



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

A Message from Rev. Park:

Hallelujah!!!

We are approaching the end of 2022.

We are having charge conference on Dec. 4th. at 11:30 am.

The Thanksgiving is next week.

The Christmas season is on the corner.

Well, there left only six weeks in 2022.

Well, time passes so fast.

There were many changes in this year.

The biggest change should be that you have a new pastor.

The pastor looks quite different, and has quite different accents, and has quite different ministry style.

Yes.

I am different.

Often, some people love to experience the difference, while some don't

However, our churches accepted and welcomed me.

Then all the members are well adjusting to the new ministry style.

Yes.

That some differences mingles well can produce some good things.

We are the church in which some differences are mingling very well.

I believe this year is the year our churches are going into the new pages of history.

Yes. Our churches are facing the new pages.

They can be good or bad.

Nobody knows.

But I am sure that our new pages can be better, because we are on the good track.

The vicious cycle has gone.

Our future is nothing but Great because God is with us.

Also, we became the churches in which the differences mingle together.

Whenever we face new pages, that is a challenge.

If we see that a test, that will be hard.

If we see that an exploration, that will be fun.

New pages are new doors.

Let's give a try for a new exploration.

That will be fun.

You are all truly good people to accept new and different things.

I love it.

Also, I love to have fun!!

Let's explore the new pages of our churches with fun in God.

*We know that all things work together for good for those who love God,
who are called according to his purpose. Roman 8:28*

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.



Bell Ringers Volunteer Sign-Up

CUMC will be ringing the bells on
Saturday, December 3 at Pick N Save.

If you are willing to help out, please sign the
clipboard on the table outside the Sanctuary.

Food Pantry Volunteer Sign-Up

CUMC is in charge of the food pantry for the month of December. We will need persons
willing to sign up for shifts to be behind the counter and hand out food.

The shifts will be: Thursday evenings: December 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Training will be available and instructions will be posted at the food pantry.
If you are willing to help out, please sign the clipboard on the table outside the Sanctuary.

Sunday Offering Counters Needed

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

Call/text at 608-235-1048 or by email: lousampson28@gmail.com



The 2023 Budget

The 2023 Budget information will be included in
the upcoming January Newsletter.

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

Sermon Series of Advent

November 27: Magnificat 1
December 4: Magnificat 2
December 11: Song of Zechariah
December 18: Song of Simeon



Join us for Advent worship services as we prepare in anticipation for the Christmas Season.

Hope Peace Joy Love Christ



Ecumenical The Longest Night Service

December 16th at 6:30 p.m.
Faith Lutheran Church
(120 Faith Drive, Columbus)

Christmas can be a painful time for some. The constant refrain about the happiness of the season and getting together with family and friends reminds many people of what they have lost or have never had. The anguish of broken relationships, the insecurity or unemployment, the weariness of ill health, the pain of isolation – all these can make us feel very alone in the midst of all the celebration. We need the space and the time to acknowledge our sadness and concern. We need encouragement to live the days ahead of us.

With all this in mind, our Ecumenical group will be offering a special “Longest Night” service hosted by Faith Lutheran Church on **Friday, December 16th at 6:30 p.m.**

We’ll share our prayers, hear some hopeful scripture and sing some quiet carols that acknowledge that God’s presence is for those who mourn, and that God’s Word comes to shine light into our darkness.

Everyone, regardless of church background (or lack of it), is welcome.

Christmas Eve Service

December 24th
7:00 p.m.
CUMC Sanctuary



Community Meal Meeting

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

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



The Community Meal Holiday Meal - December 8th -

**Please join us for our FREE Holiday Meal on
Thursday, December 8th from 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm.**

All in the community are welcome to join us to dine in or carry out.

We will be serving: ham, turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, squash, corn, cranberries, dinner rolls, homemade pies, and cool whip.

We celebrate that this meal develops many relationships within our community. All who attend enjoy the fellowship as much as the food. Any monies collected through the freewill offering are used to support local food pantries and church missions.

