

GALILEE LUTHERAN CHURCH



AUGUST 2025

*WALKING WITH JESUS,
SHARING GOD'S LOVE
AND GRACE,
SERVING ALL FAITHFULLY.*

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

SATURDAYS AT 5:00 PM

SUNDAYS AT 9:00 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT

EDUCATION

ON SUMMER BREAK!



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PASTOR AMANDA APPLEHANS



“For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.”

Galatians 5:13-15

Freedom – it is a word that holds much power for us as Americans. We see it especially prominently displayed this time of year – red, white, and blue bunting is strung up all around, surrounded by the words, “Home of the Free,” or “Let Freedom Ring.” We have a particular understanding of freedom here in America. It’s an understanding that prioritizes rights. It’s an understanding that prioritizes the individual. It’s an understanding of freedom that prioritizes being free from things.

But as we read scripture, we find a little different understanding of freedom. In the above quote from Galatians, Paul writes that we are not to use our freedom as an opportunity to indulge ourselves, but instead should use our freedom to serve one another. This understanding of freedom is presented all across scripture. Paul speaks of freedom as the possibility to submit oneself in service to the neighbor in 1 Corinthians 9:19, saying, “For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them.” This is a freedom that is not freedom from things, but it is a freedom meant to be used for things.

Martin Luther wrote a whole treatise called, “On the Freedom of the Christian.” In it he primarily considered these two premises,

A Christian is a perfectly free lord of all, subject to none.

A Christian is a perfectly dutiful servant of all, subject to all.

Luther argues that while a Christian is a truly free being, made so by justification on account of Christ himself and alone, that freedom which comes through faith is bound to do good works – not because they are necessary for salvation, or because the person thinks they “should” do these things, but rather because the Holy Spirit living inside the Christian will work these things in them. One is free because God has set them free, but that freedom will call the redeemed to serve the neighbor – not through the coercion of the law, but through the fruit of the Spirit living in the redeemed person.

So, as we head into this next month of the summer, let us consider our freedom. Let us ponder together how we can embrace the Holy Spirit living in us and allow it to draw us more deeply into service of one another. Let us consider not how to

demand our rights, as the worldly vision of freedom would encourage us to do, but rather how we can use our freedom to serve one another. In what way might God be calling you to use your freedom in Christ to serve your neighbors – here at Galilee and around the world?

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Amanda



From the Leadership Board

Capital Improvement Fund

Thank you for your continued support of Galilee and our missions. Since our mortgage was paid off in May (Congratulations to us!), any mortgage-designated pledges and donations going forward will be added to our Capital Improvement Fund.

We have shared in the recent past that this Capital Improvement Fund is being launched to fund future expenses such as updating the HVAC systems, replacing the drive entry cover (porte-cochère) and parking lot pavement improvements. The Leadership Board will be assessing capital projects for the future and will keep you updated as we progress.

So, please keep the Capital Improvement Fund funding coming even though our mortgage is paid off!

Alternative Evening Service Update

The Leadership Board would like to thank all those that attended the meeting on Saturday, July 19 after the evening service to share ideas and thoughts about alternative evening service days. We are now evaluating the ideas and options that were raised and will share an update as soon as possible.

-Leadership Board

The Gospel According to DISNEY



August 2-3 “Tangled”
John 1:1-14

August 9-10 “Frozen”
John 15:12-17



August 16-17 “Encanto”
Mark 10:33-45

August 23-24 “Moana”
Matthew 14:22-33



A family-fun worship series for the kid in all of us.
We will navigate the Gospel of John, Mark, & Matthew.
(You might want to watch these movies again beforehand!)

All are welcome - hope to see you at church!



Calling All Caring Adults!

When a child is baptized at Galilee, we as a congregation make promises to them. We promise to support each child who is baptized, and to welcome each baptized person into the body of Christ and the mission we all share – to bear God’s creative and redeeming word to all the world.

Now is the time for us to make good on those promises.

