



THE CIRCUIT WRITER



February 2024



Seniors' Gathering

February Senior Fellowship Wednesday, February 7th

All seniors living in the area are welcome to attend Community Senior Fellowship on Wednesday, February 7th at 10:00 AM. Our program will be "Personal Stories" by Gail Permenter, Storyteller.

We will follow with free bingo and prizes. Don't forget the delicious baked goods and coffee. See you there in the Fellowship Hall at Wilmot United Methodist Church, 11425 Fox River Road, Wilmot.

Co-sponsored with Living Waters Ministries.



Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday, February 11th

We will be collecting non-perishable food and money for the Sharing Center on this day.

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Circuit 14 Ash Wednesday Service Wednesday, February 14th

More details to come.



ABC PROJECT (ANGEL'S BLANKETS FOR CHILDREN)

We will be starting up meeting sometime in February. We are reorganizing since the blankets are now at Wilmot UMC. If you need blankets to work on, please let us know. Any questions contact Glenna Kisner.

Membership Vs Discipleship



Have you been in church sitting in the same pew for many years? Have you ever felt that church should be more than attending every Sunday for one hour or two? When was the last time that you felt the urge to share the love of Christ to someone? Is your heart fired up to invite others to your amazing church? Are you satisfied coming to church and listening to the sermon?

Jesus told His disciples in Matthew 28:18-20; "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these NEW DISCIPLES to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Although Jesus told this to His immediate disciples, the intention of Christ was for new disciples to continue making more disciples. The purpose of the Church is to continue making disciples of Jesus Christ. If you feel that the Church should be more than just a Sunday thing, you are right. Jesus commanded the Church to belong, grow, work and reproduce.

The disciples couldn't do this by themselves, especially not before the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. Jesus told the disciples in Act 1:8, "But you will receive POWER when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Then we see how those words became true and were recorded in the 2nd chapter where it says:

"On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability."

Right after that, Peter began speaking to all who listened. Peter's words were full with the power of the Holy Spirit that was poured out unto him. That day about 3,000 people believed and followed Jesus. What does this mean for us? Well, this means that we, as the Church of Christ, need to hunger and seek the Holy Spirit to receive the power that will enable us to share the Good News of the love and sacrifice of Jesus to those around us.

Who is in your sphere? Who can you develop a relationship with? Who can you begin speaking to enthusiastically about our amazing Savior? Who can you invite to Church with you? Do it boldly.

Jesus doesn't just want a Church full of members. He is looking for His Church to make disciples.

Let's do this together,
Pastor Lilliannet

Relay for Life-2024



We will have a team for Relay for Life again this year. We raise money for the American Cancer Society, which helps those diagnosed with cancer by doing research for a cure and by providing resources for cancer patients and their families. The relay event will be held at Wilmot High School sometime in May. We are looking for team members and for help with our fundraising.

We hope to have 3 bake sales this spring to raise funds for the event. So, we will be looking for bakers and bake sale workers in the near future. More details to come when dates are finalized. If anybody has other fundraising ideas, we are open to other suggestions.

Team captains are Laura Carnahan (dglvr848@yahoo.com) and Doris Carnahan (cell: 262-496-2268 or doriscarnahan@hotmail.com). Please let one of us know soon of your interest in being on the team or in helping with the bake sales or other fundraisers.



Operation Christmas Child (OCC)

We are collecting for OCC. For the **months of February**, we will be collecting bars of soap, plastic soap cases, toothbrushes and toothbrush containers, and washcloths. There will be a box in the church's entry way for your items.

We hope you will join us in this ministry!! If you want to check out Operation Christmas Child, here is the website: www.samaritanpurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child If you have any questions, contact Doris Carnahan.



Shalom to Home Kits

Living Waters Ministry is helping Shalom Center with their Shalom to Home kits which help the homeless transition to independent living. If you don't want to shop, we will accept monetary donations; just mark the envelope "Shalom to Home" and we will do the shopping. The kits are Bathroom, Cleaning Supplies, and Kitchen. Any questions contact Rachel Hewitt or Doris Carnahan.



United Women in Faith Book Discussion

The South East District United Women in Faith Book Discussion are held in the evenings via Zoom so all may participate. They last one hour and include discussion as well as sharing of related videos. Participants are asked to read the book ahead of time if possible. The discussion will be held on **Tuesday, February 27th at 6:30pm**. The book is "**ENTERING THE PASSION OF JESUS: A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO HOLY WEEK**" by **Amy-Jill Levine**. It is a dive into the literature surrounding the last days of Jesus' life. Those who would like a copy of the book should contact Gail Burgess at 262-945-8578 or hb53104@aol.com.



Sounds of the Season

We'd like to thank all those who came to our "Sounds of the Season" piano concert on Dec. 9, and those who were there in spirit. We have such fun playing Christmas songs, getting in the Christmas spirit, and spending time with all of you! We're especially grateful for your generous donations towards Operation Christmas Child that night. Your generosity helps make Christmas special for many around the world. Thanks again! Hope your holidays were wonderful, and that 2024 is off to a happy start!

