



**United Methodist Church - Columbus**  
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**Office Hours:**  
**Monday - Thursday**  
**9am - 3pm**

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### Note from Pastor Liz

#### *Mediocre May or Magnificent May*

Whew! It seems like only yesterday we were celebrating a fantastic Holy Week! Each service we had throughout Lent illustrated how the Holy Spirit is working in our community. We discussed throughout Lent getting rid of the bad habits and mess that we have in our lives, with a celebration an ecumenical reader's theater on Maundy Thursday and a service of word and song on Good Friday. On Easter Sunday, we had an awesome service celebrating Jesus's resurrection, with 71 people in worship! Praise God for Christ has risen!

We celebrated Easter, so now what is there? Everything in our society seems to be picking up for the summer and church seems to be slowing down. Christ has risen. So now what? We've spent 40 days building up this crucial moment, but afterwards we seem to just drop back into the normalness of Once-A-Week Spirituality. Some of us may continue our devotions and pray for continued learning, while others of us are left wanting a vacation because we are so tired from the holiday. We may be excited in the celebration of Jesus rising from the dead, but wonder if there is something we are missing for this time after Easter.

This year Pentecost is not until June 5. We have another month before something exciting happens in the church. So, instead of easing into a May of Mediocrity, let us create a Magnificent May!

A Magnificent May can mean many things for our Christian community. As we enjoy being able to meet together for worship, may we feel equipped to live into our membership vows: to support the church by our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. As we enjoy the nice weather, may we spend time in the quiet listening to God, possibly helping a neighbor in the process. As we look forward to the time in Pentecost, may we know that the Spirit leads us continually on the path towards God.

I pray over the next month that we continue to pray for growth in our discipleship, love our neighbors better, and have the assurance that Jesus is with us.

With God's love,

*Pastor Liz*

# Come WORSHIP WITH US!

## In-Person Worship

*Please join us in person on Sundays  
in the Sanctuary for our 10:00 am service.*

**Child Care for infants through Kindergarten age children is  
available during the 10:00 a.m. worship service from 9:30am–11:15am.**



## Mask Guideline

With the current CDC guidelines,  
those who wish to not wear masks, do not need to.

We ask though that if you are going to visit the office to  
please wear a mask for the health of our staff. Thank you.

## Children's Praise Bags

God put the wiggle in children,  
so please don't feel the need to suppress it in God's house.

We want children to be engaged!

Praise Bags are filled with good 'kid' stuff and located at the back  
of the worship space in the basket. Please make sure items are  
put back in the bags at the end of the service, should something  
be broken or needs a refilling just let the office know.

Let us all be about loving our children into faith.



## Fellowship Time

Please join us if you feel comfortable doing so for Fellowship Time  
in the Fellowship Hall after worship services on Sundays.  
Treats and coffee provided by our hosts!

## **Ways To Join Us In Worship**

The United Methodist Church of Columbus, Wisconsin invites you to join us  
Sundays in person in the Sanctuary for our 10:00 am service,  
or online worship through Facebook or YouTube  
or on the Local Cable channels.



[www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)

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(Each week's service will be posted on Sunday after in-person worship)



<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYqd4tZ4uPz1AY5OjeaUnqA>

Or go to YouTube and search for Columbus WI United Methodist Church

Hit the SUBSCRIBE BUTTON to be added to the YouTube channel and  
you will get instant notifications when we add new services each week.  
(Each week's service will be posted on Sunday after in-person worship.)



Weekly Sunday services are broadcast daily on local cable channel 98 or 980 (digital)  
Monday through Friday at 5:00 pm.



## **Stay Connected With The Voice**

- ⇒ Monthly newsletters are located in the realtor boxes  
located at the front of the church and at the side door.
- ⇒ Located on our Website (<https://columbusumc.org/>)
- ⇒ Emailed to you directly by request

## SERVICE TO THE LORD

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We are grateful for your help to serve our congregation for the Sunday morning 10 am service as well as the other special services. If you are interested in helping, please sign-up on the sheets located on the table outside Fellowship Hall.

