

November, 2021

Zwingli
UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST



Chimes

416 E. Lake Ave., Monticello, Wisconsin 53570

Inviting ALL to follow Jesus in faith & action

Thanks
be to **God**
through
Jesus Christ
our
LORD!

Romans 7:25



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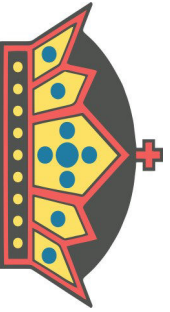
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Interested In **CHURCH MEMBERSHIP?**

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/UCzwwZLdGT03Us3lFvINLibg?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

Where Do You Live????

A man who resided near the border of two states had been told for years his house was in Minnesota. But when a new survey revealed that **he actually lived in Wisconsin**, he proclaimed, **"Thank goodness! I never could bear those cold Minnesota winters."**

Defining where we live certainly affects our attitude. Followers



of Jesus, or saints, consider their true home to be in God's dynamic presence. St. Paul was so connected to God through prayer that mystical experiences left him not knowing whether he was in or out of his body (see 2 Corinthians 12:1-10). Living with one foot in heaven and the other on the way there, Paul could know peace. "Whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's," he concludes (Romans

14:8). Christian saints who are still living on earth can rest assured: Our true home is always with the Lord.



Message From The Pastor



Yesterday, I was walking down by the Little Sugar River and I noticed something that looked like tomatoes on a plant in the woods. My mind began going through all the catalogs in my mental database, “**HMMM, what could these be?**” After looking closer I saw that they were in fact on a tomato vine which was long and leggy, I guess to reach above the brush and cover around it. On it were about 5 golf ball sized tomatoes that were green as green could be. How in the world did that seed, which grew that plant, get all the way down there? What are the odds that **that seed** would grow in among all that brush and yet here it was.

Plants are some of the most amazing beings on this planet. As they drink in the carbon, they are key to controlling our atmosphere and also the basis for all our food. You know, we either eat plants or eat animals that eat plants. They breathe in what we breathe out and, more importantly, we breathe in what they breathe out - **FILTERED OXYGEN!** Such amazing beings! But for me, it is this business of how they reproduce that boggles my mind. One would think that plants can't move, and yet, things like my friend the tomato happen every day!

Birds eat fruits and carry seed far from the parent plant and carelessly plant them with a bit of fertilizer. Beggar's ticks, burrs, and thistles latch on to animals walking by and travel far from the point they began! Winds pick up seeds like the milkweed and dandelion and scatter them. I laugh when I watch the antics of the squirrels in my yard carrying acorns and walnuts to bury them far from the mother tree! I see thousands of pounds of farm equipment working far into the night gathering



seeds which will be made into feed or even perhaps seeds for next year's crop!

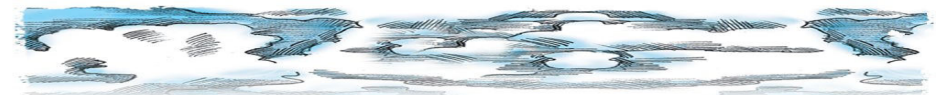
Seeds are an amazing thing. They just seem to pass us by in their little world while we deal with more important things, well, more important to us at least.

Today I think about the parable of the Sower in Matthew 13:3b-8. Jesus tells of a Sower and all the perils that may befall seed and only certain ones produce! The farmer knows he must seed heavily. He also knows that each and every one of them is a seed of hope, a chance for success. The King James Version talks about the seed finding purchase. I love that word purchase - as if there is some sense of investment, a chance, a chance at hope by the farmer that his seed will grow!



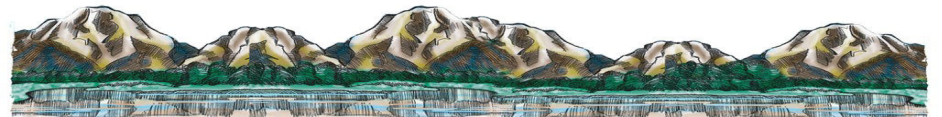
May our deeds flow from us each and every day. May our words be spoken with love and care. May we plant these seeds of love with wild abandon. May we see some of our efforts flourish and have understanding that some may just bloom over in the weeds! May we plant love with the hope of a great harvest!

