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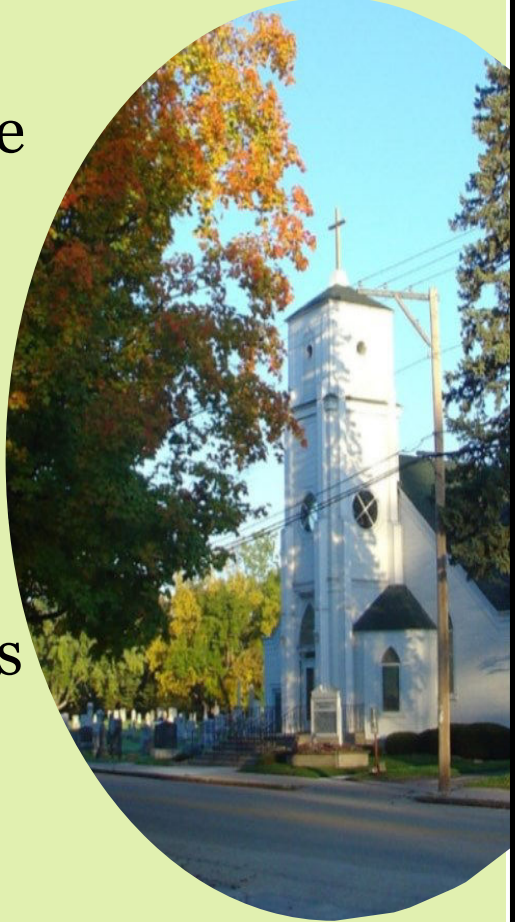
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Is November 12th

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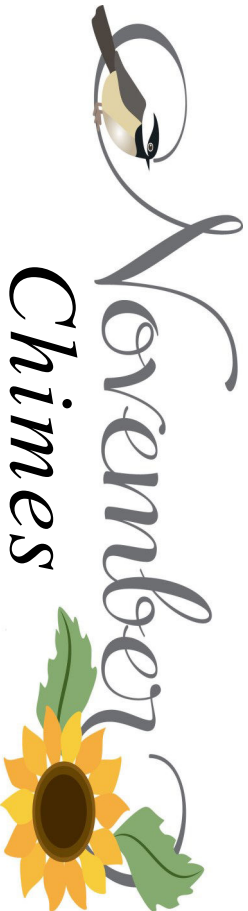
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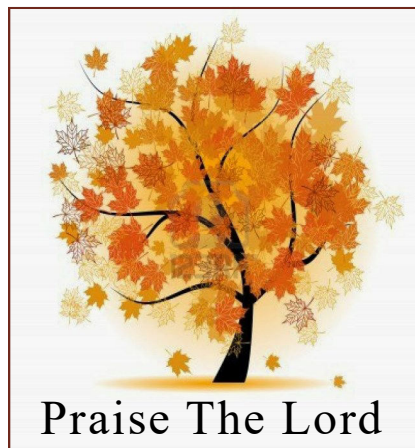
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Interested In **CHURCH MEMBERSHIP?**

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



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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!

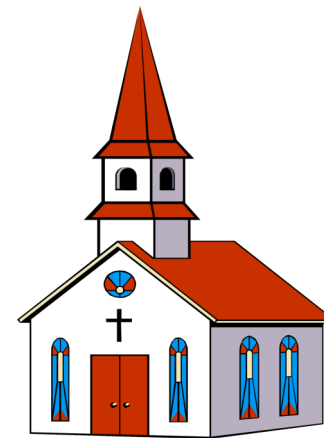


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The Church is not a building,
the Church is not a steeple.
The Church is more than what's
inside; the Church is the people.
God sent the people out to the
world to show His peace and love,
with grateful hearts we gather here
and give thanks to God above.



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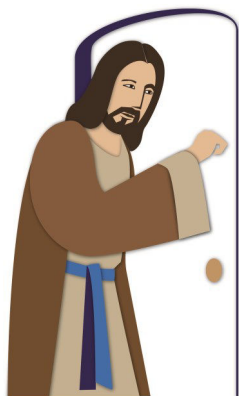


Welcome

to our Interim Minister,
Pastor Ted Drewsen!!

