

Our Faith in Action, Announcements, and Opportunities to Service and Share God's Love:



In response to God's love, if you would like to support the ministries and mission here at OCCUMC and beyond, there are three ways you can give:

- 1-**Electronic Funds Transfer**, contact finance@occumc.org
- 2-**Mail** your offering to OCCUMC 8675 S 13th St, Oak Creek, WI 53154
- 3-**Online** using the Donate button on our church website at www.occumc.org
- 4- **In-Person** offering plate found in The Friendship Room outside the Sanctuary

Listen to the Weekly Recorded Sermon/Worship Service Via Your Phone!

OCCUMC has added this resource for you to listen to the weekly worship service via a simple phone call. All you need to do is call 1-414-253-0437, listen, and enjoy!



Watch our worship services live on our Facebook page. You do not need a Facebook account. Just go to occumc.org, click on the Facebook link, and then click videos. You can join our services live at 9:00am Sunday mornings or view past worship services at this link too.

Worship Service attendance records. If you are viewing this worship service online, please click on attendance@occumc.org to help us keep track of our faith-family's weekly attendance. Type the names of all the people who viewed the service with you in the subject line and include the date (ex: Jane, John & Johnny Cass attended worship 5/16/21.)



Prayer Requests If you have prayer requests or other office items, please email office@occumc.org. Thank you.

Prayer Shawls Available: A tangible gift of prayer from us to you, a loved one, or friend. We have a collection of quilted, crocheted and knitted prayer shawls crafted by members of the congregation, with prayers woven into each stitch, and blessed upon completion. If you know of anyone who would benefit from being wrapped in a tangible prayer, please feel free to pick up one at the church office. By providing us with a name or brief description of the person who you are gifting with the shawl, we will be able to keep that person in our prayers.



Oak Creek Community UMC Faith Connections for the 17th Sunday After Pentecost September 19, 2021

Prayer Vigil for Community Unity and Acceptance
Cudahy UMC 5865 S. Lake Dr. on Thursday, September 23rd at 5:30 pm
Outside at the Prayer Rock in the church's yard.

Please come and pray together with our brothers, sisters, and siblings of many different faith traditions for community unity and acceptance.

Prayer Requests

You are invited to pray for the following prayer requests:

- For our shut-ins and those who are in long-term care: Janice B, Jean B, Violet B, Gay D, Kim D, Jeanne and David H, Jean J, Elaine L, Robert L, Diane P, Ginger P, Carl S, Dorothy S, Eileen S, Gwen S, Pat and Rod S, and Rick Z.
- From Patty A for her sister Margie, who is hospitalized after suffering a fractured neck and other spinal column injuries from a fall. She has a long recovery road ahead and needs prayers for healing and rehabilitation.
- From Judi I for her family as they grieve the death of her Uncle John Z. John and his family were members of OCCUMC for many years.
- From Judi I for her family as they grieve the death of her cousin Justice B, a father of 5, who passed away from COVID-19.
- From John and Kathy H, son and daughter to Jeanne and David H (two of our church's shut-ins) who need to surrender their two dogs (a schnauzer and a terrier). They ask if there are folks here at OCCUMC who would be willing to take in one or both of the dogs.
- For Pastor Rob O, from Memorial and Blessed Hope UMC's, who is having health issues and is needing prayer.
- For those affected by natural disasters...hurricanes, wild fires, earthquakes or floods ... either first responders or victims, that God gives them strength. May we find ways to assist in the recovery through prayers and gifts.
- For those suffering from the many effects of the COVID-19 Health Pandemic, including socially, physically, relationally, economically, etc. The UMC Connectional Table named COVID inequalities a missional priority for our denomination.

Announcements



Special Offering: Golden Cross—September 19, 2021

In the midst of great challenges, the WI Conference of the United Methodist Church's Health and Welfare ministries are providing vital services. These ministries serve people all over Wisconsin. From urban to rural. From Milwaukee to Superior, from Janesville to Oshkosh. From Hudson to Sheboygan. From children, youth and families, to older adults.

