

November, 2022

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OF CHRIST



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416 E. Lake Ave., Monticello, Wisconsin 53570

Inviting ALL to follow Jesus in faith & action

What is stewardship?

Stewardship is not just raising funds;
It's raising Christians.

Stewardship is not a matter of budgets;
It's a matter of faith.



Trusting God
With Your
Time, Talents,
& Treasure

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Daylight Savings Time Ends on
Sunday, November 6th.

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Interested In **CHURCH MEMBERSHIP?**

If you are interested in joining Zwingli UCC, please contact the Church Office. All are welcome to become part of this faith community.

Church Office Hours

Monday–Friday
8 a.m.–12 p.m.
Closed Holidays
These are scheduled open office hours. Other hours are available by calling **608-938-4369**.



You will be enriched in every way to be *generous in every way*, which through us will *produce thanksgiving* to God.

2 Corinthians 9:11



Important Online Offerings For You



https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzwwZLdGT03Us3IFvINLibg?view_as=subscriber

This is our **You Tube Channel**. Most of the videos we have recorded are found here! If you subscribe to this channel, you will get email notifications of newly posted videos. Many smart TVs are able to stream this channel as well.



www.zwingliucc.com - This **Website** has all you need to know about Zwingli United Church of Christ, programs offered, current newsletter and videos, and devotionals as well as information on all things Zwingli!



Zwingli United Church of Christ (Monticello) – Type this in your **Facebook** search bar and enter the world of Zwingli UCC. Our timeline has had all manner of things and ideas that are Zwingli related posts!



The Pastor is in – Call 828-817-9055 to speak with the Pastor!!!! You can also text message at the same number! **Email: mtpreach.59@gmail.com or zwingliuccmonticel-**

Special Services For November

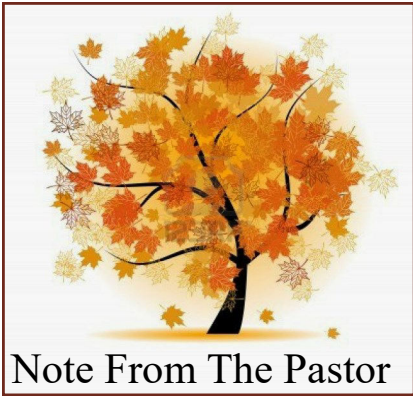
All Saints' Service will be observed Sunday, November 6th at 9:15 a.m.

Join us for this special service when we remember those who have gone before us.

Community Thanksgiving Service Wednesday, November 23rd at 7 p.m.

Held at Zwingli UCC

Sponsored by Zwingli UCC



Note From The Pastor

Fall always makes me reminisce about the past. I think about how this activity or that activity brought so much joy, fellowship, or enrichment to our lives. I hear this time and time again. I also find myself mourning the activities and events of the past!

Our problem is, the reason these things have dwindled or have been lost is because we have let their fires go dim! So many groups, activities, or events in our life seem to be drifting away! Our Church is no exception to this. I miss Social Hour, I miss Sunday School, I miss Christmas programs, or I miss service trips and I miss.... You fill in the blank!



An example of this is very easy to see with the Social Hour following the service. March of 2020, Zwingli's Consistory voted to take a break from the Social Hour following the Worship Service each week because of the fear of spreading the then life threatening COVID-19 Virus. We put these programs on hold because of the contagious nature of the virus and the fact there was no protection or relief from its symptoms and many who contracted it in the early days passed on! Zwingli Consistory, after careful review of the current situation with the virus and with treatments and vaccines that are available, voted to reinstate the Social Hour following the service. This Social Hour is essential to the mission of our Church. We are striving to build a family of believers who care and support one another. Social Hour is just as important as the



Worship Service. The beauty of our Church is in its Greatest Asset, the fact that we have each other. Social Hour is about spending time with our family.

I realize there are a few people who can not physically host the Social Hour, but there are far and away many more people who can! We have had a sign-up sheet in the North Room each Sunday since the end of August and have asked the congregation to sign up to serve... with limited success! There are some new parameters that have been placed on the Social Hour that make the task very simple. Juice, coffee, and a light treat is all that is needed. Even the treat is optional. About ½ hour set up time and ½ hour clean-up is plenty of time to make it happen. Each week since August, we have had over 25 people partake in this event and at the time of writing this note, we are still seeking people to sign up for the next couple of months (November/December)! Is this going to be yet another thing that we can mourn from the past that has died for lack of participation?



