



HILLTOP HERALD-OCTOBER 2018 MONONA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH & IGLESIA METODISTA UNIDA EL LIBERTADOR

HEALTHY AGING - Empowering the Mind, Body and Spirit

Tuesday, October 23, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Monona United Methodist Church, 606 Nichols Road, Monona

East Madison Monona Coalition of the Aging and Monona United Methodist Church invite you to enjoy a day of fun, fitness and friendship at a new "Healthy Aging" Workshop. We will learn about exercise to support a healthy lifestyle, sing some favorite songs, and "Walk Down Memory Lane" with Rochelle Pennington. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes that are suited to walking; people using walkers and wheelchairs are welcome! The event is free; a free-will donation will be collected. Lunch will be provided; to get an accurate lunch count, please RSVP to Monona UMC (608-222-1633) or East Madison Monona Coalition of the Aging (608-223-3100) by Monday, October 16th.

FEED THE CROSSING STUDENTS

Students at The Crossing, the UW Madison campus ministry, are appreciative of the *free* Sunday evening meals they enjoy following their worship service. This year we have taken responsibility for the meal on **Sunday, October 28**, and need some help. We need people to provide the meal, including casseroles, bags of salad, bread, and bars; please sign up on the clipboard on the table in fellowship hall. We will need a vegan option and a gluten-free option again this year. The food would need to be at our church by 3:45pm that day. We also need volunteers to take the meal to the Crossing. We encourage high school students and their families to participate.

LET'S TALK ABOUT ELECTION ISSUES

Let's gather together and talk about the election issues that are important to you. Share concerns and ideas. All perspectives are welcome. This is a nonpartisan event. For more details or with questions, see Mark Buffat or LeeAnn Sinclair.

Tuesday, October 23, Fellowship Hall from 6 to 8 PM

6:00 - 6:30 Meet & greet with refreshments

6:30 - 7:15 Small group conversations

7:15 - 8:00 Large group with panel Q & A

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Dear Friends,

Each year I order a new edition of the official United Methodist Program Calendar, which quickly becomes my schedule-Bible for the next twelve months. It lists special Sunday events observed by most United Methodist churches, including a “Laity Sunday” for recognizing lay leaders and volunteers. That day we will recognize all of our lay leaders and volunteers—as many as we can name—so I hope you’ll be with us. This year Laity Sunday falls on October 21st, which also happens to be our Stewardship Commitment Sunday. How perfect! We can acknowledge the giving of our time and talents through volunteer leadership and ministry along with the giving of our financial resources toward the church’s ministry.

You can’t miss our fall stewardship theme when you walk in the church’s main entrance and see the large banner on the church office window: “Live Courageously” I think it’s a fitting theme because it does take courage to live in these challenging times. Just as it takes courage to follow Christ and live a life trusting in God. It’s a special kind of blessing and challenge to try to be a good steward or manager of what God has entrusted to us.

One of our stewardship bulletin inserts reminds me that we’re able to live courageously when we see ourselves as God’s beloved sons and daughters. Never mind our weaknesses and frightening circumstances. We’re given courage to live free of the love-of-money trap, free to use our resources instead of being owned by them, free to be “rich toward God” as the gospel of Luke says.

I don’t know about you, but I would like to live simply, to cultivate contentment whatever my context, to live generously in my personal lifestyle and as part of our congregation. That’s an attractive picture to me. But I know that to do it I will need to live trustingly and courageously in the light of God’s grace. I really do need the encouragement the Psalmist offers: “Be strong and take courage, all you who wait for the Lord” (Psalm 31:24). Maybe you need the encouragement too, so I offer this to you.

We will be sending you another stewardship mailing in the near future with a brochure about the ministries of Monona United Methodist and an estimate-of-giving card for you to respond to the stewardship campaign. I ask you to pray about this and to ask for God’s leading, the Spirit’s prompting. We will wrap up the campaign and celebrate with a potluck dinner after worship on October 21st.

