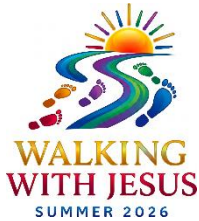


Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church

Welcome Home

August 16th, 2026



**PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT*

*No matter where you are on your faith journey,
you are always welcome at OCCUMC
and, most importantly, at God's Table.*

Welcome & Opportunities for Service

*Opening Song

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart UMH #500

Words: George Croly, 1867; Music: Frederick C. Atkinson, 1870

Lifting Our Prayers & The Lord's Prayer

Please pray in the language that brings you closest to God.

Scripture

Matthew 18:23-35 NIV

²³ "Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold was brought to him. ²⁵ Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt. ²⁶ *"At this the servant fell on his knees before him. 'Be patient with me,' he begged, 'and I will pay back everything.'* ²⁷ The servant's master took pity on him, canceled the debt and let him go. ²⁸ "But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins. He grabbed him and began to choke him. *'Pay back what you owe me!'* he demanded. ²⁹ "His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, *'Be patient with me, and I will pay it back.'* ³⁰ "But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. ³¹ When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that

had happened. ³² "Then the master called the servant in. *'You wicked servant,'* he said, *'I canceled all that debt of yours because you begged me to.'* ³³ *Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?* ³⁴ In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed. ³⁵ *"This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart."*

L: May God add a blessing to the reading, hearing & understanding of these words.

R: Thanks be to God.

Song of Preparation

Just As I Am, Without One Plea UMH #357

Words: Charlotte Elliott, 1835; Music: William B. Bradbury, 1849

Message: *The Unforgiving Servant*

Liz Imoehl

Opportunity to Give

*Closing Song

Amazing Grace UMH #378

Words: John Newton, 1779; st. 6 anonymous; Music: 19th Century USA melody; harm. by Edwin O. Excell, 1900



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(from OCCUMC Youth Safe Sanctuaries Policy)

THIS WEEK AT GLANCE



Sunday August 16, 2026

9:00 am	Worship
10:00 am	Social Justice Exploration In Doyle Hall

Monday August 17, 2026

7:00 pm	AA Meeting
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Tuesday August 18, 2026

4:00 pm	Merry Mat Makers
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Wednesday August 19, 2026 **OFFICE CLOSED**

6:00 pm	Walk in the Park
7:00 pm	AA Meeting

Thursday August 20, 2026 **OFFICE CLOSED**

10:00 am	UWF Planning Meeting (Please enter via main church doors)
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Friday August 21, 2026

Saturday August 22, 2026

3:00 pm	Church Welcome Home Picnic
6:00 pm	Milkman Game

Sunday August 23, 2026

9:00 am	Worship
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Mission Statement: *Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church is a Christian fellowship whose mission is to: worship God, love and serve all people, grow in faith, and invite others to become disciples of Jesus Christ.*