



Columbus United Methodist Church
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Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday
9:00 am - 2:30 pm

A Message from Rev. Park:

Dear Church,

What a blessing to receive the New Year of 2024!!!!

As we say farewell to 2023, the New Year of 2024 is in our hands. Looking back to past years, perhaps we might have many regrets. But, those regrets cannot be a trap to hold us back, because God already blessed us with the New Year. We know our past. But we don't know our future, not even tomorrow. However, because we believe in God, we have hope that God is with us and guides us in His Light.

The most stressful thing is anxiety. When we don't know something well, anxiety comes into our lives and makes our lives miserable. But faith is not a metaphysical thought. Faith is the assurance of things hoped for. Hope is for the future. Nobody has hope for the past. When we have faith, we can have an unshakable hope for the future. Faith is the conviction of things not seen. So, when we have faith, we can expect something for the future.

I have a friend who worked as a missionary to the Hoppi Indians in Arizona for years. After his contract period, I talked with him on the phone. He had a very surprising vision. Because he believed that God would work, he was waiting and expecting something. This is what he said when he didn't have a job anymore, and didn't know where to go or even live. But, he believed. He expected. A few months later, he planted a new church in the San Francisco area. That church grew very rapidly to about 150 attendees in a couple of years. Eventually, a big church in Korea offered the senior pastor position to him. Now he works diligently to care for the church.

This kind of blessing is not only for pastors but for all believers. God blesses all His children with heavenly blessings. These blessings make us expect. Why don't you expect more? Why don't you rejoice more? Why don't you be happier? God wants to bless more. Let's not stop praying. Let's give thanks in any circumstances. God wants us to be in Him all the time. God walks with us and talks with us, and leads us to the green pastures. I bless you all to believe that you go into the green pastures in this year of blessings.

Rejoice Always, Pray without Ceasing, Give Thanks in All Circumstances, for This is the Will of God in Christ Jesus for You!!! (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

May God Bless You throughout 2024!!!

Rev. Sang Wook Park D.M.A.

As A Member Of The Columbus United Methodist Church:

I will faithfully participate in its ministries through
my prayers, presence, gifts, talents, service, and my witness.

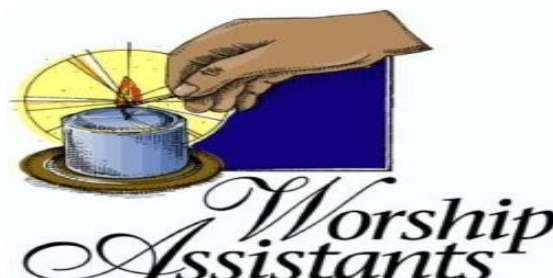


Rev. Park At Home Or Church Office Visits

Rev. Park would like to visit with all the church members!

Please sign-up for a Tuesday or Thursday visit on the sheets that can be found
on the table outside the Sanctuary or feel free to contact the office.

If you would prefer an evening hour visit, please contact Rev. Park to schedule with him.



Volunteers need for Ushers & Scripture Readers

You may volunteer by signing the sign-up sheets on table near the sanctuary
Or contact the office to be added to the schedule.

Call 920-623-3625 or by email: office@columbusumc.org

Sunday Offering Counters Needed

We are in need of Offering Counters after worship. If you are interested in signing up,
please contact the office to be added to the schedule.

Call 920-623-3625 or by email: office@columbusumc.org

Community Meal Meeting

If you would be interested in helping plan the monthly Community Meals
please attend the upcoming meeting on
Tuesday, January 2nd at 6:30 pm
in CUMC Fellowship Hall.

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



COMMUNITY MEAL
Every Second and Fourth Thursday of the Month
EVERYONE IS WELCOME
Please Come Have Supper With Us



Thursday, January 11th,
please join us for a **FREE** meal
every **second** Thursday of the month
from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Olivet Congregational UCC
313 W. Prairie St.

Please call the church office with any questions: 920-623-5140

Thursday, January 25th
please join us for a **FREE** meal
every **fourth** Thursday of the month
from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

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

The meals are free to all who join us. Any profit monies collected from donations through the freewill offering are used to support the local food pantries and church missions.

Dear Laity, Clergy, and Congregations of the Wisconsin Conference,

We want to express our deepest gratitude for your commitment to our shared mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We know the disaffiliation process throughout The United Methodist Church and our local faith communities has been difficult. In acknowledging this challenging season, we also hold true to the power and glory of God, that in our “proclaiming the good news of God’s grace and by exemplifying Jesus’ command to love God and neighbor,” our connection is strengthened.