Anyone who is interested in helping at the meals to prepare, serve, and/or clean up or would like to sponsor a meal, please contact Mike Toth at 920-296-7629.

We welcome all help and donations!

We are in need of five turkeys, five hams, and ten pies. If you are able to help, please sign up on the sign-up sheet on the table outside of the sanctuary. Thank you in advance on behalf of the Community Meal Committee!



January Monthly Community Meals

On the **2nd Thursday** of each month, please join us for a monthly Community Meal at **Olivet Congregational UCC** from **5:00 pm - 6:30 pm**.

On the **4th Thursday** of each month, please join us for a monthly Community Meal at **Columbus UMC** from **5:00 pm - 6:30 pm**.

December Mission Offering: **Columbus Club House**

Our Mission Offering for December will go to Columbus Club House. This will also be our Christmas Eve Offering. Columbus Club House has been meeting the needs of working families in the Columbus area since 1989. The project was founded by Kiwanis and United Methodist Women. Through concerted efforts of community organizations, UWEX, Columbus School District, ecumenical church support, and concerned citizens, as well as businesses and industry, the State Licensed program became a reality.

Club House currently serves families on school days before and after school. The program is held in the new Columbus Elementary School in a beautiful new space. The afternoon program operates from school dismissal at 3:15 p.m. to 6 p.m. It is licensed for 25 and attendance is steady. The morning program is in operation from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. and currently has openings.

Club House also offers a full day program at Columbus UMC on days when school is not in session.

Club House faces many challenges, including staff shortages and budget issues.

Club House will need financial help, as well as volunteers, to operate their school year and summer program this year. Due to COVID, they were unable to have their traditional fundraiser dinner in February 2021.

The revenue loss created a financial deficit. Plans are in the works to do a Fund Raiser in spring of 2023. Details will be forthcoming.

This is a good time to remind ourselves that as members of the United Methodist Church, we pledge to support our Missions with our prayers, our gifts, and our service. Club House has lovingly been called the House that our church built!!



The Columbus Club House

After School Child Care . . . That Cares!

WEDNESDAY WONDERS!!

December 2022 News & Notes

Coordinator of Children & Youth Programming



Wednesday Wonders!! 5:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.

GOOD NEWS!!!! Children & Youth K–6th grade are encouraged to join the games and activity times! There will be ornament making, crafts of the season, card making, HOLIDAY BINGO, SPIN TO WIN table and yummy treats and snacks. Bring a friend.

ATTENTION all 7th grade - High School students!

It would be awesome to have help from you as well as being part of the *Cards That Care* project to be decorated and embellished with special ribbons etc. These will be distributed to local Assisted Living Centers and shut ins.

SUNDAY TAKE HOME THE STORY***

I will have weekly story and activity sheets based on the Advent & Christmas Season for students to take home. They will be displayed on a table in Fellowship Hall.

Birthday Party for Jesus - Sunday December 18th

There will be special treats during Fellowship Time!! (following Worship)

Join in the celebration!

We will have our annual Pinata time where all children will have an opportunity to join the fun. (We carefully distance children and supervise as they attempt to break open the Pinata.) Each child will be given a treat bag to hold candy from the Pinata. Candy is distributed equally. There will also be a goody bag with special prizes and treats.

Blessings to you! Enjoy the wondrous season of Christmas!
Mrs. Baker

Email: cyc@columbusmc.org Text/Call: 920-210-4048

United Women in Faith: December 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.



Thursday December 1, 2022

10 a.m. Fellowship Hall

World Thank Offering Service

11 a.m. Soup & Salad Luncheon!

- ♦ Gather with us as we give thanks for the blessings we have!
- ♦ We will hear stories of Blessings in our lives and share times when we were blessed by our association with United Women in Faith.
- ♦ There will be an opportunity to look at our new resources used for this evening from United Women in Faith.
- ♦ A short meeting for planning and developing a vision of what we can “do and be” in the coming winter months in Mission and Ministry of United Women in Faith, will end the meeting.

Excerpt of a Prayer From UMC Discipleship Ministries...

