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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.

Is there anyone interested in a Thanksgiving potluck at church? Maybe 2 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day? In the past we have donated toward the Thanksgiving packages that the Marquette County Food Bank puts together – but that's so impersonal. What if we kept it closer to home and just invited people to a Thanksgiving potluck? We have a donation of a turkey already. Let me know if you are interested. We might start a new tradition!

Pastor Jim



United
Women
in Faith

SAVE THE DATE!

Wisconsin Conference
United Women in Faith

2025 Annual Fall Gathering

Theme: "Hope in Action"

Join us for a day of worship, learning, and faithful action as we gather in hope and unity.

Keynote Speakers:

Bishop Daniel W. Schwerin

Resident Bishop for the Northern Illinois-Wisconsin Episcopal Area



Dr. Anne Getzin

"Climate Change and the Effects on Our Bodies"

Saturday, October 11, 2025

Registration: 8:30 AM

Program: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM



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441 Garfield St.,

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For more information contact your unit president!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

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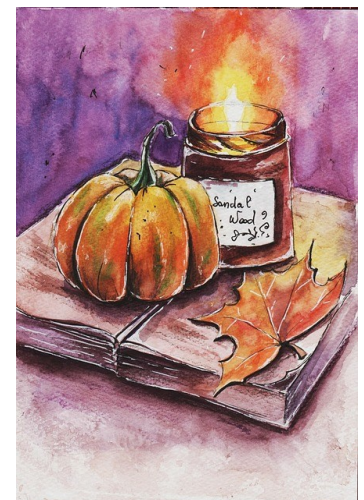


Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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5 Worship BUMC 9:00 Communion Choir Practice 10:30 a.m. Youth Group BUMC 3:30—5:30 p.m.	6	7	8	9	10	11 Harvest Supper 4:00—6:30 p.m. MUMC
12 Worship BUMC 9:00 Choir Practice 10:30 a.m. Food Ministry Meeting 10:30 a.m. Speaker on Palestine 6:30 —7:30 p.m.	13 Heritage House Worship 10:30 a.m.	14 Prayerful Stitchers 1—4 p.m. Parsonage	15	16	17	18
19 Worship BUMC 9:00	20	21	22	23 BUMC Finance 6:15 p.m. BUMC Church Council. 7:00 p.m.	24	25 Ruby's Pop-up Pantry 8 a.m. Montello UMC UCC Harvest Dinner 4:30—6:30 p.m.
26 Worship BUMC 9:00	27 Bread Bake starts 3 p.m. MUMC	28 Church Chix 8:30 am MUMC	29	30 Charge Conference 6:00 p.m. BUMC	31 Trunk or treat 4:00 p.m. BUMC	

Date	Liturgists	Greeters
October 5	Jayme Roller	Jake & Kayla Roller
October 12	Halie Hensen	Danny & Wanda Stowell
September 19	Emalyn Summers	Linda Hebel & Kathy Thiemke
September 26	Kayla Roller	Hailie & Riley Hensen

Collection Stewards: Bob Brancel and Sherri Fry





Barter Fair

September 6, 2025

Lunch today with everything from the Barter Fair:

Braunschweiger sandwich on "everything seasoning" bread

Polish dill pickles

Sliced tomato

Creamy cucumbers

Fudge for dessert

Flower arrangement to decorate table

Yum!

Linda



Our Barter Fair was fun! We had a variety of goods to share with our neighbors. Some pickles, a few kinds of homemade bread, braunschweiger, homemade jams, garden produce, pies, and fudge just to name a few.





We had 17 attend the Charcuterie class. We learned a lot of great tips for making beautiful charcuterie boards. It was fun and very delicious!

Dear Friends,

I would like to take a moment to say THANK YOU to all the people who have served the Moundville Harvest Supper throughout all the years it has been going on. What a church legacy!

If I may, I would like to share my background in food service. My food service began in 6th grade scraping lunch trays and continued through my sophomore year in high school. I have worked in many different restaurants, was a dietary aide at Divine Savior Hospital (on the hill) and served as a kitchen aide at Woodridge Elementary School in Portage. Now I am ten years as the head cook at Wautoma High School. I also work in the Kitchen at River's Bend near Montello.

Being in food service serving the public, it is important to be educated in sanitation, temperature control, cross contamination and bacteria growth. The Marquette County Health Department asked if I would teach a class on the basics of safe serving to anyone who works in the church kitchens. This is just education, not everyone needs to be certified. Only one person needs to actually be certified in each kitchen. Myself and several others now have their certificates which are good for 5 years. You just have to be aware of the rules and to keep the public safe.

Things can change in an instant. Yesterday is not the same as today and tomorrow will be different from today. Change should be embraced and aimed in a positive direction. This brings me to my goals and intentions for the Harvest Supper.

My goal is to bring more people to church without the pressure of "Church." My intention is to have other people serve so at least most of you can take a break and sit down with family and friends and enjoy a nice meal together.

If there are concerns about the Harvest Supper, please come to me. Things cannot be fixed if no one knows what needs fixing. I do sincerely apologize to anyone who is offended by what I'm trying to do. Sometimes we need to try different ways to see what works and what doesn't. If something doesn't work, we'll try something different.

In my opinion, if we don't start growing our churches, our churches will eventually close their doors. Let's not let that happen!

Sincerely,
Brenda Scherbert



Our Monthly Church Chix breakfast was full of great food and fun fellowship. We worked on stuffing treat bags for the upcoming Trunk or Treat at Endeavor Fall Fest October 4. Come and see us for some treats!

Baptism of Briar John Petroski



Elizabeth Buchholz, Joseph Petroski, Michael Petroski, Briar, Kassie Petroski, Pastor Jim



Briar with his parents, Michael and Kassie and Great Grandmother, Marie Johnson

Pictures provided by Marla Summers

From Pastor Jim

On Sunday evening, October 12 at 6:30 p.m., Cassandra Dixon will come to speak at the Briggsville United Methodist Church about her experiences in Palestine. Cassandra has traveled repeatedly to the West Bank since 2005 to volunteer with a small Non-Governmental Organization which provides international accompaniment and protective presence to school children and shepherds who face persistent settler and military violence as they attempt to access their schools and graze their flocks on their land.

All are welcome to this informal presentation as Cassandra shares her personal experience.

Youth Group



The Youth Group met in September and had a fun Spaghetti Dinner served right off the table! The Youth Group will meet on the first Sunday of the month from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and typically there is a fun lesson, games and dinner! The next Youth Group get-together will be October 5 at Briggsville. The Youth Group is open to middle school and high school age kids.

Have you ever wondered about how decisions are made in our church or have an idea about something you would like to see our church do or change? Have you ever chatted with friends in the parking lot or during the week about these topics? Unfortunately, sometimes the "parking lot" or "telephone line" meetings can lead to misinformation, gossip and rumors. Let's move these discussions out of the parking lot, to a place where we can be more productive.

Now is the ideal time to put your ideas into Action! The Nominations Committees, led by Pastor Jim, is working to slot volunteers on various committees for both Moundville and Briggsville. Please let Pastor Jim know if you would be interested in serving on one of the following Committees: Christian Education and Youth, Worship, Missions, Staff Parish Relations or Trustees.

As a reminder, all are welcome to attend the churches' Administrative Council meetings, a good place to learn what business and activities are going on. These meetings are held quarterly and posted on the Church Calendar.

Gayle Mack



Trunk or Treat

October 31st

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