

The Union News

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"No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey—you are welcome here"

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APRIL 2025

Notes from Pastor Torri Vande Zande

Over the past few months, we have been doing a sermon series on The Gospel According to Mark. This gospel story has taken us through every emotion we can possibly imagine: joy, sadness, confusion, anger, pain, and wonder. It's a story of Jesus' life, ministry, death, and resurrection.



As we wrap up this series, I would like to share with you a few takeaways:

- **Jesus' ministry was focused on calling, healing, and restoring lives.** The gospel is filled with Jesus coming in contact with people who were hurting and needed to be brought back into community.
- **Jesus often dealt with disciples that were confused, church leaders who were blind, and a government that was reactive.** Jesus navigated his way through opposition and sometimes abuse to find a way to continue His mission to call, heal, and restore people.

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Sunday Worship at 9:30 AM

Communion: First Sunday of Every Month

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Rev. Torri Vande Zande
Office Administrator	Linda Ottman
Secretary / Tech	Sabbastian Wilson-Webb
Financial Secretary	Caryl Allan
Treasurer	Sheryl Kaubisch
Bell Choir Director	Heidi Hoppe
Musicians	Sheryl Kaubisch
	Kathleen Millberg
	Barb Nish
	Dick Kimmel

BOARDS

Financial Board	Don Hoppe, Sheryl Kaubisch, Caryl Allan
Facilities Board	Mike Bohanon, Kerry Swenson
Personnel	Connie Schmitt, Chris Swenson

LEADERSHIP

Moderators	Marilyn McKnight & Steve Erickson
Vice Moderator	Gunder Austin
Clerk	—
Board of Financial Stewardship	Don Hoppe

MINISTRY TEAMS

Adult Learning	Linnea Dietrich
Congregational Life	Caryl Allan
Justice Ministry Team	Sue Kimmel
Worship	Heidi Hoppe
Women’s Fellowship	Joni Kumpula
Men’s Fellowship	Stan Kumpula
Online Sales	Cindy Gulbrandson
Tech Team	Mike Schmitt

LENT SERVICES SCHEDULE

ALL SERVICES START AT 5:00 PM

Joint services with St. Paul’s Lutheran Church.
Services held at listed church.

Lent Services

April	2	Union
April	9	St. Paul's

The Seder
(Traditional Passover Meal and Ritual)

April	17	Union
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Good Friday Service
(No Meal)

April	18	St. Paul's
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Soup and Sandwich Meal to follow all services except where listed.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 1	Gene Hensel
April 4	Terry Tripp
April 5	Ron Merritt
April 7	James McGill
	Jane Watson
April 9	Maddie McGill
April 16	Charles Bontrager
April 17	Kevin Kundert
April 29	Karen Holle
	Brian Wicker
	Laura Baum-Parr

Happy Birthday!



Linda Ottman and Sabbastian Wilson-Webb, Editors

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- **People could not stop talking about things Jesus was doing.** When he healed someone, Jesus would specifically tell them not to say anything... but they did. They told everyone! And He did this multiple times! “Don’t tell anyone I did this” he would say, and then they would blab it all over the place.

But then at the end of the gospel, after Jesus’ resurrection, several women came to the tomb to anoint Jesus’ body with oils. And when they got to the tomb, the stone was already rolled away. Then they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe. This man said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid Him. **But go, tell His disciples and Peter** that He is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see Him, just as He told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; **and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.**”

Fear is a powerful emotion. It is paralyzing at times. We fear all kinds of things don’t we? We fear getting sick and not being able to live a full life. We fear and try to navigate in a country and world that seem blind and reactive. We even fear speaking our minds sometimes. Yes, fear is a powerful emotion.

I love what the man in the white robe said to the women: “He is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see Him, just as He told you.” He is going ahead of you.... in their case to Galilee. But what about us? Does Jesus go ahead of us too? And when we journey on the road (of life)... will we see Him too? I believe we will.

