

2026
August 30

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 worshipping 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.



Gathering Music *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* Frederick Cook Atkinson

Welcome and Greeting

*Call to Worship

We are standing on holy ground,

Called to be examples of God's holiness and love to the world.

We are standing on holy ground,

Filled with hope, embraced by love, and nurtured by grace to grow in the likeness of Jesus each day.

***Hymn** *The Voice of God Is Calling*

UMH #436

Opening Prayer:

O God, sometimes it is difficult for us to know holy ground, even when we are on it. We long for a burning bush, spectacular and unambiguous. Let the fire of your Spirit blaze in and through our lives. We yearn for the sound of your voice, clear and unmistakable. Let your voice ring clear through the words we say and the utterings of our hearts. Let us hear your call in the ordinary and everyday parts of our lives. Let us turn to follow and share your holy love with all your world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Lesson: Exodus 3: 1-10
Jeff Turmel

Special Music *Lord, I Want To Be a Christian*
Susan & Joseph Krechel

Arr. Lloyd Larson

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 16: 24-28
Pastor Tim O'Brien

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

Message Holy Ground

***Hymn** *Walk with Me*

TFWS #2242, vs. 1, 3, 4

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.

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.

The musical notation is for a two-part setting in G major and 4/4 time. The first system covers the first line of lyrics, and the second system covers the second line. The melody is in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Ministry Moment

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

I Surrender All

Winfield S. Weeden

*Offering Response *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, just as you met Moses in an ordinary place and made it sacred ground, so you meet us here — in these pews, in these gifts, in these ordinary hands now open before you. May what we give be used in the way you used a shepherd and a staff — for purposes bigger than we can see from here. Let them become bread for the hungry, shelter for the weary, welcome for the stranger, and hope for this congregation as we live out your call. Amen.

*Blessing & Sending Forth

Moses did not go looking for holy ground. It found him.

Let us leave here expecting to be found.

In the kitchen, in the traffic, in the waiting room, at the sink —

God is present, and the ground beneath us is holy.

We do not need a mountain. We do not need a burning bush.

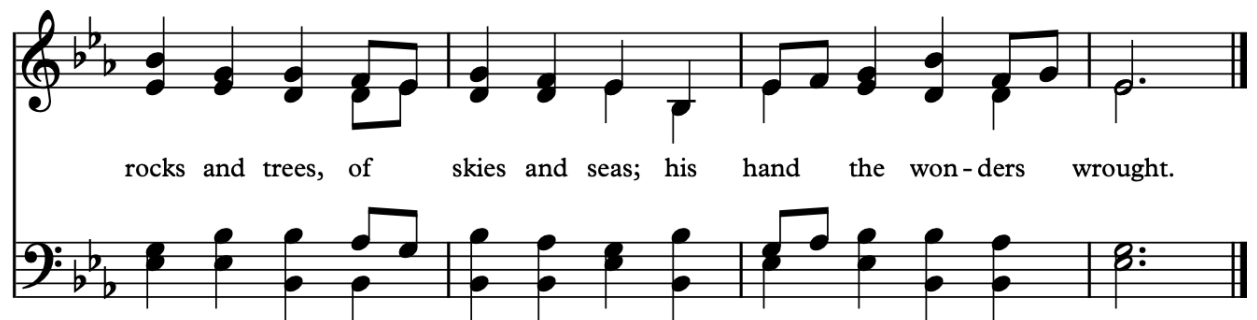
We only need eyes willing to see and hands open to reach out to those who are struggling, weary, and hurting.

Go as those sent, not because you have everything you need, but because someone else does not. Go in peace, to love and serve. Amen.

Amen.

*Blessing Response: *This Is My Father's World*

UMH #144, Refrain (v. 1)



*Postlude *God Will Take Care of You*

Walter S. Martin, arr. Cindy Berry

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

A colorful poster for "Rally Day!" at Community UMC. The poster features a banner at the top that says "You're Invited! RALLY Day!". Below the banner, it says "ONE DAY. MANY MINISTRIES. ONE COMMUNITY." with a heart icon. There are four icons representing different ministries: "LEARN" (two people), "FUN" (a church building), "FOOD" (a plate and fork), and "CONNECT" (a speech bubble with a question mark). To the right, there is a circular image of a colorful inflatable castle. Below the icons, there is a section for "Potluck - Let's eat together!" which says "BRING A DISH TO SHARE AND ENJOY A MEAL TOGETHER AS WE CELEBRATE THE START OF A NEW SEASON AT COMMUNITY UMC. PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE TO SIGN UP!". To the right of the potluck section, there is a calendar icon and the date "SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13" with the time "After the 9:30 AM Service". At the bottom, it says "Let's Rally Together!" with a heart icon. There are also three small photos on the left side of the poster: one of a person in a costume, one of a group of people, and one of hands being stacked.

