thousandth time, whether or not you know how to speak to God or listen for God's voice; God listens to you.

Our God is a merciful God, abounding in steadfast love.

There is nothing you could do or leave undone that could keep God from loving you. So hear and believe the good news of the gospel:

We are seen. We are heard. We are loved. We are forgiven. Not a day goes by that we ever walk alone. Hosanna in the highest! Amen.

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.

Prayer Response

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

TFWS #2200

*Hymn

How Can We Name a Love

UMH #111, vs. 1, 3, 4

Prayer for Illumination

Ever-Speaking God, most days we are inundated with noise. Some of it, like music, laughter and storytelling, is good. Some of it, like arguments, slurs, and the news of wars, is difficult. Every day we live between silence and shouting, rotating through quiet and noise. So in the midst of this messy middle, help us to hear what is yours. Help us to hear your song, your story, your good news. Help us to hear your voice, your Spirit, your will. And show us how to release the rest. We are listening. Amen.

Reflection

Everything [in] Between Shouting & Silence

What do you shout & what do you silence?



everything [in] between

Shouting & Silence

Compiled by Danielle Bridges
with blessings by Kate Bowler

Festival Choir

Dan Baker * ~
Dawn Baker * ~
Diane Bodalski * ~
Nickie Bryant * ~
Randy Bryant * ~
Sue Connor ~
Tom Connor ^
Sarah Farrokhnia *
Greg Fischer * +
Mary Fischer * ^
Kathy Hartke
Joseph Krechel * ^
Ann-Marie Parker * + ~
Tom Raley ^

Doug Ross+
Brad Salzwedel * +
Barb Sem
Jeff Turmel ^
Kim Turmel
Tyler Walters * + ~
Darrel White
Dianne White

*** Chancel Choir**
+ Praise Team
~ Clarion Bells
^ Reader

Handbells

Peggy Strahan
Tyler Walters
Bonnie Younger

Percussion

Christian Fuller

Piano

Susan Krechel

We are grateful to the Community United Methodist Church Mark and Mary Perschbacher Music Fund for making this cantata possible.



Palms Journey
by Hannah Garrity



Forever King! – Dan Forrest

Who is God, that we should praise Him?
Who is He, that we should sing?
Who is this exalted Savior, crown'd the everlasting King?
Why fall at His feet in worship, alleluias to Him bring?
Architect of ev'ry atom, author of each passing hour,
Chief of all the changing seasons, maker of each field and flow'r,
Speaking all into existence, God of majesty and pow'r!
Morning stars, all sing together,
Shout for joy, ye sons of God!
Rocks and stones, o be not silent, streams and rivers, give Him laud!
Clouds that frame the dome of heaven, sound your thunder and
applaud!
Can creation fail to praise Him? How can we refuse to sing?
Come, fall at His feet in worship, alleluias to Him bring!
Reigning in eternal brightness, crown our Christ forever King!
Morning stars, all sing together,
Shout for joy, ye sons of God!
Rocks and stones, o be not silent, streams and rivers, give Him laud!
Clouds that frame the dome of heaven, sound your thunder and
applaud!

Toward Jerusalem

by Lauren Wright Pittman

When Jesus Wept – Philip L. Roberts

From UMC Discipleship Ministries, History of Hymns: This brief text by Perez Morton (1751-1837) connects the tears of Jesus over the death of his friend, Lazarus, in John 11, with the groaning of Jesus on the cross. The simplicity of the parallelism belies the depth of connection. Mourning is not a foreign emotion or experience to God, nor are screams of desolation. The hymn does not complete the theological thought, but leaves it for those singing to complete with their lives. God is with us in our pain. Let us be with others. God is with us in our pain; let us be with God. Let us mourn with those who mourn. Let us not hide our face from brokenness or devastation. The tears of Jesus are streams of mercy. Our God is not a stone, nor a ghost, but all human and all God, from the heights to the depths.



Jesus Wept
by Hannah Garrity

When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound.
When Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.



Come Find His Rest – Erik Dewar, arr. Dan Forrest
Tyler Walters, soloist

The congregation is invited to sing when directed.

