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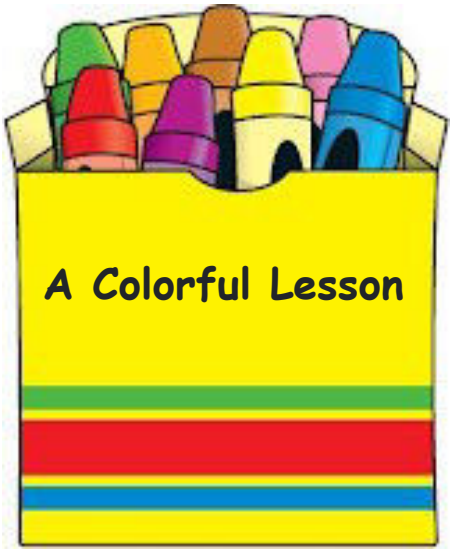


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Inviting ALL to follow Jesus in faith & action

We could learn a lot from
crayons: Some are sharp,
some are pretty,
some are dull,
some have weird names,
and all are different colors ...
but they all exist very nicely
together in the same box.

Robert Fulghum

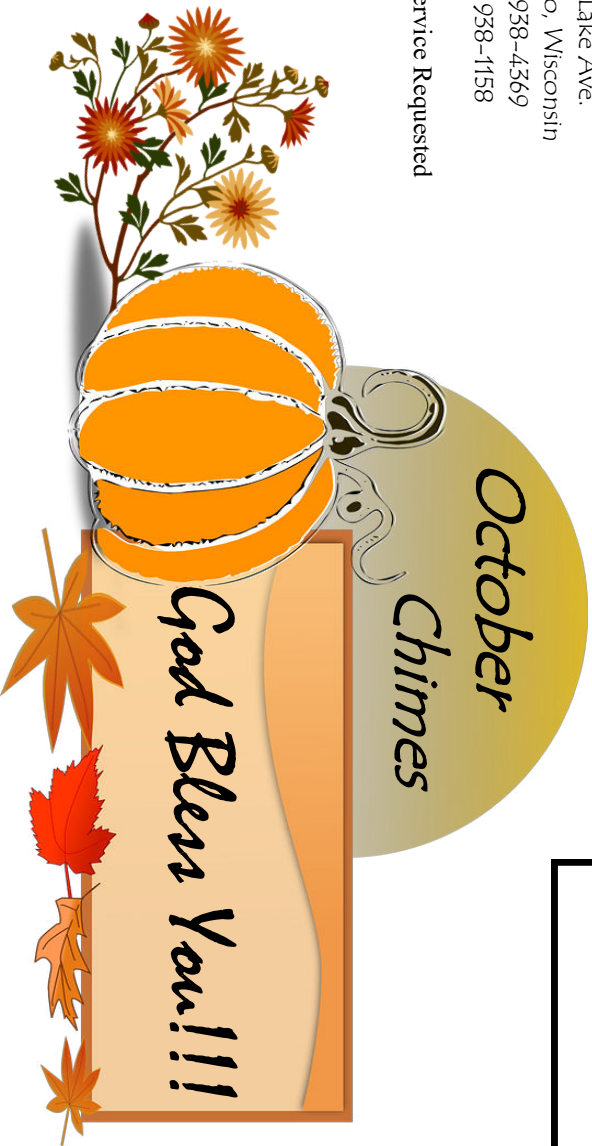


A Colorful Lesson

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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.



“Have patience with all things, but chiefly have patience with yourself.”

St. Francis de Sales

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



https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzwwZLdGT03Us3IFvINLibg?view_as=subscriber – This is our **YouTube Channel**. Most of the videos we have recorded are found here! If you subscribe to this channel, you will get email notifications of newly posted videos. Many smart TVs are able to stream this channel as well.