### Ushers



Sunday, May 1	<b><i>Needed</i></b>
Sunday, May 8	Audrey Kasmiski and Jamie Kasmiski
Sunday, May 15	Tim Hoffman and Louise Sampson
Sunday, May 22	<b><i>Needed</i></b>
Sunday, May 29	<b><i>Needed</i></b>

### Scripture Reading

Sunday, May 1	Charlotte Elske and Griyan Hughland
Sunday, May 8	Louise Sampson
Sunday, May 15	Tim Hoffman
Sunday, May 22	Mary Baker
Sunday, May 29	Eileen Bennett



### Fellowship Time



Sunday, May 1	Louise Sampson
Sunday, May 8	Eileen Bennett
Sunday, May 15	Richard Sheard
Sunday, May 22	Kathy Thornton
Sunday, May 29	Ron & Wanda Guenther

### Counters

Sunday, May 1	Carroll Swain	Lon Elske
Sunday, May 8	Eileen Bennett	Tammy Wylesky
Thursday, May 15	Wanda Kilian	Shirley Felland
Sunday, May 22	Carroll Swain	Lon Elske
Sunday, May 29	Eileen Bennett	Tammy Wylesky



## **Confirmation Sunday - May 1st**



Join us for worship on May 1st as we celebrate two new members into our congregation. Charlotte Elske and Griyan Hughland have worked hard over the last 8 months and have both expressed their excitement in joining the church as confirmed members. Please look in next month's newsletter for pictures of this special Sunday.

## **Outdoor Worship**

May 22nd at 10:00 a.m.  
Fall River United Methodist Church  
150 South St.

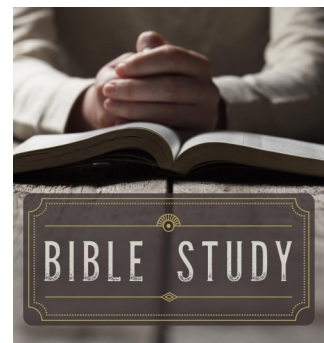
Enjoy this fresh spring day by worshipping God outdoors!



## **6-Week Bible Study**

Intro to the Bible  
Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m.  
Starting May 4th

Ever felt like you really don't have a grasp of the Bible? You've been a Christian for a while and you still don't feel comfortable reading from your Bible. Join Pastor Liz as we look at important themes, stories, and techniques for reading our Bibles.



## The Community Meal Is Back!!!

The Community Meal originated in 2010 and was put on hiatus during the pandemic. We are excited to bring it back starting May 26th! It will continue its tradition of providing meals once a month on the fourth Thursday from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Everyone is always welcome to dine in or carry out.

This meal is a community outreach program which draws attendance from all areas of the community. It has received support from the local food pantries and church and community members.

The meal is free to the public. However, profit monies collected from donations through the freewill offering are used to support the local food pantries and church missions.

We celebrate that this meal has developed many community relationships. All who attend enjoy the fellowship as much as the food.

If anyone is interested in helping at the meals or sponsoring a meal, please contact Mike Toth at 920-296-7629. We welcome all help and donations.

If you are interested in sponsoring, a meal would cost around \$100. This could be sponsored by an individual, a family or multiple families.

Thank you on behalf of the Community Meal Committee.



## Community Meal Meeting

If you would be interested in helping plan the Community Meal, please attend the upcoming meeting.

**Tuesday, May 3rd**

**6:30 p.m.**

Any questions, please contact Mike Toth.  
at 920-296-7629. Thank you.



# WE'RE BACK!!!

## COMMUNITY MEAL

**Every Fourth Thursday of the Month**

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

**Please Come Have Supper With Us**



Join us for a **FREE** meal Thursday, May 26th  
from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

We will be serving:  
Stroganoff with salad, carrots,  
rolls, and dessert

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Please call the church office with any questions:  
920-623-3625

## **Church Roof**

The Finance Committee is excited to announce that as of April 21st we have raised \$48,102 towards our \$105,000 Roof Replacement! We are so grateful for the \$16,501 of donations, \$10,200 pledged and \$21,401 of matching already donated.

With a potential of \$28,599 left in matching funds only for this month, we ask for your help with this important infrastructure update to continue our ministry.

We recognize that many would like to give now but are unable to at this time. If you would like to give in the future towards our roof project, please fill out a Roof Pledge Card located on the table outside the sanctuary or contact the church office.

***We will be planning a fundraising event soon. If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact the church office or Pastor Liz.***



To watch the roof presentation, please go to this link: <https://youtu.be/flgov6FFP58>



## **The Office Will Be Closed For Memorial Day**

On Monday, May 30 the church office will be closed in observance of Memorial Day.

Have a blessed and safe holiday.

## **Summer Office Hours**

Beginning May 31 through August 31, the church office's summer hours will be Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



## May Mission Offering: Midwest Mission Distribution Center



Our May Mission Offering will go to Midwest Mission Distribution Center. In addition, we will be collecting items for women's health kits in honor of Mother's Day. Items will be collected through the month of May and taken to the Annual Conference.