Whatever our life circumstances.... Sickness, emotional stress, abuse, or just trying to navigate and move forward, God through Christ is going ahead of us, and there we will see Him, just as He told you. May we find comfort in knowing the risen Christ in every circumstance in our lives. Comfort and peace to all this Easter season.

Peace,

Pastor Torri

WE WANT YOUR TECH - by Mike Schmitt

Declutter Your Space and Make a Difference!

Got new or used tech lying around? Donate it to UCC and help support sustainability, community outreach, and our upcoming Tech Sale this August!

We’re Collecting:

- Laptops, computers, tablets, printers, monitors
- Televisions, projectors, screens, DVD players
- Stereos, speakers, sound equipment
- Gaming consoles, controllers, accessories
- Routers, modems, networking devices

Please drop off your items at UCC church during office hours (Monday–Thursday, 9 AM to Noon).

Your donated technology will be repurposed to benefit others or properly disposed of, helping keep it out of landfills and contributing to a greener future.

Don’t forget to look for the UCC Tech Sale in August, where these items will find new homes while supporting community initiatives!

Questions? Contact us at TechTeam.UCCHackMN@gmail.com.



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 20, 2025

Present: Pastor Torri, Marilyn and Steve Erickson, Heidi and Don Hoppe, Caryl Allan, Joni and Stan Kumpula, Mike Schmitt, Mike Bohanon, and Sue Kimmel, Gunder Austin, Connie Schmitt (by Zoom) and Judy Hoopman

Marilyn Erickson called the meeting to order. Torri offered a short prayer.

Changes to/ Approval Agenda: Addition of a brief presentation about Solar Array by Mike Schmitt; February minutes were approved; Mike/Gunder.

Motion to accept last month's minutes by Gunder/Connie. Connie suggested getting reports, prior month's minutes, and agenda out several days prior to scheduled Council meetings for members to have time to review. Torri will talk to Linda about including this packet.

Pastor's Monthly Report: Pastor Torri submitted a written report of her activities over the past month. Highlights:

1. New members update - Sherry Toenjes and Kay Hanzel plan to be joining in April. There are a few other interested parties in membership to UCC.
2. Minnesota United Church of Christ Annual Conference June 13 & 14. Torri is encouraging council members to attend, and several members have expressed interest.
3. Children's Ministry is being developed. Torri explained some planning and ideas she has and is working with input from Tammy for Joey to receive a youth bible and weekly Sunday sessions with volunteers.
4. Lent Services are continuing with St. Paul's Lutheran Church
5. Seder will be Maundy Thursday, April 17 with Walker Community Church and St. Paul's Lutheran Church participating. Members are encouraged to sign up if interested in attending.

BOARD TEAM REPORTS

Personnel Board (Connie Schmitt): Updated the 2025 Call Letter, and Connie will meet with Torri for signature. Marilyn and Connie will be meeting with Linda and Sabbastian (office staff) soon for reviews.

Board of Financial Stewardship: Don reported a recap of the financial status and reported:

February expenses have shown some increase while February income showed some decline. Operating balance of about \$17,086 is good. Investment Advisory completed the renewal of a \$50,000 CD for 7 months. Don stated that if the church decides in favor of putting in solar panels, this will be viewed as an investment for the church. Steve questions this year's February pledges as compared to last year's. Don cautioned that 2 members are no longer with us which reflects some changes with income. Steve and Marilyn Erickson are interested in renting space in the church basement for a mediation program and mediation training. March is Food Shelf month, and Don has a letter for members asking for financial support for the local food shelf. Pledges need to be in by April 6th.

Board of Facilities:

1. There was more discussion about the wall issue in the Fellowship Hall. With spring coming, action will need to be taken. This will involve some financial strategies to cover expenses.
2. Roof concerns - re-roofing with a steel roof is recommended. Need to firm up cost estimates in order to plan financial coverage.
3. Church Insurance renewal – coming up in April. Don suggested getting a bid from Cass Company, to compare with our current rates.
4. North door has been sticking and may need to be replaced.
5. Reminder that the west lane is a fire lane, and people should not park in it. Mike will check with the Fire Chief, Gavin Peterson, about regulations and posting any necessary signage.