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 or zwingliuccmonticello@gmail.com



Grace strikes us when we are in great pain and restlessness. It strikes us when we walk through the dark valley of a meaningless and empty life. It strikes us when our disgust for our own being, our indifference, our weakness, our hostility, and our lack of direction and composure have become intolerable to us. It strikes us when, year after year, the longed-for perfection of life does not appear, when the old compulsions reign within us as they have for decades, when despair destroys all joy and courage. Sometimes at that moment a wave of light breaks into our darkness, and it is as though a voice were saying: **“You are accepted.”**
Paul Tillich

Message From The Pastor



I have been swimming each morning at the Green County YMCA, rolling out at 5 am, a quick walk with the dog, and then off to the YMCA for a swim. I swim laps, although I am not very good or fast. I tend to let my mind wander and think about scriptures and ideas and concepts as I slowly travel from one end of the pool to the other. I love the feel of the water as it parts above me and wraps around my entire form. Yesterday I thought how this scene would make a great illustration for a devotion! The **Waters of Life**, how we are born of water and how we are reborn in the **Water of Baptism**.



Water is one of the most basic components of life on the planet. Water touches every aspect of our lives from start to finish. Our breathing, our structure, our food, our clothing, our waste cycles all depend on water. Did you know water is a transformative element? It turns rocks into canyons and land into deltas and wetlands. The flow of water seeking the lowest place to rest powers our turbines to create energy, waters our crops, fills our oceans.

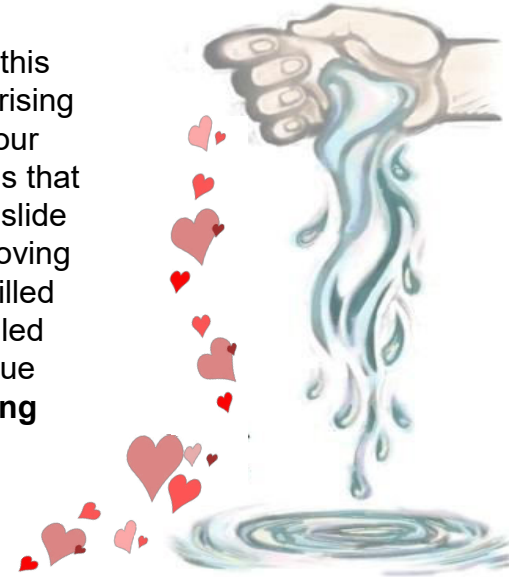
And here in the pool at the YMCA, the water is transforming me. I am getting healthier with each stroke. I feel the muscles in my arms and shoulders slowly waking from their slumber. With each stroke I hear the words: **“You must be born again!”** I think about that phrase as I stroke past the half-way point in my swim time! We are currently changing and adapting, being reborn and transformed from a pile of nutrients and minerals into a flesh bearing being who can hug, help, and care!

Hmmm.... The **Waters of Creation**, the **Waters of Life**, the **Waters of Transformation** and **Rebirth!** I pray you feel the transforming power of the Christ at work in your life reanimating and inspiring you to be the image bearer of a loving, caring God!



I pray as you pass through this life you will feel the strength rising in your muscles as well as your heart. I pray that all the things that are resistant to your journey slide past you and wrap you in a loving embrace! I pray your life is filled with juicy, watery, emotion filled days. I pray we will all continue to be transformed in the **Living Water!** Amen.

Peace, Pastor Lance



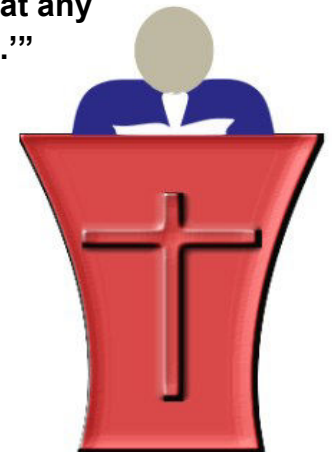
A Lesson In Appreciation

During a Church Anniversary Celebration, a Pastor overheard a group discussing various congregational leaders over the years. Her ears perked up when an older member said,

“Whenever someone asks which of our Pastors I liked best, my answer is always, ‘The one we have at any given time is my favorite.’”

What a relief for the Pastor to hear — and what a great lesson for **Pastor Appreciation Month.**

God sends each shepherd to us with a specific set of spiritual gifts and then works through those gifts to bless us.





Coordinator of Caring Ministries.



I am so blessed to have this position as Coordinator of Caring Ministries. I meet more people each week and several faces are becoming familiar to me. I appreciate it when you greet me and share your name with me right away so I am not distracted from what you are saying by trying to recall your name.

It has been my pleasure to present backpack luggage tags to the students and an inspirational book, key chain, and bookmark to School Staff. I also learned more about our Shawl Ministry as I prepared to present a Baptismal Afghan to Hudson Weeden.