Come weary one, leave thy labors;
Come, lift thy head, see thy Savior and Friend.
His arms are opened wide;
O soul, be satisfied,
Come find His rest.
Take His yoke upon thee,
For He is gentle and lowly in heart.
So learn from Christ the Lord,
Thy portion and reward.
Come find His rest.

[Sopranos and altos] Come, weary one, lift thy head.

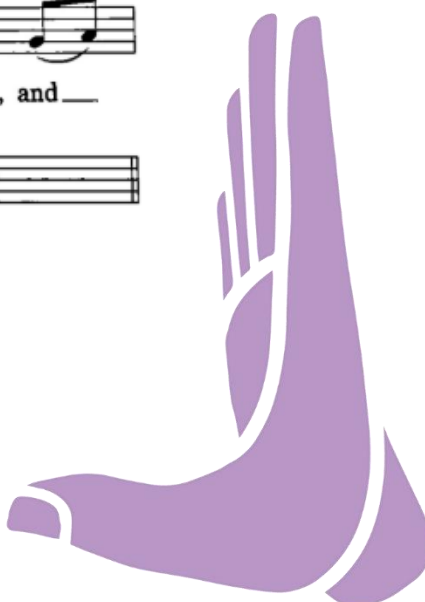
[Tenors and basses] I heard the voices of Jesus say:

Please sing when directed.



I ___ heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come ___
un - to me ___ and rest; lay ___ down, O wea - ry
one, lay down your ___ head up - on ___ my breast." I ___
came to Je - sus as I was, so ___ wea - ry, ___ worn, and
sad; I ___ found in him ___ a ___ rest - ing place, and ___
he has made ___ me glad. ___

Take His yoke upon thee,
For He is gentle and lowly in heart.
So learn from Christ the Lord,
Thy portion and reward.
Come find His rest.
"Come unto me and rest."
Come.



Cornerstone – Shawn Kirchner
Greg Fischer, soloist

Refrain:

O the stone that the builders rejected
Became the cornerstone of a whole new world.

(Repeat)

The stone that the builders rejected,
The stone that the builders rejected,
The stone that the builders rejected,
Became the cornerstone of a whole new world!
A grain of wheat may be knocked to the ground
And suffer through the winter's cold,
Only to rise right up again,
And bear its seed a thousand-fold.

[Refrain]

Never can our journey fail;
A little child will lead the way,
Whose eyes are filled with a shining light,
To whom the night is bright as day.

[Refrain]

The love that rolls the stone away,
Gives us life that we may sing,
“Grave, where is thy victory?
Death, o death, where is thy sting?”

[Refrain]



Four Waters at Table
by Hannah Garrity



Fig Leafing
by Hannah Garrity

Still I Sing Alleluia – Kyle Pederson

With Spirit before me, with Spirit behind,
With Spirit below and beside me;
With Spirit all around, even where affliction's found,
I will sing, I will sound, “Alleluia.”
When darkness descends and the night never ends,
When my shadows and demons surround me;
When questions I spin echo answerless within,
Even then, even then, “Alleluia.”
Alleluia, still I sing alleluia!
Open us to You,
‘Til we sing alleluia.
Weave joy in our gain, bring us hope in our pain;
Hear all prayers that we offer to you, Lord;
Breathe life into death, draw us closer with each breath,
That our lips may confess, “Alleluia.”
Alleluia, still I sing alleluia!
Open us to You,
‘Til we sing alleluia.
So praise, praise the Father and praise, praise the Son,
Praise the Spirit who moves in and through all.
All creation sound the word so profound;
Let us sing, let us live *alleluia*.
Alleluia!
Still I sing alleluia.

We believe that many years ago, in a peaceful parade, people cried out, longing for a better world. Today, we give our gifts with a deep hope that better world may still come into being.

As our final act of worship, all are invited to be seated for the Postlude.

Ministry Moment

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory *Palm Sunday Morning* Gordon Young

***Offering Response** *What Wondrous Love Is This* UMH #292, vs. 3

*Prayer of Dedication

God of silent prayers and shouts for justice, we believe these longings come from a place of deep hope. We believe that hope cannot be silenced. Bless these gifts that they may bring hope to the hopeless. Bless our voices that they may shout Hosannas. Bless our lives that they may be glimpses of your love for a world in need. Amen.

