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OF CHRIST

# Chimes



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*Inviting ALL to follow Jesus in faith & action*



Be kind and  
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to one another,  
forgiving each  
other, just as  
in Christ God  
forgave you.

Ephesians 4:32 (NIV)

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## Interested In **CHURCH MEMBERSHIP?**

If you are interested in joining Zwingli UCC, please contact the Church Office. All are welcome to become part of this faith community.



## Church Office Hours

**Monday–Friday**

**8 a.m.–12 p.m.**

**Closed Holidays**

These are scheduled open office hours. Other hours are available by calling **608-938-4369.**

## Important Online Offerings For You



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[www.zwingliucc.com](http://www.zwingliucc.com) - This **Website** has all you need to know about Zwingli United Church of Christ, programs offered, current newsletter and videos, and devotionals as well as information on all things Zwingli!



**Zwingli United Church of Christ (Monticello)** – Type this in your **Facebook** search bar and enter the world of Zwingli UCC. Our timeline has had all manner of things and ideas that are Zwingli related posts!



The Pastor is in – Call 828-817-9055 to speak with the Pastor!!!! You can also text message at the same number! **Email:** [mtpreach.59@gmail.com](mailto:mtpreach.59@gmail.com) or [zwingliuccmonticello@gmail.com](mailto:zwingliuccmonticello@gmail.com)

## Our Way Out

While in London, Timothy Merrill was intrigued that signs with arrows read **WAY OUT**, rather than **EXIT**, as they do in America. “Everywhere I went, I saw signs that showed me the **WAY OUT**,” he writes. That made him ponder all the Bible characters who looked for a **WAY OUT** of predicaments.



Moses looked for a **WAY OUT** of Egypt, Daniel certainly wanted a **WAY OUT** of the lions’ den, countless people thought (and still think) there’s no **WAY OUT** from their sins.



“The good news of the Gospel,” Merrill writes, “is that **Jesus Christ is the WAY OUT!** He is our exit from the messes and disasters we create. He is the exit from sin and unrighteousness. **HE IS THE WAY OUT** of a life without purpose and the **WAY IN** to an abundant life. And the symbol of the **WAY OUT** is not an arrow but a cross. What a blessing to know that **Jesus knows — and is — the WAY OUT!**”

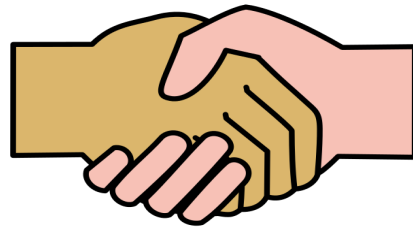




WOW, this Pastor's column is tough sometimes! I have to think/predict what the world will look like a month from now! Our deadline for the "Chimes" Newsletter comes in the middle of the month. It seems harder and harder to think what is coming next. How can I write something today and it be relevant 15 days from now! As you may have noticed, a lot can happen in 15

days! I have found my crystal ball to be useless since about February, 2020. It seems we wake up to something new, something world shaking, or culture shaking each day. Praise God for the last few weeks. We are now able to see a glimmer of hope for all the things we took for granted before the pandemic.

Today, I heard someone talking about all the things that we may never be able to do again! Like Eeyore, they were stating; "O brother,... we may never see Potluck Dinners again, and hand-shaking, and oh my,... hugs I think will be gone forever." Why do we treat the things we miss this way as if they are gone forever, as if our quality of life is totally diminished? What we think and what



we say tends to dictate what we are feeling and what we surround ourselves with. It seems we don't notice the darkness that seems to creep in when we think in negative terms! It feels so good to bellyache especially when we have two or more people to bellyache with. We love to commiserate with each other and get "down and dirty" with the complaints. I know this because I

love a good "WHINE" with my fellow humans!

But positivity comes a lot harder and I think I know why. It's because we have to think outside of ourselves. We have to think about the blessings that have happened to all of us and have faith in the blessings to come! Jesus tells us that; "Wherever two or more are gathered, there I will be also."



Hmmm... I wonder if Jesus' perspective on the pandemic would be one of mourning and negativity or if he would be looking to what could be, or more likely, what "we will it to be" with our attitudes?

John the Baptist says in John 3:  
"He must increase, but I must decrease."

Hmmm! What if our conversations went more along the lines of - WOW, we have been blessed! This vaccine is making a huge difference! Praise God we are able to come together a little more! Praise God we did not lose many people in the scourge of the virus that is going around! Hmmm... What can we do now to make a difference in our communities and our world! What if we made room for the positivity of Christ to enter into our conversations! What if we celebrate each step we achieve toward re-entering a world of **TOGETHER**. How would that affect our planning,... our daily lives?

