

Our Savior's and Gilmanton  
United Methodist Churches

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Return Service Requested

## Community Events

### Mondovi Sharing Table



Wednesday, May 8  
4:30—6:00 pm  
Zion Lutheran Church

### Ruby's PANTRY

Thursday, May 16  
4:00—5:30 pm  
Mondovi County Shop

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# OUTREACH



MAY 2024

## Pastor's Corner

In ancient Rome, if a slave escaped from their master, especially if they stole their master's property in the process, what would happen to that slave? In the New Testament era, there was a slave named Onesimus who fled after stealing some of his master's possessions. Onesimus was a slave of Philemon, a wealthy man and a leader in the church of Colossae. Onesimus committed a serious offense and sought refuge with the apostle Paul, who was imprisoned in Rome. It seems that Onesimus believed that by going to Paul, with whom his master Philemon shared a bond of faith, he could at least preserve his life.

The apostle Paul transformed Onesimus, the runaway slave who came to him, into a new person through the gospel. Paul wrote a letter to Philemon on behalf of Onesimus, which is known as the Epistle to Philemon. In the letter, Paul refers to Onesimus as "my son," "my very heart," and "a dear brother," asking Philemon to forgive him and accept him as a brother. Paul also assures Philemon that if Onesimus owes anything, Paul himself will pay it. Paul expresses confidence that Philemon will go above and beyond in how he treats Onesimus.

According to the early church father Jerome, Onesimus later became the bishop of the church in Ephesus, a key church at the time, and was martyred for his evangelism. Isn't the outcome of the love shown to the runaway slave Onesimus incredibly beautiful?

Perhaps there is a person's life hanging in the balance of a letter we receive from Jesus. Therefore, I pray that through forgiving and loving the Onesimuses among us, those who have made mistakes and committed sins, we may witness countless Onesimuses being transformed within our community, finding purpose in serving God.

*"No longer as a slave, but better than a slave, as a dear brother. He is very dear to me but even dearer to you, both as a fellow man and as a brother in the Lord." Philemon 1:16*

Love and blessings in Christ,  
Rev. Hyuntae Kim Ph.D.

If we really want to  
*love*  
we must learn  
how to  
*forgive.*

—Mother Theresa

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**Happy Birthday!**


- 5/1 Jack Biederman
- 5/2 Kennedy Thompson
- 5/3 Deb Bruning
- 5/3 Jason Ottum
- 5/3 Leah Pichler
- 5/6 Darrin Ede
- 5/6 Karter Johnson
- 5/7 Terry Plank
- 5/9 Lori Boley
- 5/9 Shelby Hoch
- 5/13 Brandon Ramthun
- 5/13 Adalynn Richards
- 5/15 Lucille Davis
- 5/15 Tara Unser
- 5/16 Jeremy Poeschel
- 5/17 Brogen Unser
- 5/19 Jessica Zingshiem
- 5/21 Dawn Moy
- 5/22 Susan Sie
- 5/24 Debbie Holden
- 5/25 Kayliee Johnston
- 5/28 Royal Ottum
- 5/29 Emma Bellemare
- 5/31 Braelee Unser
- 5/31 Lily Stamm



*She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.*

*Proverbs 31:25-26*

## Keep in Prayer...




Members who are in long-term care facilities.

Military veterans.

All firefighters, EMTs, police, and military personnel.

Brothers and sisters in Christ around the world.



**United Women in Faith**

May 8, 2024 at 2:00 pm

**Happy Anniversary!**

- 5/3 Randy & Dora Johnston
- 5/7 Randy & Jan Bechel
- 5/8 Dave & Debbie Holden
- 5/9 Mike & Deb Bruning
- 5/13 Marvin & Donna Moy
- 5/15 Ray & Laurie Johnston
- 5/19 Clarence & Mary Beth Pichler
- 5/23 Ronald & Neuretta Molland
- 5/31 Roger & Christy Mock



### First Responder Community Worship Service

Sunday, May 5, at 3 pm  
Zion Lutheran Church  
Mondovi

To honor and say thank you to our area fire, police, and EMTs. Everyone is welcome!

