

Chapel Chimes

"SHARING FAITH, LIFTING UP, REACHING OUT AND GROWING TOGETHER."

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SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, PLYMOUTH, WISCONSIN



First Notes

by Rev. Jim Hoppert

To my way of thinking, this is a great time of the year: the warmer-than-usual temperatures in the early spring combined with generous amounts of rainfall have led to early blooming of flowers, bushes, and shrubs. The lilacs in our yard, which don't usually bloom for us until shortly before Memorial Day, have already hit peak bloom last week. It's not hard to imagine the fine days of June being right around the corner. June will here sooner than we think.

With the arrival of June also comes my scheduled sabbatical leave. As I mentioned in last month's Chapel Chimes, I will be taking sabbatical leave during the month of June to write some choral anthems and that the church office will have pastors to be contacted in the event of emergencies. During my absence we will also have guest pastors filling in to lead worship on Sunday mornings. Here is the list of who will be preaching on the various Sundays: June 2nd—Rev. Dr. Fred Trost; June 9th—Rev. Greg Whelton; June 16th—Rev. Dr. Karl Kuhn; June 23rd—Rev. Keith Weiland. On June 30th we will have a hymn sing. I know that the congregation's worship needs will be well cared for in my absence.

I ask that you will keep me in your prayers in the weeks ahead, that the time away will be a fruitful one that will bear some benefit for the congregation upon my return. In return, I will keep all of you in my prayers, as well. May God's care hold all of you safely in this time ahead.

With that, I conclude.

Your servant in Christ
Rev. Jim Hoppert

Welcome to Salem UCC

Congratulations to the newest members of Salem UCC. Confirmands (from left) Lena Schoenefeld, Lilly Fontany, Jaiden Krueger, and Makyla Odekirk were received into membership on May 5.



Upcoming Events

Hymn Sing -- June 30

Come to worship with joy in your hearts and ready to sing your favorite hymns on Sunday, June 30.

Concession Stand at City Park

Save the date of **Thursday, July 11**. Salem will host the concession stand at City Park that evening. Sign up sheets for helping with preparing desserts for sale, along with prepping, serving food and cleaning up will be in the narthex. For questions, contact Susan Clarke or Terry Debbink.

Father's Day -- June 16

The *Salem Cares* ministry will honor the father's and all men in our congregation with a special gift on Father's Day. Please plan to join us in worship on June 16!

Salem will be collecting pasta sauce through the month of June to help the Plymouth Food Pantry.





Church school youth participated in worship on Pentecost Sunday. We also recognized our Church School leaders for their generous gifts of time and talents during the church school year.

Church School will resume classes on Sept. 8.

Congratulations to the Salem members who are recent high school graduates and will be honored during the June 2 worship service. They include Thomas Blad, Greta Debbink, Delaney Fischer, Madalynn Pratt, Hannah Velier and Wiley Wolfert.

**CLASS
OF
2024**



Free will-writing resource

If preparing a will is something you've thought of doing, but not yet done, here's something to consider. Courtesy of the Wisconsin Foundation UCC's partnership with FreeWill, a free, online will-writing resource is now available to all UCC members. When creating your will, the Foundation encourages you to prayerfully consider including a legacy gift to support your church or the wider United Church of Christ and pass on our faith to future generations. Your gift will plant deep roots growing with God's love into a more vibrant, faithful community.

Your will is your opportunity to protect what God has entrusted you with and an opportunity to create an eternal legacy with your church, the Wisconsin Conference, United Church Camps, Inc., and other organizations that embody your faith. For more information, visit freewill.com/wisconsinucc or contact the church office.

June Lectionary Readings

June 2 Second Sunday after Pentecost

Hebrew Scripture: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Gospel: Mark 2:23-3:6



June 9 Third Sunday after Pentecost

Hebrew Scripture: 1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20

Psalms 138

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

June 16 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Hebrew Scripture: 15:34-16:13

Psalms 20

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 11-13, 14-17

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

June 23 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Hebrew Scripture: 1 Samuel 17:32-49

Psalms 9:9-20

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

June 30 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Hebrew Scripture: 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

Psalms 130

2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-43

Thank You

Thank you to those you contributed to our special offerings during 2023. Salem has again been recognized by the Wisconsin Conference as a 5 for 5 Congregation. This means we made gifts to support the Neighbors in Need, One Great Hour of Sharing, Christmas Fund and Strengthen the Church offerings that support the work of the Conference and wider Church.

Many fun opportunities at UCCI camps

If you are making plans for camping this summer, you are encouraged to check out the opportunities at Moon Beach in St. Germain, Daycholah Center in Green Lake and Cedar Valley near West Bend. Here are just a few of the camps planned for this summer:

Family & Friends Camp -- July 3-6

This session is for all ages and generations. Come as a small family unit, a large family reunion, or a group of friends to enjoy the outdoors, our waterfront, and time to relax and play.

