

Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church  
October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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*Prayers & Praises*

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: Megan F and her family & our GTP Team.

- For the Midwest Mission Team as they volunteer for a week in Illinois: Bonnie C, Cherie S, Pat P, David W, Joanne M, Christal B, Debbie K, Kathie M, Suzy D, Nancy B; and from Markesan UMC: Heidi H, Sue W, Rev. Christopher. Safe travels!
- For Frank M who has passed on. Prayers for Claire and their family as they acclimate to life without him.
- From Oliver C: For Eric S who is back in the Cardiology ICU as he recovers from blood clots in both lungs; for Beckie as she cares for him.
- From Michelle G: For her Aunt Lois as she is awaiting test results and surgery.
- From Joan L: For my neighbor Dorothy's family as she passed away and is now at peace after being so ill.
- From Katie: For the government shutdown and all of those affected by it. Prayer for a resolution ASAP.
- From Judi I: For my cousin Jesse as he struggles through seizures and a stroke.
- For our new District Superintendent Rev. Dr. InSun Lee.

***Opportunities for Service***



Today is the last day to bring in onsies for the the Onesies Collection for Midwest Mission as the mission team heads to MWM after worship

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The 365 Bible Group reading continues! **Today, October 12<sup>th</sup>** is our monthly discussion of our Bible readings and this spiritual practice of daily scripture reading. Come to the **Library after worship**. There is an additional opportunity to gather on a Zoom meeting at **6:00 pm. on Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup>**. This is not intended to be an in-depth biblical study but a practice of spiritual discipline.

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Please **sign up today** to reserve your pumpkin (sheets are on the Connection Counter) for our **mini pumpkin decorating on Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am** in Doyle Hall. All decorating needs (markers, paint, glue, stickers, etc.) and mini pumpkins will be supplied. There will be refreshments (apple juice, apple cider, and popcorn).

This event is brought to you by the youth ministry. Questions? See Alex or Cheryl Clement-Reichling or reach out to [arc\\_332@att.net](mailto:arc_332@att.net).

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A STEWARDSHIP & GENEROSITY SERIES  
*Counterculture*

In this series, we'll focus on the countercultural, often radical way that Jesus calls his followers to relate to their resources, financial and otherwise. This way of relating stems from a relationship with Christ, shaping values and an identity that comes alive in daily action to transform our relationships with others and the world. You don't have to come to all of the sessions.

**Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>** in the Church Library:  
10:30 am Lead by Liz Imoehl; 6:00 pm Lead by Pastor Heidi



We will be serving a meal at The Cathedral Center Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.



The meal is a chicken bake (recipe at the Connection Center). We need cucumbers, tomatoes, fresh fruit, dessert, & apple cider or lemonade. Sign-up sheets for food or to volunteer are on the counter in the Connection Center. Contact Joanne (414-817-2914) or Diane (414-405-0153) with any questions.



**Save the Date - Safe Sanctuaries Training** on Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, from 9:00 am –12:00 pm via Zoom. The \$15 fee includes class instruction and a background check, both of which, along with full attendance at all three class hours, are required to receive a certificate of completion. Register at:

[wisconsin-reg.brtaapp.com/2025SafeSanctuaryTraining](http://wisconsin-reg.brtaapp.com/2025SafeSanctuaryTraining)



It's a busy week! Please check the Bulletin for scheduled meetings and events.



**Fun facts From The Ground Up:**

The grassy areas around our top parking lot have experienced a variety of interesting changes over the recent months. Take a peak and you will notice tall spindly pale blue/violet flowers called **Blue Wood Aster**. They are non-invasive plants, native to North America which thrive in partial shade and provide important late season blooms for pollinators and butterflies.

Did you know...the flowers can be dried and brewed into tea and the leaves have a mild spinach-like flavor and can be eaten fresh or cooked.



Stay After Worship to enjoy:

- **Sunday School** for our elementary kiddos (L5&7)
- **Bible Browsers** as we discuss Isaiah (L27)
- **Sacred Headlines** which discusses current headlines and how they connect with scripture (L28&30)
- **365 Bible Group** October 12<sup>th</sup> in the Church Library
- **Coffee Bistro** in Doyle Hall after worship
- **Art by David** in Doyle Hall after worship



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

YouTube: [@OCCUMCyoutube](https://www.youtube.com/@OCCUMCyoutube)

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



We love all the children and welcome them in worship! 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 **September-October** issue of *The Upper Room* is available in the literature rack in the Gathering Area.