Refreshments will be served.


\*Uniforms optional

Sponsored by Mondovi Area Clergy Association (MACA)

### RHUBARB CAKE

Gloria Williams

1-1/2 c. brown sugar	1 tsp. baking soda
1/2 c. shortening	1 c. sour milk
1 egg	1/2 tsp. salt
2 c. flour	1-1/2 to 2 c. rhubarb



Put half batter in bottom of pan. Add rhubarb and remaining batter.

**Topping:**

1/2 c. white sugar	1 tsp. cinnamon
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Mix together. Pour over top and bake at 350 degrees for 40 to 45 minutes.

May 27 **MEMORIAL DAY**

ALL GAVE SOME...  
SOME GAVE ALL.  
REMEMBER THEM THIS  
MEMORIAL DAY



need to be brought to the box by April 24th. It was explained that pallets and forms of insulation will be made from the socks contributed.

New Business: Ingathering was discussed. A list of the items that church members can contribute will be placed in the bulletins and the newsletter. Items contributed will be taken to Annual Conference in June where Midwest Missions will then collect the items. Midwest Missions, located in Illinois, distributes items where needed. We were informed that Iris Baudendistel's family is celebrating Iris's life by serving treats after the church service on March 17<sup>th</sup>. Iris's funeral will be May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Following our business meeting, we shared in a program on Prayer and Self Denial. A monetary collection in support of this program was taken.

SPRC (Jim Williams, Chair)  
Jim reported he had nothing to report, but would be scheduling a meeting in March or early April.

Worship Committee (Lori Boley, Chair)  
Worship Committee meeting held on March 5, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

**Lent:**  
Maundy Thursday: Communion servers - Katie Sandberg and Linda Sandberg.  
Easter: Communion servers - Julie Brunusch and Lori Boley.  
"The Blood of Christ, Given for you". Reminder for communion servers to say these words when giving the juice.  
Worship leader will announce that gluten free bread is available.

**New order of worship instituted 3/10/24:**

Prelude after announcements. Worship leader will say "Let us prepare our hearts for Worship with prayerful meditation," then Judy will play Prelude which will lead directly to the Call To Worship.

**Song leader:** It would be nice to have additional individuals willing to help with this. Katie and Dave will communicate to let each other know if they are in need of help.

Confirmands will be lighting candles during the Prelude. Worship leader will light them if there are no confirmands available.

Looked at Easter Garden Plants insert.

Have worship leader announce/explain the Welcome/Prayer cards.

May 19<sup>th</sup> will be Graduate Recognition: Worship Committee will plan this at the April meeting.

Next meeting April 2, 2024, at 6:15.

F3 Report (Dora and Randy Johnston)  
Dora reported F3 has been going good. The last date is April 24th. The children will be singing Palm Sunday.

Old Business  
Ann Yelle inquired about a locked area for the background checks. They are currently not in a locked cabinet. Dave Boley will check to see if he has a small cabinet that locks.

Ann Yelle reported we purchased 2 new vacuum cleaners and new extension cord.

Kolleen Branger thanked Dave Boley for replacing the faucet in the office restroom.

New Business  
In regard to the landscaping, Ann Yelle will follow up.

Julie Brunusch received a letter from the City of Mondovi regarding having a float in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade. Discussion ensued.

Julie Brunusch reported the donor of the Sunday flowers will continue the donation for another year. The donor indicated the flowers could be given to not only church members but for members of the community also.

Dora Johnston inquired if we had received the form for the fair booth yet. Julie Brunusch reported we have not. This will be discussed further in April.

Jim Williams inquired about updating the "150 Years of Celebration" booklet or creating a simpler handout to have available in the church for visitors to take home with them. Jim will follow up on options and costs.

Lay Member to Annual Conference (Ann Yelle)  
Ann provided information on what other churches are doing for seniors in Bolivia.

Dave Boley closed with prayer.

