

May, 2023

**Zwingli**  
UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST



*Chimes*



416 E. Lake Ave., Monticello, Wisconsin 53570

*Inviting ALL to follow Jesus in faith & action*

*"I will pour out my Spirit  
on all people."*

Joel 2:28, NIV



Pentecost Sunday  
May 28th



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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**.



Sunday  
May 14th

## Important Online Offerings For You



[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzwwZLdGT03Us3IFvNLibg?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzwwZLdGT03Us3IFvNLibg?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](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)

## IN-CARNATION

The official flower of Mother's Day is the carnation, the favorite flower of the mom of the holiday's founder, Anna Jarvis. Over time, the custom arose of wearing a white carnation on Mother's Day if your mother has died and a red one if she's living.



In fact, many carnation colors have special meanings. Pink carries the richest Christian symbolism. According to legend, carnations first appeared on earth as Mary wept while watching Jesus carry his cross. Where her tears fell, there appeared pink carnations, symbolizing a mother's undying love.

According to one theory, the English word for carnation comes from *carnis*, Latin for flesh. From the same root comes incarnation, God's coming to earth in flesh. Thus, carnations remind us of our loving mothers as well as our loving Savior.





## Note From The Pastor

Twice this week I have counseled people not to attempt to make others happy. Making someone else do anything is a losing proposition. I remember a Pastor coaching session I had when I first moved to WI. We were encouraged to make a list of things we wished to accomplish, goals as such, and prioritize them **A**, **B**, and **C**. The only criteria to be on the list was that your goal had to be something that you did not depend on convincing someone else to do. The goals had to be things that you could easily accomplish yourself in your current physical state. The goals were prioritized as: **A** being the highest priority, things you needed done right away, **B** things that you might have accomplished in the times when **A** items could not be completed, and the things classified **C** just cross off your list and not think about them until they became higher priority items.

I thought hard about how many times I get discouraged because I can't get people to do what I ask of them. Work, home, play, it does not matter. The first thing I need to do is realize that people can only change themselves. "I can **NOT** make people happy!!!!" So here is your mantra and the more you stick to it the more calm, cool, and content you will be! **I CAN'T MAKE PEOPLE HAPPY!!!!!!** We have no control over the happiness of others. Yeah sure, we can sometimes do or say things to make people feel bad, but feeling **Happy** is another story.

↴ The second half of the mantra is: ↴

**FIND THE THING THAT MAKES YOU CONTENT!!!!**  
Content and grateful people are just generally happy. And happiness can only be caught! We are drawn to be around happy people. Once people are content, they give off a vibe or an essence that draws people who enjoy the same things, activities, and relationships. That way, the positive vibe spreads through the entire community.

Husbands and wives - be content and at peace with your homelife whatever it takes and your home will blossom. Stop trying to make your family happy. Start letting them know when and how happy you are to be with them. Only work at those things that make you feel good about yourself and your surroundings and before you know it, people will be wanting some of what you have, some of that peace and contentment. You are the only one whom you have control over, steering your mind, body, and soul to the sunny side of the street in all situations.

"Can't ya hear that pitter pat and the happy tune in your step, Life can be so sweet on the sunny side of the street!"  
I wish you peace and contentment in all aspects of your life!



May God Bless, Pastor Lance

"God has not called you to your life mission in spite of who you are; he has called you precisely BECAUSE OF who you are."  
Reggie McNeal, *Practicing Greatness*

## Caring Ministries Moment



Easter gives us a resurrection,  
a mission, and a promise.

The resurrection brings us new life, new vitality, and a new sense of victory over sin, over despair, over defeat, and even over death.

With the resurrection came a new responsibility. Jesus encourages us saying, *Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.* (Matthew 28:19) That is our mission. No matter what obstacles we face, there is one thing we can always count on: the promise of God to always be with us. *Nothing can separate us from God and God's love through Christ Jesus.* (Romans 8:38)

As you read through this issue of the *Chimes*, allow yourself to apply the gifts of Easter. Recognize the resurrection, mark your mission, and ponder the promises. How can you support the ministry of Zwingli?

Inspiration gained from the book entitled  
*"God Was Here & I Was Out to Lunch"*  
by James W. Moore.