Pastor Lance and I participated in the Car Parade at the New Glarus Nursing Home Complex in honor of Grandparents' Day. It was a nice day for a Car Parade and several of the residents were outside waving their hands and smiling.

I met with all three divisions of the Caring Network; Prayer Chain, Sunshine Team, and We Care Friends. We were able to discuss goals for the Caring Network as we hope to increase activity as much as possible within the limitations of the pandemic. Those in attendance helped me understand the history and effectiveness of the various missions of the Caring Network; College Care Packages, Meal Ministry, and additional ways we can reach out to those to whom we are ministering.

October brings a change in the weather and the end of our Produce Share Crop Table. Thank you to all who provided fresh produce. We enjoyed a variety of God's bounty so cloth bags were available to take their treats home.

Cindi Ritter



World Communion Sunday October 3rd, 2021

In 1936, a group of Pastors launched World-Wide Communion Day. Amid the Great Depression, they were looking for a way to meet people's spiritual needs and unite Christians in their dedication to Christ.

The observance, now known as World Communion Sunday, is held on the first Sunday of October. For decades, it has served as a reminder that Christians around the globe share the same meal in remembrance of Jesus.



Confirmation Parent/Student/Pastor Meeting Sunday, October 3rd

Confirmation is a very special time in a person's life where they are actually choosing to accept or reaffirm the Baptism vows made for them when they were an infant. Confirmation class is the point where we discuss and understand what it means to be a Christian and a follower of Christ. It is also the time when we join not only Zwingli Church, but the Universal Christian faith. Youth 7th Grade and above are invited to attend some very special classes to help us understand the basis for the Christian walk.

There will be a Confirmation meeting (10:30 am) following the Worship Service where we can look at the syllabus for the Confirmation Class complete with the list of requirements and a schedule of when activities and classes are offered! Parents and youth, please plan to attend!

As always, please contact Pastor Lance if you have questions or concerns and he will be glad to talk with you!





October Blood Drive

The third and final **Monticello Community Blood Drive for 2021** will be held on **Friday, October 15th, 2021**, in **Fellowship Hall at Zwingli United Church of Christ in Monticello** from **noon to 5 p.m.**

An appointment is strongly recommended. 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 **October 15th** as the need for blood is always ongoing. Thank you for being a donor.

Thank you everyone!!

Thank you to everyone who sent a card, made a phone call, or came to my Birthday Party. I had a wonderful Birthday thanks to so many great friends and family!!

God's Blessings to all, Don Halvorsen



Zwingli's Blessing of the Animals Service



St. Francis of Assisi, known for his affection for animals, is honored in October. Some congregations observe the day by blessing pets, remembering that God pronounced animals — along with all creation — good. God saved not only Noah's family but animals of all kinds from the Flood. And despite Jonah's protests, God had compassion on Nineveh — "and [its] many animals" (Jonah 4:11). How intriguing that the prophet adds this point!

Care for all living creatures is clearly part of the divine character. Animals don't do anything to earn God's favor except be themselves. From this, we can learn that God pours out love unconditionally. As Psalm 36:6 (CEV) declares,

"All people and animals are under your care."



Blessing of the Animals will be at our Drive-In Service Sunday, October 17th

Come join us @ 9:15 am in Zwingli's Parking Lot. BRING YOUR DOGS, CATS, COWS, BIRDS, SHEEP, & OTHER PETS.

All People and animals are welcome!!



Brotherhood Southern Style,
Hardwood Smoked, Pulled Pork BBQ Dinner

Come Join us for an
"All American" favorite
1/3lb Smoked, Pulled Pork BBQ Served with
Roll, Creamy White Slaw, and BBQ Beans

Saturday
October 23
11am -2pm

Suggested Donation

\$10

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Convenient
Drive -Thru
Pick up



Zwingli's
TRUNK OR TREAT

It's That Time Of Year!!!

We are looking for
Candy Donations to pass
out to Trick or Treaters

Trunk or Treat will follow
Monticello's Halloween observation.
(Check our Facebook page for day & time)

We will accept donations of
individually wrapped candy in
the basket by the East Entrance.

We encourage you to start thinking
about how you want to decorate your
car or truck trunk. Let's see how many
cars we can gather to bring some fun
to kids of all ages.



Join Us!!