Motion to adjourn made by Kolleen Branger, seconded by Julie Brunusch. Motion carried.

### Account Balances

<b>Checking</b>	<b>\$4,210.21</b>
<b>Elevator Repair</b>	<b>\$524.00</b>
<b>Local Disaster</b>	<b>\$390.00</b>
<b>New Ministries</b>	<b>\$2,019.80</b>
<b>Christmas Walk</b>	<b>\$11,917.00</b>
<b>Scholarships/Youth Awards</b>	<b>\$260.00</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>\$415.00</b>
<b>Total Account Balances</b>	<b>\$19,736.01</b>



## Highlights from the Council Meeting—March 21, 2024

**Council members present:** Pastor Kim, Jim Williams, Ann Yelle, Julie Brunsch, Jan Bechel, Dave Boley, Lori Boley, Kolleen Branger, Dora Johnston, Randy Johnston.

**Meeting called to order** by Chairperson Dave Boley.

Pastor Kim opened with prayer.

**Next Meeting:** April 18, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

**Secretary’s Report**

Motion to accept February 2024 Secretary’s Report made by Kolleen Branger and seconded by Julie Brunsch. Motion carried.

**Finance Committee** (Jay Branger, Chair, absent)

Kolleen Branger reported Jay had received an email regarding parts being unavailable for the office printer in the event of needing repair. Kolleen reported Jay’s opinion was to continue using the current printer until repairs needed. Discussion ensued. Decision was made to wait until repairs needed, and the Council felt funds would be available at that time to purchase a different printer if needed. Julie Brunsch will check with the EO Johnson representative for information regarding options for a new printer.

**Executive Summary** (Julie Brunsch, Treasurer)

Checking account totals are as follows: Beginning balance of \$17,229.51; deposits of \$15,968.87; interest of \$11.42; expenditures of \$11,006.26; uncleared transactions of \$1016.07 with an ending balance as of February 29, 2024, of \$21,187.47. Checking account reconciled with bank statement. Internal account balances are Checking \$5686.67; Elevator Repair \$524.00; Local Disaster \$390.00; New Ministries \$2019.80; Christmas Walk

\$11,917.00; Scholarships/Youth Awards \$260.00; Sunday School \$390.00 for balance of \$21,187.47. Other accounts: Building/Restoration \$1981.76; Youth Fellowship Account \$4170.70.

Julie reported the F3 account is currently \$415.00.

The 2023 audit of finances has been completed and submitted to the Conference.

Julie reported Xcel Energy will be subbing out the meters at the church and the parsonage sometime within the next 2 months.

Julie received a new bill from TKE Elevator for maintenance for March to June 2024. Dave Boley will follow up with Sonny Sandberg regarding the cancellation of the TKE contract and a new contract with All Star. Kolleen Branger will check with Jay Branger regarding an email previously sent to TKE cancelling their services.

Current checkbook balance is \$6646.99 with \$3028.00 in bills by the end of the month.

Julie asked for permission to make an apportionment payment. Jim Williams made a motion to make one apportionment payment of \$1919.00. Lori Boley seconded. Motion carried.

**Memorial Report** (Ann Yelle, Chair)

Balance as of January 31, 2024, \$19,165.27 with credits of \$941.67 and no debits and \$15,000.00 in CD with ending balance of \$20,107.15.

New Memorial balances are: Youngja Kwon \$520.00; landscaping (shrub/lawn care, etc) \$283.56; youth activities \$235.00; Mother’s Day flowers \$25.00.

Ann reported she would like to have someone come in to repair the damaged area of the lawn between the church building and sidewalk following the road work and remove

2 bushes. Discussion ensued. Lori Boley made a motion that Ann has permission to explore options and costs for landscaping and report back to the Council. Kolleen Branger seconded. Motion carried.

Ann will give Julie checks for the Youth Activities account.

**Finance Secretary** (Kolleen Branger)

Kolleen presented the new pew cards she and Kathy have created. Kolleen will present the cards to the congregation on Sunday.

