

January 14, 2018

Prayer is one of the ways we communicate with God. It is conversation – talking together - listening together - with a generous, caring Friend. Prayer conversation with God can be many things. It can be: praising God’s great goodness, asking for a particular need to be answered, listening to God or listening for God’s message or response, wrestling and questioning God about a problem we have, requesting God’s wisdom or presence or healing or . . . , questioning and challenging God, thanking God for life or blessings or . . . , and on.

Our congregation has a Prayer Chain Ministry that is praying for your prayer requests. You are invited to fill in the prayer request card on the back of the Welcome card, fill in your prayer request and either put it in the offering plate or give it directly to Pastor Wendee. Following worship, a member of the Prayer Ministry Team will collect the prayer requests, will give Pastor Wendee a list of all the requests and will email them to the Prayer Chain who will pray for your request through the week.

Please be sure to check the box(es) designating how and where you want your prayer request(s) shared.

Thank you for the privilege of allowing us to share in your life through prayer.

You are invited to pray for the following prayer requests:

- From Val & Diana J. – Linda S. (Sister). Prayers for Linda as she can’t walk and doctors are unable to find a reason. She is down to 92 pounds.
- From Val & Diana J. – for Al S. (Brother-in-law). Prayers for Al as he is fighting stage 4 prostate and bone cancer
- From Janet P. – Praise and thanks for blessings received and often taken for granted.
- From Stefanie P. – for Stefanie’s Sister-in-laws Father, Steve. Prayers for Steve as he is in the hospital dealing with complications from a procedure
- From Judy S. – for Donna S. Prayers of healing as Donna is struggling with cold and flu symptoms
- From Carole L. – for Carole’s cousin, An, and her son, Randy. Both are recovering from serious health challenges
- Prayers for Shannon S. as she is recovering from pneumonia.
- We celebrate with Eleanor P. who turns 102 on Monday, January 8, 2018.
- We pray for all who are affected by the deep cold and for those civil servants who work in the cold.
- We pray for the leaders of the world that they may guide their nations in the ways of peace.
- We pray for the new year and for the possibilities that God offers to grow in the Spirit.
- shut-ins: Dorothy S, Eileen S, Gwen S, Louise L, Jean F, Dave and Jeanne H, Marge D, Pat S, Donna S, Eleanor P, Jean B, Walt M
- Prayers of celebration for anniversaries, birthdays, and other special occasions

Philippians 4:4-9

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

⁴ Rejoice^[a] in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.^[b] ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸ Finally, beloved,^[c] whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about^[d] these things. ⁹ Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Our Staff:

Nursery Attendants	Ann & Beverly
Preschool Director	Kara P
Choir Director	Shelly S
Bell Choir Director	Shelly S
Choir Accompanist	Connie J
Organist	Todd A
Children's Choir Dir.	Carole L
Administrative Assistant	Linda C
Custodian	Amy P
Pastor	Rev. Wendee Nitz

Assisting In Worship:

Liturgist	8:00	Nancy B
	10:45	Jane E
Acolyte	10:45	
Ushers	8:00	Ed and Barb K
	10:45	Michelle G
		Sean G
Greeters	8:00	Janet P
	10:45	
Counters		Jane E
		Carole L
Unlocking		Marilyn K



Our South East District has established a district-wide prayer connection, inviting churches to pray for each other in a unified way. The District sends us a list showing which church to pray for each week

This week we will pray for: Little Prairie UMC, their pastor Duane Goetsch, and their 34 members, Little Prairie UMC is located at N9515 Palmyra Rd., Palmyra, WI 53156.

Calendar:

Sunday – January 14 – Human Relations Day

Pastor Wendee out-of-office until 1/26/18

8:00 am	Worship
9:00 am	Children's Choir
9:30 am	Sunday School
10:45 am	Worship
5:00–8:00 pm	Potbelly Fundraiser

Monday – January 15 – Newsletter Deadline

9:00 am	Preschool
9:00 am	No Page Left Unturned
7:00 p.m.	AA

Tuesday – January 16

9:00 am	Preschool
11:30 am	Ageless Wonders – On The Clock
6:00 pm	Tabitha Circle Tour

Wednesday – January 17

9:00 am	Preschool
7:30 pm	Altar Choir

Thursday – January 18

9:00 am	Preschool
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Friday – January 19

Saturday – January 20

Sunday – January 21

8:00 am	Worship
9:00 am	Children's Choir
9:30 am	Sunday School
10:45 am	Worship



Please have any information for the Newsletter/Reminder in by Monday, January 15, 2018

Rev. Mao Her from Greenfield Christ UMC will be on call for any pastoral emergencies during Pastor Wendee's vacation time Thursday, January 11, 2018 to Friday, January 26, 2018. Please call our church office at 414-762-4600 or Pastor Mao at 920-562-9609

Today is a United Methodist

Special Sunday - Human Relations Day

The Human Relations Day offering supports neighborhood ministries through Community Developers, community advocacy in the United States and Puerto Rico through United Methodist Voluntary Services, and work with at-risk youth through the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program. Please give generously in the envelope provided in the bulletin.



Pantry Items Needed!

We are asking for more food as our needs have increased to four families.



Fundraiser at Potbelly

Sunday, January 14, 2018 at 5:00 - 8:00 pm
Please present the insert and we will get 25% of the proceeds to support our youth missions.

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Monday, January 15, 2018 at 9:00 am
Panera Bread – "To Be Where You Are" by Jan Karon. For more information, contact Mary Ann B.

Ageless Wonders - January Luncheon
Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 11:30 am

On the Clock, 4301 S. Howell Ave. Milw.
For reservation purposes, please sign up ahead of time on the sheet in the friendship room or call Carlene



Tabitha Circle – Tour Open to All
Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 6:00 pm

We will be taking a tour of St. Mary and St. Antonious Coptic Orthodox Church 1521 W Drexel Ave, Oak Creek. **Note: We will meet at the Coptic church by 5:45pm.** Afterwards those who want to, we will go out to dinner. Please let me know if you are joining us so I can give Fr. Rewis an accurate count. Thank you, Bonnie C.

Library Changes...

The Trustee's are happy to announce there are plans to update the library. The changes planned are to remove the wallpaper and paint the walls the color of the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. We will also have the curtains taken down and are looking into putting up shades or blinds. This is planned for the first quarter of this year. If you have any questions or concerns on this please contact any of the Trustee members listed here...

Doug C, Steve D,
Daryl B, Eric, Terry P,
Kathy B or Chris H.



Tabitha Circle – Musical "Sister Act"

Early announcement for who will attend and to save the due date for payment. Please see the insert on the details.