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## Daily Bible Reading

- |                       |                      |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Hebrews 11:1-22     | 16 Psalm 27          |
| 2 Hebrews 11:23-40    | 17 Psalm 47          |
| 3 Hebrews 12:1-29     | 18 Acts 1:1-11       |
| 4 Psalm 85            | 19 Acts 1:12-26      |
| 5 Psalm 86            | 20 Ephesians 1:1-23  |
| 6 Hebrews 13:1-21     | 21 Ephesians 2:1-22  |
| 7 Galatians 1:1-24    | 22 Ephesians 3:1-21  |
| 8 Galatians 2:1-21    | 23 Ephesians 4:1-16  |
| 9 Galatians 3:1-14    | 24 Ephesians 4:17-32 |
| 10 Galatians 3:15—4:7 | 25 Ephesians 5:1-20  |
| 11 Galatians 4:8-31   | 26 Ephesians 5:21-33 |
| 12 Galatians 5:1-26   | 27 Ephesians 6:1-24  |
| 13 Galatians 6:1-18   | 28 Acts 2:1-21       |
| 14 Psalm 11           | 29 Acts 2:22-47      |
| 15 Psalm 16           | 30 Acts 8:4-25       |
|                       | 31 Acts 8:26-40      |



Committees are forming  
for the following:

- \* Activities with residents at Nursing Homes and Assisted Living facilities
- \* July 4th Veterans Recognition

Call 262-993-5435 for details  
or email Cindi Ritter @  
Care4zwingli@gmail.com





## GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023

Please send us a photo of your Graduating Seniors and a short bio that shares their goals, dreams, future plans, and any awards they have received.

We will be recognizing these accomplishments as part of a worship service.

Please email info to:

[zwingliuccmonticello@gmail.com](mailto:zwingliuccmonticello@gmail.com) by May 12.

Class  Of 2023

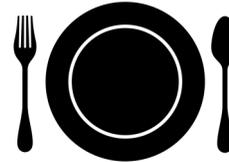
### A PRAYER FOR MEMORIAL DAY

We remember, O Lord, all those people throughout the years who have made the supreme sacrifice for our country, for liberty, for us. Whenever we breathe the air of freedom or claim the right to justice or enjoy the privilege of worship, fill us with gratitude for those who selflessly gave the last full measure of devotion — their very lives — for our benefit.

May these brave men and women now know the joy of eternity and your presence. And may the families of the fallen receive comfort and peace amid their grief. Help us as we minister to their needs. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## Welcome Table



**Monday, May 22**  
**Blessing @ 5:30 p.m.**  
Zwingli UCC, Monticello

Don't Eat Alone!  
Join us for a **FREE**  
**Community Supper.**  
Free & open to everyone.



*Come Dine With Us!!!*

## Super Sunday

**May 28 @ 10:30 am**

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!



God is like the wind, something no one sees;  
Mighty as the gale, gentle as the breeze;  
With a hidden power no one can deny  
as the days go by.



(From the hymn "God Is Like a Rock"  
by Natalie Sleeth)



### **Pentecost Sunday is May 28**

We celebrate the "*Birthday of the Christian Church*"  
by remembering the Holy Spirit falling upon the  
early followers of the Christian faith.

It is also the time we ask for the special Mission Offering  
called **Strengthen the Church**. This offering helps grow the  
UCC's future by funding new Churches and renews other  
Churches, youth and young adult ministries, and lay and pas-  
toral leadership formation. To contribute, send your check  
(with **Strengthen the Church** in the memo line) to Zwingli  
Church before the end of May.



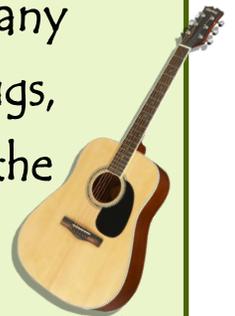
Please join us for our  
inspirational Pentecost Worship  
Service on May 28! Remember...

***God is still speaking!***



## Save The Date

Sunday, June 11, is our  
Farewell to Pastor Lance Smith  
Appreciation/Recognition Service.  
The service will contain a Litany  
of Release, lots of music, hugs,  
and well wishes. Following the  
service will be an



## **ALL CHURCH POTLUCK!**

If you would like to help with  
food and/or serving, please contact  
Carolyn Hilliard or May Burgy.





Coming In June

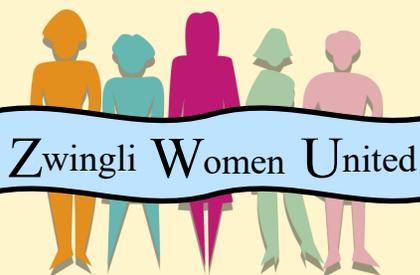
# OPEN HOUSE



## Green Cares Food Pantry

June 21, 2023, 3:00-6:00 p.m.  
422 S. Garfield Street, Monticello

It's as easy as being a  
Woman and a Church  
Member to belong to



Zwingli Women United

Officers:

President: Carolyn Hilliard

Vice President: Anita Zuber

Secretary: Anna Marie Davison

Treasurer: Darlene Broughton

Members: **YOU, ALL WOMEN OF ZWINGLI!**



Adventure Awaits for  
Kids of ALL Ages!

Camp AweSum, Cedar Valley,  
Daycholah Center, and Moon Beach  
Camps invite you to enjoy the many  
offerings of Outdoor Ministry.

