

“Find A Way!”



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.

July 6, 2025 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 am
Gathering Music-Ringing of the Bells-Welcome & Announcements

We Prepare to Worship God

Prayer & Prelude

We Gather Around God's Word

A reading from Luke 10

Call to Worship

One: Make a joyful sound to God! Let the earth rejoice.

Many: How awesome are your works, O Sovereign!

One: Creation groans under the pressure of war,
environmental abuse, and communal disconnection.

**Many: We cry out to you, Present God, and you hear
and respond.**

One: You turn our mourning into movement and stir our
souls to action and to rest.

**Many: Everlasting God, we will give thanks and praise
you for you clothe us in joy and peace.**

One: Please join me in our Prayer of Invocation

**God with us, you send us into the world as your agents
of restoration and change. You speak to us in the
stillness of our rest and the chaos of a frenzied world.**

**You guide us in troubling times, and you move us to
dance in celebration. We give thanks for your presence
among us. Open our hearts as we worship you. Amen.**

*Opening Hymn *"Come, O Long-expected Jesus"* #125

*Prayer for Transformation and New Life

**Spirit of the Living God, temptation surrounds us. Self-
preservation lures us to indifference. Fear of
confrontation coaxes us to keep silent about things that
matter. The desire to be right entices us to ignore the
cries of our neighbors. Too often we ignore the call to go
and to be in favor of staying stuck in our attitudes and
behaviors. Too often, we are the ones who refuse to
welcome you into our intimate space, who resist the
work of transformation, and who remain unresponsive to
the burdens of our siblings in creation. Spirit of
Gentleness, redirect us back to the path of life, the way
of justice, and the hope of peace.**

*Words of Grace

Pastor: Sisters and Brothers, Our Companion and Advocate takes this journey with us. Our invitation to make the kingdom of God our dwelling place continually renews.

Many: We accept the door Jesus opens for us as we move into new life, new mercy, and new grace. 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.

*Hymn

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

#197

We Engage God's Word

Scriptures

Luke 10:16-20

Galatians 6:1-10

Multigenerational Lesson

Sermon

"Find A Way"

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to Generosity

One: The generous life responds to the call to mutuality and burden sharing.

Many: The generous life recognizes the abundance of creation and trusts the generosity of the Giver of every good and perfect gift.

One: The generous life follows the steps of Jesus in meeting needs, spreading hope, and sharing love.

Many: Let us bring our gifts as we walk with Jesus here and now! Amen.

*Doxology

The Celebration of Communion

*Communion Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians" #494

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

<u>Invitation to the Lord's Table</u>	<u>Breaking Bread and Pouring Wine</u>
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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 Dedication and Thanksgiving

Glorious Creator, bless these gifts that we bring to this community and the world. Send us out recharged and refreshed from this table so that we can faithfully and preciously share our treasure and our talents in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

We Are Sent into the World

*Closing Hymn "Weave" (two times) #495

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

*Commissioning & Benediction

Postlude

(*If you are able, please stand when invited)

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Rev. Stephen Stepp

Jean Stepp

Inge Adelmeyer

Rob Giese/Abby Hanke

Victor Abitz/Steve Hurd

All People



Minister

Liturgist

Pianist

AV Techs

Custodians

Disciples

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THIS AT WEEK CHURCH OF PEACE

| Sun | M | Tues | W | Th | F | Sat |
|--|------------------------------------|---|--------------------|--|-------|-------|
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 9:00 AM
Worship
Service with
Communion

Social Hour:
Council | Loaves
&
Fishes | 9:00 AM
Advocap

11:30 AM
Holy Family
Bag Lunch

6:30 PM
Council
Meeting | Loaves
& Fishes | 9:00 AM
Advocap

9:00am
TOPPS

11:30 AM
Salv. Army
Bag Lunch | Synod | Synod |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 9:00 AM
Worship