MINISTRY TEAM REPORTS

Adult Learning:

1. Lectio continues weekly, with good attendance.
2. Bible Study with Torri is halfway through and has about 5 participants, and is well received.
3. Plans are in process for a ½ day summer workshop with Laura Baum-Parr and Stacy Hirshi leading.
4. Hackensack Camino planning is beginning for September 17th – 20th.

Congregational Life: The focus continues to be keeping up with and supporting individuals who have been struggling. Sabbastian and Linda have been making birthday cards from local area photos.

Fundraising/ Outreach:

1. Discussion about all the items in storage and what can be sold at the summer Treasure Sale. Participants are asked to look at the items after today's meeting.
2. March 15th St. Patrick's Day Dinner. Due to a snowstorm, attendance was low with only 40 participants. Richard and Gunder donated the meat, \$475 was raised. Another UCC fundraiser will be planned for the fall.
3. Child Care Center – In August the lease will be reviewed, and if attendance continues to be steady, rent may be raised.

Justice Ministry Team: Sue stated the movie and brunch offered was well received. JMT continues to explore and learn about homelessness in our area. Joint meeting is scheduled for March 25th with the County to discuss possible solutions. There was also a County Commissioners' meeting that focused on advocating for the environment. Next meeting at the County Land Department in Backus is on April 8th. Sue stated her need to resign as the leader of Justice Ministry for personal reasons, so the Council needs to seek new leadership.

Men's Fellowship:

1. Stan reported on the plans being made for the Easter food boxes which will be put together the Monday prior to Easter. Twenty-five food boxes for Easter meals will be purchased from Mann Lake Supply for \$65.00
2. The men continue to enjoy meeting for breakfast at the Corner Store Café.
3. Men's Fellowship was recognized for their help at the March 15th dinner which was greatly appreciated.
4. Men's Fellowship is planning their summer one-day outings to possibly include a field trip to the Iron Ore exhibit in Hibbing.

Worship: Heidi stated church attendance averaged about 20 participants in church and about 10 families viewing online in February. Tori will be on vacation the week after Easter, and Sheila Hunter will provide the Sunday sermon in Torri's absence.

Women's Fellowship: Joni shared that Women's Fellowship met last week and developed a tentative agenda for this year's meetings and activities. She provided information about the March 13th event that included Men's Fellowship - touring Rendezvous, the local brewery in town. There were 19 participants and it was great fun! In May the Gulbrandsens will provide a talk about their travels to Australia.

Tech Team: Mike reported the sanctuary camera is having some minor problems. He is working on volume control and also stabilizing the TV in the Fellowship Hall.

Moderator's Moment: Marilyn McKnight raised concerns about what is happening in our government that negatively affects so many people in our country as well as our community and our congregation. Marilyn asked that we each seek the truth and pray for the best outcomes for our beloved congregation, our community, and our world. Above all, ask for God's help in finding truth and the common good for all.

Old business: Steve will follow up with Child Care and any open house time offered. An Executive Committee meeting needs to be planned to discuss the new clerk position. Don Hoppe will be available to sign documents until a clerk is found.

New Business: Mike Schmitt and Don Hoppe gave an informative presentation about solar panels as an investment strategy for the church. They asked Council for permission to move forward with this project in developing estimated costs, accessing a \$5000 grant that is available for start-up, possible use of money from reserve funds, and to finalize plans within the next three weeks to meet the deadline for the grant money. Heidi made a motion for permission to proceed, seconded by Stan and approved.

The April newsletter deadline is Tuesday, March 25th. April 17th is the next Council meeting.

Pastor Torri provided a benediction.

Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes written by Judy Hoopman



THROUGH KODA'S EYES

How is Petey doing?

Hi, my name is Koda and I am the Church Dog! I want to update you on Petey, my foster brother. I am happy to say that Petey was adopted by a wonderful family a few weeks ago. He now has not just one human...but THREE humans who will love him for the rest of his life. He also has a 3-year-old dog sister (or girl-friend).