This week we finalized our Stewardship Letter and I felt like we may need to visit it again here:

Since 1887, Zwingli has been a community of believers who strive to follow the path of Christ. Striving to follow Christ in faith and in action has been our Mission Statement for many years. The beauty of a Church Community is the fact that "Many hands make light work." We as a Church group (close to 400 members) can impact our town, our state, and our world much more effectively than




anyone of us can alone. This Church has survived challenges of depressions, wars, sickness, and many other hardships, mostly because of the faith our members and friends had in our cause. Our forefathers knew that the love of Jesus Christ and seeing the Christ in our fellow humans is the guiding light to the woes and worries of our world. When there was a need, our forefathers banded together to provide relief. This is why we still have our beautiful Zwingli House of Worship in downtown Monticello.


The sharing of the stories of our Lord has been accomplished through the ages in many different ways: preaching, radio and recording, video and livestream, internet, enrichment and discussion classes, outreach of fellowship and service. All those pale to the actions of our members and the way in which we live, work, and play in our community. Our faith in our Church Community as well as our actions in our lives speak volumes about the walk of Christ.

We have recently experienced a few huge mountains in our path as a Church. COVID-19 lockdowns have decreased our attendance numbers. Our drainage problem left us with a major expense in our Parking Lot that was not expected. The culture that surrounds our Church has also added many other ways of being community in this world for people to choose. The Church has lost its place as the



only social outlet in town. We are slowly struggling to illustrate the joys of living, working, and serving together as a Church to the people of our community. To do this effectively, we need to continue all the programs that we are offering as well as provide even more. We need to continue to reach beyond the walls of our Church, and we need to be the image of Christ in our world. 



This requires each and everyone of us to dig deep and consider how we can support our Church, not just financially, but with our time and talents. Please... Please do not wait for someone to ask you to help. Please come forward and offer ideas and talents as well as funds to make this Church once again the center of Monticello. We have been operating on a challenged budget for many years and have been leaning heavily on investments and memorials BUT those funds are rapidly dwindling! The time is now for **ALL** of us to dig deep into our pockets and our energy reserve to help build this Church. As we travel through this month of Stewardship, please prayerfully consider what **YOU** can do to make this Church the living heart of Monticello. 

Please contact me or call the Church Office to find out how you can help keep this entity called Zwingli a living Church that Loves, Supports, and Cares for its members and our community!

Call today!

Peace, Pastor Lance





Care Coordinator's Corner

I was inspired by Shannon Geurin's article in Just Between Us.

What is God calling you to do?

Is He inviting you to reach out to someone you have not spoken to in some time? Is He requesting you to become more active in the Church? Are you intrigued by the challenge to head the organizing of the Kalberwurst Supper? Is He persuading you to become part of the Caring Ministries that I coordinate?

Are you attracted to the activities of Super Sunday? Who can you think of to share Super Sunday with and invite them along? Do you feel challenged to step into a role you have not done before? Have you been persuaded to take just one more step toward living your faith?

God IS pleading with you to put Faith into ACTION!

He is urging you to increase your giving both financially and through participation! **WE** are ALL Ministers of Zwingli. Pastor Lance is the Pastor, our shepherd. He does an amazing job leading, inspiring, encouraging, and guiding us. **But WE are all Ministers called to do God's work.**

I love the story of Joshua in the Bible. Moses was dead, so God was relying on Joshua to lead the Israelites across the Jordan River. God reassured Joshua in Chapter 1:5 "...I will be with you as I was with Moses. I will not fail you or abandon you." Verse 6: "Be strong and courageous ..." Verse 7: Be strong and courageous...then you will be successful in everything you do." Verse 9: "This is my command-be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

God told Joshua multiple times to be strong and courageous. Why did God need to tell Joshua multiple times to be strong and courageous? Maybe He knew it was a big task and He knew it

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was bigger than Joshua could handle on his own. Is this what is holding you back from becoming active in a ministry here at Zwingli?

God is requiring YOU to do what He has called you to do with His help.

*"I can do all things through Christ
who strengthens me."* (Philippians 4:13)

What is God calling YOU to do?