I don't mean to sound like a Pollyanna, but I have seen God at work in our lives and in our community! We have seen the Christ striving to help others acquire needed supplies during the lockdown! We have seen abundance in the face of desolation! We have seen the positive power of God working through the hands of the members of the medical field, scientists, doctors, nurses, caregivers, and support staff. We have also felt the presence of truckers, teachers, and public service workers all making great strides to serve others and provide for us during this dark time.

I guess we all need a little Eeyore time!!! As long as it is a little! If we focus on darkness, darkness will be the outcome! If we focus on life, love, and abundance, then that picture will become even clearer. He must increase, but I must decrease."

I pray that you feel the blessings of the Creator and the Great Comforter as you walk this part of the journey! Amen.

Peace, Pastor Lance



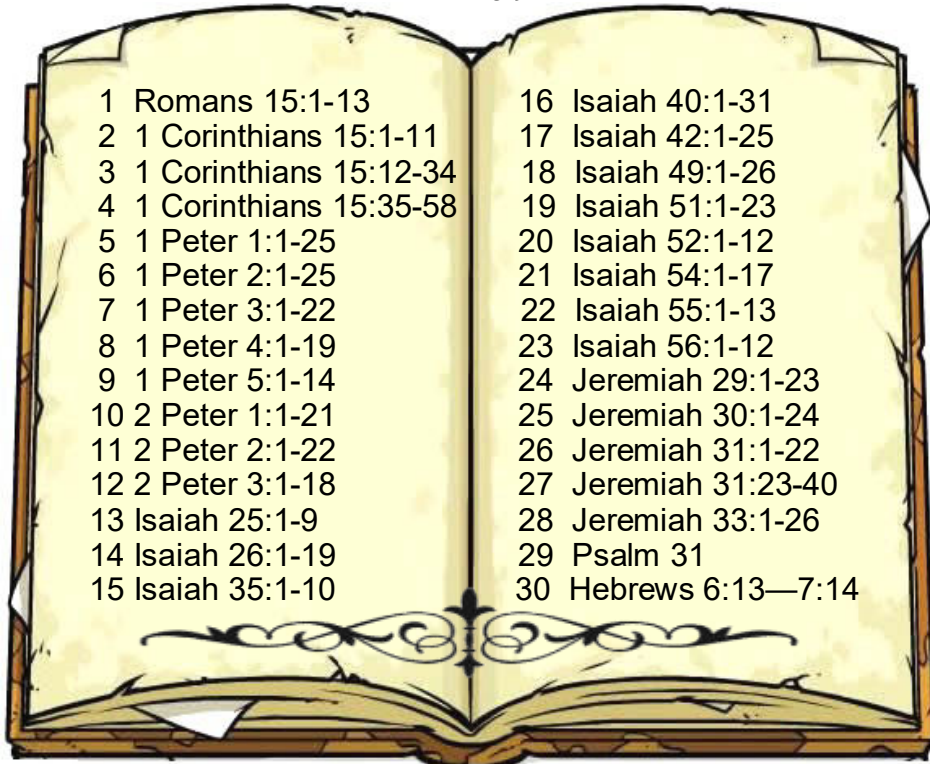
"Rest is not idleness,  
and to lie sometimes on the grass  
under the trees on a summer's day, listening  
to the murmur of water, or watching the clouds float  
across the sky, is by no means a waste of time.

John Lubbock



## Daily Bible Reading

“...Draw near and hear the words of the Lord your God.”  
Joshua 3:9



### OPEN THE DOOR

We seem to have lost touch with the God of surprises. We forget that he is always up to something wondrous and unexpected where you and I are concerned. He taps on our heart's door, waiting for us to open up and discover what he holds for us. If we manage to hear his knock, sometimes what we find is almost unbearably



precious. It turns out to be the one thing we need most in life, or as my daughter Ann used to say, “the onliest thing,” meaning there is nothing more splendid in the universe.

Sue Monk Kidd, *God's Joyful Surprise*



## Worship Opportunities

The doors are OPEN to In-Sanctuary Worship!!

Join us on **May 23 ~ May 30 ~ June 6**  
**June 13 ~ June 27 ~ July 4**

@ 9:15 A.M. for Worship IN ZWINGLI CHURCH.

Watch for the July “Chimes” with an updated schedule.