### Personal Dignity Kit (\$15 Value)

- ♦ 1 Bath Hand Towel (No kitchen towels)
  - ♦ 1 Bath Washcloth (No dishcloths)
- ♦ 1 Adult Toothbrush (No multi-packs)
  - ♦ 1 Bar Soap—3-4 oz
  - ♦ 1 Shampoo—15-18 oz
- ♦ 1 Deodorant—2-3 oz—stick, roll on, or pump
  - ♦ 1 1-gal Resealable Plastic Bag

All items must be NEW & placed in a 1-gal resealable plastic bag.  
Please donate the sizes indicated.

Monetary donations may be placed in the Offering Plate or mailed to the church.



## Loving Lunches



The Loving Lunch program is getting ready to provide FREE lunches this summer!  
Lunches are available for children and youth up to the age of 18.  
This organization is a 501c3 non-profit group.

Thanks to the Ecumenical group, community groups and volunteers who are  
busy planning, scheduling, and seeking funds!

Pick up for weekly meals will be on Sunday afternoons 4-6 p.m. at  
Olivet Congregational Church of Christ  
313 W. Prairie Street.

Meals will be packed and ready to go! Volunteers will bring your bags to your vehicles.

Pick up dates are on Sundays:  
May 22, June 5, June 19, July 3, July 17, July 31, August 14.

**Lunches for 2 weeks will be supplied during these pick up dates.**

[You must register for this program!! Deadline for registration is Friday, May 6th.](#)

E-mail info to [cyc@columbusumc.org](mailto:cyc@columbusumc.org) or message 920.210.4048.

We need parent/guardian name, address, phone, e-mail,  
children's names and any food allergies for child.  
Further instructions and details will be sent after you register.

We look forward to including you in the program.

### Assistance Needed

We can use donations (food, supplies, help with packing etc. as well as financial help).  
Please contact Mary Baker at 920.210.4048 or [cyc@columbusumc.org](mailto:cyc@columbusumc.org) for details.

There are so many possibilities for assisting. There will be multiple times,  
dates, and specific tasks that may interest you. Thank you for your consideration.

## SUPER SUNDAYS!!



### May 2022 News & Notes

Coordinator of Children & Youth Programming

# SUPER SUNDAYS!!

Games

Bring A Friend!

Bible Stories



Music

Arts & Crafts

Community Circle Time

Following Worship & Fellowship Time (by 11:15 a.m.), students will meet in the upstairs Gathering Room. We will dismiss at 12:15 p.m.

May 1	John 21: 1-19	Jesus Forgives Peter
May 8	John 10:22-30	Hearing the Shepherd
May 15	John 13: 31-35	God Loves Everyone
May 22	John 14:23-29	The Holy Spirit *****SEE NOTE BELOW
May 29	John 17:20-26	Jesus Prays For Us

**SPECIAL NOTE!!!! MAY 22 WILL BE OUTDOOR WORSHIP AT FALL RIVER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.**

**Students can pick up their lesson, activity and craft packet following the service. (Treats included )**

Please watch for the June newsletter!! We will have a Summer Format for our students to accommodate vacations, holidays etc.. I look forward to finding creative ways of staying connected during the summer months.

May the love of God surround you. I pray for a wondrous summer filled with hope, promise, relaxation, and peace. I pray that you find time to enjoy your families and the wonders of sunshine and outdoor fun. I pray you find moments of serenity by enjoying the beautiful sights of God's creation. God bless you all.

~ Mary Baker

## United Women in Faith: May 2022 News and Notes



United  
Women  
in Faith

Our new logo represents the past, present and future of our organization. The multicolored pieces of the cross coming together represent the diversity we aim for and the inward and outward reflection we engage in as women of faith. The typography is solid, modern and bold, showcasing our power to support the causes in which we invest.

**May 2022**

**Monthly Gathering May 12**

**11:30 a.m. — Fellowship Hall**

**Potluck Celebration!!**

**Join us as we celebrate the hope and promise of Spring & Summer!**

**Bring a dish to pass.**

**Juice, milk, coffee and tea will be provided.**

**Plates, napkins and utensils also provided.**

**There will be lots of joyous conversation and great food.**

**We will gather and plan for the bright future of United Women in Faith!!**

**Please call me if you have questions or concerns. 920-210-4048**

**Bring a friend!!**

May God bless you as we learn to do things in new ways, strive to be kind and understanding in these difficult times, and share hope and love wherever and whenever we can.