One of the important ways we support these ministries is through the Annual Golden Cross offering. Your gift to Golden Cross is truly a mustard seed gift. Our organizations use these gifts as matching funds to secure foundation funding and other grants that are two, three, or even four times larger than the match.



Senior Stockbox Distribution September 28th from 10:30-11 am at the Groschmidt Senior Center in South Milwaukee, and every Tuesday & Thursday from 10:00 am to Noon at St. Stephen's Church in Oak Creek. Qualifications: 60+ years of age, a resident of WI, monthly income less than \$1,396 (1-person household) or \$1,888 (2-person household). You must bring your ID as proof of age.

Paperwork will be filled out at each site by Hunger Task Force employees.



Versiti Needs Blood Donors and we are back for a blood drive here at OCCUMC on Wednesday, September 29th from 2:00 – 6:30 pm.

Every blood donation helps up to three patients with red blood cells, platelets and/or plasma. **Versiti Blood Center of Wisconsin is the only provider for local hospitals in SE Wisconsin.** It takes less than an hour to donate. Whole blood donors are eligible every 56 days and dual red donors every 112 days. Individuals receiving a Covid vaccine must wait 2 full days after receiving a vaccine, to donate blood. All donors will be required to wear masks.

Donors should sign up online for an appointment. Donors can make their appointment by visiting <https://bit.ly/occumc0929> or by calling Versiti Blood Center of WI at 877-232-4376 or using the website to register https://donate.wisconsin.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/214237

Noodles & Company coupons are being given to all attempting donors!



September 28, from 11:30 – 1:00.

Webinar: Hybrid Models of Worship - Presented by Jason Moore BOTH/AND: To Be Continued

Registration Deadline is September 27, 2021 at noon.

As we prepare for worship this fall – in the midst of the unknowns of another wave of COVID-19 – the Wisconsin Conference of UMC is sponsoring a follow up event with Jason Moore, with practical knowledge of preparing for and running hybrid worship. This is being offered to you at no cost (our apportionment dollars at work). In addition, he has made available at no extra cost, the recording of his first Both/And webinar. This link is available until the Both/And to be Continued webinar.

Even though this webinar is free, we ask you to register, so you can receive the materials and the link of the recording, which will be provided after the webinar is presented. [Register at: https://wisconsin-reg.brtapp.com/BothAndContinued](https://wisconsin-reg.brtapp.com/BothAndContinued)

Join Jason Moore for a follow up to the popular BOTH/AND webinar. BOTH/AND: To Be Continued will focus on why hybrid should carry on, how to continue to iterate, and will provide tangible handles on how to do it well. This brand new 90-minute training brings all new content focused on the why, how and what we can do to run the next leg of this very important race. We are living in an incredible “Great Commission” moment in the church. Let's lean in and continue to iterate forward. This webinar will include:

- An invitation to determine your WHY for BOTH/AND worship
- 13 reasons why BOTH/AND must continue
- Answer to the “what if they don't come back to the building” question
- How to create a BOTH/AND Think Tank at your church
- How to build an intentional chat strategy in order foster real relationships
- BOTH/AND pro tips
- Q&A



Sarah Circle/Thursday Morning Gathering Every Thursday at

10:30 am Everyone is welcome to meet under the tree in the North Parking Lot. As the weather changes, we will be meeting in Doyle Hall, where we will social distance and wear masks. We share devotions, concerns and celebrations. We close with a prayer for Peace composed by one of our group. There is no limit to the number of people that can come and share with us.

Any questions? Please call Carlene W at 414-764-5034.