Together, we are meeting physical and spiritual needs locally. We celebrate persons responding to God’s call to serve (lay and clergy). Because of our United Methodist connection, we celebrate:

- 100% apportionment payment to the general church
- Missional support through the Advance Specials and Special Sunday Offerings
- Wisconsin Conference Licensing School
- Harmony Choir
- Beloved Community Initiative
- Bolivia partnership
- Board of Laity – Certified Lay Ministers program
- Camps and camp scholarships
- New Ministry Plants, including chartering new congregations
- UMCOR Disaster response
- ...and so much more!

Because of our collective time, talent, gifts, service, and witness, we can celebrate and will continue celebrating all that will emerge in 2024.

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As we look to the future, let's remember the importance of our United Methodist connection and our profession as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Thank you for doing your part as a layperson, clergyperson, or faith community member in the Wisconsin Conference; you are strengthening our connection as we focus on God's faithful future.

With great appreciation,

The Wisconsin Conference Appointive Cabinet
Bishop Hee-Soo Jung

Barbara Certa-Werner, Clergy Assistant to Bishop
Tsuker Yang, North Central District Superintendant, Dean of the Cabinet
Park Hunter, North East District Superintendent
PyungAhn "Peace" Kim, North West District Superintendent
Amanda Stein, South West District Superintendent
Ebenezer Insor, South East District Superintendent
Sue D'Alessio, Director of Connectional Ministries
Scott Carlson, Director of Congregational Development

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January Mission Offering:

Our Mission Offering for January will go to

Human Relations Day



Our Mission Offering in January will go to Human Relations Day, when United Methodist communities come together to invest in those in need of hope and an opportunity to thrive.

Human Relations Day is our day to **celebrate everyone's potential** to do great things.

It's our day to **empower those living on the margins of society.**

It's our day to **invest in at-risk youth.**

It's our day to **make a difference together.**

WHY DO WE CELEBRATE SPECIAL SUNDAYS?

United Methodists celebrate on specific days to unite and make clear the commitment of the church as the people of God, and to give everyone the opportunity to contribute to special programs approved and supported by the Church. For stories on how you make a difference visit **UMC.org/yourimpact**

HOW DO YOUR GIFTS SUPPORT HUMAN RELATIONS?

We are called to make an impact in communities where our brothers and sisters in Christ lack the resources or tools to reach their God-given potentials. Our gifts are part of building beloved community through faith-based volunteer programs, community developers and programs that work with at-risk teens. For more than half a century, United Methodists have observed this churchwide special Sunday in recognition of the message Jesus demonstrated during his life: **Each of God's children are equally important.**



Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church®



**January News & Notes from
Children
& Youth Program Coordinator**

Happy New Year

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**Mrs. Baker & Mrs. Bennett look forward to seeing
you in the Gathering Room!**

Sunday January 7th 9-10 a.m.

**Children & Youth will Celebrate Epiphany!! We begin the celebration in the
Gathering Circle. We will have You Tube videos to share stories with us about
this special day. Join in the project of the day, music for all, a Spin the Wheel
game and end with the Bible story for today that is sure to inspire and teach us.**

10a.m. WORSHIP followed by Fellowship Time

January 21 - 9- 10 a.m.

Epiphany—Visit of The Magis.

**In many countries, Epiphany is celebrated with special pastries, and children re-
ceive small gifts in their shoes in honor of the Magi's gifts to the infant Jesus.
Children & youth are welcome to join the celebration!! Stories, games, and
tasty treats!!**

Questions? Need information?

Call 920 210 4048

E mail cyc@columbusmc.org





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.

Happy New Year

January 2024

We are women in MISSION. We are women with VISION. We are women with a PURPOSE! We are to be a community of women whose PURPOSE is to know God and experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

JOIN US!! We welcome new ideas, ways to serve, projects to consider and programs to participate in.

Join us on January 9th at 10 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Beginnings and Blessings! This time of looking back to what was in 2023, and what possibilities lie ahead in 2024, will give us many things to consider. We cannot stay the same and experience growth and new outreach to others. Let us gather, pray, and ponder, seek, and find new answers to God's call, and go into our community and homes ready to serve!!

Mary Baker
President
(920 210 4048– cyc@columbusumc.org)

January Food Pantry: Columbus Community Church of the Nazarene



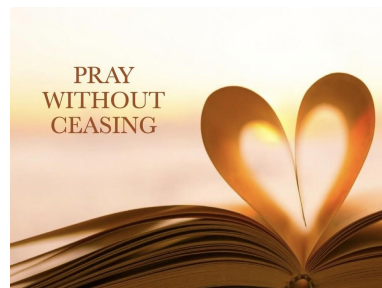
If you are in need of food assistance, please call please call the church office at 920-623-3625 to set up an appointment.

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.

Prayer Chain

Are you in need of a prayer or know someone who does or do you wish to pray for others in need?

