

September, 2025

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UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST



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416 E. Lake Ave., Monticello, Wisconsin 53570

Inviting ALL to follow Jesus in faith & action

"STOP
AND CONSIDER
THE
wondrous
WORKS OF GOD."
JOB 37:14, ESV

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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.

Important Online Offerings For You

<https://www.youtube.com/@ZwingliUnitedChurchofChristMon/>



This is our **YouTube 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!

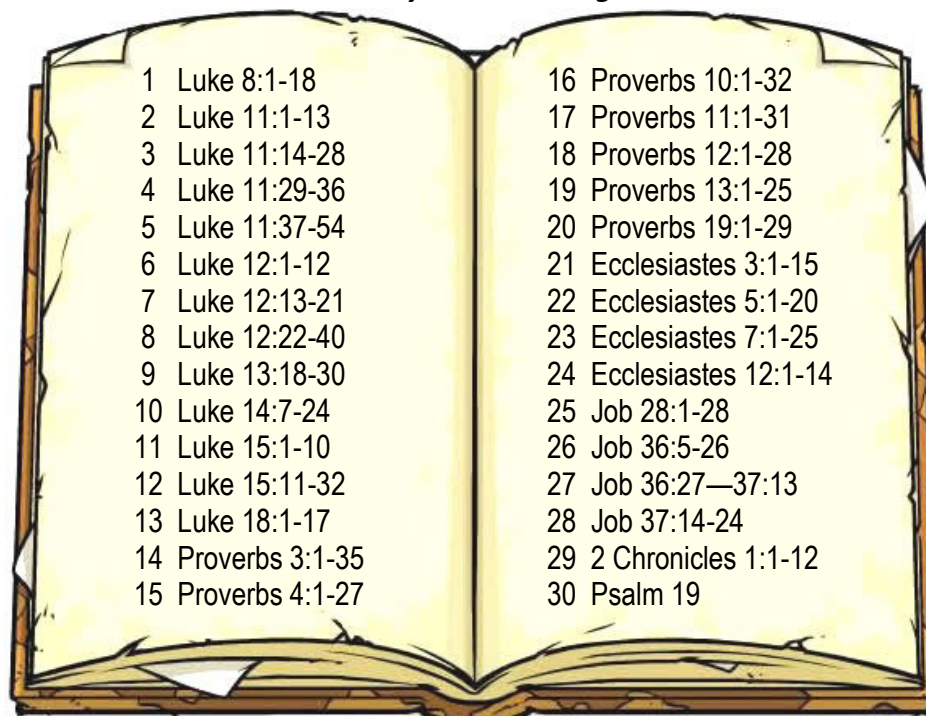


Zwingli United Church of Christ (Monticello) – Type this in your **Facebook** search bar and enter the world of Zwingli UCC. Our timeline has had all manner of things and ideas that are Zwingli related posts! **Zwingli UCC Stream** – Type this in your **Facebook** search bar to watch the Livestream @ 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings.



Email us @ zwingliuccmonticello@gmail.com

Daily Bible Reading





Message from the Caring Ministry

Barbara Duerst, Interim Caring Ministries Coordinator

July was a busy month for outreach to our Zwingli community and beyond. Although, at the time of this report, some of the Sunshine Team members had not reported their activities. Sue Sinnett shared a bag of peaches with thirteen individuals and couples. We appreciate these gifts she shared with our members and the wider community.

Prayer Chain: Weekly emails (x 5) to 22 Zwingli Members (plus one who receives a hard copy) on Prayer Chain, includes prayer requests for people who are ill, injured, undergoing surgery, Search Committee, etc. The number of people on our Prayer Chains and Sunshine Team emails have been increasing.

CD Distribution: 8 CDs distributed to four people who are homebound or in assisted living facilities.

Birthday/Anniversary Cards: Cinda Field sent 13 birthday cards and 4 anniversary cards on behalf of Zwingli UCC this month.

Visits: There were 27 visits made in July. This included visits made by Sue Sinnett delivering peaches and delivering Worship Service CDs.

Cards: The Sunshine Team sent 22 cards in July. Types of cards included birthday, sympathy, thinking of you, etc.

Phone Calls: The Sunshine Team made two phone calls in July.

Community Dinners: Hosts/Hostesses for Zwingli's July Community Dinner were Don and Suzy Halvorsen and Don and Mary Roe. We served 50 people. I believe this may be one of the highest attended dinners in recent history. The August Dinner is being planned by the Zwingli Chime Choir.