He is now an inside dog! He has a fenced in yard with a doggy door, he has toys to play with, and he gets to sleep on the couch! He is a good dog who deserved a good family!

While Petey lived with my family, we worked on many things. I taught him how to sit and stay... although my human would say she taught him... but really I taught him. He had to copy me at first, but then he eventually learned the words, "sit" and "stay."

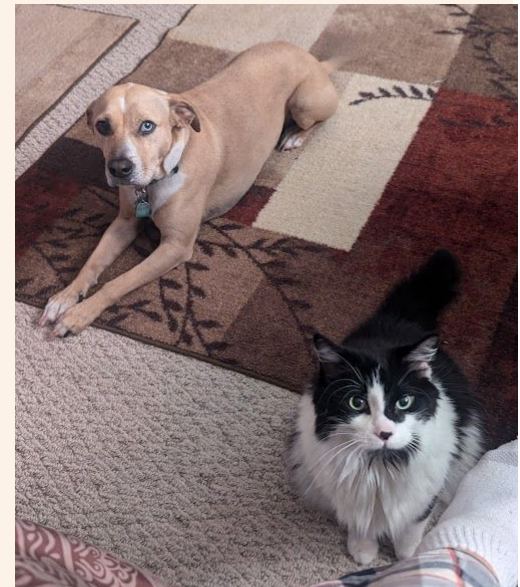
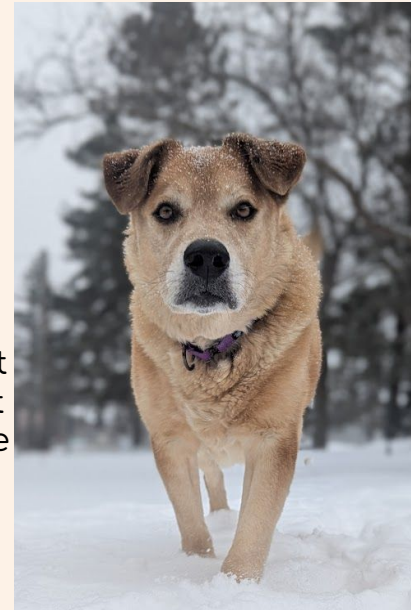
He learned how to sleep in a kennel. My human did not even have to close the door at night. He just stayed in there! There was one night he snuck out of his kennel to sleep on the couch, but I do that too! So, I guess I taught him that too! Wow! I'm a good teacher!

I guess you never know who is learning from you. That is why I try my best to be a good boy. I do my best to be a bright spot to others. I hope you do that too!

Even though Petey is doing great, I have low expectations for Bandit (the cat). After 10 years, he is still working on "sitting" and "staying." I do not think he has any intentions on mastering those.

Have a barky day!

Koda (The Church Dog)



JUSTICE MINISTRY TEAM UPDATE – by Sue Kimmel

The Justice Ministry Team sponsored a brunch and a documentary, "Americans With No Address" on March 9th. If you did not see the documentary, you can view it on Prime Video. The documentary offers interviews with people experiencing homelessness with solutions focused on church communities.

Hackensack's Neighbor Helping Neighbor Community Cleanup is Saturday, May 17 from 9:00-12:00 noon. This is a UCC sponsored service event. This year we will be picking up trash within city limits using grabbers and garbage bags. Volunteers will meet at the Hub at 9:00 am. working until 12 noon. Contact Sue Kimmel if you have questions (507) 276-1809.

MODERATOR'S MOMENT

It's difficult to write this as we confront the changing bad news every day about our country. For us mediators, the takeover of the Peace Institute, a private organization in Washington DC, is an enormous tragedy! It began in 1984, just three years after we and a few other mediators founded the Academy of Family Mediators, which started the mediation profession throughout the world. It was a time of great hope that peace, justice, and love would prevail in our world. Teaching peace has been a bumpy journey but not without its great progress in groups, in private and international organizations, and even religious organizations throughout the world.

Today, we Christians are facing great challenges to our faith by the unbelievable atrocities that are occurring to our friends and neighbors throughout the world!