Pastor Ted served the congregation of Pilgrim United Church of Christ in Fond du Lac for nineteen years. His faith, strength, and support guided the congregation through 9/11 and the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. He retired in 2020.

Pastor Ted has been a guest in our Pulpit several times these past few months. We are blessed to have him as our Interim Minister during November, December, and into January (2024). Make plans to join us on his first "official" Sunday, November 12th. That is the day we say hello to Pastor Ted, honor our Veterans, and celebrate Stewardship Sunday.



As a doctor examined a 4-year-old boy, he thought it would be interesting to let the lad listen to the beating of his own heart. With the listening device in his ears and the probe on his heart, the boy was asked, "What do you hear?"

The boy, who attended Sunday School regularly, responded, ***"Is that Jesus knocking?"***

Caring Ministry Moment

November is Stewardship Month and there are so many ways to support Zwingli through your time and talents. Please consider the following opportunities.

Host Sunday Social Hour any Sunday

OR take a turn hosting the
Welcome Table Community Meal
the last Monday of the month

Sunday Greeters at
Lake Avenue or East Entrance

Pre-Christmas Bake Sale
Saturday, December 9th, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Deliver Cheer Boxes prepared by the Brotherhood

Ring the Salvation Army Bell

New Glarus Home
New Year's Eve Party
December 29th

Let me know where your Stewardship is calling YOU.
Cindi Ritter, Coordinator of Caring Ministries
care4zwingli@gmail.com 262-993-5435

Daily Bible Reading

God's Saving Word: Praise and Thanksgiving

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|---------------------------|--------------|
| 1 Genesis 1:1—2:4a | 16 Psalm 115 |
| 2 Genesis 2:4b-25 | 17 Psalm 116 |
| 3 Psalm 104 | 18 Psalm 118 |
| 4 Psalm 8 | 19 Psalm 128 |
| 5 Psalm 29 | 20 Psalm 134 |
| 6 Psalm 30 | 21 Psalm 135 |
| 7 1 Chronicles 13:1-14 | 22 Psalm 136 |
| 8 1 Chronicles 15:1-24 | 23 Psalm 138 |
| 9 1 Chronicles 15:25—16:7 | 24 Psalm 144 |
| 10 1 Chronicles 16:8-43 | 25 Psalm 145 |
| 11 Psalm 105:1-22 | 26 Psalm 146 |
| 12 Psalm 105:23-45 | 27 Psalm 147 |
| 13 Psalm 111 | 28 Psalm 148 |
| 14 Psalm 112 | 29 Psalm 149 |
| 15 Psalm 113 | 30 Psalm 150 |

The Zwingli United Church of Christ Brotherhood
invites the public to its Pancake Breakfast
on November 4th, 2023.

Take-away or dining-in are options for you, your family, and friends to enjoy a meal that includes pancakes, sausage patties, and applesauce. Those dining-in have a choice of milk, juice, and coffee. The breakfast will run from **8:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. at 416 East Lake Avenue, Monticello**. Cost is a suggested donation of \$5 with proceeds going to the Zwingli Brotherhood Scholarship Fund. All are welcome!



Pictured L-R: John Baebler (Scribe), Tim Kolasch (President), and J.R. Baebler (member) prepare for a Pancake Breakfast on November 4th to celebrate "All Saints' Day."

In Need Of Prayer???

Contact the Zwingli Caring Ministry
at care4zwingli@gmail.com or call
the Church Office at 608-938-4369.





At Zwingli UCC, our All Saints' Service will be observed Sunday, November 5th, at 9:15 a.m. Join us for this special service when we remember those who have gone before us.

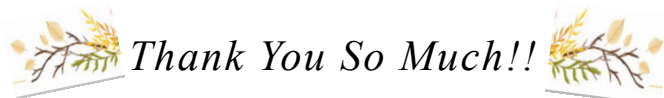
Thank You!!!

I would like to thank my Church Family for all the cards, prayers, and good wishes at the time of my hip replacement surgery.

All was greatly appreciated.

My sincere thanks,

Jim Field



Thank You So Much!!

The family of Doris Disch wishes to express their sincere thank you to her Church Family for your memorial gifts, flowers, food, and words of comfort. Thank you to Rev. Balleine, Zwingli Women United, and Roann.