Upcoming Events:

- ♦ August 24 – Back to School Blessing during Worship Service
- ♦ August 25 – Community Dinner hosted by the Zwingli Chime Choir
- ♦ September 14 – Zwingli Volunteer Celebration during and after Worship Service

I am deeply grateful for the time, energy, and heart that our Sunshine Team and Prayer Chain group pour into serving others. Our Caring Ministry volunteers' dedication make a real difference bringing hope, comfort, and joy to those who need it most. You are the hands and feet of kindness, and we are all blessed by your generosity of spirit.

If you would like to join the email Prayer Chain or Sunshine Team, please let me know. Also, if you would like to have us pray for you or a family member, please let me know. I can be reached by phone call or text at 608-558-4458 or via email at blduerst4@gmail.com.



A 6-year-old and his grandma went for a walk one autumn day. "Look at the gorgeous leaves!" Grandma exclaimed. "Just think, God painted each one of them just for us!"

"Yep," said her grandson, "and he did it left-handed."

Perplexed, Grandma asked, "Why do you think God used his left hand to create all this beauty?"

"Because," said the boy matter-of-factly, "we learned in Sunday School that Jesus sits on God's right one."



Walking Through Grief Support Group

Grief can be difficult. Sharing your journey with others facing a similar challenge may help you find peace. This six-week series is for adults (ages 18 and older) who have experienced the loss of a loved one. The group explores the grieving process and ideas for coping and healing, while providing a safe place to share your questions and experiences with others.

September 10th – October 15th, 2025
Wednesdays from 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Location: Monroe Engraving
1005 30th Street
Monroe, WI 53566

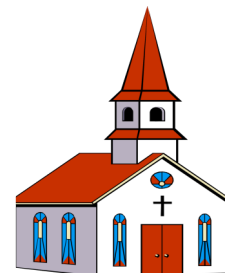
This is a free event. Space is limited. Please register online at ssmhealth.com/events or call 608-324-1229 for more information.



ssmhealth.com



ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, Zwingli will be celebrating our many, many volunteers. From our Sunshine Team to our offering counters, to our quilt makers, to our Brotherhood, and Zwingli Women United, **ALL OF YOU** have a part in helping our Church run smoothly and our outreach efforts successful.



We will be celebrating during the Worship Service with a short slide show highlighting the good works of the many volunteers in our Church community.

After the Worship Service, we will honor our volunteers with cake, coffee, and punch at a special Social Hour.



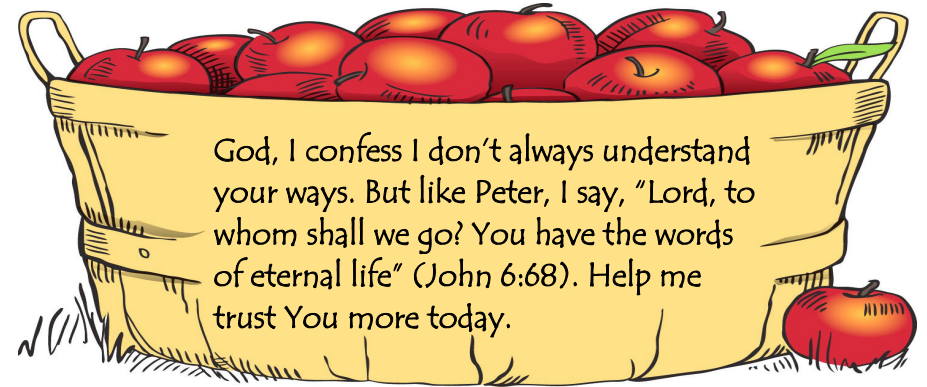
Please plan to join us on **September 14th** to remember the good work that we share together.

Super Sunday Returns
after the Worship Service on
September 28th!



Super Sunday is an interactive program wrapped around stories of the Bible and includes crafts, activities, and fellowship!!
All ages are welcome!!!

**Come join us for
new adventures!!**



God, I confess I don't always understand your ways. But like Peter, I say, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life" (John 6:68). Help me trust You more today.

Welcome Table



Join us for a **FREE**
Community Supper!!
Free & open to everyone!



Monday, September 29th
Blessing Promptly @ 5:30 p.m.
Zwingli UCC, Monticello
September Meal hosted by
Judy Pickett & Nikki Timm

All free-will offerings go to the Zwingli Church Community Fund.



Thanks to the *Chime Choir* for hosting
the Community Meal in August.



To volunteer, contact Barb Duerst at 608-558-4458
or Roann in the Church Office at 608-938-4369.



Zwingli Shares



The purpose of **Zwingli Shares** is to provide an opportunity for those with excess produce to share it with those who do not have a garden or have access to fresh fruits and vegetables.

If **you** have an abundance of produce from your garden or orchard, **please consider sharing with your Zwingli community members**. Place the vegetables and fruit that you would like to share in the basket on the shelf at the East Entrance.

