

February, 2022

Zwingli
UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST



Chimes



416 E. Lake Ave., Monticello, Wisconsin 53570

Inviting ALL to follow Jesus in faith & action

But I say to you who hear:

Love

your enemies,

do good

to those who hate you,

bless

those who curse you,

and pray

for those who spitefully

use you.

Luke 6:27-28

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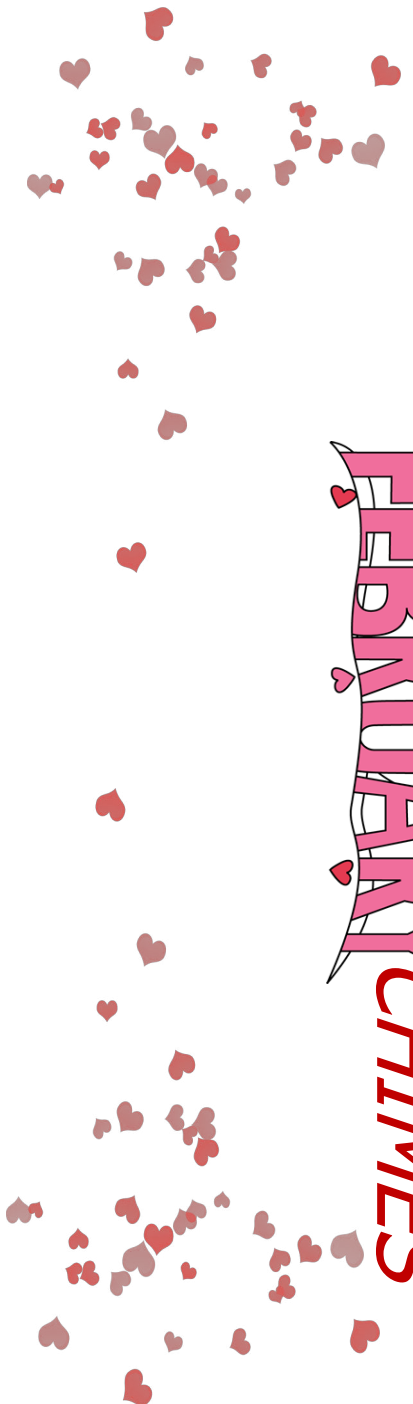
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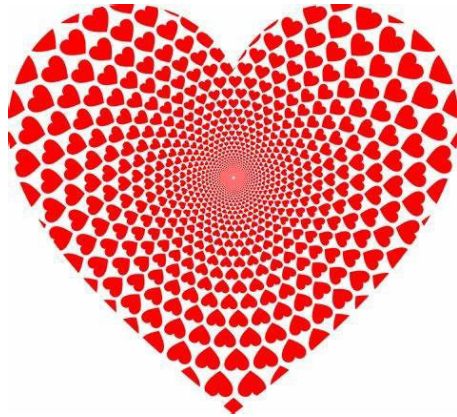
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Interested In **CHURCH MEMBERSHIP?**

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



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 **You Tube 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**

If you've ever regretted a big purchase and wondered if you could return it, you're familiar with the nagging feeling of **buyer's remorse**. Thankfully, our Redeemer never experienced that. As a church sign proclaims,

When Jesus bought you, he never had buyer's remorse. And he never will!

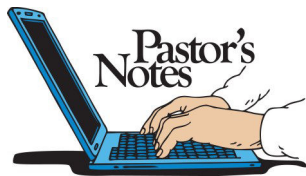


To Jesus, the payment of suffering and death was well worth the payoff.



For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

(Hebrews 12:2, NIV)



I always struggle with this note to you. The main reason is that I have to write it weeks before you will read it! I am experiencing

things in my life and in the life of the community that will be history by February when you read this. The future is so hard to predict. Today, January 13, the weather is quite mild. You could convince yourself that it is early spring. The sun is shining and the temps are reaching around 40 +. The snow is melting and it seems life is coming back from the desolate, freezing temps of the past few weeks. I keep telling myself that this is just a respite, that there is heavier winter yet to come! But we are blessed. We have not had much winter weather in December. As a matter of fact, the temps were quite high and we had a **Green Christmas**. The first part of the new year was a different story and by the time you read this, I am sure February, though heart and love filled as it is, will have brought some surprises as well.