Sail - Teen Week -- July 7-12

Perfect for the beginner or intermediate sailor who enjoys the excitement of ripping through the waves on Daycholah's fleet of sailboats.

Con - Teen Week -- July 7-12

Welcome to Con, where the worlds of science fiction, fantasy, comics, and tabletop gaming unite for an immersive camp experience.

Kids' Week -- July 14-19

A classic summer camp experience of a week filled with laughter, friendship, and unforgettable memories. Age groups are Grades 2-4 and Grades 5-7

Camp sites are operated by United Church Camps, Inc., part of the Wisconsin Conference UCC. Financial assistance to attend these camps is available through the Northeast Association of the UCC. **For more information, contact the church office or check the UCCI website at ucci.org.**



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

6/4 Al Bosman
6/4 Makyla Odekirk
6/5 Kathy Andrews
6/6 Darla Ardell
6/7 Randy Johnson
6/7 Jackie Rortvedt
6/7 Judith Miller
6/13 Melissa Odekirk
6/14 Hannah Velier
6/14 William Bender
6/17 Kathy Plahmer
6/23 Michael Halle
6/23 Scott Raeder
6/23 Toni Fuerst
6/24 Julien Garcia
6/26 David Huibregtse
6/27 Mary Mullen
6/27 Val Gillman
6/29 Declan Krueger

JUNE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

6/7 Dan & Denise Buss
6/8 Jim & Faye Hughes
6/8 Garriet & Hannah Kanis
6/9 Robert & Natalie Paulik
6/14 Randy & Sharon Odekirk
6/17 Dale & Loretta Vanderkin
6/17 Warren & Marianne Faas
6/19 Bob & Kathy Plahmer
6/20 Jerad & Marion Lehmann
6/21 Dale & Linda Zimmermann
6/24 Bill & Judy Helmer
6/24 Bill & Joanne Lammers
6/24 Terry & Rachel Risse
6/25 Jim & Abby Hoppert
6/28 Andy & Angie Hartmann

*Keeping these
church family
members in our
thoughts and
prayers*

Marian Lisowe
Eugene Boll
Mariann Picard
Tim Miller
Margaret Johnston
Rollie Bruggink
Georgine Littlefield
Carole Hummell
Bob Metze
Evie Meinnert



Scrip Cards Available in the Church Office

Spring brings a variety of special occasions that often call for a gift. Consider a Scrip card for these special days. The church office has a wide variety of cards in various amounts for area restaurants and stores. And if you know in advance you would like a special card we don't have, just let us know and we will do our best to order it for you.

Salem UCC's First Craft & Vendor Fair
Saturday, November 2nd
217 Salem Drive, Plymouth, WI 53073
8:30am-3pm
Food available for purchase!

Vendors and crafters wanted, please reach out to Cassie or Eileen for more info!

Youth crafters are also welcome, please reach out for more info!

Email: salemucccraftfair@gmail.com



Property Team needs your help

The Property Team is in need of volunteers to help monitor and maintain the church property. We would like to involve more people in order to better organize and divide responsibilities. Members can focus on one of the categories of property care listed below. Involvement does not require completion of work as much as planning and coordination of volunteers or contractors to properly care for our facilities. Anyone willing to help can sign up during church or contact the church office. Possible areas of interest include:

- lawn and garden care
- mower/snow blower maintenance
- heating/air conditioning
- plumbing, electrical
- building and contents
- long term planning

An organizational meeting will be planned for early June. If you are willing to be involved, contact the church office or watch the weekly church bulletin for details.

June 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Rev. Hoppert is on sabbatical during all of June						
2 10:00am Worship w/ Graduate Recognition 7pm AA	3 9:00am Men's Coffee	4 <i>Items due for Bulletin</i> 10:30am Staff	5	6	7 <i>Items due for Council meeting</i>	8
9 10:00am Worship w/ Holy Communion 7pm AA	10 9:00am Men's Coffee	11 <i>Items due for Bulletin</i> 10:30am Staff 6:30pm Council Meeting	12	13	14	15
16 10:00am Worship 7pm AA	17 <i>Items due for Chapel Chimes</i> 9:00am Men's Coffee	18 <i>Items due for Bulletin</i> 10:30am Staff	19	20	21	22
23 10:00am Worship 7pm AA	24 9:00am Men's Coffee 9:00am Salem Cares	25 <i>Items due for Bulletin</i> 10:30am Staff	26	27	28	29
30 10:00am Hymn Sing 7pm AA						

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

PASTOR: Rev. James M. Hoppert
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Anne Hernandez / CHOIR DIRECTOR: Eileen Brooks
COUNCIL PRESIDENT: Paul Clarke
TREASURER: Joshua Bender
FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Mary Mullen/Mary Bender
CUSTODIAN: Shannon Mendenhall
CHURCH SECRETARY: Linda Bosman/Sandy Rabe
ORGANIST: Scott Weir

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