Never Forget Their Service

The Veterans Recognition Team would like to invite you to provide pictures of Veterans to be part of our display honoring the Military.

Please bring pictures to the Church Office by **November 5th** and be sure to indicate where the picture should be returned.

Please join us in Fellowship Hall after the Worship Service on Sunday, **November 5th**, to add your signature to cards that will be mailed to Green County Veterans in appreciation for their service. We will be including Worship time information in the cards and inviting Veterans to stand during a **Roll Call on Sunday, November 12th**, to further recognize Veterans Day. The congregation will be invited to take home a soldier figurine to remind them to pray for our Military and country.

On Sunday, November 26th, we will be signing Christmas Cards for Veterans after the Worship Service during Social Hour.

**We are forever
in their debt.**



Stewardship CAMPAIGN

Fall has arrived and it is time for our annual Stewardship Campaign. The theme for this year's campaign is **"Because of YOU, our Church changes lives."**

As you know, we are in a time of transition. For the summer months, we have had guest Pastors. Their message has been one of encouragement and hope for a bright future for Zwingli Church.

We are asking all who are able to volunteer your time, share your talents, and contribute to the work and mission of your Church. In Exodus 35:5 we read, *"Everyone who is willing is to bring the Lord an offering."* Becoming more active and involved will change your life.

Stewardship Sunday will be celebrated on November 12, 2023. Your pledge cards can be put in the offering plate, sent to the Church, or brought to the Church Office. Your pledge is kept confidential as the Church Treasurer is the only one who records your pledge into the computer. Please be prompt with your return as the Finance Committee needs to know the support they have as they prepare next year's budget.

Your commitment will help Zwingli remain strong and make a difference to our outreach here in Monticello and the surrounding communities. Thank you for your past contributions of time, talent, and monetary donations.

How will we change lives in 2024?

In gratitude,
The Stewardship Committee
Jonathon Rupp, Anna Marie Davison, Kathleen Grossen,
Nathan Willson, and Kris Zanoya

Bounty of Thanks

We thank thee, Lord, for the glory of the late days and the excellent face of thy sun. We thank thee for good news received. We thank thee for the pleasures we have enjoyed and for those we have been able to confer.

And now, when the clouds gather and the rain impends over the forest and our house, permit us not to be cast down; let us not lose the savor of past mercies and past pleasures; but, like the voice of a bird singing in the rain, let grateful memory survive in the hour of darkness. If there be in front of us any painful duty, strengthen us with the grace of courage; if any act of mercy, teach us tenderness and patience. Robert Louis Stevenson



Community Thanksgiving Service Wednesday, November 22nd, at 7 p.m.

Held at Washington Reformation
Sponsored by Zwingli UCC
and Washington Reformation

We are extending a special invitation
to **ANYONE** and **EVERYONE** who would
like to be in the Combined Choir to meet at
Washington Reformation at 6 p.m. to
practice before the service.



Super Sunday

November 26th, After Worship

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!



Welcome Table



Monday, November 27th
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!!!






Five Kernels

The Plymouth Pilgrims celebrated the first Thanksgiving Day in fall 1621, but by the next May, their food supply was depleted. The harvest of 1622 was a failure, and the Pilgrims often lived for days on just a few kernels of corn.



Amid a drought in 1623, the people sought divine intervention. After praying for nine hours on a hot July day, they were blessed with a two-week rainfall. Edward Winslow wrote, "It was hard to say whether our withered corn or drooping affections were most quickened and revived." The Pilgrims never went hungry again.

Start a Thanksgiving tradition by placing five kernels of corn at each place setting. Point out a blessing that each kernel represents. For example:

-  1. God loves us.
-  2. God provides for all our needs.
-  3. God gives us friends, just as the Indians befriended the Pilgrims.
-  4. God hears and answers our prayers.
-  5. God is preparing a place for us in heaven.