Motion made by Lori Boley and seconded by Dora Johnston to accept the February 2024 Executive Summary, Memorial and Finance Secretary Reports. Motion carried.

**Pastor’s Report**

**February 15 – March 21**

Visits: 7

I have led American Lutheran Home service with Communion, Lenten soup and sermon meetings, Confirmation classes, and a family worship service immediately following Iris’s death.

Pastor reported he had seen Irma Fuller at American Lutheran Home.

**United Women in Faith Report**

(Linda Johnston, Chair, absent)

Ann Yelle presented the following:

On March 13, 2024, United Women in Faith met with 9 people present. Old Business: Day of Enrichment was discussed. It will be held on April 27<sup>th</sup> at Parkview UMC in Turtle Lake. Our treasury will pay the \$15 registration cost for those interested in attending. We increased our Mission Outreach giving to \$100.00 payable at this event. The contributions to the Old Sock project will be taken to Spring Day of Enrichment. A box in the downstairs entryway is available for receipt of holey, matched, or socks people want to get rid of. Socks will

## High School and College Graduate Recognition 2024

Sunday, May 19, 10:30 am  
Our Savior’s UMC

Please join us in celebrating our graduates. A potluck will be held after church.

*Congratulations, Graduates!*

**Our Savior’s Graduates**

Olivia Saxe

Emily Van Riper

Dannica Zingshiem

**Gilmanton Graduates**

Whitney Ottum

*“As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.”  
Colossians 2:6-7*



The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land.

Song of Solomon 2:12

## Baccalaureate Service



Mondovi High School  
Wednesday, May 22  
8:00 pm

### CHOIR NOTES



**Our Savior’s Choir:**

Practice May 12 @ 10:00 am; sing at 10:30 am worship  
Practice May 29 @ 6:30 pm

**Gilmanton Choir:**

Practice May 26 @ 8:30 am; sing at 9:00 am worship

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disaster relief • education



**MISSION**

health • micro business

[midwestmission.org](http://midwestmission.org)

UWF will once again be collecting items for Personal Dignity Kits through May 26, 2024. There is a collection bin outside the office. All items must be new and placed in a 1-gallon resealable plastic bag. Please follow the list exactly; they cannot use the item if it is not packed as per the list below.

#### PERSONAL DIGNITY KIT SHOPPING LIST

- ◇ 1 hand towel (no kitchen towels)
- ◇ 1 washcloth (no dishcloths)
- ◇ 1 toothbrush (no multipacks)
- ◇ 1 bar soap, 3-4 oz
- ◇ 1 shampoo, 12-19 oz
- ◇ 1 deodorant, 2-3 oz (stick, roll-on, or pump)
- ◇ 1 lotion, 8-10 oz
- ◇ 1 1-gallon resealable plastic bag



March Worship Committee Meeting, each of our church's committee meetings are always fun and full of great ideas.



The Confirmands (Finn, Kasey, and Reina) have completed their second semester. Pray that they will come to know the love of Jesus well and be used of God as His beloved disciples.



# May 2024



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 6:15 pm Worship Committee Meeting	2	3	4
5 Holy Communion 9:00 am Gilmanton Worship 10:30 am Our Savior's Worship 3:00 pm First Responder Community Worship Service at Zion Lutheran Church	6	7	8 2:00 UWF	9	10	11
12 9:00 am Gilmanton Worship 10:00 am OS Choir Practice 10:30 am Our Savior's Worship; Choir Sings Mother's Day	13	14	15	16 6:00 pm Council Meeting	17	18
19 9:00 am Gilmanton Worship 10:30 am Our Savior's Worship; Graduate Recognition	20	21	22 8:00 pm Baccalaureate Mondovi High School	23	24	25
26 8:30 am Gilmanton Choir Practice 9:00 am Gilmanton Worship; Choir Sings 10:30 am Our Savior's Worship	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	

## Ingathering at Annual Conference 2024

WI Conference Mission Motivation Committee will again be collecting items for Midwest Mission at Annual Conference. We are focusing on Personal Dignity Kits and Home Care Kits but appreciate any items found at [midwestmission.org/kits](http://midwestmission.org/kits). All items should be NEW – and all kits should have only the items requested. Thanks!

