

2026
March 08

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

Gathering Music

How Great Are You Lord

Lynn DeShazo

Welcome and Greeting

*Call to Worship

If you need good news,
settle into this space.

We have good news to share.

If you need a word of hope,
then trust us when we say,
there is hope enough to go around.

If you need a glimmer of joy,
then you're in luck!

We have resilient joy abounding.

If you need to feel God's presence in your midst,
then know that this is God's house.

This is the good news of the gospel.

God is here. Love is real. Joy is on the move.

Let us worship our with-us God!

***Congregational Song** *They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love* TFWS #2223

Opening Prayer:

God of grace and power, we your people have gathered here to be close to you, to hear again the words of faith and hope, to sing again words of praise and to be challenged to serve. We come to be your people of more faith than fear, inspired to reach out and live out and carry out your mission of hope to a hurting world. Challenge our faith. Rekindle within us the passion of your word. Help us see again your vision for us and your church as we worship you this day. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Lesson:

Ephesians 3: 14-21
Dean Johnson

Special Music

Be Thou My Vision

Traditional Irish melody

Praise Team

Text trans. Mary Byrne, Eleanor Hull

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, and I thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and thou only first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Lord, you are more precious than silver,
Lord, you are more costly than gold.
Lord, you are more beautiful than diamonds,
And nothing I desire compares with you.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

Scripture Lesson:

Mark 6: 30-38

Pastor Tim O'Brien

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

Young Disciples

Message

The Good News is ... Together, The Impossible is Possible

Congregational Song

Human Minds Just Can't Imagine

See next page

Prayers of the People

Sharing of our Joys and Concerns

Prayer

Human Minds Just Can't Imagine

AUSTRIAN HYMN 8.7.8.7 D ("God Whose Giving Knows No Ending")

Words: Anna Strickland (2025)

Music: Joseph Haydn (1797)



Hu - man minds just can't i - ma - gine all that God can bring
God, ex - pand our dreams and vi - sion when we think our gifts
Like the grains of wheat are ga - thered from the vast and roll -



to bear Through our small and sep - arate be - ings, e - ven
too small Help us trust your great pro - vis - ion and to
-ing fields Like the grapes from vi - ny bran - ches whose small



when we join to share Still we fol - low where Christ leads us,
an - swer when you call You who gave us time and ta - lents
fruit the wine will yield We re - mem - ber as one bo - dy,



ma - ny pie - ces of one whole That we might al - low
will up - hold and see us through As we join to - geth -
each of us a cru - cial part In the glo - bal church



our dream - ing to trans - form our bro - ken world
-er in the work you've gi - ven us to do
pro - fess - ing: we be - long to God's own heart

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

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

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

Special Music

How Great Are You Lord
Praise Team

Lynn DeShazo

How great are you, Lord, how great is your mercy,
How great are the things that you have done for me.
How great are you, Lord, your loving kindness
Is filling my heart as I sing, how great are you Lord.

How great is your love, it reaches to the heavens
How great is the heart that sought and rescued me.

Ministry Moment

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Jesus, Name Above All Names

Naida Hearn

*Offering Response

Give Thanks

TFWS #2036

Give thanks with a grateful heart.
Give thanks to the holy one.
Give thanks because he's given
Jesus Christ, his Son.
Give thanks. Give thanks.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Generous God, when we collect our many different offerings, talents, resources, and personalities into one place, we discover a potential we never could dream of on our own. Bless our gifts this day as we give ourselves to you and to each other. May they make a difference to our community as we participate in your work of abundant love. Amen.

***Congregational Song** *We Are God's People*

TFWS #2220, v. 1, 3-4

***Blessing & Sending Forth**

As we leave this place,

When we meet anger, let us speak with love. When we meet fear, let us speak with hope. When we meet pain, let us speak with gentleness.

But no matter what, let us speak about this good news.

For the good news of the gospel is love and justice for all. It is joy that surprises, and nonviolence that transforms.

The good news of the gospel is alive in the world, so go forth speaking. For if you won't, then who will? Thanks be to God for this good, good news. Amen.

Amen

***Blessing Response** *What Wondrous Love Is This*

UMH #292, vs. 3

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing,

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;

To God and to the Lamb who is the great I AM,

While millions join the theme I will sing, I will sing,

While millions join the theme I will sing.

***Postlude**

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



The Good News Collective is a reflective journey through word and art – where a Lenten message stirs the soul and creativity takes shape. Each gathering includes a simple, guided art project designed for all skill levels, and you'll leave with a finished piece to take home as a reminder of the season. No artistic experience needed – just come, create, and carry the story with you.

6:00pm - Community UMC Wellness Center

Monday - March 9th - String Cross

Monday - March 16th - 3 Crosses Frame



**Children's Board Book Drive
Supporting A Book Ahead**

Book Recommendations:

Good Night Moon
Pout Pout Fish
Time for Bed

Love You Through and Through
Brown Bear Brown Bear
First 100 Words (Priddy Book Series)

Ten Tiny Toes

OK Baby Touch and Feel Animals
Mr. Brown Can Moo Can You?

Go Dog Go

Dr. Seuss's ABC

Please, Baby, Please

Guess How Much I Love You

Giraffes Can't Dance

Where Is Baby's Belly Button?