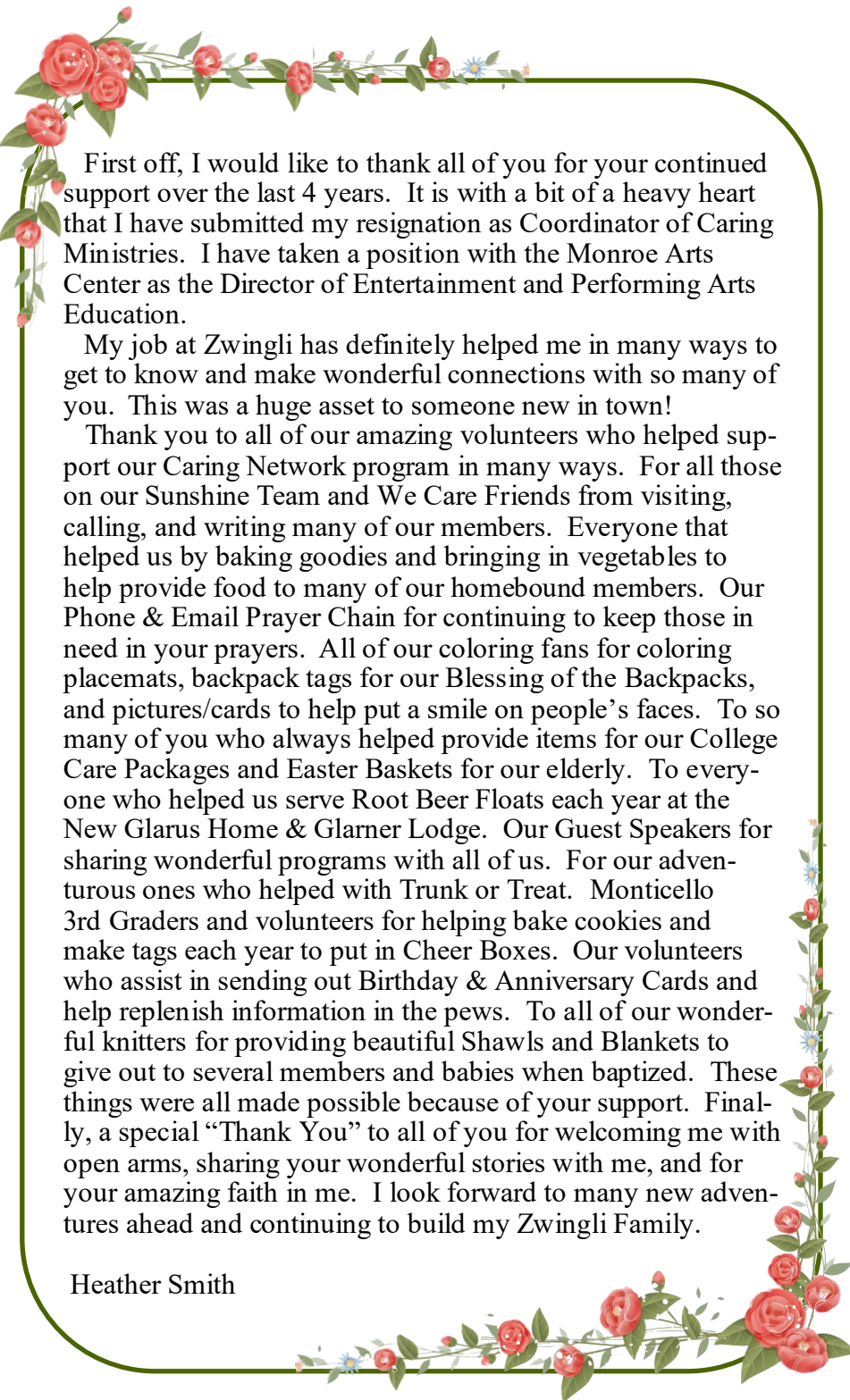
Please remember, the Third Sunday of the month is Drive-In Sunday!!!!



**Service starts @ 9:15 a.m.**  
**in Zwingli's Parking Lot!**  
**Listen to the service**  
**from the comfort and**  
**safety of your car!**

Once a month we will meet in the Parking Lot for an exciting Drive-In Service.





First off, I would like to thank all of you for your continued support over the last 4 years. It is with a bit of a heavy heart that I have submitted my resignation as Coordinator of Caring Ministries. I have taken a position with the Monroe Arts Center as the Director of Entertainment and Performing Arts Education.

My job at Zwingli has definitely helped me in many ways to get to know and make wonderful connections with so many of you. This was a huge asset to someone new in town!

