

Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church  
Faith Connections  
July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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- As a praying church family, we are called to hold one another in prayer. This week we invite you to hold in prayer these randomly selected members and ministries: Norma N & Diane S and our Cathedral Team.
  - From Joan K: For her son Ken who had knee replacement surgery...a smooth recovery.
  - For Barb K as she recovers from surgery.
  - From Carole L: For her friend Julie who is recovering from major surgery.
  - For all those affected by tornadoes, flooding, and heat.
  - The Wisconsin UM Conference will have a change in Episcopal leadership on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Let us pray for Bishop Hee-Soo Jung as he moves to the Ohio Conference, and our incoming Bishop Dan Schwerin.
  - For peace in the Ukraine and Israel.
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Don't forget to send in your photos of Little Jesus out & about.  
#occumcLittleJesus or office@occumc.org

**Opportunities for Service**



**TODAY!** Membership Class begins! Please meet in the Community Room (downstairs Room L28) after worship. This second half of the class will be August 11<sup>th</sup>.



The Oak Creek Community UMC trip to Midwest Mission in Pawnee, IL is coming up on October 20<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>. You can be part of our team if you **register by August 1<sup>st</sup>**.

You can come for a few days or all 6. There are jobs for every skill level from sitting at a table counting items to making desks. Come with a friend or make some new ones as you work together on a wide variety of projects.

Cost is \$12 per day for materials, \$25 per night double occupancy & \$25 processing fee double occupancy. Carpooling and scholarships are available. Don't delay if you want a bottom bunk in the dorm. Contact Bonnie, [bonnieclement05@gmail.com](mailto:bonnieclement05@gmail.com) or 262-497-9969 for details.

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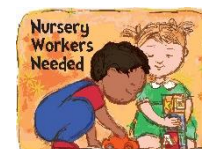
**OCCUMC Brewers Game August 10<sup>th</sup> vs. Cincinnati Reds.** Tailgate 2:00-3:30 at OCCUMC; 4:15 Bus to game; bus returning to OCCUMC after the game; T-shirt included. All for \$35. Details on the sign-up sheet in the Friendship Area. And it is William Contreras City Connect Replica Jersey Day!

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**Youth Group: Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm** our regular Youth Group gathering will take place. Youth in grades 6 - 12 are invited to join in fellowship through games, activities and discussions. All are welcome and bring a friend! We look forward to seeing you. Any questions? Email Alex Clement-Reichling: [arc\\_332@att.net](mailto:arc_332@att.net)

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**Love little children? We need substitutes in the month of August** in our nursery. Contact Cheryl C-R after worship on Sunday morning, or email her at [cherylreichling@yahoo.com](mailto:cherylreichling@yahoo.com).

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Look for the *August-September Newsletter* online July 30<sup>th</sup>. If you have signed up for printed copies, check your mail or hanging file folder.



## Finance

OCCUMC is committed to contributing to apportionments that support the missions and efforts of the greater United Methodist Church, including global and local missions, the UMC camps and conference center in Wisconsin, developing new ministries, and training for clergy and lay leadership.

OCCUMC's 2024 target for apportionments is \$31,884. **We've collected \$13,803 through June 30<sup>th</sup>, which means we are at 43% of our goal with six months left.** (*We had an error in the figures last Sunday and apologize for the confusion.*) In order to reach our target, the Finance Team is asking members to continue using their giving envelopes to designate apportionment gifts, and, if possible, please increase this support to help us help others by reaching our 2024 goal. If you have questions, please contact Pastor Heidi or Jim Wittenberg.



**August 13<sup>th</sup> & September 10<sup>th</sup>, are the next dates for serving dinner at The Cathedral Center!** We would like to have at least six workers for each date. Look for the signup sheets in the Gathering Area. We leave church at 5:30 pm and return about 8:30 or 9:00 pm.

We will have a 'picnic' on August 13<sup>th</sup>. The menu will consist of "build your own sandwiches" on buns, with turkey, ham, cheese (no American), lettuce (only head lettuce), tomatoes, onions. We'll need Mayo (squeezable), green onions, raw veggies, cucumbers, dill pickles, melons (all kinds), chips (variety), cookies, lemonade and ice tea.



The options for you to continue to support the mission are many ... including donations of food, finances, or working on our serving team. We welcome donations, as the need is great. You can include your donation with your regular offering by designating the amount you want donated to The Cathedral Center. You may also give online at [occumc.org](http://occumc.org) > [Online Giving](#) > [Donate Now](#) > [The Cathedral Center](#).



National Community Night Out will be held in Oak Creek, South Milwaukee & Franklin on August 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>. Refer to the article in the *August-September Newsletter* for specific information.



**Worship with us virtually Sundays at 9:00 am**

Facebook: [facebook.com/occumc](https://facebook.com/occumc) (Live)

YouTube: [@OCCUMCyoutube](https://@OCCUMCyoutube) (Recorded)

Please, ['like' us or leave a comment](#) so we know this ministry is beneficial.



We love all the children and welcome them in worship! But if parents/grandparents need care support, we have a staffed Nursery available during service for ages 0 - 4. There are also activity bags available in the gathering area.



**Connect/Prayer & Praise Cards** are located on the back of the sanctuary chairs. Please place completed cards in the blue boxes. If you're worshipping virtually please email your information/request to [office@occumc.org](mailto:office@occumc.org).



**In response to God's love, you may support the ministries and mission of OCCUMC and beyond by giving:**

**In-Person:** place your offering in the blue boxes

**Online:** [www.occumc.org](http://www.occumc.org)

**Mail:** OCCUMC 8675 S 13<sup>th</sup> St, Oak Creek, WI 53154

**Electronic Funds Transfer:** contact [finance@occumc.org](mailto:finance@occumc.org)

The **July August** issue of *The Upper Room* is available in the literature rack in the Friendship Area.



The large bulletin board above the hanging file baskets is updated weekly with items of interest. If you would like something posted there, please contact Jane in the office.

**Please check your hanging folder weekly.** There may be something of interest in it. If your family doesn't have a folder please let Jane know ([office@occumc.org](mailto:office@occumc.org) or 414-762-4600). If you need a name badge, please contact Jane in the office.