I Love You Because You're You

Good Dog Carl (series)

The Wanky Donkey

Wheels on the Bus

Peek A Who

Playing and Helping-Helen

Oxenbury

The Very Hungry Caterpillar

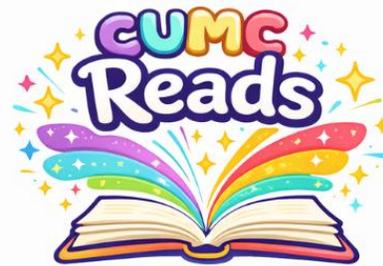
Books by author Sandra Boynton
(series)

From Head to Toe

Black Bird Yellow Sun



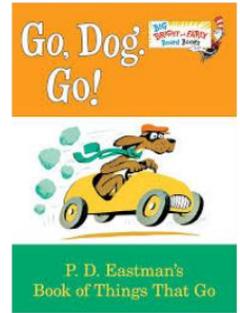
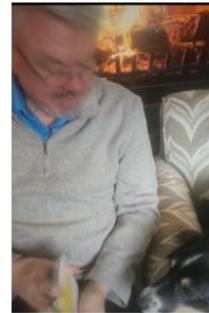
English & Spanish titles are needed



A Community UMC Literacy Project

www.cumceg.org/cumcreads

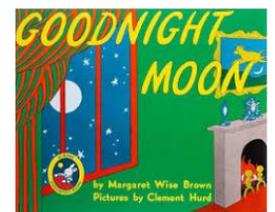
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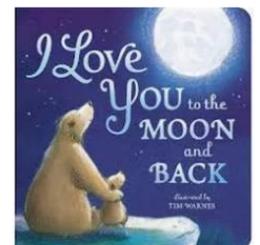
Pastor Tim - Go, Dog, Go



**Tyler - Little Green Frog:
A Pond Story**



Danielle - Goodnight Moon



**Chriss - I Love You to the
Moon and Back**

The background of the entire poster is a vibrant, detailed illustration of a tropical rainforest. In the center, a waterfall cascades down a rocky ledge into a stream. The scene is filled with lush green foliage, including large tropical leaves and colorful flowers. A large, multi-colored parrot (green, red, and blue) is perched on a branch in the upper left. Another smaller parrot is visible in the lower left. A blue butterfly is perched on a branch in the upper right, and an orange and black butterfly is in the lower right. The title 'RAINFOREST FALLS' is rendered in large, stylized, 3D block letters with a green-to-blue gradient, set within a wooden frame that looks like a tree branch. Below the title, the tagline 'Exploring the Nature of God' is written in a yellow, sans-serif font on a dark wooden plank.

RAINFOREST FALLS

Exploring the Nature of God

August 10-14, 2026

Ages K-5

**Registration for Explorers
and Volunteers Now Open**

www.cumceg.org/vbs

Community UMC



March Suggested Items

Monday – March 9th

- Mother’s Day Out – Edu Wing & Revelation Room
- OWLS Board Meeting – 10:00am – Disciple Room
- Wisconsin Conservatory of Music – 4:00pm – Choir Room
- Good News Collective – Art Class – Prayer Beads – 6:00pm – Wellness Center
- Crosstown Harmony – 6:00pm – Revelation Room

Tuesday – March 10th

- Mother’s Day Out – Edu Wing & Rev Room
- ~~Chair Yoga – 2:30pm – Wellbeing Center – CANCELED~~

Wednesday – March 11th

- Mother’s Day Out – Edu Wing & Rev Room
- Ikebana – 10:00am – Fellowship Hall
- Clarion Bells Rehearsal – 6:15pm – Harmony Room
- Chancel Choir – 7:30pm – Choir Room

Thursday – March 12th

- Mother’s Day Out – Edu Wing & Rev Room
- ~~Floor Yoga – 9:30am – Wellbeing Center – CANCELED~~
- Tai Chi – 10:00am – Wellbeing Center
- Sew Together – 1:00pm – Disciple Room
- Genesis Bible Study – 2:30pm – Disciple Room
- Jubilate Chimes Rehearsal – 6:00pm – Harmony Room
- AA Men’s Group – 8:00pm – Disciple Room

Friday – March 13th (Pastor Tim’s Sabbath)

- Elm Grove School for Lifelong Learning Board Meeting – 2:00pm – Disciple Room
- Children’s Choir – 4:30pm – Choir Room

Sunday – March 15th

- Sunday Service – 9:30am – Sanctuary (Children’s Choir & Chimes)
- Children’s Chapel – During Service – Edu Wing
- Connection – 10:30am – Revelation Room
- Lenten Bible Study – 10:45am – Disciple Room

Quarterly Mission Partner/Loose Coin Offering: Hope Center of Waukesha

Hospitality Team for Next Sunday - 03.01.26

Front Door: Darrel White

West Door: Ann Walker

Narthex: Dianne White

Ushers: Dianne White, Darrel White, Joni McDevitt, Marianne Ludwick

Connection: Sheryl Cavan

Liturgist: Tom Raley

Children’s Chapel: Chriss Stump, Sara Ziesemer

Children’s Greeter: Chriss Stump Runner: Sheryl Cavan

- Extras: Cooking oil, salad dressing, hot sauce, BBQ sauce, ketchup, juice, nuts, & granola bars
- Lunch: Rice-a-roni, mac n cheese, hamburger helper, & canned soup
- Dinner: canned chicken & tuna
- Hygiene Items: toilet paper, individually wrapped toothbrushes, toothpaste, bar soap, & deodorant

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
Chriss Stump – Office Manager
Danielle Bridges – Director of Music
Tyler Walters – Praise Team Director
Sarah Kwon - Organist/Pianist
Shann McClain - Custodian
Jim Ausprung - Maintenance
Tracey Magyar – MDO Director
Amanda Glassman – MDO Asst Director
Cat Stump & Lupita Lopez - Nursery

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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