Oh, and I will be preaching about stewardship on October 14th, which will also be Staff Appreciation Sunday.

Thanks for reading this, and I look forward to seeing you in worship!

Together in ministry,

Pastor Brad

CARING COORDINATOR COLUMN

The Monona Rise For Climate rally was engaging, impactful, and encouraging. On Saturday, September 8, about 130 citizens (several from Monona UMC) gathered at Woodland Park in Monona to call attention to the ill effects of fossil fuel reliance and encourage local leaders to move toward 100% renewable energy initiatives and policies. Seeds of Peace Madison, as an event co-sponsor, invited Pastor Nick Utphall (formerly with St. Stephen's Lutheran) to speak to climate justice and creation care from a Christian perspective. Pastor Nick also spoke about his personal guide, the radical, grassroots revolutionary named Jesus. Nick rode his bike to the gathering from the west side of Madison and encouraged us all to engage in "small actions" that can lead to global changes. Our little gathering at Woodland Park was one of over 900 similar events in 95 countries across the globe. For more information about small actions you can do, go to 350.org and interfaithpowerandlight.org. Also, on our information table in Fellowship Hall you'll find "Support a cleaner future for our children" postcards that can be sent to our US Senators.

It was my pleasure and honor to speak at the annual United Methodist Women's (UMW) fall potluck. Fantastic food and fellowship were enjoyed by all! The occasion to speak gave me a chance to pause and reflect on how I came to be the Caring Coordinator. What life journey's brought me to this place in my life. And how blessed I am to part of this church family. It also gave me a chance to reflect on all the important ministries UMW are involved in, from Circles to craft groups that provide baptism quilts and prayer shawls, from Fair Trade education and product sales to other mission projects both locally and across the world. Thank you UMW for all that you do for us at Monona UMC, our community and the world.

Making caring connections, matching folks with each other for help and support, continues to be a rewarding aspect of my position. Seeing how these connections deepen relationships with one another and ministers to our spiritual, emotional and physical well-being is inspirational! And calling, visiting and supporting our homebound members and friends continues to be a blessing and a privilege.

Caring and Coordinating,
Mark Buffat

BIBLE PASSAGES & SERMON THEMES 10:00AM SERVICE

Fall sermon series continues: Sometimes you are just sick and tired of being sick and tired. You are really ready to be "on the mend." Through this series we will uncover the wounds that hold us back from the fullness of life Christ offers us. The gospel readings for this fall offer many stories of Jesus healing and speaking about what brings wholeness (what he calls "the reign of God"). Be ready as we move out of old ways of being into new possibilities!

October 7 -Job 1:1; 2:1-10; Mark 10:13-16

World Communion Sunday

On the Mend: Healing What Ails Us: "Healing Trust"

October 14 - Psalm 19: 1-6; Matthew 6:25-29

On the Mend: Healing What Ails Us: "Healing Creation"

October 21- Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Mark 10:17-31

On the Mend: Healing What Ails Us: "Healing Hold-outs"

October 28 - Job 38:1-7, 34-41; Mark 10:35-45

On the Mend: Healing What Ails Us: "Healing Power"



Join Us for
WORSHIP

OCTOBER MISSION OFFERING

Porchlight

Porchlight provides emergency shelter, food, employment services, counseling, and affordable transitional and permanent housing to homeless people in the Dane County area. Volunteers are an essential part of Porchlight so there are a number of meaningful one-time and ongoing volunteer opportunities. Check out their web site www.porchlightinc.org. To support Porchlight financially, simply mark your check "Porchlight" or specify this on your offering envelope.

A helping hand, not a hand out. A second chance. A warm bed. Hope. Opportunity.

STEPHEN MINISTRY



“I gave up on church 20 years ago,” said Andy. “I wasn’t getting anything out of it, and nobody even noticed when I stopped going. So when my neighbor told me about Stephen Ministry I was resistant. The last thing I needed after a triple bypass was someone trying to guilt me into going to church again. But my neighbor explained that a Stephen Minister’s role was to listen and care – not to tell me what I should think or feel or do – so I decided to give it a try.

