

**OUR SAVIOUR'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
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GERMANTOWN, WI 53022**

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# THE CALLER

February Reflections

**“Life is never made unbearable by circumstances, but only by lack of meaning and purpose.”  
—Viktor Frankl**

As most all of you know I travel a great deal to offer trainings and presentations at first responder conferences, agencies, and college programs on “How to be Resilient Following Traumatic Events”. I also address the importance of finding or rediscovering your sense of purpose and meaning in what you do in life. I also talk about helping those you lead or work with to reconnect with their sense of purpose.

Viktor Frankl, who survived the horrors of the Holocaust, also wrote: “those who have a ‘why’ to live, can bear with almost any ‘how’”. It is true. Our Christian Faith gives us our purpose. Saul of Tarsus, despised Christians and persecuted them. But it was on the road to Damascus that God spoke to Saul in a blinding vision that totally transformed his life. Saul became Paul. The experience of Grace and loving forgiveness burned so brightly within Paul that he became one of the great early Christian leaders of all time. The power of purpose, for the glory of God, was the driving force Paul’s life’s ministry. It was the same power of having a purpose, a ‘why’ that picked him up when he was down.

So, friends, please know that you have a purpose, and you do make a difference in the world around you. May God help us to reconnect those we meet with a renewed sense of purpose.

Be of Good Cheer!

Pastor Greg

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF  
OUR SAVIOUR'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
AND OF  
THE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION  
WILL BE HELD ON  
FEBRUARY 3RD, 2019  
FOLLOWING SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE**

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED AFTERWARDS

During the meeting, we will need two members to fill upcoming vacancies.

***Thank you to Ron Mull and Jim Klug for their time serving.***

Please see a council member as soon as possible if you have an interest.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- 2/3 Betty Egger
- 2/4 Rev. Edward Freese
- 2/7 Zoe Siedlecki
- 2/8 Lori Mull
- 2/10 Janet Arnold
- 2/13 Margaret Miller
- 2/15 Valentina David
- 2/16 Leone Huber
- 2/19 Eleanor Nelson
- 2/20 Dale Schuldt

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

- 2/12 Dave Rhode & Kay Bast-Rhode
- 2/12 Rev Edward & Anna Freese

*Please email the church with any updates or corrections*

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

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| Adam Arnold       | Amy Arnold      | Donna Klumb            |
| Ellen Ludin       | Ken Miller      | Erwin & Noreen Podewil |
| Oliver Schowalter | Sandy Wendlandt | Todd Wetterau          |

**EXTENDED PRAYERS**

- \*All those with joys in their life: babies, grandchildren, spouses, family, friends, support, music, healing, peace, hospitality, winter...
- \*All those affected by war, terrorism, hate crimes, abuse, hunger, thirst, incarceration, medical issues, death, natural disasters, conflicts of interest...
- \*Jeremy (Beuschers)
- \*Jerry (Darold Hoelz)
- \*Don (Ron & Barb Mull)
- \*Family of Mark who passed away (Rochelle Bast)
- \*Sherry (Anna Freese)
- \*Kent, Dale, family of Henry Miller who passed away (Kay Bast-Rhode)
- \*Hunter (Denielle Beilfus)
- \*Dodge County Sheriffs Dept & husband of officer who's wife committed suicide, 1st responders, doctors, nurses, military, etc (Pastor Greg)
- \*Adele (Doug Klumb)
- \*Brother's wife (Bruce Bielfuss)
- \*Pastor Kathryn Kuhn (Marge Miller)

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**FEBRUARY LECTIONARY READINGS**

**February 3rd (Fourth Sunday after Epiphany):**

Jeremiah 1:4-10 ; Psalm 71:1-6 ; 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 ; Luke 4:21-30

**February 10th (Fifth Sunday after Epiphany):**

Isaiah 6:1-8, (9-13) ; Psalm 138 ; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 ; Luke 5:1-11

**February 17th (Sixth Sunday after Epiphany):**

Jeremiah 17:5-10 ; Psalm 1 ; 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 ; Luke 6:17-26

**February 24th (Seventh Sunday after Epiphany):**

Genesis 45:3-11, 15 ; Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 ; 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50 ; Luke 6:27-38

**INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTIFICATIONS**

In case of inclement weather, tune to:  
WTMJ 4 on TV or go to tmj4.com  
FOX 6 on TV or go to fox6now.com  
WISN 12 on TV or go to wisn.com

**GIRL'S NIGHT OUT**

This years Girl's Night Out will be in March on a "to be determined yet" Sunday night at 5pm.  
Stay tuned to upcoming bulletins and newsletters for more information.