Cindi Ritter

262 993-5435

care4zwingli@gmail.com



Daily Bible Reading

1 Ezra 1:1-11	16 Psalm 135
2 Ezra 3:1-13	17 Psalm 92
3 Ezra 4:24—5:17	18 Psalm 93
4 Ezra 6:1-12	19 Psalm 95
5 Ezra 6:13-22	20 Psalm 96
6 Ezra 7:1-10	21 Psalm 97
7 Ezra 7:11-28	22 Psalm 98
8 Nehemiah 8:1-18	23 Psalm 99
9 Nehemiah 12:27-47	24 Psalm 100
10 Haggai 1:1-15	25 Psalm 112
11 Haggai 2:1-23	26 Psalm 113
12 Zechariah 8:1-23	27 Psalm 24
13 2 Chronicles 4:1-22	28 Isaiah 11:1-16
14 2 Chronicles 5:1-14	29 Isaiah 12:1-6
15 Psalm 118	30 Jeremiah 10:1-16

THANKS VETERANS

Soon it will be Veterans Day, Friday, November 11th. This US Federal Holiday honors all military veterans who served whether in wartime or peacetime. Originally known as Armistice Day, marking the end of World War I, the name was changed to Veterans Day in 1956 by President Eisenhower to honor all living veterans who served their country honorably. This day is set aside annually to recognize a vet's willingness & self-sacrifice to put their lives on the line and are committed to securing the freedoms that we share and enjoy today. They do not abandon their cause nor run from a battle; nor do they give into the fear of the responsibility that they signed up for. To our veterans we owe our full support, gratitude, and thanks for their service.

On Sunday, November 13th, we would like to honor and thank those veterans of our Church who served in the military. We will be handing out red, white, & blue notes before the service begins and we would like you to share the name of a veteran – whether a family member, friend, or neighbor - so we can send a thank you note to them as well as recognizing and thanking them during our Worship Service on November 13th. You can also add any additional information such as rank and/or service branch. We will have a basket at both of the Church entrances where you can drop the names off before leaving. We don't want to miss anyone, so everyone will have the opportunity to share names of a veteran on October 30th and November 6th. If you are unable to join us, you can always reach Cindi Ritter, **Coordinator of Caring Ministries**, at Care4zwingli@gmail.com or call [\(262\) 993 - 5435](tel:2629935435) with the name of a veteran you would like to thank. You are always welcome at Zwingli United Church of Christ and so we invite you and your veteran to attend.

And please don't forget to thank our veterans!

Deb Broge
Care Team-Veterans Committee

Time for College Care Packages! Want to help??

- * Come to the Church.
- * Look for the College Care Tree (East Entrance to Sanctuary).
- * Choose a tag from the tree.
- * Purchase items on tag.
- * Return items to Church by November 6th.

Thank you for helping!!!



Time is running out
to submit contact information
on students in College who would
enjoy a College Care Package.
Deadline November 6th.

Helping hands are needed to assemble
College Care Packages November 13th following
the Worship Service in the North Room.



Stewardship

C A M P A I G N

This year, we have designated Sunday, November 13, as Stewardship Sunday.

You may have already received your Stewardship letter and pledge card in the mail. If not, you will soon. Our hope is that everyone who is a member of Zwingli will be willing to fill out the pledge card with a suggested amount that they can contribute to the work and worship at Zwingli Church for 2023.

This year, we are asking everyone to make a pledge. **Our goal is to get people to think ahead, take a chance, and have faith in God with your pledges for this coming year.** The Stewardship Committee is focusing on increasing our pledges. This coming year will be critical in what our Church can and cannot do. We are committed to tightening our budget! Your pledge allows the leadership to get an idea of what to expect for the coming year. Our budgeting needs to be more closely aligned with our pledged amounts! Your pledged amount is one way you can help predict the future of our Church.

Please pray and discern what God is asking you to pledge for the up-coming year and **return your pledge card by November 13.** Also, think about how you can contribute something priceless - your time to our Programs, Ministries, and Worship Services. Thanks be to God for our blessings and your sharing!!!



Zwingli Brotherhood

Pancake Breakfast Drive-Thru
Saturday, November 19, 8-11 a.m.



**Tasty, Golden Pancakes
Served With Locally
Harvested Maple Syrup,
Butter, Sausage,
And Applesauce!!**



Zwingli United Church of Christ
416 East Lake Avenue, Monticello, WI

Proceeds Support Brotherhood College Scholarship Program
Social Distance Precautions In Place



**Our Drive-In Service
Is Closed for the Season.
All Services will be
In The Sanctuary
throughout the winter
months @ 9:15 a.m.**

**Join us each Sunday
in the Sanctuary or
on Livestream.**

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

*A heartfelt thanks to my Church Family
for your prayers and concerns and for all
the cards, visits, and phone calls while I
was recuperating at New Glarus Rehab.
— very much appreciated!!*

Sally Disrud



New Food Pantry Service

Family Promise of Green
County has been working
behind the scenes to address
the food insecurity concerns in
various areas of Green County.