Mary Baker  
UWIF President

## **May Food Pantry - Columbus Assembly of God**



If you are in need, please call Jamie or Angie at 920-350-0345 to set up an appointment.

Monetary Donations may be sent to:  
Farmers & Merchants Union Bank.

Non-perishable food donations may be placed  
in the bin at Columbus Pick n Save.

## **Daily Prayer - Pray at 9:20 AM & 9:20 PM**

God, I pray for the Holy Spirit to breakthrough to renew and revive our churches, releasing new hopes, dreams and opportunities to do your will. Reveal to me your vision of the kingdom. Inspire me to use my gifts in ways that go beyond my imagination: with the courage to trust and act.

I pray for the spirit to transform and to use me boldly,  
without limits, to reach and make new disciples of  
Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Amen.



## **Prayer Requests**

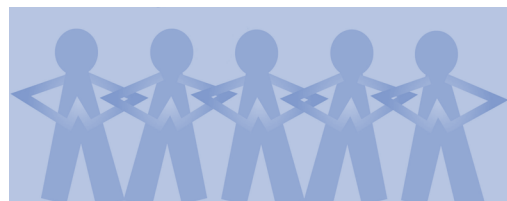
Are you in need of a prayer or know someone who does?

Please feel free to reach out to Pastor Liz.

Call the office at 920.623.3625 or email Pastor Liz at:  
[pastor@columbusumc.org](mailto:pastor@columbusumc.org)

## **Prayer Chain**

If you have any prayer concerns,  
or if you want to join the Prayer Chain,  
please call Louise Sampson at 608-235-1048.



## Equal Exchange Products Now Available!



Columbus United Women In Faith are now selling Equal Exchange products in Fellowship Hall. The proceeds will benefit United Women In Faith and United Methodist Committee on Relief.

For more details on varieties and prices, please see our display in Fellowship Hall. Look for organic cocoa powder, pecans, flavored coffee, and much more!

THANK YOU for supporting farming families around the world. [equalexchange.coop](http://equalexchange.coop)

### Why Equal Exchange?

	
<b>IT'S BETTER FOR our Planet</b>	<b>IT'S BETTER FOR Farmers</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>+ The hardworking farmers who grow our products care for their land.</li><li>+ Shade farming preserves forest cover and protects the habitats of birds and other wildlife.</li><li>+ Diversified crop planting promotes biodiversity and improves the health of the soil.</li><li>+ Most Equal Exchange products are certified organic and produced without the use of toxic and persistent pesticides.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>+ The small-scale farmers who grow Equal Exchange coffee, tea and chocolate control their own businesses, on land they own.</li><li>+ Working together gives farmer cooperatives access to support and training.</li><li>+ Fair trade and organic premiums allow them to invest in education, health programs and social services for their communities.</li></ul>

## Vanco Electronic Giving

Did you know that you are able to make your giving automatic and worry free by signing up through Vanco?

It is easy to sign up and you can schedule your giving to be one time only or recurring and you select the date on which you'd like to give. Please call Louise Sampson at 608.235.1048 if you are interested and she will send you the link to sign on and get started, or check out our secure website link at:  
<https://columbusumc.org/>



## SUMMER CAMP 2022!

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# Summer Camp 2022!

Thank you for opening this packet and partnering with us in building community, equipping disciples and modeling care of creation in ways that reflect the love and grace of God.

### Things you should know:

**More resources** – All the items in this packet may be requested for FREE from the camping office. Email [Camping@wisconsinumc.org](mailto:Camping@wisconsinumc.org) to request items.

**Scholarship form** – We will do whatever we can to make sure cost is not the reason people can't come to camp. Scholarship forms can be at [wiuncamps.org/for-churches](http://wiuncamps.org/for-churches).

### Things you should remember:

**Online registration** – This process gets better every year. Check it out at [WIUMCamps.org](http://WIUMCamps.org).

**Payment plan** – We offer a 4-month payment plan.

**Camp Sunday** – This is a great way to promote this life-changing ministry. Resources are available on our website. Call the camping office if you're interested in inviting a guest to speak about camp.

**Digital Resources**– Digital promotional items such as video slides available upon request.

**Summer jobs** – For young adults, camp is a great experience to have on your résumé. Contact Jamie Coenen ([jcoenen@wisconsinumc.org](mailto:jcoenen@wisconsinumc.org)) or Tanner Clark ([tclark@wisconsinumc.org](mailto:tclark@wisconsinumc.org)) to inquire about open staff positions as counselors, lifeguards, etc.