The Sunday school at Galilee averages around 20 students each week, with a total of around 30 children registered for Sunday school for the 2024/2025 year. As we look forward to the 2025/2026 year, we are in need of **Sunday school teachers** and a **Sunday School Leader**. We are looking for caring adults who are interested in engaging with children – learning their names, listening to their stories, remembering their favorite hobbies and asking how their tournaments went the past week. Skill in teaching is wonderful, but more important is that we find adults who will care for children and, with the easy-to-use resources we will provide, share the wonderful story of God and God’s love with our littlest Galileans. Ideally, these would be people who are not these children’s parents. These kids know their parents love and care for them, this is our chance to embody the love that God has for them by giving them our love and attention as members of their Christian community.

Each week at the close of our service we remember our mission to “Share God’s love and grace.” This is a chance to share that love with our school-aged children weekly. Please prayerfully consider how you would like to be involved in supporting Galilee’s youth, and contact me with any questions you might have about teaching Sunday school. My door is always open to chat about how we could better work to support one another in faith and life.

-Pastor Amanda

MUSIC AT GALILEE



A Message from Our Music Director

Thanks to Garrett Goodrich for bringing special music to our worship in July. We have an August opening for any of you who want to put together a small group or solo vocal/instrumental. Don't wait to set the date!

Reminder to All Galilee musicians (especially those of you who "think" about being in a choir). September will be here before we know it! Now is the time to consider ringing or singing or playing an instrument during worship at Galilee. There will be an opportunity to "try" a service with the choir so keep watching in the place where you get your Galilee updates for more information.

Contact Patricia DeBlaey at patricia@Galileelc.org
or her cell phone (262) 888-3740.





September 7th we will kick off the 2025/2026 program year here at Galilee! We are planning an outdoor worship service with carnival games and a church-wide picnic following.

All those who will be starting a new year of schooling are invited to bring their backpacks (or whatever bag they use), as we will do a Blessing of the Backpacks that day.

Be on the look-out for sign-ups for things to bring in the coming weeks. Come join the excitement as Galilee kicks off another great year of Christian education and fun!

IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE A WORSHIP ASSISTANT!

Worship services flow so seamlessly that it is hard to believe how many “moving parts” must be coordinated to make this happen. Lately, we have been coming up short at times, and would like to train some new helpers in each of these categories...

Ushers

Altar Guild

Assisting Ministers

Greeters

Lectors

Communion Assistants



If you are interested in learning more about one of these positions, please contact **Diana Conway** at **262-366-5497** or dlmc@milwpc.com. You can be paired up with someone who can train you. Pick one and give it a try! Your help is needed and appreciated! Want to help out for worship services? Use the SignUp Genius for Galilee to schedule as an usher, assistant minister, altar guild, greeter, or a reader. You can also find sign up slots for the Pewaukee Farmer's Market. Paper sign up clipboards available in the Narthex.

Galilee Happenings



Galilee's Go-Getters

Next Gathering will be on **Thursday, August 14th**

Please join us for worship, lunch, and conversation!

All are welcome!

Please contact Carole Brinkman at
carole.brinkman@yahoo.com

LOSS & LIVING GATHERING - TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025 | 3:00 P.M.

Please join us in the Narthex on May 20th at 3 p.m. We listen, share, comfort and support each other through the loss process, even though our losses may be different. The Gathering is not limited to the loss of a loved one but includes any loss that affects us emotionally or physically. This could be a loss of a job, the move to a new location, the loss of a dream, a pet, a relationship, a material or physical loss, retirement or a life change. We care for each other, understand and give support. Your faith and insight may have a profound impact on our journey of healing. If you know of someone who might benefit from this living with loss, please invite them to join us.



If you have any questions, please contact Barb Barthel at 262-691-0711.

Church Office Closed on Monday, 9/1

The church office will be closed
in observance of Labor Day.

Normal office hours will resume
on Tuesday, 9/2 from 8:30am-4:30pm





Pewaukee Farmers Market!