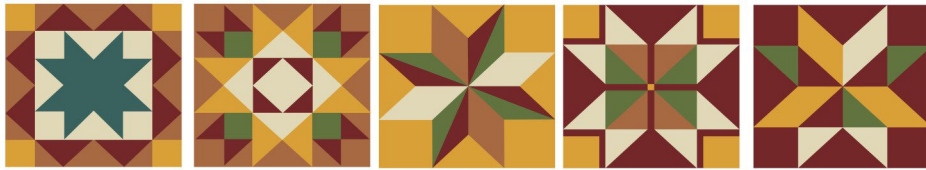
Peace, Pastor Lance



God, you went ahead of Elijah to Zarephath to provide for him and the widow's family
(1 Kings 17).

Remind me that wherever I go this week,
you're already there, preparing the way.





Coordinator of Caring Ministries.

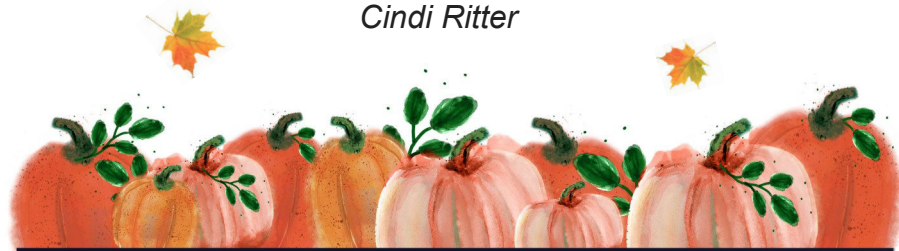


The leaves and the temperatures may be falling, but the enthusiasm and support of the **Caring Network Volunteers** continues to rise to new heights. We have **6 We Care Friends** that provide that bit of extra care to those who don't get to Worship Services in person. A total of **18 volunteers** respond when a prayer request is obtained and **36 volunteers** send cards or make phone calls to share a bit of sunshine to folks on a list provided. If any of these volunteer activities pique your interest, let me know.

Thank you for responding with generosity when asked for candy donations and for all those who participated in Zwingli's Trunk or Treat. We reached out to the community in a fun way. Thank you to Sue Rieder and Heidi Kassebaum for coordinating this event. They had wonderful ideas.

We gathered items for a Care Package for our College students. Many sumptuous donations were appreciated. But the task is not done. Chris Meier diligently confirmed addresses and guided me through this mission. **Daylight Savings Time Ends on November 7th.** Let's spend that extra hour assembling the Care Packages. We will meet in the North Room following the Worship Service.

Cindi Ritter



For laughs (or groans!) around your table

Knock knock. Who's there? Arthur.
Arthur who? Arthur any leftovers?

Why was the Thanksgiving soup so expensive?
It had 24 carrots.

If you use boxed mashed potatoes ...
... Great-Grandma will turn over in her gravy.

My family said, "No more Thanksgiving jokes." ...
... but I said I couldn't just quit cold turkey.

Daily Bible Reading

- | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Revelation 1:1-20 | 16 Psalm 111 |
| 2 Revelation 4:1-11 | 17 Psalm 115 |
| 3 Revelation 5:1-14 | 18 Psalm 145 |
| 4 Isaiah 11:1-16 | 19 Psalm 146 |
| 5 Isaiah 12:1-6 | 20 Psalm 147 |
| 6 Luke 17:11-19 | 21 Psalm 148 |
| 7 Psalm 46 | 22 Psalm 149 |
| 8 Psalm 48 | 23 Psalm 150 |
| 9 Psalm 50 | 24 Psalm 65 |
| 10 Psalm 75 | 25 Psalm 66 |
| 11 Psalm 81 | 26 Psalm 67 |
| 12 Psalm 82 | 27 Matthew 24:1-28 |
| 13 Psalm 104 | 28 Matthew 24:29-51 |
| 14 Psalm 105 | 29 Matthew 25:1-30 |
| 15 Psalm 106 | 30 Matthew 25:31-46 |

