

# Church of Peace



UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST  
a just world for all



*“Out of Our Mind for Jesus!”*

## Greetings

Welcome to the community of Church of Peace United Church of Christ. We believe that all people are children of God and rejoice that you have chosen to worship God with us today. If you are visiting our community, we wish to extend our faith in Christian fellowship and hope that you will take a moment to visit with us after the service. If you have any questions prior to the service, please ask anyone in the community. We have all been visitors at some time in our life, and we are eager to assist you in any way. May the Holy Spirit fill us and guide us as we worship God together.

June 16, 2024

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

9am

Gathering Music - Ringing of the Bells - Welcome and Announcements

*We Prepare to Worship God*

Prayer & Prelude

*We Gather Around God's Word*

A reading from 2 Corinthians 5

Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15)

One: It is good to give thanks to our God, to sing praises to your name, O Most High,

**Many: To declare your steadfast love in the morning and your faithfulness by night.**

One: To the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

**Many: For you, O God, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.**

One: The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

**Many: They are planted in the house of the Holy One; they flourish in the courts of our God.**

One: In old age, they still produce fruit; they are always green and full of nectar.

**Many: God is upright; God is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in God.**

One: Please join me in our Prayer of Invocation

**Magnificent God, creator of heaven and earth, who grants us life, may the seeds of wisdom from the ancient sacred texts grow within us so that we may bear good fruit that nourishes a hungry world. May the Holy Spirit of Pentecost descend upon us this day as we give thanks to you God, in Jesus's most precious name we pray. Amen.**

\* Opening Hymn

*"Gather Us In"*

No. 284

\*Prayer for Transformation and New Life

**Ever-Loving God, when we choose to follow a path other than the path of Jesus, it leads us from the path of righteousness. We know this because your Spirit helps us feel our mistakes. Forgive us and lead us back to correct way of living in and with Jesus.**

## Words of Grace

Pastor: Scripture tells us that we have been shown the path to reconciliation by Jesus who is within us whenever we turn to God for the guidance and strength to transform our lives for a better kingdom of God here on earth. Sisters and Brothers, feel the peace of the Divine grace that is always there for you in the name of Jesus.

**Many: We rejoice in our new life in Jesus Christ! Praise be to God! Amen.**

## \*The Passing of Christ's Peace in Community

Special Music      "I Love You, Lord"      by Laurie Klein

Pastoral Prayer - a sharing of community and world prayers.

## Affirmation of Faith

One: We are not alone; we live in God's world.

**All: We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\* Hymn

*"Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult"*

337

## We Engage God's Word

Scriptures

Mark 4:26-34

2 Corinthians 5:11-17

Sermon

*"Out of Our Mind for Jesus!"*

## We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to Generosity

One: We are grateful for the gifts that we receive in our lives.

**Many: God invites us to participate in this opportunity of generosity to continue the mission of God's Love to the world and we are grateful and thankful. Amen.**

Offertory

\*Doxology

*" Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"*

No. 46

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Ever-Giving God of Love and Grace, with gratefulness we offer and dedicate these gifts for the continuation of our work in Christ's name. Amen.**

*We Are Sent into the World*

Closing hymn

*"I Will Sing of Your Love, Love, Love"*

(on screen)

\*The Lord's Prayer (using "debts" and "debtors")

\*Commissioning & Benediction

Postlude

(\*If you are able, please stand at the pastor's invitation)

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Rev. Stephen Stepp

Patricia Siekierke

Rob Giese

Victor Abitz

Heather Reader-Schubert & Elizabeth Schubert



Minister

Organist

AV Tech

Custodian

Liturgist

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**June Food Needs:**

Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothbrushes, Liquid Body Wash, Cleaning Supplies, Laundry Detergent, Deodorant, Juice, Shelf Stable Milk and, 1 LB tubes of Hamburger or Turkey



WELCOME TO  
CHURCH OF PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

June 16, 2024

Church office phone: 921-8215

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. -- 12:00 p.m.  
Pastor Steve Hours: Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. -- 12:00 p.m.  
or call for an appointment.

Website: [uccchurchofpeace.com](http://uccchurchofpeace.com) Facebook: Church of Peace UCC Fond du Lac

This Summer, let us commit ourselves to God through worship as we gather in the name of Jesus Christ on Sundays.