Perhaps we need to go to the Bible, the Ten Commandments, and even the old hymns like "The Old Rugged Cross"! We must "fact-check" everything in our search for the truth everywhere and spread the love of Jesus far and wide. Talk to those with whom we do not agree, to understand and bridge our differences. Make no assumptions about anything! We just need to try to understand both sides of everything. Sing the words of favorite hymns like: "They Will Know We are Christians By Our Love"! And let the love of Jesus guide us.

Marilyn McKnight and Steve Erickson, Moderators

THE SEDER

The Seder is the traditional Passover meal that includes reading, telling stories, eating special foods, drinking wine (or juice), singing, and other Passover traditions. The Seder is traditionally held after nightfall on the first night of Passover, the anniversary of Israel's exodus from Egyptian slavery more than 3,000 years ago. Our Jewish friends will celebrate the Seder April 22nd, but Union is hosting a Seder on Maundy Thursday, April 17th. St. Paul's Lutheran Church and Walker Community Church will be joining us that evening.

This is not only a meal, it is a worship service. At the Seder, every person should feel as if he or she were going out of Egypt. The story tells of the biblical patriarchs such as Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. And the story gives a recount of how the Jewish people became slaves to Egypt.

This story recalls their suffering and persecution as slaves. It is also a story of God's provision and deliverance. We will recall the 10 plagues God brought to Egypt and follow along as the Israelites leave Egypt and follow the calling of God into the wilderness.

Through storytelling, reading, and eating we will experience the Old Testament story Jesus and his disciples told the evening He was betrayed by Judas, prayed in the garden, arrested by temple guards, and put on trial to be crucified. As we retell this sacred story, we may find a little bit of our story in it too.

Join us, Maundy Thursday, April 17th at 5:00 p.m. at Union UCC's Friendship Hall for a worship service and meal.

RSVP is required by April 13th to make sure we have enough food. Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway, send email to Linda at media.ucchackmn@gmail.com, or call 218-675-6300 to RSVP.

Donations will be accepted to cover the cost of the food. All money given above cost will be donated to the Hackensack Food Pantry.

For more information on the Seder, go to:

https://www.chabad.org/holidays/passover/pesach_cdo/aid/1751/jewish/What-Is-a-Seder-Passover-Meal.htm

“CAN YOU IMAGINE” by Laura Baum-Parr

Can you imagine
a pedicure,
not unlike the Holy Thursday ritual of
Christ washing his disciples’ feet,
and an Asian woman,
bent over,
tirelessly trimming and filing,
as the Christ bearer?
Can you imagine
the disciples,
humbled when the Master
took up the basin and towel
to wash their dusty, calloused feet,
as I, too, am humbled
by the labor and careful attention
of this woman,
with her basin and towel,
washing mine?

Can you imagine
God smiling
as this pedicurist reveals God’s message
of service
to those who care to take notice,
and at my slowly-dawning realization
that a nail salon
is a fitting substitution for church
on Holy Thursday?
Can you imagine?
I can.

BOARD OF FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Operating Income and Expenses

Income - February	\$ 9,583.00	Year to Date 2025 Giving	\$ 21,127.00
Other Income* - February	<u>\$ 1,063.15</u>	YTD Other Income*	\$ 2,200.94
Total Income	\$ 10,646.15	YTD Total Income	\$ 23,127.94
Expenses - February	\$ 12,428.70	Year to Date Expenses	\$ 20,979.78
Balance - February	\$ - 1,782.55	Balance - Year to Date	\$ 2,348.16
		Prepaid & Carryover	\$ 14,738.00
		Final Balance	\$ 17,086.16

* Other income includes Treasure Sale, fundraisers, building use, donations and all other income sources except interest and dividends generated from restricted funds and specified donations or grants not going into operating funds.

Checking available: \$ 57,024.18

Summary

Income was fair and expenses were about normal for February.
In early February, the Investment Advisory group recommended postponing equity investments and buying a 7-month CD for \$50,000. This was done during February.
The Investment Advisory group is also studying a Solar Array project as an investment opportunity. A report was given at the March Council meeting.