*** Hymn** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* UMH #280, vs. 1, 3, 5

*Blessing & Sending Forth

As you leave this place, may you find God in every messy middle.

We trust that the world is bigger than two sides.

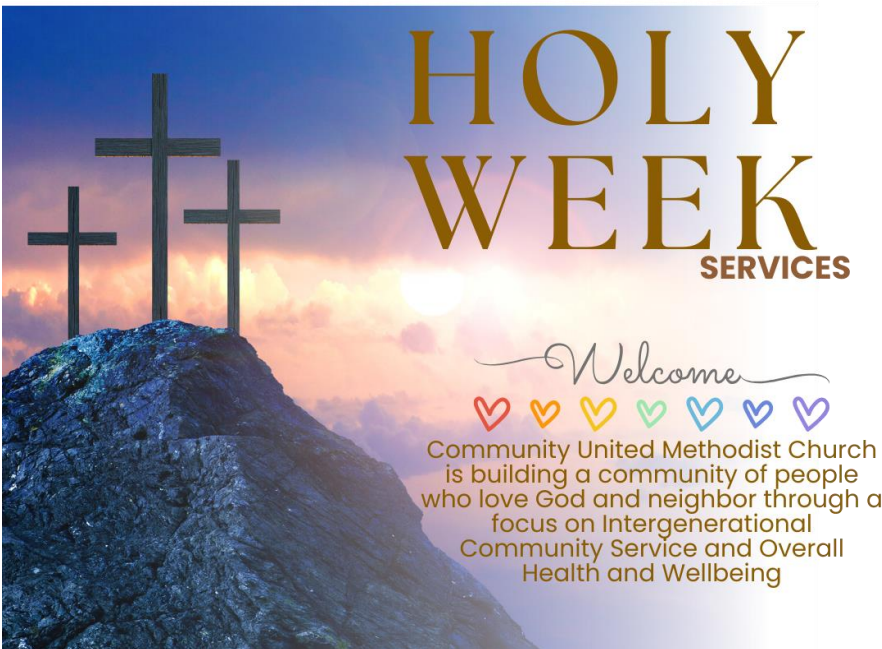
May you trust that you are made in the image of God, and therefore, you contain multitudes.

We go to move through this world with open hearts, curious minds, and the confidence that we do not go alone.

Go, knowing that God is with you on the mountains, in the valleys, and everywhere in between. **Amen.**

***Blessing Response:** *Amazing Grace* UMH #378, vs. 1

Postlude *The Royal Banners Forward Go* Wilbur Held



THUR 17 APR MAUNDY THURSDAY 7:00PM HOLY COMMUNION

FRI 18 APR GOOD FRIDAY 12:00PM

SUN 20 APR EASTER SUNDAY 9:30AM

Zentangle Ministry

You Are God's Masterpiece

Wednesday, April 23
10:00 – 11:30 am
Disciple Room (In-person only)

Zentangle Ministry
"You Are God's
Masterpiece" (Eph. 2:10)

In-person only (no Zoom)
Wednesday, April 23
10:00 – 11:30 am
Class will be recorded
RSVP to Kim Turmel
kimturmelczt@gmail.com
Kim Turmel is a Certified
Zentangle® Teacher

COMMUNITY WELLBEING PRESENTS

SOUND BATHS

WITH TONY STURINO



A sound bath is a meditative experience where participants are "bathed" in resonant sounds, often produced by instruments like gongs, singing bowls, and chimes, to promote relaxation and a sense of well-being.

Saturday - April 26th - 2pm

Friday - May 9th - 1pm

Saturday - May 31st - 1pm

Community UMC

14700 Watertown Plank Rd

Elm Grove, WI 53122

262-782-4060

\$20.00 per session

Register by Calling 262-782-4060

Bring: Blankets, yoga mats, eye masks, comfy clothing,
pillows, and an open mind

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
www.cumceg.org/wellbeing

2025
COMMUNITY
BLOOD DRIVES



MARK YOUR
CALENDARS



HOPE. *It's in our blood.*



CHAIR YOGA

Every Tuesday

EVERY TUESDAY - 2:30PM

45 MINUTE CLASS - \$10/SESSION

REGISTER: 262-782-4060 - LED BY: CERTIFIED YOGA INSTRUCTOR KIM WELLS

 American
Red Cross
**CPR/AED
TRAINING**



**Saturday
May 3rd**

www.cumceg.org/wellbeing



Be Prepared! Join on May 3rd for Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR & AED certified training!!