From Our Records

Remembering with Love those who have passed

LaVonne Schneeberger 8/22/1947 to 9/20/2021

Celebrating Weddings

Patty Blumer & Richard Riesen

Jeana Gillaspie & Jason Ryan

Baby Dedication

Lincoln Booth Janisch

Born 4/6/2021

Son of Joseph & Trena Janisch



Undesignated Memorials in Memory of

Elsbeth Freitag by Dave & Mary Jean Blum

Designated Memorials in Memory of

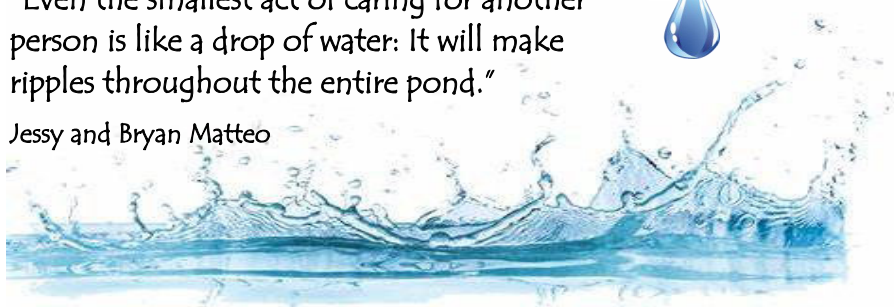
Jeannette Broge Window Restoration by Jim & Cinda Field,
Buck & Margie Walls

Calvin Derendinger Window Restoration by Jack & Sally
Stenbrotten, Doris Disch, Carolyn Hilliard, John Ochsner,
Paul & Donna Miller, John & Joan Judd, Jacqueline Hustad,
Dave & Mary Jean Blum, William & Carol Moser

LaVonne Schneeberger General Fund & Window Restora-
tion by Roger Schneeberger, Dave & Mary Jean Blum

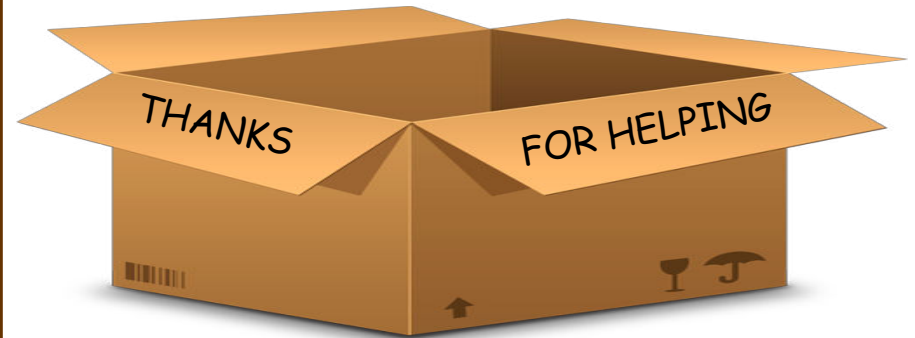
"Even the smallest act of caring for another
person is like a drop of water: It will make
ripples throughout the entire pond."

Jessy and Bryan Matteo



**Daylight Savings Time Ends on
Sunday, November 7th.**

Let's spend that extra hour assembling the
College Care Packages. We will meet
in the North Room following
the worship service.



The September 26th Worship Service included a special
recognition for Dorothy Rupp Schlapbach for her many
years of service at Zwingli. In a lovely card she wrote:



Dear Zwingli Friends New & Old,
Your kindness means the world
to me! There's not room for 91
plus years of love and friendship
put into a card. Thanks so much!

Hugs all around!
Dorothy Schlapbach



This year, we have designated Sunday, November 14, as Stewardship Sunday.