“My Stephen Minister talked a little but listened to me a lot. And he showed an unconditional concern for me that I have never experienced before. When I was well enough to get around I tried church again. I found it different from what I remembered. The people were genuine – real people who really were glad to see me. I began to see there really was a God who cared for me.”



MOVIE OPPORTUNITY

Slavery by Another Name

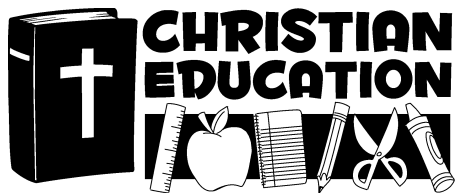
Friday, October 5 at 6:30

St Stephens Church, E.L.C.A.
5700 Pheasant Hill Road

Movingly narrated by Laurence Fishburne, the film recounts the many ways in which American slavery persisted as a practice many decades after its supposed abolition in the 13th amendment. Based on the Pulitzer Prize winning book. Rev. Al Sharpton recently said, “this made a profound impact on me.”

JUST BAKERY

Just Bakery (a Madison-area Urban Ministry Program) will sell bakery items **Sunday, October 7**. The Just Bakery program provides classroom and hands on vocational training for formerly incarcerated individuals who are interested in food service careers. By purchasing their delicious baked goods, we are financially supporting their endeavors to be successful active working members of our community.



VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED FOR CHILDREN'S MUSIC

Do you enjoy music and kids? Well, we would like to find a volunteer to help lead the kids in a few simple songs and help teach the songs (hymns) for the Christmas Program. Please contact the church office for more information and to say "I can help!"

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Sunday School for children is held from 9:00am until 9:50am. We would love to have you join our team of teachers. Prep work for lessons will be minimal. Please contact John & Linnea at linneaphillips@gmail.com if you are interested or have any questions.

ADULT CLASS - THE GREAT SPIRITUAL MIGRATION

The book study meets in the church library on Sunday mornings, 8:30-9:30 am, through **December 2 (no class on November 25).**

CROP WALK

Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty



The Madison area CROP Hunger Walk event will be held on **Sunday, October 21**. We invite you to be a participant and/or a sponsor for this event, which assists both local and global efforts to prevent poverty and hunger. Walk for 1 mile or 3 miles starting at 1:30pm at First Congregational UCC (1609 University Ave.). Also to make this walk more family fun friendly, they have

added Jugglers, Ice Cream, a Photo Stop, and an indoor Bouncy House. Contact the church office for more information.

UNICEF

We will be collecting money for UNICEF on **October 28**. Please bring an extra UNICEF offering to worship that Sunday. Children and youth are encouraged to take a collection box home and use it when trick-or-treating on Halloween. Please return the money collected to the church to be sent to UNICEF.



HILLTOPPERS

The Hilltoppers will be meeting on **Monday, October 8** at 11 AM at the Monona Garden restaurant. The program will last for an hour and those that would like can stay and have lunch which will be ordered off the menu. Watch the pink sheets for updated information on the program this month.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Our next Blood Pressure Screening will be **Sunday, October 14**, 9:30-10:00am in Pastor Brad's office. These screenings are staffed by medical volunteers from the congregation. Keep Healthy - have your blood pressure checked!!



READ 'EM & MEET



The book club will be held in the home of Doreen Peterson on **Sunday, October 14 @ 2pm**. The book to be discussed is *To Kill a Mockingbird*, by Harper Lee. Dessert will be provided by Jan Zadra. Visitors and new members are always welcome to attend.

MUMC MEN'S GROUP

Monona United Methodist Church's Men's Group will meet for breakfast and fellowship at Monona Gardens Family Restaurant, at the corner of Broadway and Bridge Rd, on **Saturday October 20** at 8am. All men are welcome.