But is this not how life is? Sort of a rollercoaster of desirable situations sandwiched between things we would rather not experience. A series of ups and downs and highs and lows and good and not so good with a few **"God Help Me"** times sprinkled here and there. We never know what tomorrow will bring and nothing ever stays completely the same no matter how hard we fight it.

One of the constants of existence here on planet earth — we know for sure that things will change. This can be a blessing and



a curse and usually at the same time! Praise God things in my life have changed over the years. There was a time when I would have never thought about even being in Church and now I am the Pastor of one. Times I never dreamed of a family, a wife and two strong, healthy boys, boys who are not staying boys, like I would have hoped, they are becoming men.

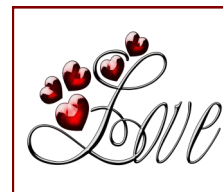
We sometime feel uneasy with all the changes, the challenges, and the blessings

that come in and out of almost every aspect in our lives! When I get to feeling a bit uneasy, I take a deep breath and think back to the constants in my life. The main one is that deep breath, that

empowering spirit that flows through me and makes living possible. Another is the sun and its continual, almost tenacious rising each morning. Some days it has to really fight to illuminate the world, but it is always there. Warmth, growth, and my good-natured personality have depended on its presence and for 62 years it has been there each and every day without fail. Some days much brighter than others,... but always there!!! I guess I could say the same for myself, some days I shine a bit brighter than others!



The last constant in my life is the love of God. God's everlasting grace seems to shower on me from every direction. At times it comes from where I least expect it, from a stranger or a person thought to be an adversary. Sometimes in the form of the strange, sunny warm day in the middle of winter. Sometimes in mid-bite of a delicious homemade cookie or a hug from friends or family. Each day is sprinkled with these **Love** moments. Maybe that is why they decided to put Valentine's Day in the middle of the time of year when it always seems to be the bleakest, mid-February. Yes, even those sappy red hearts and paper

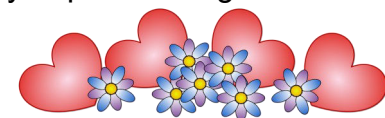


lace doilies remind us of the ones we love and that, even on the darkest, coldest day, love still abounds!

But the important love, the love that constantly flows in, around, and through us, is not about candy and flowers or fancy dinners! It is about the daily concern and care we take with each other. The warmth of **Love** seems to fill the one doing the loving act as much or even more than the one receiving.

I would say a prayer for the month of February to be warm and sunny, but I don't have any hope of controlling or even contributing to that. I would pray that your lives are positive and all goes just fantastically well in your life, but that would also be futile. I will pray for something to which I can contribute,... loving acts of simple kindness to all I meet. I will pray that you feel the presence of a loving, caring God, a loving, caring community, and the love of friends and family as you pass through this month of surprises. Amen.

Peace, Pastor Lance





Coordinator of Caring Ministries



ATTENTION everyone who likes to curl up with a good book on a cool, Wisconsin winter day.

Monticello Library made available several copies of the book "My Two Elaines" by Martin Schreiber. It is an easy read, so there is still time to read and participate in the discussion Tuesdays, February 15th and 22nd, at 4:00 p.m. in the Church Lounge. A former Governor of WI, Marty Schreiber has seen his beloved wife, Elaine, gradually transform due to Alzheimer's Disease. Marty offers extra guidance for men thrust into the unexpected role of caregiver. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

The Caring Network is always welcoming more participants.

How would YOU like to participate?

- ◆ Are **you** willing to be contacted when there is a prayer request? You can be contacted by email or placed on the phone Prayer Chain and you will receive a call from a person and will be assigned someone else to call to keep the chain going.
- ◆ Are **you** able and willing to deliver a CD of the weekly Worship Service?
- ◆ Would **you** like to be given a name of a Zwingli Church Family to reach out to by visiting, delivering a Meal Ministry offering, or calling?
- ◆ Maybe sending a Greeting Card is the way **you** would like to reach out.