Midwest Distribution Center distributes the kits locally, nationally, and internationally to those in need during times of crisis. All supplies are given free of charge regardless of gender, race, or religion. Midwest Mission is one of eight cooperating depots in the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) Supply Network. Midwest Mission distributes UMCOR supplies in response to disasters within the United States.

To process donations efficiently and get them where needed quickly, we ask for a list of the items donated. You can help the person who delivers the items -and save everyone some time- by filling out the **Donation Form** ahead of time. [Download here](#) Donations should be brought to Annual Conference at the KI Center in Green Bay. They can be dropped off at the Midwest Mission truck which will be located on Elm Street behind the KI Convention Center.

**Volunteers will be on hand to load supplies: Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 10am – 4pm & Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 8am – 4pm.**

If you are not able to make it to Green Bay this year you can bring donations to one of the [Collection Sites](#) We are also looking for churches who can get donations to Green Bay to volunteer to be Drop Off Sites for Ingathering. Gathered **supplies should be dropped off by June 2<sup>nd</sup> at a drop site** so they can get this to Green Bay for Annual Conference. Please contact the drop-off site in advance to arrange a time to deliver your supplies. The local churches are encouraged to participate in the Ingathering during WI Annual Conference.

Listed below are the items for the Wisconsin Annual Conference Personal Dignity Kits and Home Care Kits

**Home Care Kit (\$20 Value)** • Liquid Household Cleaners - 58 - 80 oz. total, No spray bottles • Dish Soaps - 42 - 64 oz total • Liquid Laundry Detergents - 100 - 150 oz total • 1 Scrub Brush - with or without handle • 1 - 5-gal Round Bucket with resealable lid. All items must be NEW & Placed in the bucket.

**Personal Dignity Kit (\$15 Value)** • 1 Bath Hand Towel - No kitchen towels • 1 Bath Washcloth - No dishcloths • 1 Adult Toothbrush - No multi-packs • 1 Bar Soap - 3 - 4 oz • 1 Shampoo - 12 - 19 oz • 1 Deodorant - 2-3 oz - stick, roll on, or pump • 1 Lotion – 8-10 oz • 1 1-gal Resealable Plastic Bag

All items must be NEW & placed in a 1-gal resealable plastic bag - \$2 donation for toothpaste and carrying bag, per kit (Do not include in bag) Give donation to volunteers or mail to Wisconsin Annual Conference. NOTE: MMDC requests a \$1 shipping fee for each kit and \$1.50 per bucket for the UMCOR Cleaning Kits.

**Monetary donations** can also be made. **DO NOT** put \$ inside the kits. Bring a check to Annual Conference or send it to The Wisconsin Conference of The UMC, 750 Windsor Street, Suite 104, Sun Prairie, WI 53590 – *please write check to Wisconsin Conference and put Ingathering 2024 in the memo.*

**Bring a monetary donation to Annual Conference or send to:**  
Wisconsin Conference, 750 Windsor Street, Suite 104, Sun Prairie, WI 53950

**Please write check to:** Wisconsin Conference, add Ingathering & name of the kit to memo line.

[Midwest Mission Distribution Center Brochure](#)

*If you have questions, contact:*

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*Refreshments will be served after church at Our Savior's on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church.*

### Worship Service Helpers

	Greeters/Ushers	Worship Leader	Money Counters
<b>May 5</b>	Randy & Dora Johnston	David Boley	David Saxe & Jay Branger
<b>May 12</b>	Ann Yelle & Rita McDonnell	Mike Bruning	Jan Bechel & Katie Sandberg
<b>May 19</b>	Sue Sie & Mary Beth Pichler	Rita McDonnell	Linda Johnston & Lorraine Diener
<b>May 26</b>	Bob & Sue Stoughton	Mary Beth Pichler	Jay Branger & Katie Sandberg

**Camera Operators: Lori Boley & Saul Ness**