SANCTUARY HEARING LOOP

Check out the hearing loop in our sanctuary, which sends the voices of the speakers from the microphones directly into a hearing aid or cochlear implant. The system provides the clearest, cleanest sound imaginable and does not require a headset (although they are available for people who don't have telecoils). A telecoil (t-coil) is a tiny wireless receiver inside hearing aids that is accessible via the programming button or switch on your personal hearing device. If you have never used your t-coil, it is recommended that you consult your audiologist to confirm it has been activated and to learn how to access it. If you cannot access your t-coil or do not have hearing aids, please ask the ushers for a loop receiver, which you can use to receive the hearing loop transmission in the sanctuary. You will be amazed at how much more you can hear and understand, given the clarity of the sound. Experience the joy of being able to understand speech.



FOOD PANTRY

Next time you are shopping, add a couple things to your cart for the St. Stephen's Food Pantry. Donations of food, personal items, paper products, and diapers (larger sizes) are all gratefully received. Please be sure to check the expiration date on the food. **Also bring in your extra paper grocery bags for St Stephen's.**

EGG CARTONS NEEDED

The River Food Pantry is in need of egg cartons and plastic grocery bags. You can drop them off directly to them during open hours, or bring them to church.



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Quilters – will meet **Mondays**, at 1pm in Fellowship Hall. New members are welcome to join.

Friendship Circle – will meet on **Tuesday, October 2** at 6:45pm at Marilyn Hearden's home.

Executive Committee –will meet **Monday, October 8 @ 1:30pm** in the church library.

Yarncrafters – Meet the 2nd Tuesday at 1pm, **October 9**, as well as with the RSVP group "Monona Knit 'N Stitch" on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, **October 17**, from 9:30 until 11:00am. All are welcome. For more information contact Polly Brandes (222-6709) or Marjorie Kaukl (222-4243).

Faith Circle – **Thursday, October 11 @ 1pm** at the home of Hazel Estervig.

Reading Circle - Thursday, October 25 @ 1:30pm, with the location to be announced. The book will be The Book Of Joy, Lasting Happiness in a Changing World by Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu with Douglas Abrams. Members did not have adequate time in September to obtain and read this inspiring book; therefore we will discuss this book in October. Siv Goulding will obtain a short video to enhance our book discussion. Everyone is invited and welcome to attend!

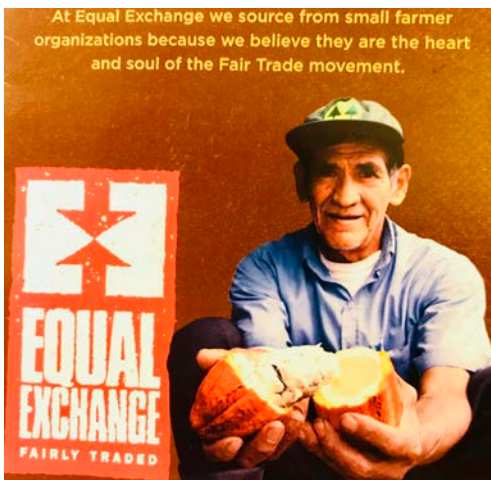
UMW BAKE SALE

Mark **Sunday, October 14** to treat yourself and someone you love to a homemade treat. The UMW will have goodies for sale. A "Love Offering" container will be on the table for you to donate the amount you wish. Proceeds from the bake sale will go to missions worldwide.

UMW MEMBERS

Attention all UMW members, baked goods/candy for the UMW Sunday bake sale may be brought to church on **Sunday morning, October 14**. Please have items packaged to sell and labeled with contents, ex. Brownies with nuts.

JAVA JIVE



It is "Harvest Time" -- We are the ones who benefit from small farmers harvesting cocoa beans, nuts, fruits, oh yes, coffee beans! We are able to help small farmers by purchasing these products. These farmers, all over the world, need markets. We want quality products and our UMW provides a market for these quality products. Please visit our display table on **Sunday, October 28** and purchase fairly traded products. Try a new product & give us your critique.