The cooler, longer days of Wisconsin winter can leave many of our Church friends feeling a bit lonely. You can add some sunshine and love to their days by joining our Caring Network.

YOU choose how active YOU would like to be.

Please contact me and we will find a Ministry for you to reach out and extend your Christian love and care.

Cindi Ritter

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Church Cancellation Policy

On various occasions it may be necessary to cancel Sunday morning activities of the Church (Worship and Sunday School). Such cancellations will generally be the result of weather conditions including heavy snowfall (often with associated high winds), extreme cold, or icy road conditions.

1. The Congregation President – in consultation with the Pastor – will be responsible.
2. The decision to cancel will be made by 6:45 A.M. on Sunday morning.
3. Either the Pastor or the Congregation President will notify the local radio station (WEKZ) and Channel 15 to make a public announcement regarding the cancellation.

Guidelines regarding a decision to cancel:

Heavy blowing and blinding snow (whiteout conditions).

Extremely icy roads, Parking Lot, or walkways.

A wind chill warning. Any announcement by the National Weather Bureau deeming conditions to be hazardous.

(Reviewed by the Consistory January 8, 2014)

You can also check our Facebook page or call the Church Office (608) 938-4369.

Daily Bible Reading

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|------------------|------------------------|
| 1 Luke 10:1-24 | 16 John 16:25-33 |
| 2 Luke 10:25-42 | 17 John 17:1-26 |
| 3 Luke 15:1-10 | 18 Colossians 1:1-14 |
| 4 Luke 15:11-32 | 19 Colossians 1:15-23 |
| 5 Luke 18:15-30 | 20 Colossians 1:24-29 |
| 6 John 3:1-21 | 21 Colossians 2:1-19 |
| 7 John 3:22-36 | 22 Colossians 2:20—3:4 |
| 8 John 13:1-20 | 23 Colossians 3:5-17 |
| 9 John 13:21-35 | 24 Colossians 3:18—4:1 |
| 10 John 14:1-14 | 25 Colossians 4:2-18 |
| 11 John 14:15-31 | 26 Leviticus 19:1-18 |
| 12 John 15:1-17 | 27 Deuteronomy 6:1-9 |
| 13 John 15:18-27 | 28 Deuteronomy 6:10-25 |
| 14 John 16:1-15 | |
| 15 John 16:16-24 | |



God's Renewing
Word of Love

Blanket Month

February is the month we buy **blankets** to share with those in need. We will be taking donations throughout the month of February.

Share the Warmth & Love of Christ.

Blankets cost \$10 each. Send your donations to Zwingli Church.

Help us change the world!



CWS Blankets
Heart warming. Life changing.



From Our Records

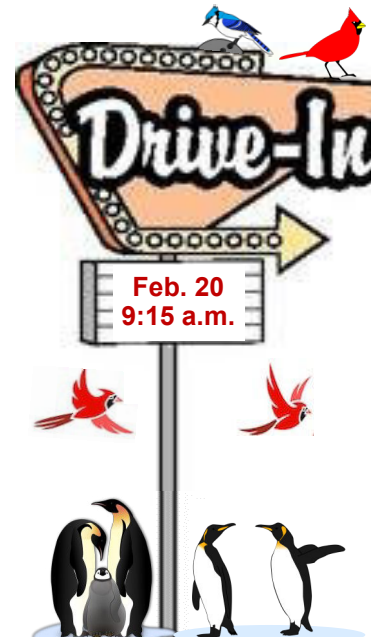
Undesignated Memorials in Memory of

Florence Babler by Verlyn & Judy Adamson
Dora Pegel by Mark & Marcene Hensel



Designated Memorials in Memory of

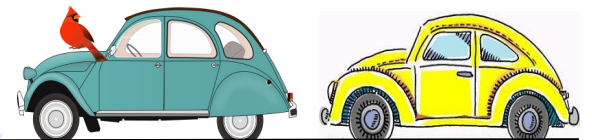
Elsbeth "Batie" Freitag Window Restoration of the Freitag Window by May Burgy
Laurie Grossen Parking Lot by Susan Hefty & Family Window Restoration by Nancy Karlen
Dora Pegel Window Restoration by Jim & Cinda Field Music Dept by Senior Choir



Our Next Drive-In Service Is Sunday, February 20!!!