Social Hour:
LOP #1

Synod | Synod


Loaves
&
Fishes | 9:00 AM
Advocap

11:30 AM
Holy Family
Bag Lunch

6:30 PM
Stewardship
Meeting | Loaves
& Fishes | 9:00 AM
Advocap

9:00am
TOPPS

11:30 AM
Salv. Army
Bag Lunch | | |



HAPPY Birthday


July 6th
David Candlish, Doris Rymer,
Bonnie Resop

July 7th
Darya Miller, Tracy Tucker

July 8th
Patricia Smith,
Jessica Antonio

July 9th
Mike Schaub, Scott Warner,
Abigail Hanke

July 10th
Linda Reigert,
McKensie Schultz



WELCOME TO CHURCH OF PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST July 6, 2025

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

OFFERINGS LAST WEEK:

General Fund: \$2,409.00;

Mission - Giving (OCWM): \$32.00;

E-giving: \$973.00; Investing in the Future: \$1,225.00;

Attendance Sunday, June 29th:

Online: 23 - In person: 64 - Last year: 68

FOOD PANTRY ALERT

With the increase of usage in our Food Pantry over the past many months, we are currently very low in our funds. If you are able to help out, just note your gift is for the Food Pantry.

And, if you know of any other resources that may be able to help, please let Mary Sue know in the office. Thank you.



FOOD PANTRY

Pantry Needs

Cereal, Spaghetti Sauce,
Pancake Mix (not syrup), Canned Chicken,
1 lb Hamburger or Turkey, Dish Soap,
Conditioner, Body Wash, Deodorant
(women's), Toilet Paper, Dryer Sheets,
General Cleaning Supplies

IN OUR PRAYERS

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|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Lucy Zahn | Bill Manka | Heather Reader-Schubert |
| Elise Sonnenberg | Evelyn Yantz | Dixie & Dave Borchert |
| Jeanette | Mary Jean Nicholson | Janet & Eugene Willis |
| James Lewis | Linda Oelke | Bob and Shirley Hanke |
| Janelle Anderson | Leo Lefebber | Dave & Diana Candlish |
| Al Pahnke | Abigail Reader | Charlene & Les Abitz |
| Marilyn Peters | Greg Baker | Eli & Barb Gustafson |
| Ruth Pedix | Joel | Karl & Doris |
| Christine Weimer | Amy Mitchell | Gary and Karen Blazer |
| Pat Grose | Donna Birkholz | Theresa Schultz |
| Debra Rammer | Nancy Schaefer | Rev. James Martin |
| Arnold Breitenfeld | Edna Karl | Carol Kryzyanowski |
| Wayne Katerski | Susan Snider | Joan Meiss |
| Del Weigel | Alexis Hayes | Darcy |
| John | Rick Karl | Terri Hoffman |
| Trent Bergman | Kathy Stephany | Barb Kurki |
| Jeanette Hinn | Joe & Family | Connie Olson |
| Carol | Susan Zieber | |

p.s. Glorious God, enable us to find a way to put love first in the ways we treat all people!



Church of Peace Outdoor Service & Picnic August 17th at 10:00 AM

*Please bring a dish to pass. we
will provide the main entrée.
and BINGO with prizes!!*

Volunteers Needed: The church needs individuals or families to volunteer their time and equipment (if available) to maintain our grounds this summer by mowing, string trim, blow off or sweeping the pavement, water or weeding. If you do not have the equipment, we will make arrangements to have them available.

Pick a day, a week, or month where you can help the church maintain our grounds and public appearance.

Sign-up sheet is in the lobby. Questions, please contact Jerry Johnson 920-238-9716.

Thank you for your help!



PINKERT GRANT & CHURCH OF PEACE SCHOLARSHIPS

are now available in the church office
(Monday-Thursday / 9am-12pm).

The grant is open to children/grandchildren
of church members.

The scholarship is for church members only.
Additional information and details
can be found on the application.