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Trinity United Parish

The mission of Trinity United Parish is to be a loving community of faith. Our faith in Jesus Christ is expressed through learning, growing and caring together.

A message from Pastor Jim ...

The Lord's Prayer

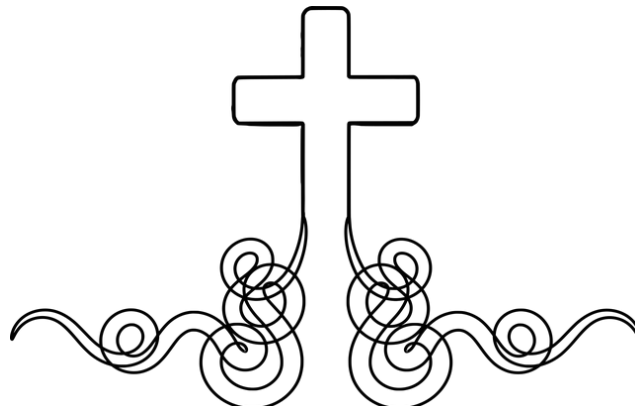
If I have one practical fear in my ministry, it is that I will forget the Lord's Prayer. I've done it before. I have jumped ahead and skipped over part of the Lord's Prayer. That's why I print it out in the bulletin and on the screen. If I read it, I won't forget it. Printing and projecting it helps others who don't know the prayer, and it helps me too—even though I've been saying the Lord's Prayer all my life!

The Lord's Prayer was taught by Jesus, the Lord—that's why it is called the Lord's Prayer. It appears in Matthew 6 and Luke 11. It is the model for prayer: it praises God, asks for God's will to be done, asks for sustaining grace, and it is a prayer for forgiveness and repentance. It covers all the bases. So that just makes it even more embarrassing when I forget it.

We all have weaknesses—some of them are just more visible than others. I've learned to minimize many of my weaknesses. But some weaknesses remain, and the fear of forgetting this extremely important prayer is in the back of my mind whenever I am spontaneously required to recite it.

Fortunately, God's grace can work through weakness. This particular weakness helps keep me humble and aware of my own fallibility. It reminds me that I am human. The Apostle Paul wrote in 2 Corinthians 12 that he had a physical ailment that troubled him, a "thorn in the flesh." He prayed that the Lord would take it away. But the Lord told him, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness."

God's power is only made "perfect" in our vulnerability, our weakness, our willingness to trust in God. I need to hear that. I have plenty of weaknesses—so God has plenty of opportunity to work on me.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 SW District Summer Leadership Convoca- tion 9am-3pm Monroe UMC
4 9 a.m. Communion Sunday at Moundville	5 MUMC Church Council 6:30 p.m.	6	7	8	9	10
11 Sunday at Moundville	12 Heritage House 10:30 a.m. Calico Capers Picnic MUMC	13 Prayerful Stitchers 1-4 p.m. Parsonage	14	15	16	17 Russell Family Reunion 10:00 a.m.
18 Sunday at Moundville	19	20	21	22	23	24 Ruby's Pop-up Pantry 8:00 a.m. Montello UMC
25 Sunday at Moundville	26	27 Church Chix BUMC 8:30 a.m.	28	29	30	31

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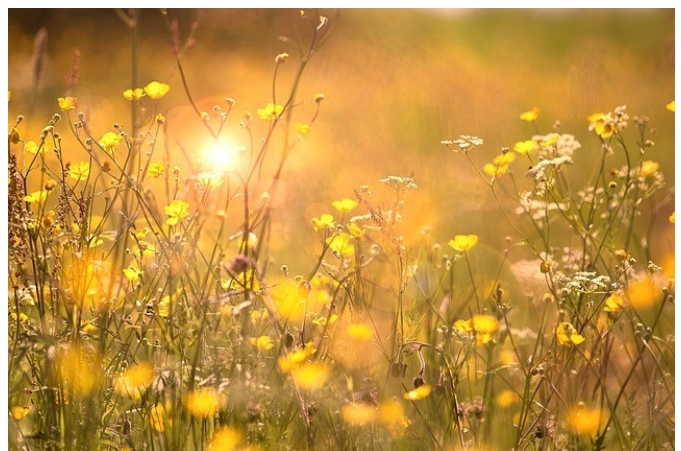
Greeter/Usher

August 4 Donna Davis
 August 11 Pete & Barb Jones
 August 18 Delmer & Diane Loveland
 August 25 Darwin Baron

Liturgist

August 4 Jen Shier
 August 11 Norah Coppernoll
 August 18 Anne Oelke
 August 25 Cheri Gibeaut

BUMC Collection Stewards for August:
 Bev Weyh & Carol Brancel



On August 13, there will be an election in Wisconsin that includes two Constitutional Amendments. To inform it's member church-
 es, the Wisconsin Council of Churches has put together a short article, and more can be found at [https://www.wichurches.org/
 articles/understanding-the-proposed-amendments-to-the-wisconsin-constitution-that-will-appear-on-the-august-13-primary-ballot-in-
 a-christian-faith-context](https://www.wichurches.org/articles/understanding-the-proposed-amendments-to-the-wisconsin-constitution-that-will-appear-on-the-august-13-primary-ballot-in-a-christian-faith-context). The Wisconsin Council of Churches is composed of many denominations, including United Methodist,
 Presbyterian, United Church of Christ, ELCA Lutheran, Reformed, Mennonite, Orthodox and more.



Dogs are not our whole life,
but they make our lives
whole.

Roger Caras

Animal
BLESSINGS



Until one has loved an
animal a part of one's soul
is unawakened.

Anatole French



Animal
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In ancient times cats
were worshipped as gods;
they have not forgotten
this.

Terry Pratchett

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Camp Firelight—a Great Success!

70 in attendance—enjoyed by all

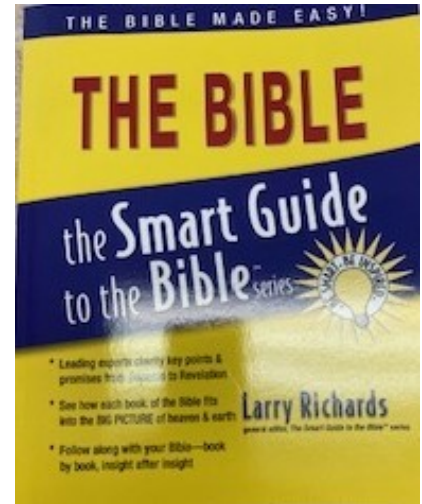


Kids' Korner

Carol Coppernoll will be leading a Tween-n-Teen Sunday School Bible Study. *The curriculum will be "The Smart Guide to the Bible."

Carol is looking for high school or adult backup leadership to help with the group.

If you have questions, contact Carol by text or call 608-475-0868 or email her at cocobrimis123@gmail.com.



*"The Smart Guide to the Bible guides you through all 66 books of the Old and New Testaments, so you can see both the big picture and the Divine details that support and carry forth God's master plan. ...You will gain the knowledge, confidence and clarifications you've always wanted about God's words to you." (reprinted from back cover)



The **Youth Group** is for anyone from 6th through 12th grade. We will meet the 1st Sunday of each month, rotating between both Churches according to where we worship. We will gather from 3:30 to 5:30 pm with a meal included at the end of each meeting. Mark your calendars, **our 1st Youth Group meeting will be September 8th at Briggsville**, then we'll follow the 1st Sunday of the month after that. We have an exciting year planned, looking forward to sharing with you. Freddi

Diane Loveland has a trumpet available to a good home. If you know of someone in need of a trumpet, let Diane know.