The Pop-up Food Pantry Bus will be making monthly
stops at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church Parking Lot
at 405 E. 9th Avenue, Brodhead.

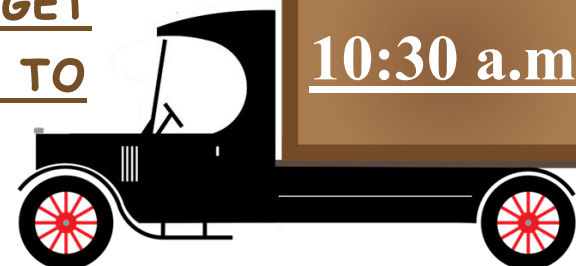
**Visit SWCAP Pop-up Food Bus Facebook
page for monthly dates and times.**

Join Us For The Next Super Sunday on November 27th

The interactive programs are wrapped around
stories of the Bible and include crafts, activities,
and Fun!! **EVERYONE IS WELCOME.**
Kids - remember to bring an adult &
join us for this special event!

DON'T FORGET
WE MOVED TO

10:30 a.m.





Help **RING** in a better world for Monticello.

Ringin Bells starts soon. Watch our Facebook Page for signupdategenius.com. Sign up for your time to Ring in the Holidays!!

Salvation Army funds collected can be accessed through Monticello Police Dept. and area Churches. Funds are given in the form of vouchers for heat, light, transportation, and housing in emergency situations. Sponsored by Zwingli & Washington Churches



- 01 Bryan Voegeli
- 02 Veronica Blumer
- 03 Lynn Pendergrass
- 04 Payton Johnson
- 05 Steve Broge
- 06 Olivia Feller
- 07 Kristina Wichser
- 08 Hans Sulzer
- 09 Jesse Halvorsen
- 10 Matthew Andrews
- 12 Lucille Elmer
- 13 Madeleine Koester
- 15 Jaden Zuber
- 16 Aleah Bowman

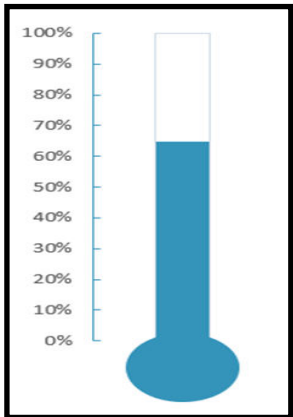
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- 17 Kerry Karlen
- 20 Julia Gempeler
- 21 Michael Aeberhard
- 22 Kyle Von Der Heide
- 23 Nicole Timm
- 24 Rosemary Avery
- 25 Susan Hefty
- 26 Bruce Quade
- 27 Lilly Blum
- 28 Dennis Tomczyk
- 30 Natalie Roe

Zwingli Parking Lot Fund
Help complete the funding for our Parking Lot resurfacing.

Goal: \$42,326.75*

Current Fund Total: \$28,745.06**



*Quote amount **as of 8/31/2022

ANNIVERSARIES



- 02 Darin & Stephanie Erickson
- 04 Jim & Jeanne Gempeler
- 13 Dave & Mary Jean Blum
- 14 Scott & Melinda Blumer
- 17 Harvey & Patty Kubly



Thank You!!!

All of your cards, letters, and visits have made my days here much more pleasant than I had expected! The therapy folks are pushing to get me walking without a hitch in my gait. It may take a while, but I'm trying.

Miss You All!!
Lois Hopkins
Noel Manor Retirement Living
471 Prairie Way Blvd
Box 41 Room 1305
Verona, WI 53593



Invitation To Social Hour

Zwingly's Sunday Social Hour will happen on the Sunday Mornings when we have a **Volunteer Host**. Volunteering is simple to do. The Church furnishes the paper products and the coffee. You only need to bring whatever juice and light snack you choose to share. Cleanup is simple and easy.

Sign-up sheets will be at Social Hour or call the Church Office (608-938-4369) to reserve a Sunday.



Volunteer Today!

