



THE CIRCUIT WRITER



February 2021



February Community Senior Fellowship Wednesday, February 3rd *No Fellowship—Cancelled*

Co-sponsored with Living Waters Ministries.



Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday, February 7th

Hunger is an ongoing problem in our communities, especially during this time when many people have been out of work. While we would normally take non-perishable food items as well as monetary donations, this year we are asking you to consider making a monetary donation. Local pantries can make good use of the money by buying in bulk. This also allows them to buy what is most needed.

If you wish to contribute, mail your donation to the church and mark it **“Souper Bowl”**. Thank you!



Ash Wednesday Wednesday, February 17th

Watch your email for details about
a Circuit 14 service.

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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.

Words from Wang

As I write this, the 46th President of the United States has been in office for less than 5 minutes. Many (most) of my friends are crying tears of relief or expressing their feelings of excitement and joy. After one of the most tumultuous elections in recent history, followed by turmoil and chaos and violence, there is a pervading sense of relief and hope among many people.

And yet, I am very aware that not everyone is happy right now.

There is much work to be done. There is a long, hard road ahead of us as we work to repair the immense divisions in our nation and come together in some kind of unity. The ugliness we have witnessed in our nation is not going to suddenly disappear – we know that. Healing and change will come slowly.

As we look to the future, let us continue to pray for our nation. And let us take stock of our individual lives. On February 17, Ash Wednesday, we move into the season of Lent. It is a time for self-evaluation and repentance; a time to examine our lives to see how we need to change; to see how we need to turn our lives around to be more in line with God.

During these 40 days of Lent, let us all take some time for self-reflection. Are there ways that we contribute to the prejudice and bigotry that is all too prevalent in our society? Are there times we choose to remain silent, instead of speaking up for those whose voices are pushed down and ignored; times we fail to stand up for justice? How do we consciously, or unconsciously contribute to the attitudes and actions that are harming individuals, our society, and our world?

Healing and reconciliation can begin in small ways, as we look at the ways we interact with those closest to us and those we randomly encounter during our day-to-day activities. May our pride be tempered with humility; may our tendency to judge be replaced with attempts to understand; may our resentment give way to forgiveness. As we move forward into this season of Lent, let us focus on healing and hope. Don't be afraid to look at the places in your own life that are in need of healing. Look for ways you can bring healing and understanding to situations you encounter in your daily living. May this season of Lent be meaningful, as we look towards the hope and joy of Easter.

Peace,

Pastor Judy

Pastor's Office Hours: By appointment either call the church at 262-862-6366 or call or text at 262-308-4180 or email her at wilmotumc@gmail.com



Operation Christmas Child

For the **month of February** we will be collecting washcloths, bar soap, and plastic soap containers. 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 or Paul McKibben.

ABC PROJECT

(ANGEL'S BLANKETS FOR CHILDREN)



We won't be meeting in person for our Blanket Bees, but if you need blankets to work on, please let us know. We have blankets to cut, tie, or crochet. We will get you some to work on. Any questions contact Glenna Kisner.



Shalom to Home Kits December Update

It has been 2 1/2 years since the 6 Methodist churches joined together in offering their support to the Shalom to Home program. We are proud of our accomplishments during that time. During the last year alone, we have assembled and donated 135 bath, kitchen, and cleaning kits and since the commencement of the program we have delivered an amazing total of 318. Since each departing family receives 3 kits, this means that 106, previously homeless families have felt our love and concern as they leave the Center to begin their lives anew. We are proud to say that we have become the sole supporter of this wonderful program. It is our hope that you will continue your selfless support. In doing so, not only will you feel the joy of helping the less fortunate, you will know that you are truly doing God's will.

Program Coordinators - Jim Lura and Ann Bradshaw

We will continue to do this project during the year. 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. **(List of the kits are in the September and October 2020 Circuit Writer and the newsletter are on our website: WilmotUMC.org)** Wilmot UMC needs help with filling the list of what is in each of the kits. Any questions contact Rachel Hewitt or Doris Carnahan.

AD COUNCIL MEETING

Ad Council met on January 12th. Pastor Judy had talked with Wisconsin Council of Churches about reopening and Wisconsin is at the red level, so we will continue with virtual services. She will check on a book study for Lent and talk with the other pastors about Ash Wednesday. We had a Zoom fellowship on January 10th with 10 people and will do it again. Stateline Animal Control will rent a lift to fix the outside of the church in the near future. On our Holiday Cookie fundraiser we had an income of \$2,338 and expenses of \$571 with a profit of \$1,767. We sold about 470 dozen of cookies. American Cancer Society will be having a virtual national meeting on February 4th to discuss Relay for Life. Our pledges for 2021 are \$28,000. We reviewed the November and December treasurer's reports. The apportionments for 2020 were paid in full. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 9th at 7:00 PM.

