

COMMUNITY

– UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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JANUARY 12, 2025

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

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

Great Is the Lord

Michael W. Smith, Deborah D. Smith

Welcome and Greeting

*Call to Worship

The voice of God resounds upon the water.

The Spirit of the Lord hovers over the stream.

The Son of God is named, “Beloved.”

And all who gather sing their praises.

Come, let us worship the God of all creation.

Let us worship our God, the God of land and sea.

*Congregational Song *Shout to the North*

W&S #3042

Opening Prayer:

Holy God, when Jesus was baptized in the Jordan the heavens opened, the Spirit descended, and your voice affirmed your love in Jesus for the healing of the human race and all of creation. By water and word you lovingly invite us into this same life-giving mission. May your Spirit, moving like a stream of water flowing from its source, work in us this day to realize your vision of a world made new in Christ. Amen.

Special Music

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Chris Tomlin

Community Praise Team

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved
a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind,
but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I
first believed!

My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, my Savior has ransomed me,
And like a flood his mercy reigns;
Unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word
my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be as long as life
endures.

My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, my Savior has ransomed me,
And like a flood his mercy reigns;
Unending love, amazing grace.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun
forbear to shine;
But God, who called me here below, will be
forever mine;
Will be forever mine, you are forever mine.

How is the Spirit calling you deeper into community?

Prayer for Illumination

Glorious God, when Jesus was baptized for your healing mission the heavens opened in a flash of glory as vision and voice blazed on the waters. May your Spirit so burn within us that we hear your word translated into the life of Jesus, that we might know how to follow in the paths of justice, right relationship, and peace. Amen.

Scripture

Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

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

Message

An Act of Solidarity

***Congregational Song** *Great Is the Lord*

TFWS #2022

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

God of Wonders
Community Praise Team

Marc Byrd, Steve Hindalong

Lord of all creation, of water, earth, and sky,
The heavens are your tabernacle; glory to the Lord on high.

God of wonders beyond our galaxy, you are holy, holy!
The universe declares your majesty; you are holy, holy!
Lord of heaven and earth, Lord of heaven and earth.

Early in the morning, I will celebrate the light,
And when I stumble in the darkness, I will call Your name by night

Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth.

Precious Lord, reveal your heart to me, Father hold me, hold me;
The universe declares you majesty; you are holy, holy!
God of wonders beyond our galaxy, you are holy, holy!
The universe declares your majesty; you are holy, holy!
You are holy, holy.

Ministry Moment

As people who have passed through the waters of baptism, let us offer our gratitude and offering to God.

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

***Offering Response** *Give Thanks*

TFWS #2046

*Prayer of Dedication

O God, at his baptism, you acknowledged Jesus as your beloved Son, and through him you opened to us a way to become your children by grace. May these gifts we return to you be a sign of our dedication to live as your faithful children, born in the waters of baptism. Amen.

*** Congregational Song** *Spirit Song*

UMH #347

*Blessing and Sending Forth

We have been with Jesus to the River of Jordan, river of life, river of promise.

So may we go forth in joy, to live as children of promise, knowing the love of God, the peace of Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit go with us.

Benediction Response: *Amen*

UMH #898

The image shows musical notation for the Benediction Response. It consists of two staves, a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom, both in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'A - men, a - men, a - men.' are written below the treble staff. The music features a mix of chords and single notes, with some notes beamed together.

***Postlude**

God of Wonders

Marc Byrd, Steve Hindalong

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



SAVE A LIFE

Minutes count! Someone who is severely bleeding can bleed to death in as little as 5 minutes. That's why bleeding control—keeping the blood inside the body—is the purpose of STOP THE BLEED® training. With 3 quick actions, you can be trained to save a life.

Community United Methodist Church will be hosting a free STOP THE BLEED training on Saturday January 18, 2025 at 10:00 am.

The free one-hour class will be in the Revelation Room. Use the main parking lot at 14700 Watertown Plank Rd.

Use Courtyard entrance.

Registration required. Please call the church office at 262-782-4060.



“Star-Word Tangle” (Zoom)

Date: January 22 (Wednesday)

Time: 10:00 – 11:30 am

Join us for our January Zentangle Ministry session from the comfort of your home. We will create a tile featuring our 2025 “Star Word”. Your finished tile will be a beautiful way to display your Star Word for the year. Please email kimturmelczt@gmail.com or the church office to receive more information and the Zoom link. Are you NEW to Zentangle? Zentangle® is a relaxing and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns called tangles. Sessions are led by Kim Turmel, CZT (Certified Zentangle Teacher). Zentangle artists of all levels (beginners to advanced) are welcome to attend our sessions.♥ A reminder to ZM artists ... If you are creating “Valentine’s Day Tiles of Encouragement” please turn in to Kim or the ZM mailbox on or before Sunday, Jan. 12.

Weekly Happenings

Sunday – January 12th

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

Monday – January 13th (Pastor Kris’ Sabbath)

- Mother’s Day Out Preschool – 8:30am-3:30pm – Education Wing & Revelation Room
- Wisconsin Conservatory of Music – 4:30pm – 7:15pm – Choir Room
- AA Women’s Group – 8:00pm – Fellowship Hall

Tuesday – January 14th

- Mother’s Day Out Preschool – 8:30am-3:30pm – Education Wing & Revelation Room
- Stephen Minister Training – 9:00am – Disciple Room
- Program Staff Meeting – 1:30pm – Office Conference Room

Wednesday – January 15th

- 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 – January 16th

- Mother’s Day Out Preschool – 8:30am-3:30pm – Education Wing & Revelation Room
- OWLS Lunch Program – 11:30am – Fellowship Hall – Registration Needed
- AA Men’s Group – 8:00pm – Disciple Room

Friday – January 17th (Pastor Bridget’s Sabbath)

Saturday – January 18th

- Stop the Bleed – 10:00am – Revelation Room

**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, Justin Forbes;
Tom Connor

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Kris Androsky &
Rev. Bridget Case
Chriss Stump – Office Manager
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