

Church of Peace

 UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST
a just world for all



WORLD
COMMUNION
SUNDAY

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.

October 6, 2024

World Communion Sunday

9:00am

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 John 13

Call to Worship (Inspired by Psalm 26)

One: Our God dwells within and beyond the congregation and makes a home among us.

Many: Prove us, and try us; Merciful Creator, test our hearts and minds.

One: The glory of the Sovereign God abides with us, illuminating our journey, energizing our gathering, and warming our spirits.

Many: Prove us, and try us; Merciful Savior, test our hearts and minds.

One: Bless the Name of Names, the God of Truth, and the Giver of Life with songs of praise, prayers of hope, and moments of connection.

Many: Prove us, and try us; Holy Spirit, test our hearts and minds.

One: Please join me in our Prayer of Invocation

Majestic God, your realm encompasses the universe, the earth, and our community. All creation declares your glory. May we unite with our family around the world in celebrating you and the connections we share. As we gather in your name, may we remember those we join in faith, hope, and worship on every continent representing every tradition. May we declare in spirit and in truth...one bread, one body...the church moving to you, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer in One. Amen.

*Opening Hymn " Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

No. 2

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

One: Merciful God, we gather at this table in your presence, mindful that this day celebrates our human bond in Christ.

Many: Yet, the reality lies far from your vision of beloved community because you call us to remember the poor, the marginalized, the immigrant, the isolated and abandoned.

One: You command us to love our neighbor and have blessed us to live in an era in which we may know our neighbors from across the world to amazing levels.

Many: Still, we cling to our isolationist ways. We place our desires and comforts over the good of the world. We demonize difference rather than dignify diversity.

One: Forgive us and propel us to new life.

Many: Extend your grace to transform our attitude and actions and infuse us with openness, curiosity, and love.

Words of Grace

Pastor: Sisters and Brothers, God's grace and power resides in you by mutual support of a transformed life. Allow the testing to strengthen you, to build your endurance, and to do a new thing in you as you accept your forgiveness in Jesus Christ.

Many: May we accept our forgiveness and move toward a holy community in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. Praise be to God! Amen.

*The Passing of Christ's Peace in Community

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.

The Celebration of Communion

*Communion Hymn "One Bread, One Body" No. 393

*Communion Prayer "Together, We Are Blessed By Being Here."

Scripture John 13:6-17

Sermon & Multigenerational Lesson

Invitation to the Lord's Table Breaking Bread and Pouring Wine

Sharing of God's Gifts

Please come forward for all are welcome to receive the body of Christ-the bread of life, and the cup of the new covenant.

Prayer of Community Thanksgiving

Communal God, we give you thanks that as you shared in life and death, you lead us into the resurrected life. At this table, we acknowledge your abiding presence among us. You offered us bread and cup, which we receive in remembrance and expectation of your movement in human history. Form us as your faithful community and shape us as servants and stewards of your realm. By your Holy Spirit, may your covenant reign within our hearts and manifest in the witness of our lives now and forever. Amen.

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to Generosity

One: When we consider the gifts of God, stewardship of our resources rises among them.

Many: May we respond to the call to glorify God by the work of our hands, the allocation of our resources, and the generosity of our hearts. Amen.

Offertory

*Doxology

We Are Sent into the World

*Closing Hymn

"Ours the Journey"

No. 458

*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

Minister

Patricia Siekierke

Organist

Rob Giese/Brenda Post

AV Tech

Victor Abitz

Custodian

Jean Stepp

Liturgist

All People

Disciples



Time To Start Preparing For The Fall Rummage Sale

November 8th- 9:00am to 5:00pm

November 9th – 9:00am to 2pm

November 9th Bag sale 12:00pm - 2:00pm

Here is How You Can Help Our Church to Have Another Successful Sale

*Sing up on the board in the Narthex to help with set up and take down

Sunday November 2nd after church we will be setting up tables and racks and moving needed equipment in from storage. We REALLY need people who are physically able to perform this work.

Monday November 4th through Thursday November 7th set up will continue from 9:00am to 3:00pm. A delicious free meal will be served for everyone present.

Friday November 8th (9:00-5:00) and Saturday November 9th (9:00-2:00) is sale time. We can always use an extra hand to help with the sale! A free meal is included on these days also.