Come join us @ 9:15 a.m. in Zwingli's Parking Lot!

Weather Notice!!
High winds or temperatures below 30 degrees means we will hold services in the Sanctuary.



**The Next Super Sunday
Is February 27!!**

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!

Join us
at 2 pm

Do You Have a Recognition to Celebrate?

Would you like to recognize someone's Birthday, an Anniversary, someone accomplishing a major milestone in their life?

We have the perfect opportunity as we are looking for **Sunday Morning Service Sponsorships**, similar to bulletin sponsors in the past.

For \$40 you will have a slide at the beginning of our service recognizing that celebration. For more information, contact the Church Office @ (608) 938-4369.



**Zwingli's Kalberwurst Event
Saturday, April 30th, 2022!!**



Save
the Date

Watch
For Details

**ZWINGLI UCC IS SEEKING
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. For more information, please call 608-575-7175.



- 01 Linda Christen
Theresa Sawle
- 02 Elizabeth Burgy
Clare Gietzel
- 04 Alton Sherman
Kris Zanoja
- 05 Derek Gilbertson
- 06 Jinelle Kubly
- 08 Zoe Endres
Jesse Wahl
- 09 Preston Berg
Joseph Janisch
Jessica Yaun
- 12 Nancy Briggs
Hailey Kolasch
- 13 Tyler Dahl
- 15 Lindsay Brockert
- 16 Aaron Hefty
Michael Janisch
- 17 Gene Luchsinger

- 18 Brian Grossen
- 19 Garrett Grossen
Jakoya Janisch
- 20 Jacob Aquino
- 21 Cheryl Zimmerman
- 22 William Gempler
Barbara Wayland
- 23 Devin Erickson
Paul Hefty
Brian Sherman
- 24 Lori Thompson
- 25 Isaac Smith
- 26 Ron Holcomb
Lauren Schilder
- 27 Haylee Holcomb
Bryce Pickett
- 28 DuWayne Fenner
Joni McNeill
(29 Marian Karlen)



- 18 Dave Gietzel & Barb Duerst
- 20 David & Amy Lehr
- 22 Alan & Gloria Bacher



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.



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**.

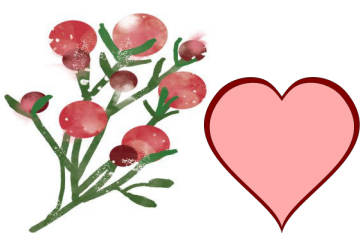


OR - Checks Can Be Mailed to:
Zwingli United Church of Christ
PO Box 97
Monticello, WI 53570

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



Dates & times subject to change

1
6:30pm Zoom Gathering

2
Mid-Week Devotional
1 pm Ruth Circle
6:15pm Chime Choir

3
2:30pm Zoom Bible Study
7pm Genesis Group

4
7pm AA Meeting

5

6 9:15am Worship in Zwingli
10:30am Advisory Core

7
3:15pm Hands of Change

8

9
Mid-Week Devotional
6pm Finance
6:30pm Consistory

10
2:30pm Zoom Bible Study
7pm Genesis Group

11
7pm AA Meeting

12
9:30am Brotherhood

13 9:15am Worship in Zwingli

14
1-3pm Mt Pleasant Ins. Meeting
3:15pm Hands of Change
6pm Stewardship
7pm Memorials

15
4pm Book Club
6:30pm Zoom Gathering

16
Mid-Week Devotional
6:15pm Chime Choir

17
"Chimes" Info Due
2:30pm Zoom Bible Study
7pm Genesis Group

18
7pm AA Meeting

19
Snow Fun

20 9:15am Worship @ Zwingli

21
3:15pm Hands of Change

22
4pm Book Club

23
Mid-Week Devotional
6:15pm Chime Choir

24
2:30pm Zoom Bible Study
7pm Genesis Group

25
7pm AA Meeting

26
9am Building & Grounds

27 9:15am Worship in Zwingli
2pm Super Sunday

28
3:15pm Hands of Change

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