Drop off produce on Sundays or Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 12 Noon.

If the Church is not open when you come to drop off your produce, call or text Barb Duerst at 608-558-4458.

If you can use some produce, fill a bag with what you can use/eat and take it home or share with someone in need. We will plan to keep the Zwingli Shares display with basket and supplies up through September.

If you have questions, contact Barb Duerst (contact information above).



Personal Hygiene Items Drive



Thank you to all who contributed to the August Personal Hygiene Drive. The Zwingli Chime Choir, under the direction of Denise, will help to keep the pantry stocked throughout the year. If you have personal hygiene items to donate beyond August, you can drop them off in the Caring Ministry Office.

If you have questions, please contact **Barb Duerst** at blduerst4@gmail.com or 608-558-4458.



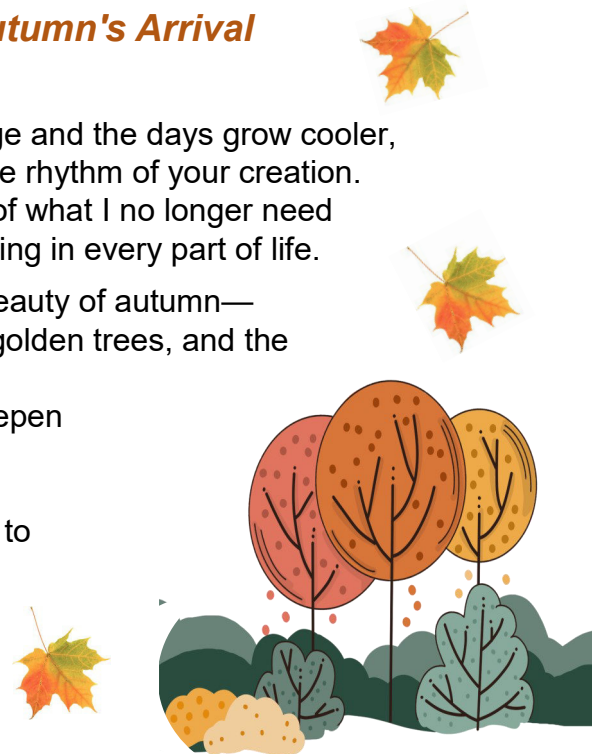
A Prayer for Autumn's Arrival

Lord of all seasons,
As the leaves change and the days grow cooler,
help me embrace the rhythm of your creation.
Teach me to let go of what I no longer need
and to trust your timing in every part of life.

Thank you for the beauty of autumn—
for crisp mornings, golden trees, and the
promise of harvest.

May this season deepen
my gratitude,
renew my spirit,
and draw me closer to
your heart.

In Jesus' name,
Amen.



From Our Records

Passings

Henry Waelchli 05/19/2025

Gary Kuebli 05/31/2025

Bequests

From the **Sylvia Blankenhorn Estate**

\$260,046.68 - \$5,483.47 - \$341.71

Undesignated Memorials given in memory of:

Cindi Ritter by Deb & Steven Broge

Richard Smith by May Burgy & Glenn Burgy

Henry Waelchli by Darlene Waelchli, Carolyn Hilliard, Susan Sinnott

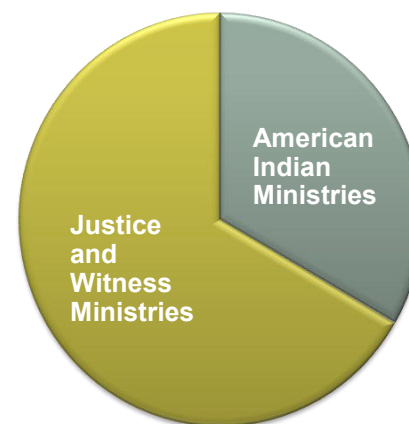
Christmas Quilt

If **you** have a **Christmas Quilt** that we could hang at the East Entrance during the season of Advent, please contact Barb Duerst at 608-558-4458.

October 2025 Gifts to Neighbors in Need (NIN)

support the United Church of Christ's ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). The other two-thirds of the offering support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, direct service projects, and grants. Neighbors in Need grants are annually awarded to UCC Churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities.

Neighbors in Need Distribution



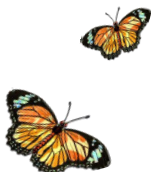
- Council for American Indian Ministries
- Justice and Witness Ministries

Send donations to:
Zwingli UCC, PO Box 97, Monticello, WI 53570.
Please put NIN in your check's memo line.



