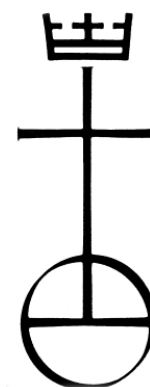


# Union Congregational United Church of Christ



At Union, we are all the body of Christ together:  
Through our voices, Christ is still speaking  
Through our hands, Christ is still serving  
Through our hearts, Christ is still loving



July 18, 2021

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Our sanctuary is equipped with a hearing loop. You can access the loop by activating the T-coil in your hearing aid. If you do not have a T-coil, you can request a portable receiver from an usher.

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# Welcome to Union Church!

- Today's service is being live streamed via Facebook and YouTube.
- During the Children's Moments, the live stream will display a graphic, in order to protect our children's privacy.
- Please see an usher if you would like a children's activity packet.
- Visitors are encouraged to fill out a visitor card at the usher's station or email [office@unionucc.com](mailto:office@unionucc.com) to receive our weekly email newsletter.
- Visitors, if you would like more information about our church, please take home one of the bright yellow "Welcome to Union Church" folders, located at either sanctuary door. If you are having trouble finding them, ask one of our friendly members to help you locate one!

## Communal Responsibility Covenant

As a community, we the people of Union, covenant to strive to do the will of God. That is the context in which we come together to worship. As Union resumes in-person worship (considering the guidance of local, state, and federal authorities, as well as Wisconsin Conference UCC and Wisconsin Council of Churches), it is through personal agreement and mutual accountability to the established safety protocols that we agree to protect each other.

Paying careful attention to how our actions impact the safety of others is one way we can all work together to fulfill the vision of our church to make the Christ spirit dominant in all human relations.

In all things, practice kindness, patience, and love (John 13:34-35). In a time of fear and uncertainty, one way we will be recognized as followers of Jesus is by the way we show love to those around us.

Our collective, resilient effort and sacrifice will be a hallmark of this community, and is the foundation for Union to emerge stronger than ever.

**Stay in Touch with Union Church:** Sign up to receive our Friday emails by emailing the church office ([office@unionucc.com](mailto:office@unionucc.com)) or by selecting "Get our weekly email" under Contact Us on our home page at [www.unionucc.com](http://www.unionucc.com).

***Serving Christ . . . Loving Each . . . Affirming All***

**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

July 18, 2021

10:00 a.m.

(\*) invites all who are able to stand

**GATHERING FOR WORSHIP**

**PRELUDE:**

*"Simple Gifts"*

Wilbur Held

With music and silence we begin worship, praying quietly and opening our hearts to God.

**THE LIFE OF OUR COMMUNITY**

Welcome! Please share Announcements, Ministry Opportunities, Joys and Concerns.

**PRAISING OUR GOD**

**THE BOND OF UNION** (in unison)

***Giving our all as we have been given all...***

**We accept the religion of love and service which Jesus lived and taught, and declare it our purpose to strive to do the will of God, and to make the Christ Spirit dominant in our lives and in all human relations.**

**\*GATHERING PRAYER** (in unison)

**God of perseverance and blessing and healing, pour out your Spirit amidst this celebration, that we might have the chance to breathe in your goodness and grace. Nourish us once more. Grant us occasions to rest in the comfort of your embrace, that we might be rejuvenated to share your love, justice, and hope. With Jesus, who modeled holy rest, we pray. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (in unison)

**Holy One, it is so tempting to allow our state of mind to pull us under. All too often, life-draining patterns seem to get the best of us, or we lean on control as a strategy to keep what we fear at bay. Hear our prayers of confession. Remind us once again that control is most often an illusion, that rest and healthy boundaries are two of your tools as we seek to love our neighbors as ourselves. Shore up our courage when we feel like we might surrender. Bolster our creativity when we feel stuck in lifeless ways. In your steadfast name we pray. Amen.**

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON (in unison)

**Let us find comfort in God's promise that "neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."  
(Romans 8:38-39).**

\* PASSING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

(Please turn and offer a sign of Christ's peace to one another.)

\* HYMN NO. 400:

*"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"*  
(see page 5)

REGENT SQUARE  
The New Century Hymnal

## **PROCLAIMING GOD'S GOOD NEWS**

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea; though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of this city; it shall not be overthrown; God shall be our help at the break of day.

The nations make much ado, and the dominions are shaken; God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold. Come now and look upon the works of the Lord, what awesome things God has done on earth.

It is God who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire. "Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

## CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Children are invited to gather on the chancel steps and bring their offering.

Following Children's Moments, all children are welcome to remain in worship.

Activity bags with crayons, etc. are available from an usher.

SPECIAL MUSIC:

*"Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing"*

Haley Steele, vocalist  
based on an American folk tune  
by John Wyeth (arr. Walters)

## GOSPEL READING:

Mark 6:30-34

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. Jesus said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. So they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves.

Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As Jesus went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

## THE SERMON:

Rev. Bridget Flad Daniels

## RESPONDING IN FAITH

### HYMN NO. 252:

*"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"*  
(see page 6)

BRADBURY  
The New Century Hymnal

## THE PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please join us in praying the Lord's Prayer in these words or a translation meaningful to you.  
**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## THE OFFERING

Offertory:

*"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

setting by Michael Burkhardt

\*Praise Response

*"Amen, We Praise Your Name, O God"*

*S.C. Molefe, South Africa    Arr. Dave Dargie    From the Lumko Songbook*

(Sing a - men:) A - men, we praise your name, O God. (Sing a - men:)

A - men, we praise your name, O God. (Sing a - men:) A - men, a - men,

a - men, a - men, A - men, we praise your name, O God.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

In this company of your beloved, Dear God, we find our inheritance – the deep richness of your grace. With this company of your beloved, we dedicate our gifts, so that others might be able to experience the love and freedom of Christ. May these offerings, and all of the ways we live our faith, put flesh on God's love. Amen.

**SENT INTO ALL THE WORLD**

\*HYMN NO. 82:

*"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"*  
(see page 7)

AR HYD Y NOS  
The New Century Hymnal

\*THE BENEDICTION

*"May the Sending One Defend You"*

NORRIS



1. May the Send - ing One de - fend you, May the
2. May the Giv - en One re - trieve you, May the
3. May the Bind - ing One u - nite you, May the



Seek - ing One a - mend you, May the Keep - ing One be -  
Gift - ed One re - lieve you, May the Giv - ing One re -  
One Be - loved in - vite you, May the Lov - ing One de -



friend you, in your glad - ness and in your griev - ing.  
ceive you, in your fall - ing and your re - stor - ing.  
light you, Three - in - One, joy in life un - end - ing.

POSTLUDE:

*"Toccata in Seven"*

John Rutter

Thanks to all who helped lead today's service including  
our reader **Kathy Baldwin**, our cantor **Haley Steele**,  
and **Cheryl Myers** who offered our Children's Moments.

Today's Prayer of Confession is modified from Liturgies That Matter by enfleshed,  
and our Prayer of Dedication is modified from Lectionary Liturgies by Thom Shuman.

## Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

*Eph. 2:20-22; 1 Pet. 2:4-7**Latin, 6th-8th century**Transl. John Mason Neale, 1851; alt.**St. 3 adapt. Thomas H. Troeger, 1992*

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and cor - ner-stone,  
 2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O God of Hosts, to - day!



chos - en of our God and pre-cious, bind - ing all the Church in one;  
 With your con-stant, lov - ing kind-ness hear your peo - ple as they pray.



Ho - ly Zi - on's help for-ev - er, and our con - fi - dence a - lone.  
 Give your full - est ben - e - dic - tion: grace to fol - low Christ the Way.



Tune: REGENT SQUARE 8.7.8.7.8.7.

*Henry T. Smart, 1867*

Alternate tune: WESTMINSTER ABBEY



# Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

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Attrib. to Dorothy A. Thrupp (1779–1847)  
From Hymns for the Young, 1836; alt.

Tune: BRADBURY 8.7.8.7.D.  
William B. Bradbury, 1859

John 10:1–29

1 Sav-ior, like a shep-herd lead us, much we need your ten - der care;  
2 We are yours, in love be - friend us, be the guard-ian of our way;

in your pleas - ant pas-tures feed us, for our use your folds pre-pare.  
keep your flock, from sin de - fend us, seek us when we go a - stray.

Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us, yours we are;  
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray;

Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us, yours we are.  
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray.



## Go, My Children, with My Blessing

Tune: AR HYD Y NOS  
8.4.8.4.8.8.8.4.  
Traditional Welsh melody

Jaroslav J. Vajda, 1983, 1990; alt.




1 Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, nev - er a - lone;  
2 Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos - er to me;



Wak - ing, sleep-ing, I am with you, you are my own;  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for - ev - er,  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here with ten - der com - fort stilled you;



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own.  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour-ished, joy - ful and free.

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## Weekly Planner

July 19 — 24

### **Wednesday:**

8:00 a.m. Wednesday Weeders

### **Saturday:**

8:00 a.m. Saturday Snippers

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### **NEXT SUNDAY: July 25** **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

10:00 a.m. Worship in the sanctuary OR  
stream it online

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## Union Congregational United Church of Christ

Union Congregational United Church of Christ is an **Open and Affirming Congregation**. We are a Christian fellowship where diverse perspectives may live together in the Spirit of Christ and where all persons are precious children of God without qualification or discrimination because of ability, age, ethnicity, gender, race, or sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.