GloryWay Concert: Christian contemporary gospel music Saturday November 6th, 4:00 pm in the OCCUMC Sanctuary (Masks will be required) Free, Love Offering Taken

The GloryWay Quartet is one of the most exciting and dynamic groups to burst on to the scene in a long time. Great songs, perfect harmony, and Spirit filled, GloryWay was the Quartet of the year in 2018, and this past May performed at Dollywood. GloryWay songs can be heard on nationwide radio: "God You're Amazing" and "End of the Story". The quartet looks forward to each and every

opportunity to share their ministry. The concert will lift your spirit and move you to sing God's praises. Join us for this once in a lifetime event. For more information contact us at Events@OCCUMC.org or call 414-762-4600.

2021 WI Conference United Methodist Women Annual Gathering will take place on



Oct. 15-16, at First United Methodist Church - Baraboo. The theme of the meeting is: Knitted Together for God's Good Work.

Presenters include Rev. Barbara Certa-Werner on Finding Peace in an Anxious World, and Tony Kearney, Sr., Executive Director Northcott Neighborhood House. **Registration Deadline is October 1st, however if you register by September 22nd, the**

fee is reduced to \$25 (includes Saturday lunch). If you have any questions, contact Kay Waugh, dalekay@att.net, or 920-366-6354. The registration form & housing information is available at:

wisconsinumw.org/uploads/5/8/9/0/5890559/umw_ag_registration_form_2021.pdf



UM Men Magazine - United Methodist Men

is an electronic quarterly publication of the General Commission on **United Methodist Men**. The

magazine contains news of activities of **UMM** organizations around the world, opinion pieces, and feature articles. You are invited to view 54 pages of gratitude; inspiration (28 stories from 28 locations about men in ministry); history (little known facts about John Wesley); and entertainment (three fun quizzes and entertaining screen characters you didn't know were Methodist). This is too good to keep to yourself; share it with friends.

Visit *here*: https://www.gcummm.org/files/uploads/UMMen_Fall21_2.pdf



The Wisconsin Conference is hosting an ingathering of clothing and blankets for the Afghan refugees currently housed at Fort McCoy. New clothing items preferred, but gently used and laundered items are acceptable. Midwest Mission Distribution Center will pick up the gathered supplies and deliver them to Fort McCoy. **Gathered supplies can be dropped off until Friday, September 24th at the below sites.** Drop-off sites request that you call in advance before delivering supplies.

First UMC of Hartford 738 W. Monroe Ave.

Contact: Church 262-673-3290 or office@fumchartford.com

Lynnette Jordan 262-370-0707 Open: Mon - Wed 8:30 - Noon

Elkhorn First UMC 111 N. Broad St.

Contact: 262-723-2629 or elkhornfumc@gmail.com

Open: Mon - Wed 9:00 - 2:00

Asbury UMC Janesville 1810 Kellogg Ave.

Contact: 608-752-7961 or asburypastor@charter.net

Open: Mon-Fri 8:00 - Noon or by appointment by calling Pastor Will 920-960-0678

You can purchase the items below and take them to one of the above drop off sites, or click the Amazon link below and have it shipped direct.

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3GZSIB6SCORRF/ref=hz_ls_biz_ex?fbclid=IwAR2LyMCTYbfKd4XsfPzZVTF8lhJH2DaMv4vgZUqA2GBBxmx5Zl4Jis--hI

Type	Size	Description
Men's	28x30-32	Pants
	7-9	Closed Toe Shoes
	S/M	Solid Long Sleeve/Solid Sweatshirts /Coats/Jackets
Women's	5-8	Closed Toe Shoes
	S/M	Solid Long Sleeve/Pants/Sports Bras/ Coats/Jackets
		Small waist - Solid Long Plain Skirts (Brown, Black, Navy)
Kids	All Sizes	Plain Long Sleeve Shirts/Pants/Coats/Jackets/Closed Toe Shoes
Toddler	All Sizes	Plain Long Sleeve Shirts/Pants/Underwear/Closed Toe Shoes
Baby	All Sizes	Clothing/Solid Baby Blankets