From Our Records

Remembering with Love those who have passed

June Blumer 3/25/1928 - 9/24/2022

Baptisms

Emmett Henry Schlapbach
Son of Brittany & Brandon Schlapbach
Baptized August 14th

Brittany Nicole Schlapbach
Baptized August 14th

Kenley Leigh McGowan
Daughter of Brittany & Matthew McGowan
Baptized September 11th

Undesignated Memorials in Memory of

Richard Althaus by Sally Disrud

Jim Meier by Spring Family

Glen Spring by Gayle Stamm, Family & Friends

Shirley Zumkehr by Family & Friends, from the Estate of Shirley Zumkehr

Designated Memorials in Memory of

Beverly Babler Caring Ministry by May Burgy, Harvey & Patty Kubly, Dave & Mary Jean Blum, Roger & Karen Brugger

Jim Meier Parking Lot by Jim & Cinda Field

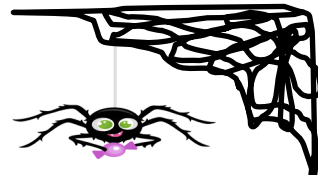
Harry Turner Sr. Parking Lot by Deb & Steve Broge

Shirley Zumkehr Window Restoration by Patty Blumer Riesen, Buck & Margie Walls. Parking Lot by Barb Pluss, Marlene Schmalbeck, Jim & Cinda Field





Trunk or Treat 2022



Thank you Roann Austin, Heidi Kassebaum, Hands Of Change, Sue Rieder, & Pastor Lance for all you did to make this year's **Trunk or Treat** special for all our guests.



Many costumed guests enjoyed tricks (games) as well as treats.



Thank you to all who donated treats for our guests.



We had a nice turnout of vehicles decorated and ready to welcome our guests.



★ It's been a while but, Calling All Cookies!!!!



Christmas is coming up fast which means so is the **Women's Guild Pre-Christmas Bake Sale.**



We ask all the women of Zwingli who are able, to please donate baked goods for this annual fundraiser. Baked goods can be dropped off the morning of the sale or earlier in the week either in the North Room kitchen or downstairs in Fellowship Hall's pantry. Any leftover "packable" goodies will be used for packing the **Brotherhood Cheer Boxes** following the Bake Sale, so do not worry about baking too much. Also please try to label your items as to what they are or if they contain any allergens.



We are looking for anyone who would like to help with the Bake Sale on Saturday, December 10th. We break it down into two shifts. The **first shift** is approximately **from 8:30 to 10:45 a.m.** and helps with setup. The **second shift** runs from **10:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.** and helps with the cleanup. We usually need two to three people per shift. If interested or if you have questions, please contact **Barb Pluss at 608-527-4293** or **Cyndi Blair at 608-214-2207.**

May my prayers to you, O God, begin from a place of thanksgiving, recognizing your countless gifts.



Thank You

**Special Thanks to my
Prayer Chain Participants.**
September was a busy month.

"When we pray, God hears more than we say; Answers more than we ask, gives more than we imagine. In His own time and In His own way." Author Unknown

Pre-Christmas Bake Sale

★ **Saturday, December 10**
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Zwingli Church's North Room



Holiday Cookies,
Bratzelies, Breads,
and MANY other Goodies!!

Cookies sold by the pound
Containers will be provided



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Offerings of Support from SSM Health at Home

Handling the Holidays

This program is for those grieving during the holiday season and will explore common holiday concerns, practical strategies for coping with the holidays, and ways to honor the memories of loved ones. Registration is requested and seating is limited.

Saturday, November 5 @ 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Location: SSM Health Monroe Hospital
515 22nd Avenue, Monroe.



Celebration of Lights

A service to honor and remember the special people in our lives, living or deceased, during the holiday season.

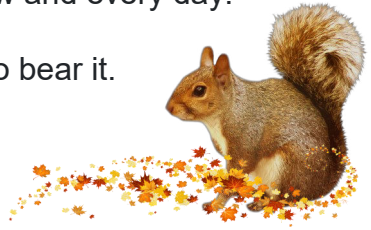
Thursday, December 1 @ 6:30 p.m.
Location: United Methodist Church
2227 4th Street, Monroe.

*For more information on these programs,
please contact Faye Darnall at
Faye.Darnall@ssmhealth.com or 608 324-1230*

Tomorrow

Do not look forward to what might happen tomorrow.
The same God who cares for you today
Will take care of you and yours tomorrow and every day.
Either God will shield you from suffering
Or God will give you unfailing strength to bear it.
Be at peace then and put aside
All anxious thoughts and imaginations.