## Union Central

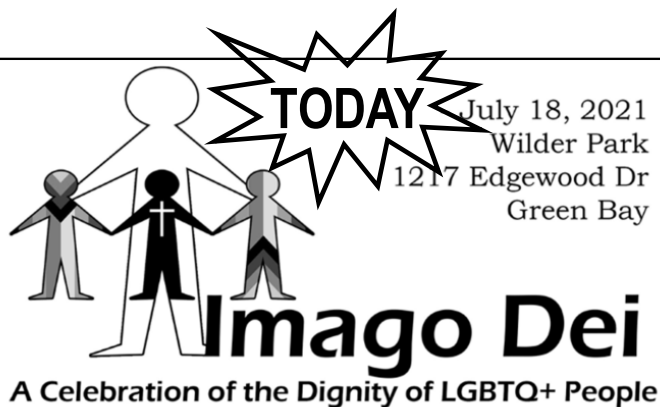
We encourage you to participate in our Christian ministry today! Sign-up sheets for activities are located on clipboards at Union Central. Union Central is located inside the entrance to Pilgrim Hall on the second floor of our building. Opportunities include offering a Children's Sermon, bringing altar flowers, and signing up to help with our Wednesday night dinners.

## Our Church Staff

Senior Minister..... Bridget Flad Daniels  
Administrative Assistant..... Eric Goska  
Financial Secretary..... Katerina Catteruccia  
Building & Maintenance Supervisor.. Christopher Nikolai  
Music Director..... Seong-Kyung Graham  
Organist..... Ray Thompson  
Handbell Ensemble Director..... Linda Cook  
Youth Music Director..... Melissa Heffernan  
Librarian..... Cathy Putman  
Audio Coordinator..... Tom Towill

### Nursery Attendants:

Kathy Johnson, Sylvia Garrido, Jenna Stevens



**Ecumenical Christian Worship**  
1:00 pm

**Cookout+ BBQ**  
2:00 pm

### Participating Congregations

Union Congregational United Church of Christ  
First Congregational United Church of Christ  
Pilgrim Congregational Church  
OUT|LOUD @ St. Norbert College Parish

**Do You Like to Cook?  
Do You Have Recipes to Try?**



We are looking to schedule cooks for our fall Faith Formation activities on Wednesday nights. Meals can be customized to your liking. If you are a frozen pizza kind of cook, we need you. If you like to create meals from scratch, we need you. The guidelines are:

- Stay within the allotted budget
- Prepare meal evening of or can be frozen and left with directions as how to complete prior to serving
- Be able to estimate amount of food for approximately 30 people
- Can volunteer every week, once a month, or as often as you like

Please consider serving in this capacity! The smiles on the faces of your guests will be so rewarding!! Contact Traci Briggs [honeybug619@sbcglobal.net](mailto:honeybug619@sbcglobal.net) to sign up or to learn more.



## **Mark Your Calendars: Dick Lathrop Memorial All-Church Retreat September 10-12, 2021**

Our All-Church Retreat is a weekend of fun, fellowship, and reflection. It is a great place to worship, discuss, and enjoy camaraderie with friends of all ages. At this time, we're HOPING that it will be healthy for us to gather for this beloved Union tradition.

The retreat takes place at Moon Beach Camp which is in St. Germain just west of Eagle River.

This year's program will focus on opportunities to catch up and get to know one another, since we've been isolated from one another for so long. Camp staff will once again offer a program for our children Saturday morning at the same time as the adult session.

Cost for the retreat is \$145 per adult and \$25 per child. Financial aid is available (talk to Pastor Bridget). Contact the church office to sign up or learn more.

**JOIN US FOR JOSHUA'S**  
Justice Organization Sharing Hope & United for Action

# **PINTS FOR A PURPOSE AT ZAMBALDI'S**

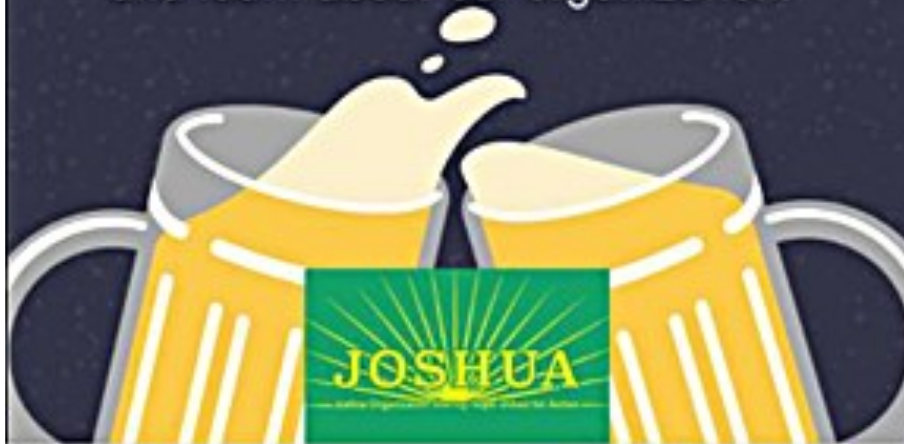
Enjoy a night out for a good cause!

**JULY 27TH, 2021**

**4 PM TO 7 PM**

**1649 S WEBSTER AVE,  
GREEN BAY, WI 54301**

For every pint of beer sold, Zambaldi's  
will donate \$1 to JOSHUA. Come join us  
and learn about our organization.



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