Check Out [ucci.org](http://ucci.org)

United Church Camps Incorporated for:

Summer Employment Opportunities

Youth Camps

Family Camps

Learn New Art Techniques



Consider an **Adventure at Camp** by picking  
up a booklet with each Camp's offerings  
available at the East and Main Church en-  
trances, as well as in the Fellowship Hall.



# May

BIRTHDAYS

- 01 May Burgy  
Aric Karlen
- 02 Holly Emberson  
Cathie Laeser
- 03 Brad Freitag  
Audrey Saxer
- 04 Dorothy Schlapbach  
John Zuber
- 05 Darin Erickson
- 06 Sheena Erickson  
Michael Garfoot  
Connor Grossnickle  
Gracelyn Willson
- 07 Callisa Briggs  
Harry Turner Jr.
- 08 Deborah Disch  
Denise Klassy
- 10 Chris Caldwell
- 11 James Gempeler  
James Grossen
- 13 Ava Aasve  
Ashley Appel  
Elyse Appel  
Linda Lehne  
Sally Roe  
Mark Wittenwyler
- 14 Becky Kammes  
Kody Klitzke



- 15 Nathaniel Lederman
- 16 Caleb Laeser
- 17 Tim Kolasch  
Barbara Pluss  
Ashley Wichser Gilbertson
- 18 Addison Turner
- 19 Sandy Trumpy  
Cohen Wiesenberg
- 20 Karen Pfeuti
- 21 Katherine Hauser
- 23 Doris Disch
- 24 Travis Balleine  
Jenny Blumer  
Logan Ringhand
- 25 Mary Field
- 26 Bryce Aquino  
Jean McMannes  
Ethan Rupp  
Sue Sinnett  
Rebecca Workman
- 27 Eric Stenbrotten  
Morgan Thompson
- 28 Stephanie Beckwith  
Ken Gempeler
- 29 Jonathon Wettach
- 30 Lori Blanke



# May

ANNIVERSARIES

- 04 Ralph & Marian Gempeler  
Bruce & Angela Quade
- 17 Rosco Wiesenberg & Erica Appel-Wiesenberg
- 18 Lawrence & Pansy Balleine
- 21 Stanton & Jeannette Jorenby
- 23 Gary & Denise Gilbertson  
Terry & Karen Wichser
- 25 Brian & Kim Vogt



## Mark Your Calendars



Women's Appreciation  
Gathering date  
has been set!!!!

**Sunday,  
September 24th  
Following the  
Worship Service**



## Are YOU good with budgeting and paying bills?

We are looking for a Financial Secretary as Denise Pinnow will retire by the end of this year. We would like this person in place in June of this year so Denise has time to train on all duties. The main duties include:

- Processing Payroll with Harvey Kubly CPA firm
- Accounts Payable
- Prepare Budget & present to Consistory & Congregation
- Conduct all financial tax reporting & annual reporting
- Financial Statement Reconciliation (monthly)
- Prepare monthly reports for Finance Committee & Consistory
- Oversees Financial Investments

If this could be YOU, please contact Sheri Wichser @ 608-575-7175 or SAWIX6886@gmail.com.

## Sunday Social Hour

Zwingli's Sunday Social Hour will happen on the Sunday Mornings **when we have a Volunteer Host**. Volunteering is simple to do. The Church furnishes the paper products and the coffee. You only need to bring whatever juice and light snack you choose to share. Cleanup is simple and easy.

A Sign-up Calendar is at Social Hour or call the Church Office (608-938-4369) to reserve a Sunday.



**Volunteer Today!**

## 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  
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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**

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**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.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministry of Zwingli United Church of Christ.

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat



# MAY



# 2023



**1**  
3:15pm Hands of Change

*May Day*



**3**  
Weekly Devotional  
6:15pm Chime Choir



**5**  
6 pm Cub Scouts  
7pm AA Meeting

**6**  
9am-2pm SWA Meeting/Janesville

**7** 9:15am Worship in Zwingli  
After Worship Confirmation



**8**  
3:15pm Hands of Change

**9**

**10**  
Weekly Devotional  
6pm Finance  
6:30pm Consistory

**11**



**12**  
7pm AA Meeting

**13**  
9:30am Brotherhood



**14** 9:15am Worship in Zwingli



**15**  
3:15pm Hands of Change

**16**



**17**  
Weekly Devotional

**18**  
"Chimes" Info Due

**19**  
7pm AA Meeting

**20**



**21** 9:15am Worship in Zwingli  
After Worship Confirmation  
6pm Cub Scouts  
7pm Baccalaureate @ Washington

**22**  
3:15pm Hands of Change  
5:30pm Welcome Table

**23**

**24**  
Weekly Devotional

**25**



**26**  
7pm AA Meeting

**27**  
Monticello High School Graduation



**28** 9:15am Worship in Zwingli  
10:30am Super Sunday

**29**  
Office Closed

**30**

**31**  
Weekly Devotional

**Dates and times subject to change**