A Big "THANK YOU" to Mark Buffet and Karelyn Hopkins for coordinating the Authentic Fair Trade Sales at our Farmer Stand on Thursday evenings this summer. \$338.75 was received in products sold.

Jean Van Dreel, UMW Fair trade team member.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are so many different ways that you can serve Monona United Methodist Church. Please contact the church office if you can help.

Sunday Mornings

Check out the signup sheet on the table in fellowship hall to find openings.

- The new **fall liturgists** schedule is also online. Use the link to signup:
<https://bit.ly/2BGTWZe>
- We also have the **altar flower signup online** so check that out too.
<https://bit.ly/2jpIzsR>

Church Teams

Stewardship Team - *assists the church in raising funds for ministry and mission and promotes ongoing stewardship through gifts of talent, time, service and prayer*

Lay Leadership Team - *identifies, develops, deploys, evaluates, and monitors the Christian spiritual leadership of the congregation*

Finance Team Auditor - *one or two individuals to perform an audit of the church's financial statements for 2017. Previous experience would be helpful.*

SAINTS DAY TO BE OBSERVED

Sunday, November 4 is All Saints Day, the day the church sets aside to remember those who have died during this past year, especially those from our fellowship and families. You are invited to bring to worship, the names of people who have been a part of your life, who have died since last November. During the prayer time, you will be invited to share those names. Or if you prefer, there will be a basket in the entryway of the church, to submit names before the service, so they can be read aloud.

BLOOD DRIVE

Please mark your calendars for a local Seeds of Peace blood drive to be held at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church (5700 Pheasant Hill Rd, Monona) on **Tuesday, November 12** from 1-6pm. Go to redcrossblood.org to register.

2018 CHURCH CONFERENCE

Our yearly Church Conference meeting will be held on **Tuesday, November 27, at 6:30pm at Stoughton UMC** (525 N Lincoln Ave, Stoughton). Each year, every United Methodist Church holds a meeting to review their ministries (past and future), endorse ministry candidates, and set budgets. We will continue with the Circuit format and the Chili-Cookoff and Fundraiser. We will celebrate the ministries of the churches in the circuit and have a time of learning presented by our District Superintendent, Scott Carlson.

All the churches in our circuit will meet at Stoughton UMC at 5:30pm for a chili cook-off and fundraiser. The funds will be split between the rebuilding of Wesley UMC in Marshfield after the fire and for Wisconsin flood relief through UMCOR. Bring your money to vote for your favorite. We are looking for someone who will provide Monona UMC's chili.

If you would like to carpool to the Stoughton UMC, we will meet in our church parking lot at 5pm. Please let the church office know if you would like a ride or are willing to drive. Let's work together to support our Circuit Church Conference.



POINSETTIAS

Seems a little early, but we are making plans for Advent and Christmas, which includes poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary. An order form will be available soon. We expect the price to be \$14 again this year.

ADVANCED LAY SERVANT CLASS Leading Worship

Dates: Saturdays, October 27 and November 3

Times: 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Location: Faith UMC, 633 Detroit St.
Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085

Teacher/Facilitator: Pastor Mary Balson

Deadline for Registration: October 12

The cost for the class is \$10. Please make check payable to:
Faith UMC

633 Detroit St.
Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085

Contact: Caren 920-467-6244, crossandflameumc@gmail.com

You must order and read *Worshipping with United Methodists* revised edition by Hoyt L. Hickman before class.

LAY SERVANT ROUNDUP

Basic Lay Servant Class

Advanced Prayer Class

Advanced Preaching Class

Advanced Heritage Class

Dates: Friday Nov. 9, 6:30-9:30pm and Saturday, Nov. 10, 8:30am-4:30pm

Cost: \$25

Deadline: sign up by November 1

Place: Monroe UMC, 2227 4th Street, Monroe, WI

Registration form is found on a kiosk in Fellowship Hall or contact the church office (222-1633).