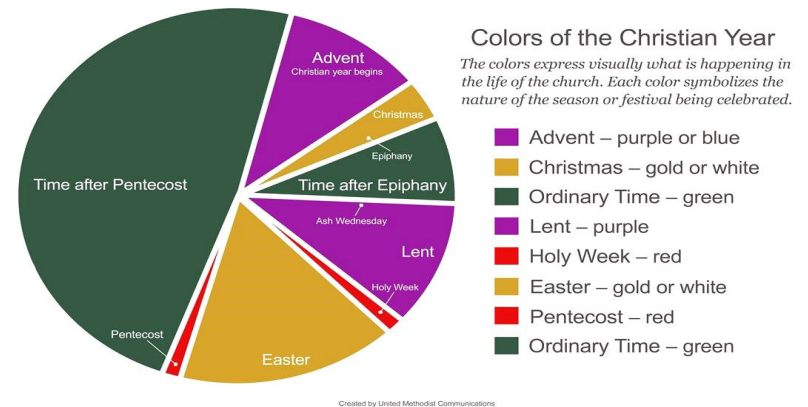
Then have family members share five things for which they're grateful. **Happy Thanksgiving!!**

Message from the Altar Guild

Did you know that when we decorate the Church, we take into consideration the **Liturgical Colors** of the Church? We have a calendar that we follow closely to coincide with the scriptures that are part of our Worship Services and the **Liturgical Seasons**. The majority of the year our colors are green during what is referred to as the **Time of the Church or Ordinary Time**. You will notice that we try to use various shades of green as the base and complement with different colors according to the season. For example, for the summer we used sage green with some summer florals. For the fall we are using a darker green accented with orange, yellow, and brown. For **Advent Season**, which begins on December 3rd this year, the colors are blue and purple. We tend to use a bit more purple, since that is the color of our **Advent** altar cloths. However, we have also started to add in the color blue in our color palette. For **Christmas**, the colors are white and gold. **Christmas Season** lasts for about a month after December 25th. For **Lent**, the **Liturgical Color** is purple. We tend to accent the purple with blacks and grays and earthy tones to represent penance, sacrifice, and preparation. On **Easter**, the **Liturgical Colors** are white and gold. We tend to accent these colors with spring florals to represent rebirth, joy, and glory. The **Liturgical Color** for **Pentecost** is red. We typically use red accented with yellow and orange to help us represent fire. If you have questions about the **Liturgical Colors** and **Seasons** and our schedule, please do not hesitate to ask us. See the color wheel.



The Christian Year



Over the years, Zwingli has accumulated many banners that were lovingly made by parishioners. It has been at least two decades since there have been any new banners made, with the majority being well over 30-40 years old. Many of our banners were made of materials that do not stand up well to time. (Materials such as felt, burlap, and other materials that fade, pill, unravel, and tear easily.) While we would love to use them, many of them are in poor condition after years of use and inappropriate storage. During the past year, Cindy Lederman, from the Altar Guild, has spent many hours restoring a few so that we can use them again. Some attempts have been more successful than others. We always welcome new banners, so if you are interested in developing a new one or restoring or refurbishing one or more of the old ones,

please let us know. There are many sewing patterns for making banners on platforms like Pinterest.



Since many of the banners that Altar Guilds of the past depended on are old and in poor condition, we have been using quilts a bit more in our decorating. We appreciate the feedback we have been getting about the beautiful quilts that we hang in the East Entrance of the Church. We have some very talented people in our midst. Look for a few new ones to adorn our Sanctuary walls in the coming months. **If you have a quilt that you would like to share with the Church, please contact Cindy or Barb.** We carefully hang them with drapery hooks on a reinforced pole, so that they are protected. They are high enough that they do not get handled frequently, and they do not get direct sunlight. We typically hang them for 6-8 weeks at a time. Specifically, we are looking for a quilt to hang in the East Entrance during **Advent Season** (December 1 – 27). If you have a Christmas quilt you would like to share, [please contact Barb \(PH: 608-558-4458; email: \[blduerst4@gmail.com\]\(mailto:blduerst4@gmail.com\)\)](tel:608-558-4458). And if you have a quilt that has the colors of one of our **Liturgical Seasons** you would like to share, we would love to borrow it as well.

Our Altar Guild is currently pretty small, so we would also welcome new volunteers to help us keep our worship space decorated beautifully throughout the year. Please reach out to one of us.