Invite a friend to meet our community so that we may all be one and feel the presence of God through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Help is Needed on June 10<sup>th</sup> for Loaves & Fishes. Shifts starting at 3pm & 4pm. We are also in need of dessert bars. If you are able to help, please see the sign-up sheet outside the office.

Thank you.



IN OUR PRAYERS

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|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Lucy Zahn               | Janet Rymer                | Bill Manka           |
| Elise Sonnenberg        | Del Weigel                 | Eli & Barb Gustafson |
| Evelyn Stepp            | Janet & Eugene Willis      | Diana Candlish       |
| Doris Kastorff          | Ernest Oelke               | Ralph                |
| Janelle Anderson        | Leo Lefebber               | Oliver Poirier       |
| Robert Snyder           | Wayne Katerski             | Bailey Gehrt         |
| Marilyn Peters          | Sharon Hensen              | Edna Karl            |
| Helen Oelke             | Ruth Pedix                 | Donna Birkholz       |
| Christine Weimer        | Amy Mitchell               | Evelyn Yantz         |
| Baby Archer             | Dixie & Dave Borchert      | Pat Grose            |
| Nicole Schendel         | Jason & Jennifer           | Nancy Schaefer       |
| Bob and Shirley Hanke   | Marvin Oelke               | Debra Rammer         |
| Susan Snider            | Carol Carlson              | Lee & Lita Treleven  |
| Heather Reader-Schubert | Deb Baker                  | Greg Baker           |
| Alexis Hayes            | Jim & Kathy Stephany       | John                 |
| Connie Troskey          | Margaret Houk              | Stephen Yanke        |
| Mary Jean Nicholson     | Amy Jo                     | Deacon               |
| Dennis Schabel          | The Family of James Stacey |                      |

p.s Awesome God, enable us to proclaim your glory by the way we live, love and share our lives with others!

Messenger

MESSENGER ARTICLES ARE DUE  
MONDAY MAY 24<sup>TH</sup>

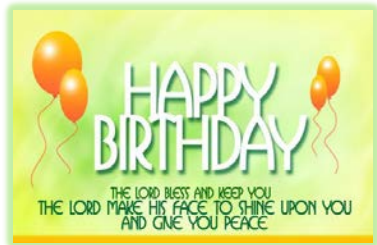
MESSENGER ASSEMBLY:  
WEDNESDAY MAY 26<sup>TH</sup>

CHURCH OF PEACE – FACTS AND FIGURES

OFFERINGS LAST WEEK: General Fund: \$2,706.00;  
Mission - Giving (OCWM): \$42.00;  
E-giving: \$75.00; Investing in the Future: \$320.00;  
Attendance – Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>: 74 Last year: 67

**THIS WEEK AT CHURCH OF PEACE**

Sun	M	Tues	W	Th	F	Sat
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
9:00am Worship Service	Loaves & Fishes	6:30 Stewardship Meeting	Loaves & Fishes			
Social Hour Host: Hospitality						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
9:00am Worship Service	Loaves & Fishes		9:00 Red Cross Blood Drive 10:00 Messenger Assembly			
Social Hour Host: Council #1	Messenger Articles Due		Loaves & Fishes			



- June 16 – Morgan Lefeber, Linda Oelke
- June 17 - Mary Fleischman, Chris Higgins
- June 18 - Ben Kiefer, Nancy Pahnke, George Scott
- June 20 - Barb Ditter
- June 21- Brandon Anderson, Dakota Wohler

**BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER!! 90+ years young members**

Please consider sending a card to these members.

**Birthdays are:**

**June 7<sup>th</sup>: Mrs. Alice Mitchell**

N6704 Hageman Rd, Eldorado, WI 54932

**June 10<sup>th</sup>: Mrs. June Kraemer**

511 Harrison St., Apt. 1, N. Fond du Lac, WI 54937



Mark your calendars!!!  
Our Annual Outdoor Worship Service and Picnic  
at Taylor Park will be held on  
Sunday, August 11th @ Taylor Park

**The Stewardship Committee is organizing our trip  
to the DOCKSPIDERS baseball game on Tuesday,  
July 16th.**

**Watch for the sign-up sheet!**