**CHURCH LIFE IN PICTURES**

Thank you for sharing these pictures with us! If you have any pictures you'd like to share, send them to the church email address and they will be included in an upcoming newsletter.

This month is a picture from Tim and Marilyn Dearth's "Fa-la-la" party. Pictured are those that participated (or wanted to but could not make it this year) in caroling to our shut-ins for Christmas. Thanks to Tim and Marilyn for being such gracious hosts. It was a fun get together! I'm sure the shut-ins you sung to benefited the most! - picture taken by Tim Dearth, submitted by Sheila Dettmann

**SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MONTHLY MISSION GIVING FOR THE YEAR**

Keep this handy and help out as you can. The 5 monthly missions we support really appreciate what we donate to them and it helps out so many of those in need. We thank you for your anticipated cooperation in our Mission Sunday collections. Collections are taken to the front of the sanctuary the second Sunday of every month, but feel free to donate anytime you want. Donation can be left on the counter or on the bench in the entry. Included below are the websites so that you can get more information about what they do. New ideas are always welcome!

**January/April/October:** Mathew 25 Ministries (prescription bottles & loose offering to ship them)  
<https://m25m.org/pillbottles/>

**February/May/August/November:** Friends, Inc (paper & cleaning products, see bulletin board for ideas)  
<https://fafinc.wixsite.com/fafinc>  
 (formerly Friends of Abused Families)

**March/September:** West Bend Food Pantry (non-perishable food items)  
<https://fullshelffoodpantry.com/>

**June/December:** St Boniface Food Pantry (non-perishable food items)  
<http://www.stbonifacewi.org/Food-pantry>

**July:** Dr. Albrecht's Free Clinic (travel size hygiene products)  
<http://www.albrechtfreeclinic.org/>

**December:** Gingerbread House (gifts for families in need in Washington County)  
<https://youthandfamilyproject.org/>

**Thank you to everyone who donated to the Guatemala Fund over the years!**  
 Due to dwindling interest, we have disbursed all remaining donations to that charity.

Collection of prescription bottles for Mathew 25 Ministries has been fantastic.  
 Check out the website listed above to see what they do with them.

**BULLETIN SPONSORS AND FLOWERS**

Please consider sponsoring a Sunday bulletin. The covers come with an expense. We ask for a minimum of \$10 a week which is used to help offset part of the cost. Bulletins can be in honor or memory of someone, or just because. Sign up is located on the bulletin board in the entry. You can also sign up to bring in a floral arrangement to beautify the sanctuary.

**ATTENDANCE**

Please take the time to sign the attendance pad every service you attend. Mark if you are taking communion, any changes to addresses, phone number, and if you would like to be contacted for any reason.

**LITURGISTS NEEDED**

Sheila is looking for anyone who would be interested in being a liturgist during Sunday morning services. If at least four people are interested, the commitment would be one Sunday a month, but the more, the merrier. If you are interested, please contact Sheila or email the church. We have a couple people interested, but the more, the merrier!

**CONTACT UPDATES**

If you have any address or phone number changes please email them to the church office, or place a note in the offering plate. If you have members no longer living at home and not at college, please forward those addresses too. We want to keep them up to date on everything going on in the life of the church and keep our contact list up to date. If you have a change in emergency contact information too, we would appreciate being notified to keep our files as up to date as possible. Thank you. -Sheila Dettmann

**DECEMBER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Council meeting called to order at 5:30pm, December 18th

**Present:** Ron Mull, Anna Freese, Jim Klug, Randy Ryan, Pastor Greg Young

**Absent:** Kendall Ludin

**Minutes:** November minutes reviewed by all council members present and approved as read.

**Treasurers Report:** Report reviewed by all council members present and approved as read.  
Giving down \$15,714.47 for the year.

**Benevolence Report:** Report reviewed by all council members present and approved as read to send \$125.00 to OCWM.

**Pastors Report:** Pastor Young reported that he would not be here for Ash Wednesday, March 6th, because of previous commitments. Also, Pastor Young is planning on a Good Friday service.

**Old Business:** Anna has gotten the new credit card for Our Saviour's.

**New Business:** Anna has to work with the insurance company because they sent a second policy that was not needed. Ron will be getting information from Pastor Young to hopefully put something in Now and Express papers about his serving as pastor at Our Saviour's. The council worked on 2019 budget.