Joys & Concerns

Concerns:

Fred Rausch's friend, Arlene

Michelle Walter's Chuck Falkner

Judy Betz

Lost dog "Abbey" in Twin Lakes WI

Marylin Zirbel's daughter, Gail

Emily Walter

Those getting their Covid vaccines

Peaceful inauguration and new President

Those suffering during Covid, mental, physical, family, or financial hardship

Roger Wolf

Rachel Hewitt's friend & her father

Dianet Kisner's neighbor, Jerry & Barb

Terry Colby's sister-in-law, Mary

Betty Hunt Wolf's nephew, Jeff

Antioch School District

Our world, our children for protection

Joys:

Bob Davenport

Rachel Hewitt's sister and paying it forward

Students back in school

Barb Hiort's great grandson, Everett

Josh Greenwood

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

Betty Hunt Wolf's brother-in-law, Greg Volpentesta's mother, Anita; Calvary UCC member, LuAnne Olson; Josh Wang's professor's wife; Doris Carnahan's cousin's husband, Arlyn; Calvary UCC member, Susan McIntyre

Continue to keep the following in your daily prayers!!

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

Alyssa Poli; Retta & Jim Michalek; Colby's friend, Kathy Lowrey; Rachel Hewitt's co-worker, Barb; Michelle Walter's cousin, Karen; Terry Colby's co-worker, Rose; Terry Colby's co-worker's 11 year old niece & family; Bob Davenport's brother, Mike; Bill Hiort's daughter, Starr; Doris Carnahan's friend, Debbie; Ann Newcomb's daughter, Kelly; Doris Carnahan's brother's granddaughter, Crystal; Betty Hunt Wolf's mother, Marilyn; Barb Hiort; Kathy Severt; Barb Hiort's friend, Matt; Kathy Severt's co-worker, Kathy Powell; Marge McGrath's co-worker, Tom; Alice Johnson's brother-in-law, Bob Newcomb; Sandy & Mark Kerkman's daughter, Holly; Bob Davenport



We would like to thank **Rachel Hewitt** for recording Pastor Judy's sermons while we are at home. We would like to thank **Doris Carnahan** for providing music for the worship services.

We enjoy your gift of music. We would like to thank **Barb Fiebelkorn** for making the bread for the January communion.



BLANKET MINISTRY – We received this thank you note from Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare:

On behalf of Ascension-All Saints NICU I would like to thank you for your generous gift of truly beautiful quilts. Our supplies were dwindling and these 60 quilts will definitely help. Our babies are blessed to have you on their side. Your commitment to helping our NICU families is sincerely appreciated. Thank you for all you do!



February Birthdays/ Anniversaries

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



Remember Your Offerings

Thank you to those who have been able to contribute during this pandemic, we appreciate it. Although we cannot worship together, the bills remain!

Questions contact Barbara Sherman.

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CHECK US OUT:

WEBSITE: www.wilmotumc.org

FACEBOOK: *Wilmot United Methodist Church*

December Treasurer's Report

2020 Budget	56,820.00
INCOME	
Balance 12/1/2020	4,349.07
Income:	
Sunday Offering	7,795.50
Expenses:	
General Account	(6,974.04)
Transfer from other accounts	(336.04)
Balance 12/31/2020	4,834.49
Year to Date:	
Balance 1/1/2020	3,955.26
Income:	
General Account / Insurance Claim	68,803.01
Expenses:	
General Account	(60,758.01)
Transfer– Designated / Memorial	(7,165.77)
Balance 12/31/2020	4,834.49
Please remember to mail in your offering envelope if you are out of town. We appreciate your support.	

Vanguard –Parsonage Sale Investment:

Invested	\$100,000.00
Balance 12/31/2020	\$ 125,028.49

CHECK FACEBOOK OR WEBSITE FOR CHANGES IN DATES OF EVENTS DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

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.

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 Sunday Worship 8:30 AM
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 <i>Communion</i> 8:30 AM Worship	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 8:30 AM Worship	15	16	17 <i>ASH</i> <i>WEDNESDAY</i>	18	19 Newsletter Deadline!!	20
21 8:30 AM Worship	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 8:30 AM Worship	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Worship is live stream on Living Waters Ministries –Facebook. </div>				<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> Events and time subjected to change. Check the website or Facebook for updates. </div>	



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Sunday Worship

8:30 AM

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