Adult and Pediatric CPR/AED training course equips students to recognize and care for cardiac emergencies involving adults children and infants.

The Class Fee is \$125.00 for the public

The Class is being offered free to Community UMC Members

Participants will be required to complete a 2 ½ hour online training prior to the skills class held at CUMC. There will be two skills classes on Saturday May 3- one from 10:00 am to noon and the second from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Each class can accommodate 12 participants for a total of 24 people.

Register by Calling the Church Office at 262-782-4060.

Pizza & Game Night

May 8th - 5-7pm



LIFE NAVIGATORS
Your Disability Partner EST. 1949

Thursday, May 8 from 5 to 7 pm!

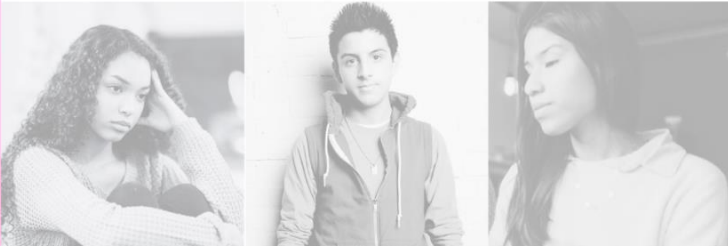
The Intergenerational Service Team is continuing our support for our Mission Partners! We will once again be hosting a Games & Pizza Night for Life Navigators. We are inviting CUMC members and their families to play bingo and board games with our guests, and to share a pizza meal.

Ways that you can participate:

- 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) Donate baked goods.
- 4) Make a donation toward the purchase of the pizza (Donations can be made during service, mailed in or online at www.cumceg.org)



KEEP HOPE ALIVE



**Meet Our 2nd Quarter Mission Partner
Walker's Point – Youth & Family Center!**

Our Mission

Our mission is to provide safety to the young people of Milwaukee through free and confidential counseling and case management, temporary shelter for youth, and housing for young adults. We provide youth in crisis with an inclusive and stable space where they are empowered to create a safe and healthy life.

Our vision

We envision a Milwaukee free from youth and young adult homelessness and trafficking. We dream of a thriving community that has been designed for and created by our youth. Our role in that vision is to end the stigma around mental health needs and prioritize our youth through access to relevant services and resources regardless of their ability to pay. Our role is to help our young people thrive.

Community Food Pantry

APRIL NEEDS

Your donations may be left inside the marked bins in the entryway off the courtyard.

Weekly hours are M-Th 8:00-3:00 and Fri 8:00 -2:00).

On Sundays, the courtyard door is unlocked from 8:00-11:00 AM or leave donations in the Sanctuary Welcome Area!

- HYGIENE ITEMS: TOILET PAPER, BAR SOAP, TOOTH PASTE, AND INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED TOOTH BRUSHES
- MEALS: CANNED CHICKEN AND CANNED TUNA
- BREAKFAST ITEMS: CEREAL, INSTANT OATMEAL, PANCAKE MIX, AND GRANOLA
- MISC. ITEMS: COOKING OIL



ROOTED & RISING WASHINGTON PARK

Afternoon Tea
and Conversation

First Friday of Each Month

2:00pm

Hearth Room/Parlor
Casual Dress



NO TEA IN JULY - TEA & FELLOWSHIP - OPEN TO ALL - CALL KATHY HARTKE WITH QUESTIONS OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE A TEATIME SNACK: 262-366-6770

**HELP US WELCOME PASTOR TIM, AUDRA, AND THEIR FAMILY!
TO PREPARE FOR PASTOR TIM'S ARRIVAL IN JULY,
LET'S INTRODUCE COMMUNITY'S COMMUNITY!**



Hello LET'S CONNECT 

We invite every household to send us a photo and brief note of introduction. These will be compiled and sent to Pastor Tim in the upcoming weeks.