ONLINE NEWSLETTER

Our church website has a copy of the current month's newsletter. If you misplace your paper copy, you can go there to read it:

www.mononaunitedmethodistchurch.org.

AGRACE HOSPICECARE

Orientation for Prospective Volunteers Agrace Hospice & Palliative Care is seeking local volunteers. You can brighten the lives of people with serious illnesses by volunteering. New-volunteer orientation sessions will be held **Tuesday, October 2, from 5 - 9 p.m., and Tuesday, October 23, from 1 - 5 p.m.**, at Agrace's Madison campus. Before prospective volunteers attend orientation, they must complete an application and interview about their skills and interests. Call (608) 327-7163 with questions, or to register for orientation.

Grief Support Group

In October, Agrace will offer grief support groups at the Agrace Grief Support Center, 2906 Marketplace Drive, Fitchburg. There is no cost for these groups for people whose family member had hospice care in the past 12 months. Fees can be lowered or waived for others, if needed.

- **Bridges Grief Support Group** is for adults. No pre-registration is needed. Meets **Wednesdays, alternating by week between morning and evening sessions.** Jody at 327-7118 or visit agrace.org/griefgroups to confirm dates and times.
- **Family Grief Support Program** is for families with children aged 5 to 18. Meets **every other Tuesday**, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.; dinner is included. Pre-registration is required. For details, call Jessie at 327-7135.
- **Spouse/Partner Loss Support Group** is for adults who are grieving the death of a spouse or partner. It meets **Tuesdays, October 30 to December 4**, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Contact Jody at (608) 327-7118 or visit agrace.org/griefgroups.

\$ Financial Report \$

Cash Flow August 31, 2018

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Income	\$ 18,203	\$ 196,698
General Operating Expenses	32,761	200,596
Net Surplus (Shortfall)	<u>\$ (14,558)</u>	<u>\$ (3,898)</u>

A STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

Giving: Living in the Kingdom of God

Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?'... But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.
(Matthew 6:31, 33, NRSV)

According to John the Baptist, we must “Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.” (KJV) What does repentant Stewardship look like?

I recently (re)read *A Spirituality of Fundraising* by Henri Nouwen. He provides some answers to the question, “What will Stewardship look like in the Kingdom of God?” Here is a summary based on Nouwen’s thoughts on stewardship as faithful discipleship.

Security in God. Do we place our trust in God or mammon? What is our relationship to money? There is money in the Kingdom; it finances building a community of love. However, there are no money worries, because in the Kingdom there is abundance rather than scarcity.

Community of Love. In the community of love, we care for one another and serve our neighbors. The middle class often resents the rich and fears the poor. In the Kingdom, we include all and love all alike.

Invitation. We invite everyone to abide in the Kingdom and participate in the building of the community of love. This means we are comfortable asking for money, because money is what the community needs to be fruitful in its missions and ministries.

Prayer and Gratitude. It is in prayer that our conversion begins because it re-orientes our thoughts toward money, toward others and toward our goal of the beloved community. “As our prayer deepens into constant awareness of God’s goodness, the spirit of gratitude grows within us.” (Nouwen, p. 57).

How is your Stewardship program inviting disciples into the Kingdom?

Jim Wells, Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation

Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation 1-888-903-9863, wumf@wumf.org

GENERAL CONFERENCE 2019 LISTENING SESSIONS

Why is there a special General Conference coming February 23 – 26, 2019 in St. Louis, only a year before the regularly scheduled 2020 session in Minneapolis? How might my church be affected by this talk about choosing among a One Church, Connectional Conference and Traditionalist plan? Will other possibilities emerge? Change is coming for The United Methodist Church, and there will be meetings this fall to help Wisconsin United Methodists understand what is being proposed.