Looking for Volunteers Each Week

We are looking for more help in three main areas:

1. Opening the Market – includes setting up signs in front of Galilee on Monday/Tuesday and setting up the Information/Music Tent(s) and table/chairs/supplies in tent(s) on Wednesdays between 2:00pm and 3:00pm.
2. Working During the Market – includes tending the information tent by tracking visitor visits on Reward Cards, answering questions, greeting shopper/directing traffic in the parking lots, and helping with activities in the Kids Tent on Wednesdays between 2:30pm and 4:30pm or 4:30pm and 6:30pm.
3. Closing the Market – includes removing and storing information/music tents, tables/chairs/supplies and removing and storing signs in front of Galilee on Wednesdays from 6:30pm-7:00pm.

Volunteer sign-up sheets are in the narthex. You can also sign up online at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D4CACA923A0F49-49532240-2024> or via the QR code.



Questions?

Contact Carole Brinkman

carole.brinkman@yahoo.com or (262) 352-7892

Steve Dethloff

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Looking forward to hearing from you,
Steve Dethloff and the PFM planning team

This Year's Vendors include:

- Bub's Brews
- Chang & Xiong Produce
- Creative Renovations
- ChiroOne Services
- Fiddlesticks
- Happy Tails
- Java Twist, LLC
- Jen's Sweetmix
- JL Produce, LLC
- Lee Yeng Produce
- L'Bri Pure n' Natural
- Mai Lee Produce
- Moleta, LLC
- 99 Tasty Eats Asian Kitchen
- Of the Land, LLC
- Old Shack LLC Woodwork
- Plant Creations by Sashie
- Sassy Sweets
- Shnee SnoCones
- & more!



PEWAUKEE FARMERS MARKET BLOOD DRIVES!

GIVE LOCAL. SAVE LOCAL.

Join us at the Galilee Lutheran Church parking lot during the Pewaukee Farmers Market and help save lives one pint at a time!

Location: Galilee Lutheran Church

N24W26430 Crestview Dr, Pewaukee, WI

Wednesday, Aug 6 | 3:00 PM – 6:45 PM

Wednesday, Sept 3 | 3:00 PM – 6:45 PM



Community Events



National Night Out - Pewaukee

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

At the Pewaukee School District Grounds

Bring an item for the Food Pantry
and receive a raffle ticket!

Family-friendly event!

Celebrating 25 Years of WISDOM
Empowering Through Unity

August 7, 2025

VIP Reception at 5:30p.m. - 6:30p.m.

Event at 6:30p.m. - 9:00p.m.



Location: The Pfister Hotel
424 E. Wisconsin Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53202
Tickets and sponsorships available

Early bird special - \$75 per person
\$675 per table of 10

Purchase tickets at
bit.ly/wisdom25th



Partners with Meru

A general partnership meeting is held on the
second Saturday of each month beginning at 9am.
All meetings available via a Zoom link.

Next Zoom meeting is **Saturday, August 9th**
Contact pwminfo2@gmail.com for the link