St. Francis de Sales



Support Opportunity

Grief Support Group

For those who have lost someone they love.

3rd Tuesday of EVERY Month

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Aging and Disability Resource Center

(ADRC) of Green County

Government Service Building

Lower Level Multipurpose Rooms

N3152 State Road 81 Monroe, WI

No need to register

Questions, Call ADRC 608-328-9499

OR Email resourcecenter@gchsd.org

*No commitment to attend each Month.

*You are welcome to sit in, listen, share your story if you are comfortable.

*There are no expectations of needing to talk or share with the group when attending.

*Just know and understand, you are not alone in your grieving journey.



IF MONEY COULD TALK

At the end of their lives, a 100-dollar bill, a 20-dollar bill, and a one-dollar bill met at the shredder. The 100 said, "I've seen the whole world. Why, I've been on cruises in the Caribbean, safaris in Africa, and vacations in Europe."

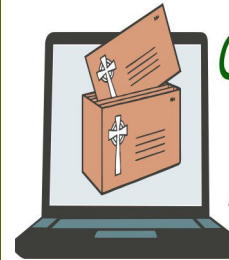
The 20 said, "I haven't done quite as well, but I've been to Atlantic City, Disneyland, and Starbucks." They both turned to the one-dollar bill and asked, "How about you?"

Not wanting to be outdone, the one-dollar bill said, "I've seen the whole country, as well. I've been from Church to Church to Church"

Then the 100 asked, "What's a Church?"

Several Ways To Give To The Church

Set up your Church giving contribution using your **Bank's online bill pay feature!** You decide the amount, the date you want it sent, and finish making the contribution.



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Information you will need:

Your Checking Account Number

Make Payment To:

Zwingli United Church of Christ

Your Giving Envelope Number

416 E. Lake Ave., PO Box 97

Monticello, WI 53570 608-938-4369

Email: zwingliuccmonticello@gmail.com

Website: www.zwingliucc.com

OR - Go to our **Website** and click on the hand to bring you to the **giving page**.



Credit/Debit - Click on **Give** button below for **Credit/Debit options**.

GIVE



OR - Checks Can Be Mailed to:

Zwingli United Church of Christ

PO Box 97

Monticello, WI 53570

OR - Drop off your Donation in the Drop Box at the East Entrance to the Church.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministry of Zwingli United Church of Christ.

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat



Dates and times subject to change

ANNUAL REPORTS ARE DUE DECEMBER 16th

1
6:30pm Zoom Gathering



2
Mid-Week Devotional
1pm Ruth Circle
6:15pm Chime Choir

3
1pm Garden Club
Noon Zoom Bible
Study

4
7pm AA Meeting



6 **9:15am Worship in Zwingli**
All Saints Sunday
Daylight Saving Time Ends
After Worship Confirmation



7
3:15pm Hands of
Change
6:30pm Finance

8
6:30am-9pm
Mt Pleasant Voting



9
Mid-Week Devotional
6:30pm Consistory



10
Noon Zoom Bible
Study



11
7pm AA Meeting

12
9:30am Brotherhood



13 **9:15am Worship in Zwingli**
Stewardship Sunday
Veteran's Recognition
After Worship Assemble
College Care Package
1pm Veteran's Service



14
3:15pm Hands of
Change
6:30pm Worship &
Music

15
6:30pm Zoom Gathering



16
Mid-Week Devotional
6:15pm Chime Choir

17
"Chimes" Info Due
Noon Zoom Bible
Study

18
7pm AA Meeting

19
8-11am Drive-Thru
Pancake Breakfast
Brotherhood



20 **9:15am Worship in Zwingli**
After Worship Confirmation



21
3:15pm Hands of
Change

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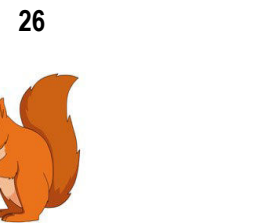


23
Mid-Week Devotional
7pm Thanksgiving
Service @ Zwingli

24
Office Closed
Thanksgiving Day!



25
7pm AA Meeting



27 **9:15am Worship in Zwingli**
1st Sunday in Advent
10:30am Super Sunday



28
3:15pm Hands of
Change
6:30pm Ag Chest

29

30
Mid-Week Devotional
6:15pm Chime Choir



November 2022