... May the Christmas morning make us happy to be thy children, and Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake,

Amen.

God bless you all! Contact me for information or questions regarding our meeting and/or our United Women in Faith organization.

Mary Baker, UWIF President

Email: cyc@columbusumc.org Text/Call: 920-210-4048

December Food Pantry: Columbus United Methodist Church



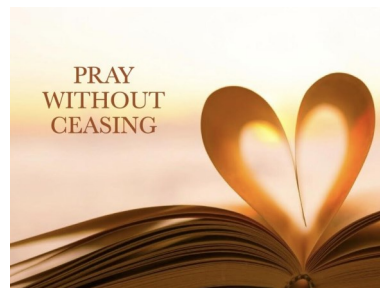
If you are in need of food assistance, please call the church office at 920-623-3625 to set up an appointment.

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 Louise Sampson at 608-235-1048 or by emailing her at lousampson28@gmail.com



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 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:

www.columbusumc.org



Come
WORSHIP WITH US!

In-Person Worship Services

Please join us for worship on Sundays at 10am

Child Care for infants through age 5 is available Sunday from 9:30 am – 11:15 am

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

DECEMBER 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.

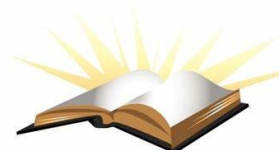
Ushers



Sunday, December 4	<i>Needed</i>
Sunday, December 11	George & Rita Jordan
Sunday, December 18	Tim Hoffman and Louise Sampson
Sunday, December 24	<i>Needed</i>
Sunday, December 25	<i>Needed</i>

Scripture Reading

Sunday, December 4	Emma Jones
Sunday, December 11	Eileen Bennett
Sunday, December 18	Mary Baker
Sunday, December 24	Eileen Bennett, <i>6 More Needed</i>
Sunday, December 25	Tim Hoffman



Fellowship Time



Sunday, December 4	Richard Sheard
Sunday, December 11	Kathy Thornton
Sunday, December 18	Ron & Wanda Guenther
Sunday, December 25	<i>No Fellowship Time</i>

Counters

Sunday, December 4	Wanda Kilian	Shirley Felland
Sunday, December 11	Eileen Bennett	Tammy Wylesky
Sunday, December 18	Carroll Swain	Lon Elske
Sunday, December 24	Eileen Bennett	Tammy Wylesky
Sunday, December 25	Wanda Kilian	Shirley Felland



December Birthdays

Mark Stover
Teri Hurst
Marion Hoffman
Mark Dennis
Amy Elske
Monty Bodie



Grace Vander Sanden
Philip Waterworth
Tom Seidlinger
Brady Ban
Anna Ehrke
Wanda Kilian
Carol Balfanz

December Anniversaries




Philip & Peggy Waterworth
Timothy & Connie Hoffman

DECEMBER CALENDAR



December 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 10:00 am United Women in Faith Meeting & Luncheon 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm Food Pantry	2	3 8:00 am – 8:00 pm Salvation Army Bell Ringing at Pick N Save
4 <i>Advent</i> 10:00 am Worship with Communion 11:00 am Fellowship Time 11:30 am Church Conference Mtg	5	6 10:00 am Coffee Time at Forward Pharmacy 6:30 pm Community Meal Meeting	7 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Wonders	8 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm Food Pantry 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm Holiday Community Meal	9	10
11 <i>Advent</i> 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Fellowship Time	12 4:30 pm SPRC Mtg	13 10:00 am Coffee Time at Forward Pharmacy	14 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Wonders	15 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm Food Pantry	16 6:30 pm The Longest Night Service at Faith Lutheran Church	17
18 <i>Advent</i> 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Fellowship Time Birthday Party for Jesus	19 6:30 pm Ad. Council Mtg	20 10:00 am Coffee Time at Forward Pharmacy	21 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Wonders	22 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm Food Pantry	23	24 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Worship 
25 <i>Christmas</i> 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Fellowship Time	26	27 10:00 am Coffee Time at Forward Pharmacy	28 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Wonders	29 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm Food Pantry	30	31