ADULT LEARNING – by Linnea Dietrich

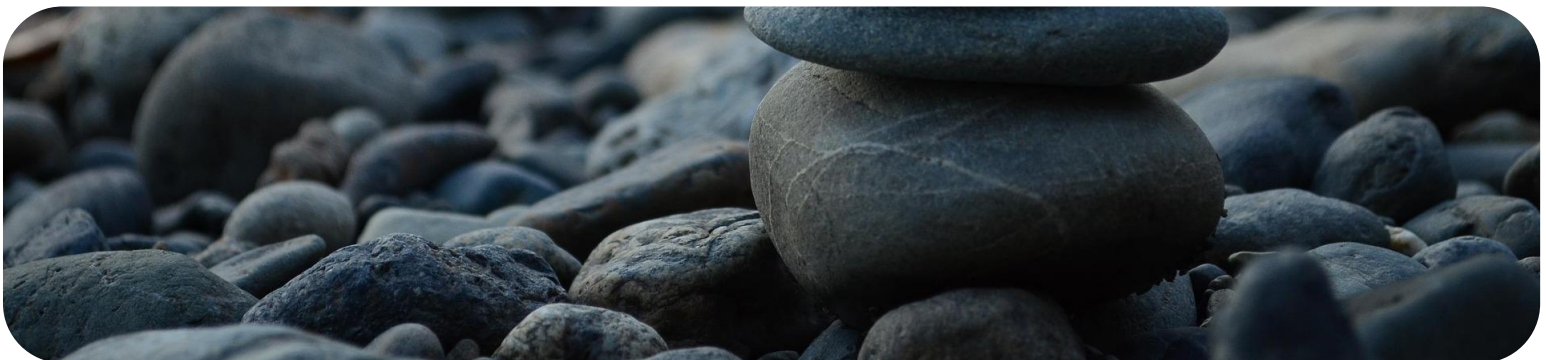
“So we start with a stone, what might be large enough to hold up a forest or small enough to rest easily in the palm of an open hand.”

This is the introduction to our Saturday, May 31, 9-noon, “Rock N Retreat” to be held either at church or at Pastor Torri’s home, depending on number of participants. Laura Baum-Parr will be leading us in reflections using the metaphor of rocks and what they might mean in our lives. Stacy Hirschi has gathered rocks from the shores of Lake Superior for us to paint mandalas on. Stacy will lead us in the painting inviting us to use our own creativity, so we all go home with a beautiful creation to remember our time together. We will be taking registrations in May. The cost is \$5. Friends and your weekend visitors are welcome, as are men. ***“Wisdom can be found in natural things and natural places.”***

A couple of stories for encouragement in your journey. Michael Cooper is Stacy Hirschi’s brother from California. He has come to church and Lectio Divina while visiting Minnesota, so many of us know and love him. Last summer Mike walked Camino Hackensack. He has been on the UCC prayer chain due to many severe health complications these past months, including over a week in a coma that the docs could not wake him from. He was expected to die, then he woke up! He has brain damage that will limit his life in many ways; however he knows people, can communicate, and uses his laptop. And his ineffable spirit of love and light is back! Here is the amazing part of the story. He has home health aides who are with him for 12 hours a day. A worker arrived who he recognized by her face was from Tonga. Mike used to work in a business where there were several workers from Tonga. So he began speaking to her in Tongan and of course she was amazed. Brain damage and all, Mike speaks in Tongan. And God sends a Tongan worker to him. I mean really... what are the chances? Gives me goosebumps and encouragement that God knows us and sees us.