The right side of the flyer features a Halloween-themed illustration. At the top, a yellow circle contains the text "Zwingli's TRUNK OR TREAT" in a stylized font. Below this, the text "It's That Time Of Year!!!" is written in a playful font. The main body of text describes the event and encourages candy donations. The illustration shows a green car trunk decorated with a colorful bunting banner. Inside the trunk are several baskets filled with candy. In front of the trunk are a purple candy basket, a large orange pumpkin, and a stalk of yellow corn. A small black spider is visible near the pumpkin. The background is a light gray with a spiderweb in the top right corner.



*All Saints' Day will be observed
Sunday, October 31st*

Join us for this special service when we lovingly remember those who have gone before us.

Join Us For Super Sunday
As We CELEBRATE

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We will meet on Sunday,
October 31st @ 2 pm
AT the New Glarus Woods



Help us uncover
the mystery of
Transformation!

Everyone Is Welcome!!! Kids—bring an adult
and join us for this special event!!

Hands of Change Youth Service Project

Join the fun each Monday afternoon that Monticello Schools are in session. We travel to a different service site each week and find out how rewarding and exciting it is to help make this world a better place. This program is for youth Grade 6 and above. For more information about the program or how you can help, contact Pastor Lance.

Neighbors in Need Offering

Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a special mission offering of the UCC that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States.

Zwingli Church has designated October as **Neighbors in Need Month**. If you would like to donate, please make your check out to Zwingli UCC and write NIN Offering on the memo line. Mail it to: **Zwingli United Church of Christ**
PO Box 97, Monticello, WI 53570

Thank you for supporting Our Church's Wider Mission.
All children have the right to simply be children...

'I'm telling the solemn truth: Whenever you did one of these things to someone overlooked or ignored, that was me — you did it to me.'

Matthew 25:40 (The Message)





October

BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Peter Gafner
Julie Grossnickle
Gregory Kleeman
Ryan Pelletier
- 03 Amanda Gilbertson
Nancy Karlen
Zachary Turner
- 05 Brian Briggs
Tim Wichser
- 06 John J. Baebler
Allan Hefty
- 07 Victoria Boley
William Moser
Marilyn Trumpy
- 08 Doug Hilliard
Tanya Kammes
Matthew Marty
- 09 Patty Gempeler
- 10 Nicki Schlapbach
Keith Von Der Heide
- 11 Keith Christen
Kathy Hefty
- 12 Shianne Broughton
Barb Getman
- 14 Danielle Bowman
Daniel Broughton
Dan Legros
Derek Schwoerer
- 17 Susan Sherman



- 18 Addison Disch
Desirae Signer
- 19 Lawrence Balleine
Ian Schwartzlow
- 20 Ann Trumpy
- 22 Dave Blum
Bonnie Garfoot
Cindy Lederman
Ruth Marty
Abigail Vachavake
- 23 Angela Zimmerman
- 24 Anna Marie Davison
Gary Davison
- 25 Joshua Dahl
- 26 Brittany Andrews
Heidi Kassebaum
Coleden Thompson
- 28 Glenn Burgy
Brian Vogt
- 29 Dale Trumpy
Hera Wettach
- 30 Charles Anderson
Jamie Gobeli
- 31 Jonathon Rupp



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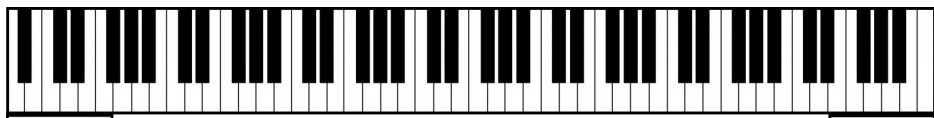
ANNIVERSARIES

- 01 Katherine & Adam Hauser
- 03 Dwayne & Gloria Godfrey
Graves & Marlene Schmalbeck
Lance & Heather Smith
- 05 Todd & Jacqueline Sutherland
- 07 Erin & Gregory Kleeman
Bruce & Kathy Workman
- 09 Chad & Brenda Ringhand
- 17 Todd & Julie Grossnickle
- 19 Milton & Beverly Babler
- 20 Travis & Mandy Balleine
Keith & Connie Von Der Heide
- 21 Richard & Judy Weichmann
- 22 Jeff & Diane Reed
- 23 David & Lacey Stoerp
- 27 James & Dawn Disrud
- 29 Randy & Amanda Spotts