Soon you will receive your Stewardship letter and pledge card in the mail. Our hope is that everyone who is a member of Zwingli will be willing to fill out the pledge card with a suggested amount that they can contribute to the work and worship at Zwingli Church for 2022. This year we are asking everyone to make a pledge. **Our goal is to get people to think ahead, take a chance, and have faith in God with your pledges for this coming year.** The Stewardship Committee is focusing on increasing our pledges. This coming year will be critical in what our Church can and cannot do. We are committed to tightening our budget! Your pledge allows the leadership to get an idea of what to expect for the coming year. If you are unsure or just beginning this year with a pledge, be conservative with your pledge amount. If you feel called to give more later, that will be fine. Our budgeting needs to be more closely aligned with our pledged amounts! Your pledged amount is one way you



can help predict the future of our Church. Please pray and discern what God is asking you to pledge for the up-coming year and **return your pledge card by November 14.** Also, think about how you can contribute something priceless - your time to our programs, ministries, and worship services. We praise and thank the Creator of all for our blessings and your sharing!!!

*"They are like trees planted by
streams of water, which yield
their fruit in its season"* Psalm 1:3a



Rooted in Love





Come join us
Wednesday
November 24
at 7 p.m. for
the **Community
Thanksgiving
Worship Service**
held at Washington
Reformation Church.

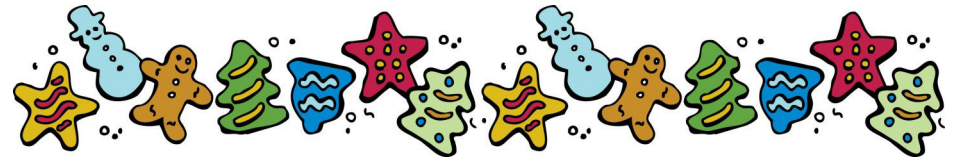
Members of Washington Reformation and Zwingli
will join together with members of the community
to give thanks to God for all His many blessings!

**All are welcome!!!
Thanks Be To God!!**

Save The Date For The Next Super Sunday

The last Sunday of each month is designated as
SUPER SUNDAY, an enriching experience for people
of **ALL AGES**. The interactive programs are wrapped
around stories of the Bible and include crafts, activities,
and **FUN!!** Everyone is welcome. Kids – bring an adult
& join us for this special event!

NOVEMBER 28 is our next SUPER SUNDAY!!!
Join us at 2 pm for the Laughter & Learning.



Calling All Virtual Cooks!!!!

Pre-Christmas Bake Sale



**No Bake, No Work,
No Worries, No Calories**

Christmas is coming up fast which means so is the **Women's Guild Pre-Christmas Bake Sale**, with a **slight change**. Due to the lingering Coronavirus, we want to keep everyone safe. So for 2021, we are asking all the women and men of Zwingli who are able to please donate funds for this annual fundraiser. We are hoping for a \$10 dollar donation, but whatever you feel that you can give will truly be appreciated.

Please drop donations off at the Church Office in
care of the Women's Guild or, if writing a check,
make payable to:

Zwingli's Women's Guild
416 East Lake Avenue, PO Box 97
Monticello, WI 53570

Here is to hopefully having the **edible cookies next year** on Saturday, December 10, 2022. Stay safe
and thank you. **Happy virtual baking.**



If you have questions,
please contact Barb
Pluss at 527-4293.



November

- 01 Bryan Voegeli
Dixie Wettach
- 02 Veronica Blumer
- 03 Lynn Pendergrass
- 04 Payton Johnson
Heidi Wing
- 05 Steve Broge
- 06 Olivia Feller
- 07 Kristina Wichser
- 08 Hans Sulzer
- 09 Jesse Halvorsen
Angela Neff
Chanelle Saxer
- 10 Matthew Andrews
- 12 Lucille Elmer
- 13 Madeleine Koester
Todd Sutherland
- 15 Jaden Zuber
- 16 Aleah Bowman
- 17 Kerry Karlen