Laura & Lisa Carnahan

Joys & Concerns

Concerns:

Barb Hiort

Safe travel for Davenports & Mary Ellen Rausch

Person who stopped at our Joint Worship and needed the ambulance.

Doris Carnahan's nephew, Mike

Anyone who is sick

Joys or Gratitude:

Keith & Rachael O'Halleran's twins—Henry & Hazel

Abby Severt & Gage Christianson's engagement

Mary McRae Breen

Pastor Keith Hewitt

Pastor Lilliannet's son's internship

Keep the following families who lost loved ones during the last month in your prayers.

Marj O'Halleran's brother; Hewitt's cat, Frost

Continue to keep the following in your daily prayers!!

(If you have someone who needs continuing prayers please let the church office know!)

Retta & Jim Michalek; Rachel Hewitt's co-worker, Barb; Michelle Walter's cousin, Karen; Terry Colby's co-worker, Rose; Terry Colby's co-worker's 14 year old niece & family; Bob Davenport's brother, Mike; Ann Newcomb's daughter, Kelly; Doris Carnahan's brother's granddaughter, Crystal; Barb Hiort's friend, Matt; Kathy Severt's co-worker, Kathy Powell; Sandy & Mark Kerkman's daughter, Holly; Fred Rausch's friend, Arlene; Judy Betz; Terry Colby's co-worker, Deb; Kathy Severt's friend, Laurie; Kathy Severt; Alice Johnson; Roger Wolf; MaryIn Zirbel; Marj O'Halleran; Marj O'Halleran's sister-in-law, Maureen; Davenport's niece, Kristy; Doris Carnahan's nephew, Mike; Bob Weber's son, Robert Jr.



We want to thank **Rachel and Cameron Hewitt** for preparing the power point presentation and streaming the worship service every Sunday. We would like to thank **Michelle Walter** for filling in when Rachel was gone on January 7th.

We would like to thank **Doris and Laura Carnahan** for their musical talent of playing the organ and piano. .

Big thank you to **Barb Fiebelkorn** for preparing the communion every month along with getting the communion trays ready. We would like to thank her for her 20 years of doing this and looking for someone to take over this job.

We would like to thank everyone for shoveling the sidewalks during our recent snow storms.



END OF YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The end of year financial statement were just sent either email or by mail. If you didn't receive one, please contact Marge McGrath. You can reach her by email at rose_6706@yahoo.com or call 262-496-9555.



HELP IS NEEDED!!

The church is looking for someone to volunteer to prepare the elements for communion each month. Please give this opportunity to serve the church and God some thought. If you are willing to volunteer to take on this responsibility or if you have questions regarding the job, please call Audrey Davenport at 847-702-7399 or the church office. **THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS IMPORTANT JOB AT WUMC.**



February Birthdays/ Anniversaries

- 9 Wayne Fritch
- 10 Austin & Linnea Rasch
- 11 Marcia McKibben
- 22 Rachel Hewitt




SNOW CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS!

In case of inclement weather please check the following stations:

WTMJ (TV 4 & Radio 620 & 94.5 Lake FM)

WISN (TV- 12)



Remember Your Offerings If you would like to mail in your offering:

Wilmot United Methodist Church
PO Box 218
Wilmot WI 53192



PHOTOS FOR WORSHIP

We are looking for photos of nature to incorporate into our PowerPoint worship service presentation. If you have any send them to Rachel Hewitt at queenrachel58@gmail.com or the church email or bring them to church with you.

| December Treasurer's Report | |
|---|-------------|
| 2023 Budget | 54,642.66 |
| INCOME | |
| Balance 12/1/2023 | 15,186.09 |
| Income: | |
| Sunday Offering | 8,414.10 |
| Expenses: | |
| General Account | (4,359.35) |
| Transfer from other accounts | (45.00) |
| Balance 12/31/2023 | 19,195.84 |
| Year to Date: | |
| Balance 1/1/2023 | 20,685.49 |
| Income: | |
| General Account | 56,584.76 |
| Expenses: | |
| General Account | (61,085.47) |
| Transfer– Designated / Memorial | 3,011.06 |
| Balance 12/31/2023 | 19,195.84 |
| Please remember to mail in your offering envelope if you are out of town. We appreciate your support. | |

Vanguard –Parsonage Sale & Memorials Investment:

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| Invested | \$111,040.86.00 |
| Balance 12/31/2023 | \$ 151,832.81 |

CHECK US OUT:

WEBSITE: www.wilmotumc.org

FACEBOOK: *Wilmot United Methodist Church*

WAYS YOU CAN HELP US RAISE FUNDS:

1. Purchase gift cards in denominations of \$50 or \$100 for **Woodman's Market** which is part of Living Waters Scrip program. Living Water will receive 5% profit from the cards and will pay 2 1/2% to the local church. Please contact Doris Carnahan (262-877-9876) at least a week in advance due to expiration dates and make checks out to "Living Waters".
2. **UMCMarket.org is now iGive** where you can shop at thousands of retailers you know and love, and earn cash back for your church. No Fees to your church or you. We pay out commissions from retailers to your church each month. Please sign in or sign up, select your church location, and then click through to retailers.