Let My Sweet Words Be Upon You by Emma Hofstede. I was the liturgist at church a couple of Sundays ago. When the service concluded I saw that Luise Forseth was in the house so I walked over to ask her how her husband Terry was doing. She looked at me and handed me the above book. She said, “I really don’t know you but I know you do Lectio so here you are. Read this, then give it back to me.” She added, “If you like it please buy your own as I would like my copy back.” Part of me thought, oh boy... another book to read...no time. However, her invitation for me to read this book felt a bit urgent. And as you might guess, it is exactly the book I need right at this time. The author portrays God as Grandmother God who loves to garden, drink tea, hold us when we are hurting, and listen to us with compassionate love. The author has drawn gorgeous open designs to accompany each short story portraying another aspect of Grandmother God’s love. I am experiencing some physical bumps in my road currently that have me a little scared, so I love to read one of her offerings at night and let it fall over me like a warm blanket as I drift off to sleep. Thank you, Luise, for somehow “seeing” my need for this book at this time. I have ordered my own copy to LEND to others as you have shown me the way. Amazon sells it used for \$36, and North Star Press of St. Cloud sells it for about \$20 plus tax and shipping. Published in 2009. Or borrow mine to see if you like it!

And last and certainly not least, Lectio Divina continues at 4 PM every Wednesday. We are into our third year of this ancient prayer practice.



NEWS FROM THE WORSHIP MINISTRY TEAM

The newspaper's annual competition is underway to pick the date the ice will go out on Walker Bay. You know what that means - we are beginning to think Spring here in the northwoods! We've had a few warm days and most of the snow has melted, and then we've had a heavy wet snowfall, and the cycle begins again. Soon the sun will win out, and the temperatures will stay above freezing, the plants will begin to push their heads out of the ground, the tree buds will begin to fatten up, and we will know spring is actually here. It's a marvelous time to be alive!

The Lenten season of Wednesday night worship with our friends from St. Paul's has been very meaningful again this year. The topic is "Wilderness," and both Pastor Torri and Pastor Leif have had interesting messages for us. We've enjoyed the music of a joint choir as well. And as usual, the soup and sandwich suppers afterwards have been a time to visit with friends from the community.

Continuing into Holy Week, Union is again sponsoring a Seder on Maundy Thursday. St. Paul's and Walker Community Church will be joining us in commemorating the Jewish exodus from Egypt. This is a very meaningful celebration, and if you would like to take part in the meal, please be sure to contact the church office to make a reservation. On Good Friday, there will be a service at St. Paul's and all are invited to join them. And on Easter we will celebrate at our usual 9:30 service.

As we approach Easter and the celebration of the Risen Christ, let's remember how incredible our little town is to have such a longstanding program of joint worship with our friends from other churches in town, not only the Lutheran church, but also the Lighthouse and the Catholic churches in years past. This is a truly unique community!

Take care and remember that each smile, handshake, and hug spreads the joy and peace of Christ with everyone you meet. We are His hands and voice.

The Worship Ministry Team: Heidi Hoppe, Sheryl Kaubisch, Caryl Allan, Mary Parrish, and Gracee Rudkin



SOLAR AT UNION - by Mike Schmitt

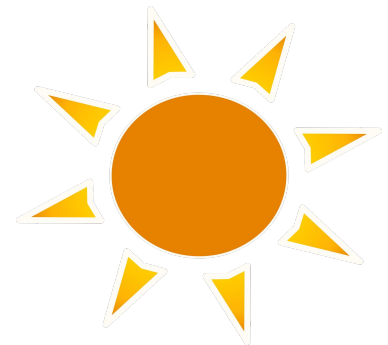
A Bright Idea

UCC is making strides toward sustainability by exploring a solar-powered future. The proposed 72-panel solar array, to be installed in the lower southeast corner of the parking lot, is projected to generate 98% to 105% of the church's electricity needs—potentially achieving complete energy independence.

UCC has been awarded funds from Minnesota Power's SolarSense rebate program to support the installation of a solar solution. This financial assistance will help lower the initial investment, paving the way for a smoother transition to renewable energy.

Over the next 30 years, this solar initiative is projected to offset approximately 1,508,086 kWh of energy and reduce CO2 emissions by 1,066 metric tons—an impactful contribution toward combating climate change. By reducing reliance on non-renewable resources, the church is helping to preserve our planet's ecosystems and protect the environment for future generations.