Meeting adjourned at 6:58pm / Next meeting on January 15th

Respectfully submitted by Jim Klug

**HELP WISCONSIN *SHINE* - GENERAL SYNOD 32 JUNE 21-25, 2019**

The Wisconsin Conference is hosting UCC General Synod in Milwaukee and you are key to helping Wisconsin SHINE! There are many opportunities to assist the 3,000 expected visitors during event. At the same time, you'll meet people from across the country, hear inspiring speakers and learn more about the many ministries of the UCC. Here are some of the opportunities to volunteer:

**Hospitality** – at the airport, train station, at registration, the exhibit hall, or as a guide at the Wisconsin Center in Milwaukee.

**Childcare and Children's Ministry** – Care for the youngest or lead activities for older children during Synod.

**Mission** – Assist with tours of specific social services in Milwaukee.

**Word Processing and Tech** – Use your skills to help edit resolutions or assist attendees with the Synod App.

**Worship** – Usher or serve communion during worship services.

**Outdoor Festival** – Guide visitors and help set up the Sunday Festival at Frank Zeidler Square.

**And More** – Assist during plenary sessions, support volunteers, be on-call for needs as they arise, and probably a few other things too!

Here's how to get involved:

- Read more at [WCUCC.org/synodvolunteer](http://WCUCC.org/synodvolunteer)
- Use the link there for volunteer registration, read about the opportunities and then schedule 6 or more volunteer hours to qualify for a reduced Synod registration fee. When this process is complete, you'll receive the Synod code.
- Then go to [Synod2019.org](http://Synod2019.org) to register for Synod.
- You will receive information about any training and where to report to volunteer. We'll be in touch!

**WISCONSIN CONFERENCE ANNUAL MEETING: APRIL 5TH 5PM - APRIL 6 3:30PM, 2019**

The Annual Meeting is taking a different form for 2019. Due to hosting General Synod in June, the Associations and Conference decided to combine annual meetings this year into One Meeting to engage in the business of two settings of the Church.

In addition to taking care of business, the conference-wide planning team is scheduling time for fun and connecting with others from your Association and around the Conference. Friday night after business we'll gather to the lively sounds of the Copper Box Band from Oshkosh. Maybe we'll even see some dancing! Take advantage of the many recreational opportunities of The Wilderness Resort! Your Friday night lodging entitles you to enjoy the 4 indoor water parks all day both Friday and Saturday!

The meeting will begin with dinner on Friday and run through Saturday afternoon. During this time we will: Participate in the important business of both the Associations and the Conference. Hear how churches across Wisconsin are *Living the Light* in their congregations and communities (Your church can be one of those featured... more info to come!) Engage in an uplifting worship service. Catch up with friends over meals in the main meeting room

Make your plans now to attend this combined annual meeting!

Let the council know if interested. We need 2 delegates from our congregation to represent us.

Check out this page for more info: <http://www.wcucc.org/about-wcucc/annual-meeting/>

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<b>MISSION</b> Friends, Inc (paper products & cleaning supplies)		<b>USHERS</b> Ron Mull – Chairperson Barb Mull, Lynette Bublitz, Rick Storms, Jan Storms					
3 Worship 9:00am w/communion	4	5	6	7	8	9	
10 Worship 9:00am  Mission Sunday	11	12	13	14	15	16	
17 Worship 9:00am	18	19	20	21	22	23	
24 Worship 9:00am	25	26	27	28			

<h1 style="margin: 0;">FEBRUARY</h1> <h2 style="margin: 0;">2019</h2>	<b>Pastor:</b> Rev. Greg Young Cell: 414-573-6008 <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:criticalincidentresponse@gmail.com">criticalincidentresponse@gmail.com</a> <b>OSUCC Phone:</b> (262) 677-2484 <b>OSUCC E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:office@oursavioursucc.org">office@oursavioursucc.org</a>	<b>Church Council</b> President: <i>Ron Mull</i> Vice President: <i>Kendall Ludin</i> Secretary: <i>Jim Klug</i> Head Usher: <i>Randy Ryan</i> Financial Secretary: <i>Anna Freese</i>	Organist/Pianist: <i>Mark Kannenberg</i> Secretary: <i>Sheila K Dettmann</i> Custodian: <i>Chris Miller</i>
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