September

BIRTHDAYS



- 01 Nicholas Christen
- 03 Kody Kleeman
Matthew Zimmerman
- 04 Ashley Risley
Margie Walls
- 05 James Koester
Ireck Kubly
Jason Pinnow
- 07 Lorraine Davis
Hayden Pinnow
- 09 Sada Babler
Allen Hauser
- 10 Beverly Hilliard
- 11 Mason McCutchin
John Witt
Katie Ziegman
- 12 Henry Janisch
David Wild
- 13 Deb Broge
- 14 Carol Strause
- 16 Patty Blumer Riesen
Teresa Dilley
- 17 Jeff Gafner
Christine Marquardt
Elisabeth Tomczyk



- 19 Gary Gilbertson
Sean Murray
- 20 Ryer Indergand
Kollin Klitzke
- 21 Dean Ferguson
- 22 Sarah Stern
Nathan Willson
- 23 Andrew Aasve
Natalie McCloud
Brandon Wichser
- 24 Cody Garfoot
- 25 Dylan Beckwith
- 26 Calsea Garbe
Eric Jacobson
Sheri Wichser
- 27 Julie LeGros
Rebecca Zuber
- 28 Wilbert Blumer
Urs Gafner
- 29 Susan Halvorsen
Sarah Koester
Joshua Turner
- 30 Ernie Gempeler
Jamie LeGros



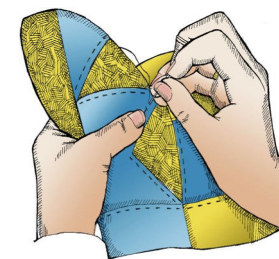
September

ANNIVERSARIES



- 06 Dan & Shianne Broughton
- 10 Dan & Julie LeGros
- 12 Buck & Margie Walls
- 13 Jeff & Anita Zuber
- 15 Dick & Janet Jones
Dale & Ann Trumpy

- 16 Dan & Sally Roe
Larry & Carol Strause
Tracy & Heidi Wing
- 20 Bruce & Donna Briggs
Ernie & Cathie Laeser
- 23 Chris & April Caldwell
- 25 Ken & Nicki Schlapbach



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T-Shirt Quilt

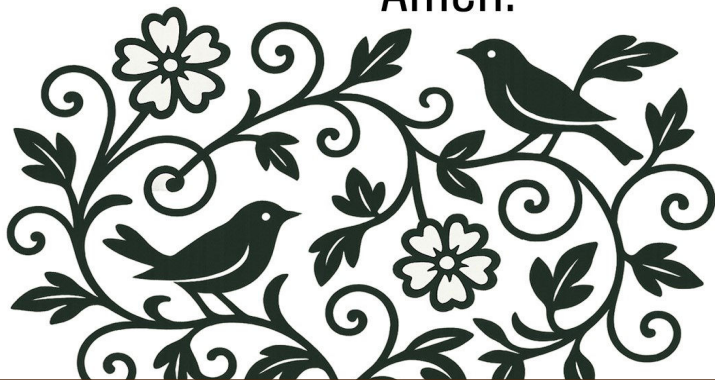
Do **YOU** have a **vintage Zwingli T-shirt** that is sitting in a drawer or hanging in your closet?

We are considering whether we might be able to create a **Zwingli T-shirt quilt** from T-shirts or sweatshirts. If you have an article of clothing that we could use in a quilt, **please drop the items in the Church Office, the Caring Ministry Coordinator Office, or give to Barb Duerst.** Please put your name on the clothing so that we can return the items if we do not get enough to put together a quilt.

Lord, in my work — whether at a
job, at home or in a service—

help me
to do it with
purpose and
peace.

Keep me from being
overwhelmed, and remind me
that my worth is not in what I
produce, but in
who I am in You.
Amen.



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



SEPTEMBER 2025



1
Office Closed for
Labor Day



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3
6pm Chime Choir

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5
1:30-3pm ADRC Class
(North Room)
7pm AA Meeting

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7 9:15am Worship in Zwingli
After Worship Social Hour

8



9



10
6pm Chime Choir
6pm Finance
6:30pm Consistory

11



12
7pm AA Meeting

13
9 VA Gathering
9:30am Brotherhood



14 9:15am Worship in Zwingli
Zwingli Volunteer Celebration
After Worship Social Hour

15



16



17
6pm Chime Choir

18
"Chimes" Info Due
By Noon

19
7pm AA Meeting

20



21 9:15am Worship in Zwingli
After Worship Social Hour

22
6pm Stewardship

23

24
6pm Chime Choir

25

26
1:30-3pm ADRC Class
(North Room)
7pm AA Meeting

27



28 9:15am Worship in Zwingli
After Worship Social Hour
After Worship **Super Sunday**
2pm Family Promise Informational
Meeting

29
5:30pm Welcome
Table (Pickett/Timm)

30

Dates and times
subject to change