Daily Bible Reading

1 Psalm 72	16 Amos 2:1-16
2 Psalm 9	17 Amos 3:1-15
3 1 Corinthians 11:17-34	18 Amos 4:1-13
4 Isaiah 3:1-15	19 Amos 5:1-27
5 Isaiah 5:1-30	20 Amos 6:1-14
6 Isaiah 9:8—10:4	21 Amos 7:1-17
7 Isaiah 24:1-23	22 Amos 8:1-14
8 Isaiah 26:20—27:13	23 Amos 9:1-15
9 Isaiah 30:8-26	24 Micah 1:1-16
10 Isaiah 32:1-20	25 Micah 2:1-13
11 Isaiah 33:1-24	26 Micah 3:1-12
12 Isaiah 34:1-17	27 Micah 4:1-13
13 Isaiah 58:1-14	28 Micah 5:1-15
14 Isaiah 59:1-21	29 Micah 6:1-16
15 Amos 1:1-15	30 Micah 7:1-20
	31 Psalm 10



ZWINGLI UCC IS SEEKING



MUSIC DIRECTOR

Are you passionate about music and serving others through musical performances? We are looking for a leader to help guide our music activities. This person would select music for the Church Year, lead and organize our Choir, and conduct special events.

Approximate time commitment is 15 hours per month.

This is a paid, less than part-time position.



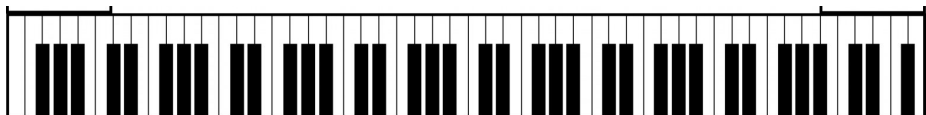
ORGANIST/PIANIST



We are looking for individuals who can play piano or organ proficiently for our Sunday morning services and other special events. This position may also be asked to accompany our Choir or other special music and would need to be available for practicing with those groups. This is a paid per practice/event position.



If you are interested in any of these Zwingli UCC positions, please call 608-575-7175 for more information.



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

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Monticello, WI 53570 608-938-4369

Email: zwingliuccmonticello@gmail.com

Website: 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!!!!

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat



OCTOBER 2021



COVID YEAR

Dates and times subject to change

1
7pm AA Meeting

2

3 9:15am Worship/Communion
World Communion Sunday
Starts Neighbors In Need Month
10:30am Confirmand/Parents/Pastor Meeting



4 3:15pm Hands of Change
6pm Stewardship

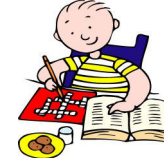


5 6:30pm Zoom Gathering



6 Mid-Week Devotional Online
Available After 11am
1pm Ruth Circle
6pm Finance
6:30pm Consistory

7 Puzzles & Cookies!!!
2pm Bible Study



8 7pm AA Meeting

9 9:30am Brotherhood



10 9:15am Worship in Zwingli



11 3:15pm Hands of Change
6pm Worship & Music
6:30pm Mt Pleasant Ins. Meeting

12 6:30pm Zoom Gathering



13 Mid-Week Devotional Online
Available After 11am
6:15pm Chime Choir

14 "Chimes" Info Due
2pm Bible Study



15 12pm-5pm Blood Drive
@ Zwingli
7pm AA Meeting

16



17 9:15am Worship @ Zwingli
Blessing of the Animals



18 3:15pm Hands of Change



19 6:30pm Zoom Gathering



20 Mid-Week Devotional Online
Available After 11am
6:15pm Chime Choir

21 Go For A Ride
2pm Bible Study



22 7pm AA Meeting



23 11am-2pm
Brotherhood BBQ
Pork Dinner
Drive-Thru

24 9:15am Worship in Zwingli

25 3:15pm Hands of Change
6pm Stewardship

26 6:30pm Zoom Gathering



27 Mid-Week Devotional Online
Available After 11am
6:15pm Chime Choir

28 2pm Bible Study

29 7pm AA Meeting

30 9am Building & Grounds

31 9:15am Worship in Zwingli
All Saints Sunday
2pm Super Sunday



Trunk Or Treat will be the day and time set by the Village. Check our Facebook page for the latest update.