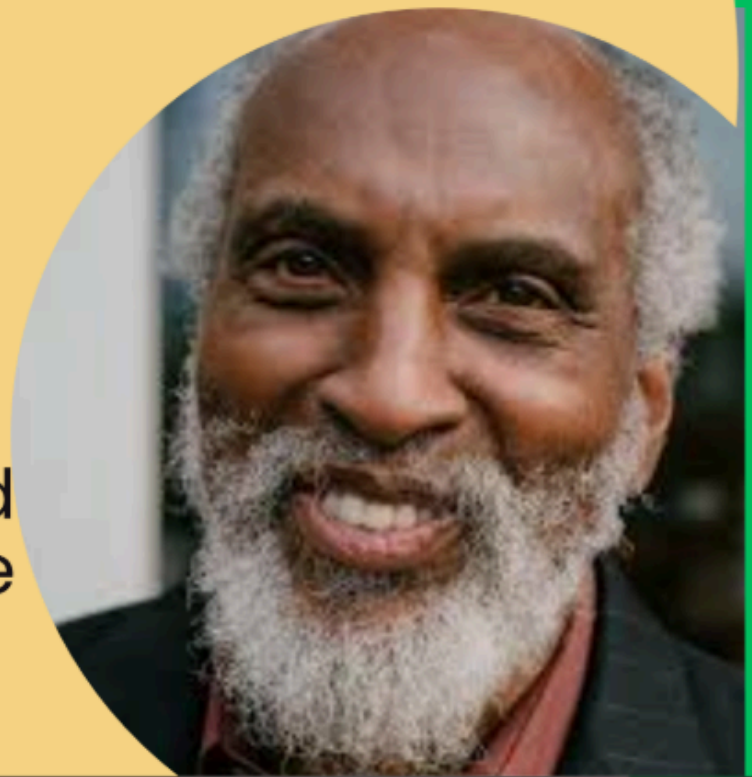


Presents

Belonging, Bridging and Beloved Community

**with
john powell**

Director, Othering and Belonging Institute



[Register Here](#)

Join MICA H Milwaukee's We All Belong Committee for a transformative, interactive session focused on bridging the divide to build communities of radical inclusion and opportunity. This session is designed for groups engaged in justice work, so bring a team!

Friday, August 8, 2025

9am to noon



Join TEAM Galilee to support Outreach for Hope's yearly
RIDE RUN WALK Fundraising Event on Saturday morning,
September 27, 2025

E.B.Shurts Building, 810 W College Ave, Waukesha, WI
(NEW venue - Fox River Sanctuary)

***NEW LOCATION - The Fox River Sanctuary (E.B. Shurts Building) is the trailhead for the Glacial Drumlin and Fox River Trails. This new indoor/outdoor facility is a wonderful space, no matter what the weather brings.*

For many years Galilee has participated in this annual event – primarily as individual riders and volunteers. Let's up our game this year and form some teams – a team of riders, a team of runners, a team of walkers, a team of volunteers, a team of people who donate, and a team of people to enjoy the lunch.

Don't ride a bike? Consider the 2-mile walk.

Can't walk that far? Consider being a volunteer.

Don't wish to volunteer? Join us for lunch.

Don't wish to have lunch or cannot be at the event? Consider [making a donation](#) by supporting one of Galilee's riders, runners or walkers.

Know anyone else who likes to ride, run, or walk? Invite them to participate.

Everything you need to know can be found at [Event Information](#)

Your Participation Brings Hope

The Outreach for Hope Family Ride Run Walk is a fun and meaningful way to support ELCA Lutheran congregations and ministries in neighborhoods of income insecurity. Prepare for a fun and exciting morning of biking, running, walking, volunteering, and enjoying fellowship at lunch.

Your donations, and those which you raise, make possible important grants to these ministries which provide resources for daily living. Join us to help ensure that our Synod remains a powerful presence of the Gospel in our communities. See you at the Ride Run Walk!

This Year's Theme – Hope in Motion

The theme, **"Hope in Motion!"**, beautifully captures the spirit of our Ride, Run, Walk event, where participants actively move to make a real impact. Each step, pedal, stride and smile symbolizes our shared commitment to bringing hope and support to our Ministry Partners who serve communities in need. By joining this event, participants become part of a larger movement that uplifts lives through generosity, compassion, and faithful action.

Questions? Speak with RRW Ambassadors John McGroarty, Jean Nelson, or Deb Kohler.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