**Bring-A-Friend** – When you attend, refer, and bring a new friend to camp, you can receive a \$50 credit. See camp catalog for all the details.

**Invite others** –Our camps are open to all, and you can help us reach others by sharing information beyond the walls of your church. Check with other area churches or community notice boards.

**Digital Resources**– Digital promotional items such as video slides available upon request.

### Contact information:

**Website:** [www.WIUMCamps.org](http://www.WIUMCamps.org)

**Email:** [Camping@WisconsinUMC.org](mailto:Camping@WisconsinUMC.org)

**Phone:** 608-296-27

### Mailing Address:

Camps Administrative Office

Pine Lake Camp

W8301 County Rd M

Westfield, WI 539364



## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

*May the sun bring you new energy by day.  
My the moon softly restore you by night.  
May the rain wash away your worries.  
May the breeze blow new strength into your being.  
May you walk gently through the world and know it's beauty all the days of your life.*

~ Apache Blessing

### May Birthdays

Beth Burnard  
Madilyn Dennis  
Lisa Ban  
Orville Karow  
Austin Rake  
Dan Burnard  
Carroll Swain  
Levi Grubbs  
Pat Bennett  
David Dodd  
Vicky Hansen  
Timothy Hensler  
Bucky Prietz



Ethan Brandt  
Tim Jensen  
Nancy Wild  
Iris Brisky  
Joe Sampson  
Doris Fritchen  
Lucas Rennock  
Jennifer Arians  
Wanda Guenther  
Spencer Emmerich  
Jim Rake  
Brittany Salisbury  
Charlotte Elske

### May Anniversaries



Lon & Amy Elske  
Fred & Peggy Goetsch  
Jeff & Lori Caswell  
Mark & Cassie Dennis  
Chester & Stacy Garrett  
Derek & Celeste Grubbs

## MAY CALENDAR



# MAY 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> <b>Confirmation Sunday</b> <b>10:00 am</b> Worship with Confirmation <b>11:00 am</b> Fellowship Time <b>11:00 am - 12:15 pm</b> Super Sunday	<b>2</b> <div>Pastor Liz at Conference Meeting</div>	<b>3</b> <b>10:00 am</b> Coffee Time Meeting at Forward Pharmacy <b>6:30 pm</b> Community Meal Meeting	<b>4</b> <b>1:00 pm</b> Bible Study	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> <b>10:00 am</b> Worship <b>11:00 am</b> Fellowship Time <b>11:00 am - 12:15 pm</b> Super Sunday	<b>9</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Finance Mtg	<b>10</b> <b>10:00 am</b> Coffee Time Meeting at Forward Pharmacy <b>4:30 pm</b> SPRC Mtg	<b>11</b> <b>1:00 pm</b> Bible Study	<b>12</b> <b>11:30 am</b> United Women in Faith Meeting and Potluck	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>  <b>10:00 am</b> Worship <b>11:00 am</b> Fellowship Time <b>11:00 am - 12:15 pm</b> Super Sunday	<b>16</b> <b>6:30 pm</b> Ad. Council Mtg	<b>17</b> <b>10:00 am</b> Coffee Time Meeting at Forward Pharmacy	<b>18</b> <b>1:00 pm</b> Bible Study	<b>19</b> <b>3:00 pm</b> Ecumenical Meeting	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> <b>10:00 am</b> <b>OUTDOOR WORSHIP</b> Fall River UMC 150 South St.	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>10:00 am</b> Coffee Time Meeting at Forward Pharmacy	<b>25</b> <b>1:00 pm</b> Bible Study	<b>26</b> <b>5:00 pm - 6:30 pm</b> Community Meal at CUMC	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
* Tiffany will be on vacation May 23-26						
<b>29</b> <b>10:00 am</b> Worship <b>11:00 am</b> Fellowship Time <b>11:00 am - 12:15 pm</b> Super Sunday	<b>30</b>  <b>Memorial Day</b> - <b>Church Office Closed</b>	<b>31</b> <b>10:00 am</b> Coffee Time Meeting at Forward Pharmacy Summer Office Hours Begin			<div> *While Tiffany is on vacation, the office will still be open. Stop by and see Wanda Guenther on Tuesday (5/24) or Thursday (5/26)! Thank you Wanda for covering the office those two days! You are appreciated!  </div>	