God's Helpers

| Sunday | Liturgist | Greeters | Counter |
|--------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Feb 4 | Barbara Sherman | Barbara Fiebelkorn Barbara Sherman | Glenna Kisner Marge McGrath |
| Feb 11 | Paul McKibben | Marge McGrath Fred Rausch | Doris Carnahan Glenna Kisner |
| Feb 18 | Mike Wolf | Paul McKibben Barbara Sherman | Barbara Sherman Mike Wolf |
| Feb 25 | Marge McGrath | Marge McGrath Fred Rausch | Marge McGrath Barbara Sherman |
| Mar 3 | Barbara Sherman | Barbara Fiebelkorn Barbara Sherman | Doris Carnahan Glenna Kisner |

If you are unable to serve on Sunday at your scheduled time, please try to find a substitute. If you cannot find substitute liturgists, ushers, greeters and money counters call Audrey Davenport at (847) 702-7399. Also, if you did not sign the Time & Talent Sheet, but would like to serve, call the Church Office at (262) 862-6366. Please call the Church office if substitutes are made, for proper identification of participants in the Sunday bulletin. Thank you!!

Fellowship

Feb 18th—Hewitt
Mar 17th—Hewitt
Mar 31—Potluck Brunch

Snow Shoveling

Jan 22nd—28th -
Jan 29th—Feb 4th -
Feb 5th—11th—Carnahan
Feb 12th—18th—
Feb 19th—25th -
Feb 26th—Mar 3rd—



SNOW SHOVELING!!

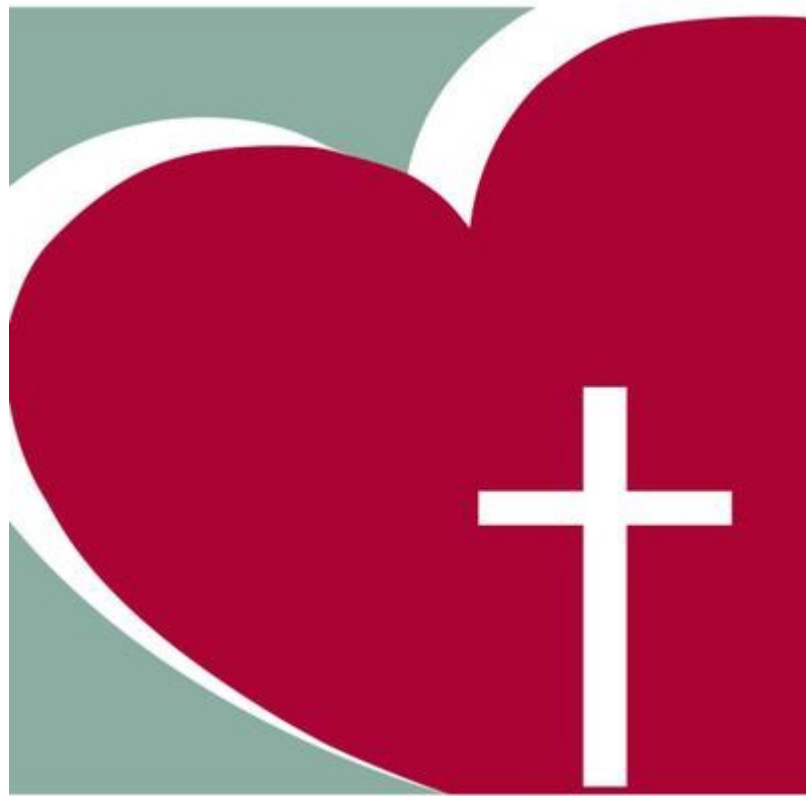


If anyone is interested in helping the church during the winter months to shovel snow around the church, we could use help. You shovel a week at a time from Monday through Sunday and if it snows you are responsible to shovel the walkways around the church. Call or email the church office to see what weeks are available.

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Wilmot United Methodist Church
 Sunday Worship 8:30 AM
 Church: 262-862-6366
 Website: www.wilmotumc.org
 Email: WilmotUMC@gmail.com
 Pastor Lillianet's phone 262-725-6203

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| Worship is live stream on Wilmot United Methodist Church –Facebook | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 <i>Communion</i> 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Adult Class | 5 | 6 | 7 10:00 AM Community Senior Fellowship | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 <i>Souper Bowl of Caring</i> 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Adult Class | 12 | 13 | 14 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> Circuit 14 Ash Wednesday Service—Watch for more details | 15 | 16 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!! | 17 |
| 18 <i>Fellowship</i> 8:30 AM Worship | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Adult Class | 26 | 27 6:30 PM (Zoom) United Women in Faith Book Discussion | 28 | 29 | Events and time subjected to change. Check the website or Facebook for updates. | |



Wilmot United Methodist Church

Rev. Lilliannet Rosario

Office Phone:

262-862-6366

Sunday Worship

9:00 AM

Adult Class

10:00 AM

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