Formed following authorization by General Conference 2016, the Commission on a Way Forward identified three possible options, or plans, for our denomination as we move into the future.

Click to read report: <http://e.umc.org/Q0fQODX0JY0rT0swk00L4J0>

The Council of Bishops has recommended adoption of the One Church Plan.

The Wisconsin Delegation to GC 2019 is hosting eight educational and listening sessions around the state to allow feedback about the proposals. These sessions for interested clergy and laity will each last between 60-90 minutes. The dates and locations are:

Sunday, September 30, 3:00 pm, Webster Grace UMC, 7423 Elm Street

Monday, October 1, 7 pm, Eau Claire Lake Street UMC, 337 Lake Street

Saturday, October 6, 10:00 am, Wausau Wesley UMC, 1101 Elm Street

Tuesday, October 9, 7:00 pm, Onalaska UMC, 212 4th Avenue North

Saturday, October 20, 10:00 am, Kaukauna Peace UMC, 2300 E. Wisconsin Avenue

Tuesday, October 23, 7:00 pm, Waukesha First UMC, 121 Wisconsin Avenue

Thursday, October 25, 7:00 pm, Sun Prairie UMC, 702 North Street

Saturday, October 27, 10:00 am, Janesville Cargill UMC, 2000 Wesley Avenue

In addition, invitations have been extended to Conference boards, agencies and other groups to provide their feedback to Delegation members.

The purpose of all this information gathering is for the Delegation to hear from the diversity of membership that makes up Wisconsin United Methodism. The desire is to better understand the thinking and feeling within our Annual Conference membership about our denomination's future. All are welcome to participate!

The Wisconsin Conference Delegation to the 2019 General Conference consists of six voting delegates, along with reserves. Clergy are Dan Dick, Sam Royappa, Steve Zekoff and first reserve Amanda Stein. Lay delegates are Lisa King, Barbara Dick, Gail Burgess and first reserve Katie Crise. There are additional reserves who would serve should any of these eight be unable to attend. In order elected, they are clergy Jorge Mayorga, Dan Schwerin, Jeremy Deaner, George Kafer and Jenny Arneson; laity Tom Popp, Judy Vasby, John Lawson and Julie Schubring. All remain engaged in the Delegation's preparations for the upcoming General Conference.