Thank you!!! Barb Duerst,
Cindy Lederman, Chris Meier



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
- 09 Jesse Halvorsen
Angela Neff
Chanelle Saxer
- 10 Matthew Andrews
- 13 Madeleine Koester
Todd Sutherland
- 15 Jaden Zuber
- 16 Aleah Bowman
- 17 Kerry Karlen

B i r t h d a y s

- 20 Julia Gempeler
- 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





**We Welcome Peace Valley
Lutheran Church of the
Lutheran Church Missouri Synod
(LCMS) to our building!**

*So, warmly welcome each other into the church,
just as Christ has warmly welcomed you;
then God will be glorified. (Romans 15:7)*

The Zwingli UCC – Monticello Consistory heard another congregation was looking to start up a Church in Green County. Our Consistory had been discussing the vast amount of space and connected with Pastor Benish. Pastor Benish and their Church Leadership came for a visit walkthrough to see if our space would work for them. Indeed it's working! Peace Valley Lutheran Church is having their Bible Study and services in our Church Library on Sunday mornings. They are also starting a Thursday evening Bible Study and will be using the Church Library beginning the first Thursday in November. If the Library is already reserved, they will be using their back-up site, the North Room area.



*"Give thanks for
unknown blessings
already on their way."*
Native American saying



Calling All Cookies!!!!

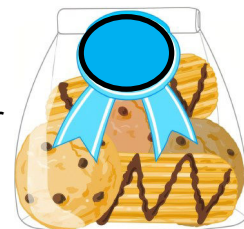


Christmas is coming up fast which means so is the

**Zwingli Women United
Pre-Christmas Bake Sale**

**December 9th from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in
Zwingli Church's North Room**

We ask all the women of Zwingli who are able to please donate baked goods for this annual fundraiser. Baked goods can be dropped off the morning of the sale or earlier in the week in the North Room kitchen. Any leftover "packable" goodies will be used for packing the **Brotherhood Cheer Boxes** following the Bake Sale, so do not worry about baking too much. Also, please try to label your items as to what they are or if they contain any allergens.



I'm looking for anyone who would like to help with the Bake Sale on Saturday, December 9th. It's broken down into two shifts. The **first shift** is approximately **from 8:00 to 10:45 a.m.** and helps with setup. The **second shift** runs from **10:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.** and helps with the cleanup.

It's nice to have two to three people per shift. If interested or if you have questions, please contact **Barb Pluss at 608-527-4293. Thank you!**



Camp Notes from Cindi Ritter

I recently returned from a restorative, extended weekend at Moon Beach where I had the opportunity to craft my day away, walk in crisp leaves, observe nature, and breathe the fall air while enjoying fellowship with old and new friends.

The United Church Camps Outdoor Ministry offers opportunities throughout the year for the young and young at heart.



ucci.org/events-calendar
opportunities:



at Moon Beach

Northwoods Work Weekend, November 16-19
Epiphany Retreat, December 27-January 1

at Cedar Valley

Watercolor Excitement, November 10-12
Enamel Earrings, November 18

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 soon 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.

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Email: zwingliuccmonticello@gmail.com

Website: www.zwingliucc.com

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Thank you for your ongoing support of the
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Dates and times subject to change



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5 8am Worship & Music Committee 9:15am Worship in Zwingli All Saints Sunday Daylight Saving Time Ends/Fall Back After Worship Social Hour After Worship Veterans Recognition Team Meeting	6	7	8 6pm Finance 6:30pm Consistory	9	3 7pm AA Meeting	4 8-11am Drive-Thru Pancake Breakfast Brotherhood 
12 9:15am Worship in Zwingli Stewardship Sunday Veterans Recognition After Worship Social Hour	13 9am Search Committee	14	15 6:15pm Chime Choir	16 <i>By Noon "Chimes"</i> Info Due	17 7pm AA Meeting	18
19 9:15am Worship in Zwingli After Worship Social Hour	20	21	22 7pm Thanksgiving Service @ Washington	23 <i>Thanksgiving Day!</i> Office Closed	24 7pm AA Meeting	25
26 9:15am Worship in Zwingli After Worship Social Hour After Worship Super Sunday	27 5:30pm Welcome Table	28	29 6:15pm Chime Choir	30	<div> ANNUAL REPORTS ARE DUE DECEMBER 16th </div>	