Saturday at 2:00pm we need lots of help with TAKE DOWN and clean up. We have enough work for everyone, but once again we really appreciate helpers who can do the more physically challenging tasks.

Bring in your gently used in-season clothing, household, linens, and bags, lawn and garden, craft items, books and magazines, cd's and DVD's. These items can be let in the Northeast corner of fellowship hall Starting October 27th.

If you need to bring items sooner, they can be placed in the Trailer in the parking lot. Sign up to donate bakery items. These should be brought in on November 7th from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Make a cash donation to help offset Sale Setup expenses. These donations can be mailed in or left in the Church Office. Any Questions can be directed to Sharon Terrill @ (920) 979-4671

WELCOME TO
CHURCH OF PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
October 6th, 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 Facebook: Church of Peace UCC Fond du Lac

IN OUR PRAYERS

Lucy Zahn	Janet Rymer	Bill Manka	Heather Reader-Schubert
Elise Sonnenberg	Del Weigel	Deb Abitz	Dixie & Dave Borchert
Diana Candlish	Greg Baker	John	Janet & Eugene Willis
Doris Kastorff	Carol Kryzyanowski	Deb Baker	Bob and Shirley Hanke
Janelle Anderson	Leo Lefeber	Oliver Poirer	Margaret Houk
Al Pahnke	Wayne Katerski	Bailey Gehrt	Jim & Kathy Stephany
Marilyn Peters	Sharon Hensen	Edna Karl	Eli & Barb Gustafson
Ruth Pedix	Donna Blaine	Amy Jo	Lee & Lita Treleven
Christine Weimer	Amy Mitchell	Alexis Hayes	Rev. James Martin
Pat Grose	Donna Birkholz	Susan Snider	Mary Jean Nicholson
Debra Rammer	Nicole Schendel	Sister Julia	Nancy Schaefer
Theresa Schultz	Joyce Breitenfeld	Ralph	Rev. James Klein
Doris Rymer			

p.s. Glorious God united your world this day in the body of Jesus Christ!

CHURCH OF PEACE – FACTS AND FIGURES

OFFERINGS LAST WEEK:

General Fund: \$3,073.00;

Mission - Giving (OCWM): \$52.00;

Improvement Fund: \$60.00;

E-giving: \$75.00;

Investing in the Future: 1,020.00.

Attendance Sunday, September 29th:

Online: 35 — In person: 83 Last year: 75



1lb ground beef or turkey, Canned Soup,
Canned Vegetables, Instant mashed
potatoes, Instant Rice, Peanut butter
& Jelly, Shelf Stable Milk, Body Wash,
Dishwashing Liquid, Bars of soap

THIS AT WEEK CHURCH OF PEACE

Sun	M	Tues	W	Th	F	Sat
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9:00 am Worldwide Communion Worship Service Social Hour: Ladies Of Peace	Loaves and Fishes	6:00pm Matha's 6:30 Church Council	Loaves and Fishes			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9:00am Worship Service 10:00am Sunday School Social Hour : Stewardship	Loaves and Fishes		Loaves and Fishes	Golden Fellowship 11:00 *Game Day!*		

The Stewardship Committee is planning our Trunk or Treat event on Saturday, October 26th from 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm in our church parking lot.



Friday November 8th
at 9am-4pm
Saturday November
9th at 9am – 2pm



Golden Fellowship
October 17th at 11:00
GAME DAY!!
Bring your bag lunch and
beverage.



October 8th – Vicki Goeden-Hoch,
Debbie Law-Weigel,
Audyn Zupke
October 10th – Mary Lange,
Dawn Sabel
October 11th – Carl Rose,
Kaden Slavik,
Christine Weimer
October 12th – Christina Slavik
October 13th – Ellen Liedke,
Diane Ule

Narcan Administration Training

through the Fond du Lac County Health Dept. Tuesday,
November 12, 2024 6:00-6:30 p.m. at Church of Peace
Sign up by Sunday, November 10th, on the Church
bulletin board or email

SundaySchool@churchofpeaceuccfdl.org

The training is free and all attendees will receive a free
Narcan kit.

**90+ Birthday
Card Shower**

October 16th
Arnold Breitenfeld
N6791 County Road I
Fond Du Lac 54937-8436

October 25th
Jewell Kollmorgan
477 Russell St.
Fond Du Lac 54935