August 2

Doug Dehler

August 6

Ashleigh Woda

August 7

Zoey Middleton

August 8

Jim Bickel
John Puestow
Rebecca Cotey

August 9

Norm Bruce

August 10

Chad Geffers

August 11

Holly Geffers

August 13

Jeff Dohlby

August 14

Denise Arzberger

August 15

Bill Artis

August 17

Brynn Spata
Jennifer Krueger

August 18

Karen Klatt
Laura Kozlowski
Patricia Friend

August 20

Emily Brunner
Harry Berg

August 22

Anne Reigert

August 23

Elizabeth Schwartz
Austin Slominski

August 24

Jennifer Hintze

August 25

Josh Peterson

August 26

Jody Wille

August 27

John Diefenbach
Ella Opie

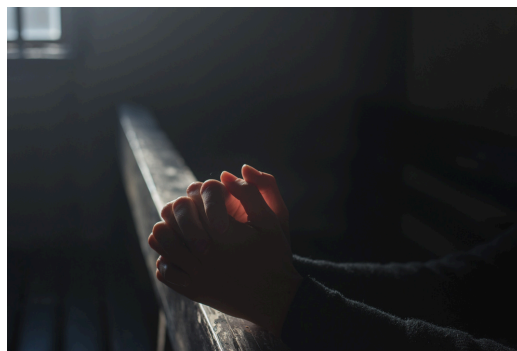
August 30

Dorothy Blish



PRAYER NEEDS

Please keep in your prayers - Patricia Alters, Cathy Bartlett, Mary Benrud, Donna Chudada, Pastor Joy McDonald-Coltvet, Isaiah Cramer, Jake Drover, Donna Frederick, Dan Heger, Katie Hollister, Marjory Kloth, Bill Koehn, Margo Krumnow, Ray Mansker, Dan Maske, Barb McComb, Eliana Metzger, Marilyn Morgan, Calla Nelson, Dennis Olson, Paul Osmundson, Justin Peare, John Ruf, Penny Williams, and Nancy Wojcicki.



Pray for our
military.

Mike Anderson
Andrew Connolly
Jeremy Fossier
Tim Gilestad
Bill Groth
Morgan Mosher
Andrew Richardson

Are you or someone you know in
need of prayer?
Simply contact the church office at
(262) 691-2380
or
email galilee@galileelc.org
with your prayer requests.

August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 <u>9a</u> Worship Service	28 <u>7:30p</u> AA - Fellowship Hall	29 <u>10:30a</u> Staff Meeting	30 <u>9:30a</u> Text Study <u>3p</u> Pewaukee Farmer's Mark	31 <u>8p</u> AA - Room 41 <u>8p</u> Boy Scouts Troop 87 - Fe	1 Office Closed <u>12p</u> 12 Step Group - Room	2 <u>7:30a</u> Men's Bible Study <u>5p</u> Worship Service
3 <u>9a</u> Worship Service	4 <u>7:30p</u> AA - Fellowship Hall	5 <u>10:30a</u> Staff Meeting	6 <u>9:30a</u> Text Study <u>3p</u> Blood Drive at PFM <u>3p</u> Pewaukee Farmer's Mark	7 <u>8p</u> AA - Room 41 <u>8p</u> Boy Scouts Troop 87 - Fe	8 Office Closed <u>12p</u> 12 Step Group - Room	9 <u>8a</u> Women's Bible Study <u>5p</u> Worship Service
10 <u>9a</u> Worship Service	11 <u>7:30p</u> AA - Fellowship Hall	12 <u>10:30a</u> Staff Meeting	13 <u>9:30a</u> Text Study <u>3p</u> Pewaukee Farmer's Mark	14 <u>11:30a</u> Galilee Go-Getters <u>8p</u> AA - Room 41 <u>8p</u> Boy Scouts Troop 87 - Fe	15 Office Closed <u>12p</u> 12 Step Group - Room	16 <u>7:30a</u> Men's Bible Study <u>5p</u> Worship Service
17 <u>9a</u> EverLee Marie Fisher Bag <u>9a</u> Worship Service	18 <u>1p</u> Knitters & Crocheters - C <u>7:30p</u> AA - Fellowship Hall	19 <u>10:30a</u> Staff Meeting <u>3p</u> Loss & Living Gathering	20 <u>9:30a</u> Text Study <u>3p</u> Pewaukee Farmer's Mark	21 <u>8p</u> AA - Room 41 <u>8p</u> Boy Scouts Troop 87 - Fe	22 Office Closed <u>12p</u> 12 Step Group - Room	23 <u>8a</u> Women's Bible Study <u>5p</u> Worship Service
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Galilee's monthly calendar is now available on our website. Go to <https://galileelc.org>, scroll down and click on the 'Church Calendar' button.

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