Thank you to all of our amazing volunteers who helped support our Caring Network program in many ways. For all those on our Sunshine Team and We Care Friends from visiting, calling, and writing many of our members. Everyone that helped us by baking goodies and bringing in vegetables to help provide food to many of our homebound members. Our Phone & Email Prayer Chain for continuing to keep those in need in your prayers. All of our coloring fans for coloring placemats, backpack tags for our Blessing of the Backpacks, and pictures/cards to help put a smile on people's faces. To so many of you who always helped provide items for our College Care Packages and Easter Baskets for our elderly. To everyone who helped us serve Root Beer Floats each year at the New Glarus Home & Glarner Lodge. Our Guest Speakers for sharing wonderful programs with all of us. For our adventurous ones who helped with Trunk or Treat. Monticello 3rd Graders and volunteers for helping bake cookies and make tags each year to put in Cheer Boxes. Our volunteers who assist in sending out Birthday & Anniversary Cards and help replenish information in the pews. To all of our wonderful knitters for providing beautiful Shawls and Blankets to give out to several members and babies when baptized. These things were all made possible because of your support. Finally, a special "Thank You" to all of you for welcoming me with open arms, sharing your wonderful stories with me, and for your amazing faith in me. I look forward to many new adventures ahead and continuing to build my Zwingli Family.

Heather Smith

## Exciting Opportunity

Do YOU have a passion for  
*Caring for Others?*

Are YOU in touch with the  
Community events and needs?

Are YOU organized and like  
coordinating events?

We are in search of You!

We are looking for a  
Director of our Caring Network.

This is a paid, part-time position.  
If interested, reach out to Sheri Wichser  
@ (608) 575-7175 for more details or  
email her at [sawix6886@gmail.com](mailto:sawix6886@gmail.com).



*Caring for Others*

# June Birthdays



- 01 Roger Gempeler  
Dwayne Godfrey  
Dylen Weber
- 02 Roann Austin  
Carol Moser  
Korbin Timm
- 03 Dayne Jacobson
- 04 Jacob Gafner  
Jacob Karlen  
Carol Zimmerman
- 06 Gordon Schultz  
Dan Stenbroten
- 07 Barbara Duerst  
Adam Gaff  
Nicholas Roe
- 08 Gloria Godfrey  
Wendi Mellem  
Marlyn Wahl
- 10 Bruce Briggs  
Darren Luchsinger  
Chad Ringhand
- 12 Paul Risley
- 13 Cinda Field  
Kimberly Indergand  
Shyla Perez  
Bradley Schilder
- 14 Chris Bowman
- 15 Harvey Kubly  
Brittany Mellem
- 16 Bonnie Arnoldussen  
Glen Spring




- 17 Paul Fenner  
Will Fenner  
Clarence Pluss  
Helen Wettach
- 18 Judy Disrud-Pickett  
Wesley Krupke  
Dora Pegel
- 19 Jesse Wettach
- 20 Sarah Blumer  
Juli Gempeler  
Jackie Holcomb  
Morgan Kleeman  
Larry Schmid  
Mary Strause  
Madeline Twarog  
Amanda Zuber
- 22 Ross Weeden
- 23 Kelsey Beckwith  
Brenda Ringhand
- 24 Eric Appel
- 25 Karen Brugger  
Judy Holcomb  
Hayden Turner
- 26 Grant Grossen
- 27 Florence Hefty  
Dana Brandl
- 28 Cloe Arnoldussen  
Benjamin Koester
- 29 Anthony Babler  
Irving Kubly  
Jerry Pederson  
Ashley Twarog
- 30 Katelyn Kleeman

# June Anniversaries



- 14 Heidi & Eric Kassebaum
- 15 James & Linda Marty
- 23 LaVerne & Sharon Rosenstiel
- 25 Steve & Jackie Holcomb
- 27 Tim & Sheri Wichser  
John & Kris Zanoya
- 28 Robert & Christine Meier



**GIVE BLOOD  
SAVE LIFE**

***June Blood Drive***

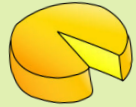
The second  
**Monticello Community  
Blood Drive for 2021**  
will be held on **Friday,  
June 25th, 2021**, in  
**Fellowship Hall at Zwingli  
United Church of Christ**  
in **Monticello** from  
**12 noon to 5 p.m.**

An appointment is strongly recommended. All the time slots were filled and waiting times were short at the February Drive. Completing **Rapid Pass** speeds up the donation process. Eat foods high in iron prior to donating. **Please wear a face mask.** Remember, each donation can help three people.

Stay safe and well. We hope to see many of you on **June 25th** as the need for blood is always ongoing. Thank you for being a donor.