If so, please reach out to the Prayer Chain, by calling/texting Mary Baker at (920) 210-4048 or by emailing her at cyc@columbusumc.org



Equal Exchange Products Are Available!

Columbus United Women in Faith are now selling Equal Exchange products in Fellowship Hall. The proceeds will benefit UWF and UMCOR. For more details on varieties and prices, please see our display in Fellowship Hall.

New items have recently been added! Here is our updated list:



COFFEE	\$10	CHOCOLATE BARS	\$4
FLAVORED COFFEE	\$10	OLIVE OIL	\$20
TEA	\$4	DATES	\$13
TEA BAGS	\$0.25	COCOA	\$6

Please contact Eileen Bennett if you would like something added.

THANK YOU for supporting farming families around the world.

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 Nick Sharrow @ 608-669-7767 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:

www.columbusumc.org





In-Person Worship Services

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 available for use during worship. They are filled with good 'kid' stuff and located at the back of the worship space in the basket. Let us all be about loving our children into faith.



Fellowship Time

Please join us for fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall after worship services on Sundays. Treats and coffee are provided by our hosts!

Other Ways To Worship

www.facebook.com

ColumbusUnitedMethodistChurch

Each week's service will be posted on Monday.



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 to receive instant notifications when we add new services each week on Monday.



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 www.columbusumc.org Emailed to you directly by request

Favorite Recipes

Hi this page is dedicated to favorite recipes from the church.

Everyone is encouraged to submit a favorite recipe to share with everyone.

HOMEMADE GOULASH



INGREDIENTS - Serves 4

1 1/2 - Lbs. Ground Beef
1 Box Elbow Macaroni
1- Medium Onion—diced
1 or 2 - 29 oz Can Hunts Tomato Sauce
1 Bag Frozen Whole Kernel Corn
16 oz bag of Shredded Cheddar Cheese

Directions:

- **Brown Ground beef—drain**
- ♦ **Boil noodles till soft—drain**
- ♦ **In a large Kettle add; Tomato Sauce, Ground beef, noodles, diced onion, & frozen corn**
- ♦ **Heat on stove till warm**
Put in a small bowl add shredded cheese and dig in!

Cookie Salad I

Recipe from: <https://www.allrecipes.com/>

Ingredients

2 (3.4 ounce) packages instant vanilla pudding mix
2 cups buttermilk
12 ounces frozen whipped topping, thawed
1 (20 ounce) can pineapple chunks, drained
2 (11 ounce) cans mandarin oranges, drained
1/2 (11.5 ounce) package fudge stripe cookies

Directions

In a large bowl, mix together the pudding mix and the buttermilk.
Fold in the whipped topping. Mix in the pineapple chunks and mandarin oranges.

*Chill until ready to serve. Crush cookies and mix in just before serving



JANUARY SERVICE TO THE LORD, BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES

We are grateful for your help to serve our congregation! If you are interested in helping, please sign-up on the sheets located on the table outside Fellowship Hall.

Ushers



Sunday, January 7
Sunday, January 15
Sunday, January 21
Sunday, January 28

Needed
Needed
Tim Hoffman
Needed

Scripture Reading

Sunday, January 7
Sunday, January 14
Sunday, January 21
Sunday, January 28

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Fellowship Time



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George & Rita Jordan
Lyle & Louise Elske
Amy Elske & Family
Mary Baker

January Birthdays

Jeffrey Emerson
Fred Goetsch
Michelle Lange
Emma Bennett
Jaden Buske
Debra Perry
Doug Spangler
Martha Bornshlegel



Jennie Prietz
Gemma Brisky
Louise Elske
Tessie Sharrow
William Hamilton
Kristin Vander Sanden
Laurel Goetsch

JANUARY CALENDAR



January 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:00 am Worship with Communion/ Family Blessings 11:00 am Fellowship Time	1	2 10:00 am Coffee Time at Forward Pharmacy 6:30 pm Community Meal Meeting	3	4	5	6
7 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Fellowship Time 11:00 am or following Worship Super Sunday	8 4:30 pm SPRC Mtg	9 10:00 am Coffee Time at Forward Pharmacy 10:00 am— United Women in Faith	10	11 5:00 pm — 6:30 pm Community Meal at Olivet	12	13
14 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Fellowship Time	15 <i>Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday</i> 6:30 pm Ad. Council Mtg	16 10:00 am Coffee Time at Forward Pharmacy	17	18	19	20
21 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Fellowship Time 11:00 am or following Worship Super Sunday	22	23 10:00 am Coffee Time at Forward Pharmacy	24	25 5:00 pm — 6:30 pm Community Meal at CUMC	26	27
28 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Fellowship Time	29	30 10:00 am Coffee Time at Forward Pharmacy	31			