BIRTHDAYS

- 20 Julia Gempeler
Brad Gilbert
- 21 Michael Aeberhard
Chris Twarog
John Wettach
- 22 Kyle Von Der Heide
- 23 Nicole Timm
Bruce Yaun
- 24 Rosemary Avery
- 25 Susan Hefty
Buck Walls
- 26 Bruce Quade
- 27 Lilly Blum
Claire Bruns
Sharon Rosenstiel
Ken Schlapbach
- 28 Dennis Tomczyk
- 30 Natalie Roe
Zeke Smith

ANNIVERSARIES

- 02 Darin & Stephanie Erickson
- 04 Jim & Jeanne Gempeler
- 13 Dave & Mary Jean Blum
- 14 Scott & Melinda Blumer
- 17 Harvey & Patty Kubly

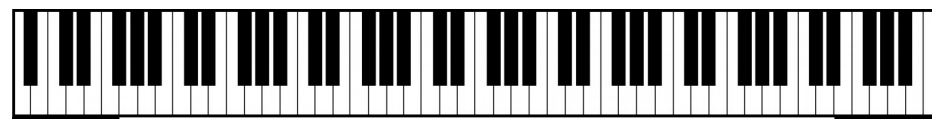


Christian Symbol



CORNUCOPIA

Cornucopia, a Greek word meaning "horn of plenty," has origins in Greek mythology. But the cornucopia became a religious symbol and was even stamped on Jewish coins. Overflowing horns, now common as Thanksgiving centerpieces, came to symbolize abundance and blessings.



♪ ZWINGLI UCC IS SEEKING ♪

A MUSIC DIRECTOR to 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. ♪

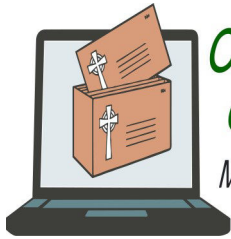
ORGANISTS/PIANISTS who can play piano or organ proficiently for our Sunday morning services and other special events. This is a paid per practice/event position. ♪

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



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

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!!!!

2022 Offering Envelopes

If you would like a new pack of offering envelopes for 2022, please **CIRCLE**: Yes or No

Name: _____

If we have your permission to email your statement to you twice a year (end of June and end of December), please give us your email address below:

Email: _____

There will be no dates on the new pack of envelopes so if you donate once a month or less, a pack of envelopes will be able to last for more than one year.

Please cut out this form and either bring it to Church and put it in the offering box or mail it to:

Zwingli Church

PO Box 97

Monticello, WI 53570

by December 12th.

You could also call

Susan Hefty at 608-938-9039.

We are trying to use less paper, envelopes, and cut the cost of mailing statements.

Thank you so much for your cooperation.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Dates and times subject to change



ANNUAL REPORTS ARE DUE DECEMBER 16th

1
3:15pm Hands of
Change

2
6pm Budget
6:30pm Zoom Gathering



3
Mid-Week Devotional
Online
1pm Ruth Circle
6:15pm Chime Choir

4
1pm Garden Club
2:30pm Bible Study

5
7pm AA Meeting

6



7 9:15am Worship in Zwingli
Daylight Saving Time Ends
Assemble College Care Boxes
After Worship



8
3:15pm Hands of
Change

9



10
Mid-Week Devotional
Online
6pm Finance
6:30pm Consistory

11
2:30pm Bible Study

12
7pm AA Meeting

13
9:30am Brotherhood



14 9:15am Worship in Zwingli
Stewardship Sunday



15
3:15pm Hands of
Change

16
6:30pm Zoom Gathering



17
Mid-Week Devotional
Online
6:15pm Chime Choir

18
"Chimes" Info Due
2:30pm Bible Study



19
7pm AA Meeting

20



21 9:15am Worship @ Zwingli



22
3:15pm Hands of
Change



23

24
7pm Thanksgiving
Service @ Washington

25
Office Closed
Thanksgiving Day!



26
7pm AA Meeting

27
9am Building & Grounds
Set up Nativity by
Motor Bank

28 9:15am Worship in Zwingli
2pm Super Sunday



29
NO Hands of
Change Today
6pm Worship & Music

30



2021 COVID YEAR

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