Don't know what to write? Try including: who you are and who is a part of your family, how long you've been a part of the CUMC community, what you're involved in at church and in the broader community, what you enjoy doing in your spare time, an interesting tidbit of information about you.

Send all photos and notes of introduction to Office Chriss at chriss.stump@cumceg.org - or drop them off in the office.



A Living History Portrayal from Martina Mathisen

The Six Wives of Henry VIII

Join the OWLS Group for a fun filled afternoon of lunch and entertainment. Queen, lover, mother, outcast, victim, survivor: Meet the six wives of Henry VIII as presented by Martina Mathisen of Edu-tainment Living History in this one-of-a-kind program.

Thursday, May 15, 2024

Luncheon & Program Cost:
OWLS Members: \$23 OWLS Guest: \$28
Registration Deadline: May 5th
More information & registration at:
www.cumceg.org/owls



SCAN ME

The Stephen Ministers at Community are ready to meet with you. Contact the church office, a pastor or a Stephen Minister directly.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

ARE YOU HURTING?

GOING THROUGH A TOUGH TIME?

LET US CONNECT YOU TO A STEPHEN MINISTER



Sew Together

Sew Together!

Do you love sewing, fellowship, and doing something great for others?!

Then join Community UMC's Sewing/Quilting Group: Sew Together!

Monthly projects have been: Activity mats for those facing Alzheimer's, Pillow Ports, Tote Bags for children receiving books from 'A Book Ahead' and so much more.

**Next Sewing Dates: May 15th & June 12th at 10:00am!
Call the Church Office for More Information!**



2025 Walk to End Alzheimer's

Waukesha County

Sept | 27 | 2025

Details Coming Soon

Weekly Happenings

Sunday – April 13th – Cantata/Palm Sunday

- Sunday Service – 9:30am – Sanctuary
- The Connection – 10:45am – Revelation Room
- Cycle of Grace Bible Study – 10:45am – Fellowship Hall

Monday – April 14th (Pastor Kris' Sabbath)

- Mother's Day Out Preschool – 8:30am-3:30pm – Education Wing & Revelation Room
- OWLS Program Meeting – 10:00am – Disciple Room
- Wisconsin Conservatory of Music – 4:30pm – 7:15pm – Choir Room
- Crosstown Harmony – 8:00pm – Revelation Room
- AA Women's Group – 8:00pm – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday – April 15th

- Mother's Day Out Preschool – 8:30am-3:30pm – Education Wing & Revelation Room
- Music Cantata Take Down – 9:00am - Sanctuary
- Stephen Minister Training – 9:00am – Disciple Room
- Elm Grove School of Lifelong Learning Board Meeting – 1:00pm - Library
- Chair Yoga – 2:30pm – Wellbeing Room
- NAMI Family to Family Series – 6:00pm – Disciple Room

Wednesday – April 16th

- Mother's Day Out Preschool – 8:30am-3:30pm – Education Wing & Revelation Room
- Clarion Bells Rehearsal – 6:15pm – Sanctuary
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal – 7:30pm – Choir Room

Thursday – April 17th

- OWLS Racine Trip – 8:30am Meet Time – Registration Required
- Mother's Day Out Preschool – 8:30am-3:30pm – Education Wing & Revelation Room
- Maundy Thursday Service – 7:00pm - Sanctuary
- AA Men's Group – 8:00pm – Disciple Room

Friday – April 18th OFFICE CLOSED

- Good Friday Service – 12:00pm – Sanctuary

Looking Ahead

Sunday April 20th – Easter Sunday - 9:30AM Service – No Cycle of Grace Study

Monday April 21st – OFFICE CLOSED

**Quarterly Mission Partner:
Family Promise of Waukesha County**



SERVANT LEADERSHIP TEAM

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

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Kris Androsky
Chriss Stump – Office Manager
Danielle Bridges – Director of Music
Tyler Walters – Praise Team Director
Susan Krechel – Organist
Randy Bryant – Organist

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