By investing in solar power, UCC will be taking meaningful action to protect the environment, achieve energy independence, and secure a brighter, greener future for generations to come.

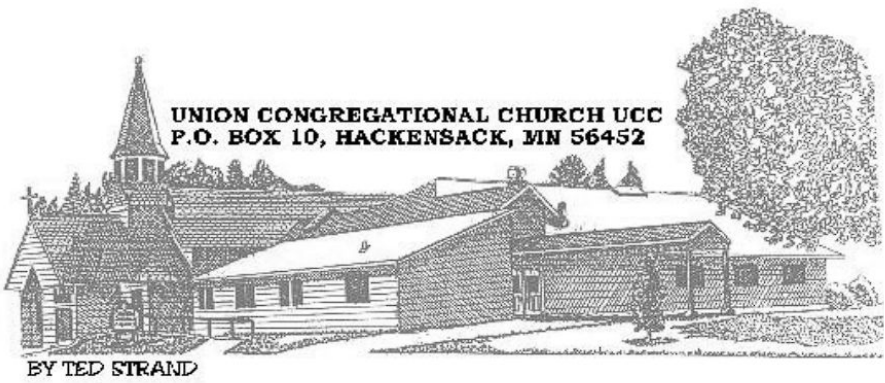


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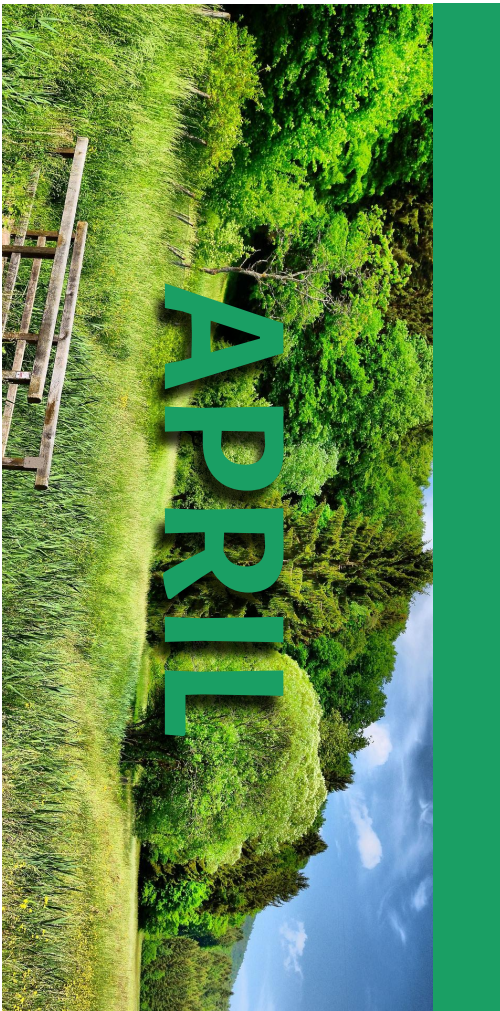
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* Community event

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
6 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am Coffee Hour 1:00 pm Birchview Church	7 1:30 pm Bone Builders* 6:00 pm AA Open Meeting*	8 9:00 am Tech Team Meeting	9 10:00 am Fit2Move 3:45 pm Lectio Divina 5:00 pm Lenten Service - SPLC	10 10:00 am Bible Study 101 1:00 pm Women's Fellowship	11 Office Closed 10:00 am Fit2Move 1:30 pm Bone Builders*	12
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20 <i>Easter Sunday</i> 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am Coffee Hour 1:00 pm Birchview Church	21 <i>Easter Monday</i> 6:00 pm AA Open Meeting*	22 9:00 am Tech Team Meeting	23 10:00 am Fit2Move 4:00 pm Lectio Divina	24 9:00 am Congregational Life Meeting 1:00-3:00 pm Fiber Arts*	25 Office Closed 10:00 am Fit2Move 1:30 pm Bone Builders*	26
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FORWARD SERVICE REQUESTED



2025

Sign up now for Seder!
April 17th 5:00 PM



THE UNION NEWS