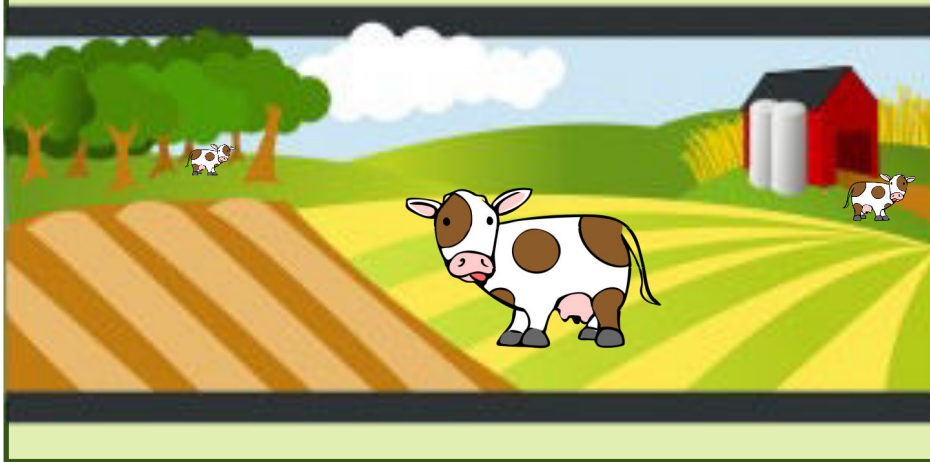
# Crowning Monticello's



## Dairy Queen



This Outdoor Event Takes Place  
On Friday, June 11 @ 7:00 p.m.  
In Zwingli UCC's Parking Lot!!



### No Boundaries

Love is a commitment to seek the good and to work for the good and welfare of others. It doesn't stop at our front door or our neighborhood, our religion or race, or our state's or [our] country's border. This is one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth, as the hymn goes. It often calls us to step outside of what we thought our boundaries were, or what others expect of us. It calls for us to sacrifice, not because doing so feels good, but because it's the right thing to do.



Bishop Michael Curry, *Love Is the Way*

## Several Ways To Give To The Church

Set up your Church giving contribution using your **Bank's online bill pay feature!** You decide the amount, the date you want it sent, and finish making the contribution.



**ONLINE GIVING**  
*Made Easy*

Information you will need:

Your Checking Account Number

Make Payment To:

Zwingli United Church of Christ

Your Giving Envelope Number

416 E. Lake Ave., PO Box 97

Monticello, WI 53570 608-938-4369

Email: [zwingliuccmonticello@gmail.com](mailto:zwingliuccmonticello@gmail.com)

Website: [www.zwingliucc.com](http://www.zwingliucc.com)

**OR** - Go to our **Website** and click on the hand to bring you to the **giving page**.



**Credit/Debit** - Click on Give button below for **Credit/Debit options**.

**GIVE**



**OR** - Checks Can Be Mailed to:  
Zwingli United Church of Christ  
PO Box 97  
Monticello, WI 53570

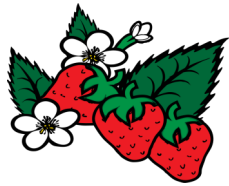
**OR** - Drop off your Donation in the Drop Box at the East Entrance to the Church.

**If you are using Online Banking or Credit/Debit please call Susan Hefty at 608-938-9039 and let her know!! Thank You So Much!!!!**



**Covid-19 year 2021**

6 9:15am Worship in Zwingli



7 Remember To Water Your Plants!!!!



8 6:30pm Zoom Gathering



9 Mid-Week Devotional & Story Time Online Both Available After 11am 2pm Zoom Bible Study 6pm Finance 6:30pm Consistory



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11 7pm AA Meeting 7pm Monticello Dairy Queen Crowning (Outdoor)

12 9:30am Brotherhood



13 9:15am Worship in Zwingli



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15 6:30pm Zoom Gathering



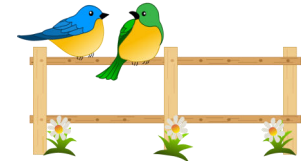
16 Mid-Week Devotional & Story Time Online Both Available After 11am 2pm Zoom Bible Study

17 "Chimes" Info Due



18 7pm AA Meeting

19 Chat With A Friend



20 9:15am Outdoor Worship @ Zwingli – Happy Father's Day



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22 6:30pm Zoom Gathering



23 Mid-Week Devotional & Story Time Online Both Available After 11am 2pm Zoom Bible Study

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25 12noon—5pm Blood Drive 7pm AA Meeting

26 9am Building & Grounds

27 9:15am Worship in Zwingli



28 Plant Carrots For The Bunnies



29 6:30pm Zoom Gathering



30 Mid-Week Devotional & Story Time Online Both Available After 11am 2pm Zoom Bible Study

**Dates and times subject to change**