Rev. Steve Zekoff

The Life and Ministry of God's People In Monona United Methodist Church

October 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>SUNDAY SCHEDULE</p> <p>9:00 Sunday School for children 10:00 Worship 11:00 Fellowship 4:00 El Libertador - Bible Study in Spanish 5:00 El Libertador - Worship in Spanish</p>						
<div style="border: 3px double black; padding: 10px; margin: 10px auto; width: 80%;"> <p>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</p> <p>Newsletter Deadline: October 21. Information arriving after the above date may not be in the November newsletter. Remember, you can FAX your article to 222-2395 or email to secretarymumc@sbcglobal.net</p> </div>						
	<p>1 Pastors' Day Off</p> <p>1:00 Quilters</p>	<p>2 9:30am Staff Meeting 2:50-5:30pm Paper Moon 6:45 Friendship Circle</p>	<p>3 Pastor Brad to Green Lake 7:15-9:15am Fellowship Hall in use 1-4 Mah Jongg-Fellowship hall 2-4 library-use 4:30 El Libertador</p>	<p>4 Pastor Brad to Green Lake 1-2:30 Fellowship Hall in use 6:00 Caring Ministry 6:00 Bell Choir 6:30 Trustees 7:30 Adult Choir</p>	<p>5 Pastor Brad to Green Lake</p>	<p>6 10am-12 Seeds of Peace meeting at Monona UMC 10am English 4-6pm El Libertador Music practice-sanctuary</p>
<p>7 World Communion <u>See schedule above</u> Just Bakery sale 8:30 Adult Class 11:15 Church & Society</p>	<p>8 Pastors' Day Off 11:00 Hilltoppers Monona Garden 1:00 Quilters 1:30 UMW Exec Comm. 5:30 Media FH 6:30 Stephen Ministers-library.</p>	<p>9 9:30am Staff Meeting 1:00 Yarncrafters 6:30 Finance</p>	<p>10 7:15-9:15am Fellowship Hall in use 1-4 Mah Jongg-Fellowship hall 4:30 El Libertador</p>	<p>11 11am Kay vacation 1:00 Faith Circle 6:00 Bell Choir 6:30 SPRC 7:30 Adult Choir</p>	<p>12 Kay vacation</p>	<p>13 10am English 4-6pm El Libertador Music practice-Sanctuary</p>
<p>14 <u>See schedule above</u> UMW Fall Bake Sale Staff Recognition 8:30 Adult Class 9:30 Blood Prs 2:00 Read /Meet</p>	<p>15 Pastors' Day Off 1:00 Quilters</p>	<p>16 9:30am Staff Meeting 2:50-5:30pm Paper Moon</p>	<p>17 7:15-9:15am Fellowship Hall in use 1-2:30 Circuit-Sun Prairie UMC 1-4 Mah Jongg-Fellowship hall 4:30 El Libertador</p>	<p>18 1-2:30 Fellowship Hall in use 6:00 Bell Choir 7:30 Adult Choir</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 8am Men's Group Breakfast out 10am English 4-6pm El Libertador Music practice-sanctuary</p>
<p>21 <u>See schedule above</u> Newsletter Deadline 8:30 Adult Class 11:15am Stewardship Potluck 12:30 CROP Walk</p>	<p>22 Pastor Brad gone 1:00 Quilters 6:30 Stephen Ministers-library</p>	<p>23 Pastor Brad gone 10am-2pm Healthy Aging 6:00 Let's Talk About it</p>	<p>24 Pastor Brad gone 7:15-9:15am Fellowship Hall in use 1-4 Mah Jongg-Fellowship hall 4:30 El Libertador</p>	<p>25 1:30 Reading Cr. 6:00 Bell Choir 7pm Comm. on Way Forward Listening at Sun Prairie UMC 7:30 Adult Choir</p>	<p>26 8:30am Newsletter Helpers</p>	<p>27 10am English</p>
<p>28 UNICEF <u>See schedule above</u> Coffee Sales 8:30 Adult Class 4pm Crossing Meal food needed</p>	<p>29 Pastors' Day Off 1:00 Quilters</p>	<p>30 9:00am Staff Meeting</p>	<p>31 7:15-9:15am Fellowship Hall in use 1-4 Mah Jongg-Fellowship hall 4:30 El Libertador</p>			

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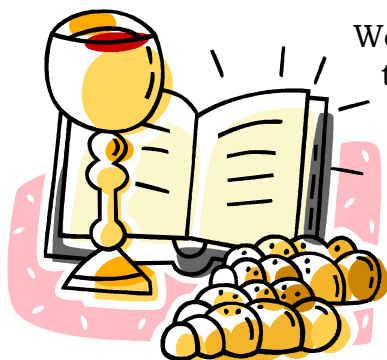
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY - OCTOBER 7

World Communion Sunday is our yearly reminder that there is a unity and oneness given to us in Jesus Christ, and that God's will for the creation is peace and harmony. In the face of sectarian violence, the threat of ISIS, and even divided Christian denominations, we are invited to the Communion Table as a political act that subverts the boundaries that separate people, as a sign of our unity and of God's love for all.

We will receive one of the special offerings designated by our denomination to support World Communion Scholarships, administered by the General Board of Global Ministries and Ethnic Scholarship and Ethnic In-Service Training programs related to the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry. Your generosity can help support the work of the worldwide church.



**WORLD
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Worship will include different kinds of breads for you to choose from to dip into the cup. This year, we will include a bread from Just Bakery, pita bread and Liberian rice bread which is gluten free.