Sew Together

THE COMMUNITY QUILTING & SEWING GROUP

 **NEXT MEETING:**
SEPTEMBER 15

 **10:00 AM**

 **DISCIPLE ROOM**

All are welcome!



The CARD Ministry

WILL MEET ON

SEPTEMBER 14th

 **6:30 – 8:00 PM**

 **DISCIPLE ROOM**

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 www.cumceg.org



 United Women in Faith *at* **COMMUNITY**

Fall Potluck

SALAD LUNCHEON

 **Thursday, September 24**
Fellowship Lunch

 **11:30am**
Luncheon

Enjoy fellowship while having lunch followed by our dynamic program.

You do not need to be a member of United Women in Faith to attend.
This is open to all ladies of the congregation, their friends and family.
All are Welcome!

PLEASE RSVP to the Church Office
by Monday, September 21st
 262.782.4060

Building a Legacy of Faith, Hope & Love



 **COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – ELM GROVE**

Building Beloved Community

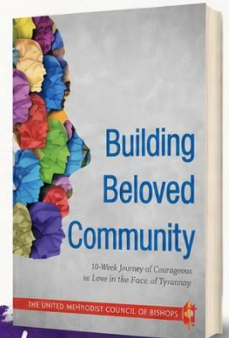
A 10-WEEK STUDY FOR OUR TIME
“Building Beloved Community – The Courage to Love in the Face of Tyranny”

YOU'RE INVITED!

 **BEGINS SEPT. 20**

 **SUNDAY MORNINGS**
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM
IN-PERSON AT CUMC

 **BASED ON THE BOOK**
BUILDING BELOVED COMMUNITY
BY THE UM COUNCIL OF BISHOPS



WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Meaningful conversations
- Scripture and real-life stories
- Practical tools for faithful action
- Community and connection
- Hope for our world

All are welcome!
To register, call the church office
262.782.4060

Zentangle

Ministry Session

"Tangle Game"



Wednesday, Sept 23



9:30 - 11:30 am



CUMC Disciple Room



Seating is limited

Relax.
Create.
Connect.



Do you like surprises?

Our String & Patterns will be chosen at random by dice or spinner.
Come join our caring community of Zentangle® artists and enjoy some relaxing creative time.

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Kim ♥

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NOURISHING OUR COMMUNITY.

Growing together. ♥

Thank you
for supporting
ROOTED & RISING
and helping
our neighbors
thrive! ♥

Together,
we can
make a
difference! ♥

♥ Thank you for your generosity! ♥



BREAKFAST: ♥

Cereal, instant oatmeal,
grits, granola, etc.



LUNCH: ♥

Canned soup,
Mac n cheese,
rice a roni, etc.



DINNER: ♥

Canned chicken,
tuna, and salmon



EXTRAS: ♥

Salad dressing, seasonings,
hot sauce, cooking oil,
pasta sauce, etc.



HYGIENE ITEMS: ♥

Toilet paper, toothpaste,
bar soap, toothbrushes,
deodorant



Monday – August 31st **Office Open 8:00am - Noon**

- Crosstown Harmony – 6:00pm – Revelation Room

Tuesday – September 1st **Office Open 8:00am - Noon**

- Chair Yoga – 2:30pm – Front Wellness/Youth

Wednesday – September 2nd **Office Open 8:00am - Noon**

Thursday – September 3rd **Office Open 8:00am - Noon**

- Tai Chi – 10:00am – Fellowship Hall
- Mat Yoga – 10:00am – Front Wellness/Youth
- AA Men's Group – 8:00pm – Disciple Room

Friday – September 4th (Pastor Tim's Sabbath) **Office Closed**

Sunday – September 6th

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

Quarterly Mission Partner/Loose Coin Offering: The Gathering of Southeastern Wisconsin

Hospitality Team for Sunday - 09.06.26

Front Door: Tom Curl

West Door: Ann Walker

Narthex: Miss Lynda

Ushers: Marianne Ludwick, Sheryl Cavan, Lynn Greb, John Kachler

Connection: Mary Goens & Judy Down

Liturgist: Tom Raley

Communion Stewards: Lynn Greb, Dianna Haugh, Tom Raley

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 – Church Manager

Danielle Bridges – Director of Music

Tyler Walters – Praise Team Director

Sarah Kwon – Organist/Pianist

Jim Ausprung – Maintenance

Tracey Magyar – MDO Director

Amanda Glassman – MDO Asst Director

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Monday–Thursday:
8:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

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.