



Immanuel United Methodist Church

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the people of the United Methodist Church

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE THROUGH JUNE

Traditional Worship Service: 8:00 a.m.

More Contemporary Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2

Worship Service at 9:00 am

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Soup and Sandwich Supper 5:00 p.m.

Praise 1 Service 5:30 pm

Praise 2 Bible Study 6:30 pm

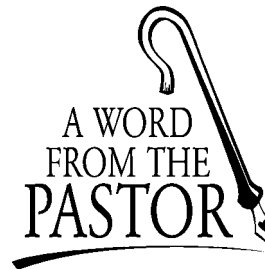
No supper, service or study on June 20 and July 4.

The mission of Immanuel United Methodist Church is making and being disciples for Jesus Christ.

June/July newsletter

This newsletter is for the family and friends of the IUM Church of Ripon, WI. Everyone is welcome to worship and/or join this church. If this is your first time here, we hope that you enjoyed your time worshipping with us and will come back again soon.

The deadline for the August newsletter is ****July 15****



Up Front

Personal Morality Two

Sermons this month will continue to apply belief to action. In May, we heard about abortion, family protection and generosity.

Roger Kindschi's sermon told us how theology makes a difference in our decision-making, choices, and lifestyle. He gave us Christians this list of lifestyle questions:

- a. Do I worship God because of my passion for God and wanting to be in His presence?
- b. Do I worship idols?
- c. Do I thank God for what He has created?
- d. Do I pray/talk with God on a regular basis because I want to be in His presence?
- e. Do I pray for others on a regular basis?
- f. Do I gossip or am I an encourager?
- g. Do I consult God with the decisions that are before me?
- h. If I know that God is leading me to do something, how do I respond?
- i. Do I consider my financial resources and other possessions mine, or God's?
- j. What percentage of my/God's income do I give to the church and other Christian ministries?
- k. How do I treat God's creation – land, water, sky and people?
- l. Am I greedy, envious, or boastful?
- m. Am I violent, or a heavy drinker?
- n. Do I deceive others?
- o. Am I insolent, proud, or a backstabber?
- p. Is swearing a part of my vocabulary?
- q. Am I trustworthy?
- r. Do I have a good reputation?

The message June 3rd will bring up young adult life tasks: education, fun, getting a job, making a living, a place to live, falling in love, getting married, making a child, building a career. What do you think is the best order for these tasks?

Our God has gifted us with guidelines, and rules, and commandments. Our God also gives forgiveness, mercy, and second chances. The sermons will include grace as well as responsibility, hope as well as correction.

Rev. Nulton

Social Principles of the United Methodist Church

As part of our emphasis on morality, copies of the "Social Principles" are available. Our denomination's statements on issues of personal and social morality are printed in a booklet, available in a display rack in the entry area. Read our consensus positions on war, tobacco, marriage, gambling racism, sexuality, care for nature and dozens of other issues.

Other Religions and Denominations

What do they believe and why do they do what they do?

Rev. Paul Nulton will teach a study Sundays at 10:15 am in July in the Christian Service Room. A presentation and time for questions and comments.

July 8	Islam
July 15	Evangelicals
July 22	Jehovah's Witnesses and Mormons
July 29	Other Christian denominations

Thank You for supporting the Carter Moore Fund Offering on May 13. Our church family gave offerings totaling \$1,013 to help with expenses for 5 year-old Carter Moore who lost his mother to murder last November, and whose father is in jail, awaiting trial, accused of the murder. This was a wonderful honor to the memory of Dawn (Belau) Moore.

A Time for Change for Worship in July and August

We will have one Sunday Worship Service at 9:00 am, for ten Sundays, July 1 through September 2.

Coffee Fellowship will follow at 10:00 am.

The worship style will be most like the traditional 8:00 am worship with some more contemporary choruses.

Our schedule will return to 8:00 am and 10:30 am services on September 9.

The service will bring together those of us who usually attend at one time. If you don't recognize someone, introduce yourself, and find out who they are.

Guest Speakers on July 1 and July 29

Rich Mattson was incarcerated at Oxford Prison 10 years ago, and has kept in contact with Wisconsin people involved in prison ministry. Now married and working near Detroit, he helps ex-offenders in Flint, MI with chemical addiction problems and finding a way to live in society. He will bring his heart warming account of God's grace to our service, Sunday, July 1.

As EAA winds down, on Sunday, July 29 we will have a missionary pilot share stories of experiences on the mission field.

Orphanage in India

Annagene Priske is going on a mission trip to India this summer along with United Methodists from other Wisconsin churches. The group will be helping construct a building for a Children's Orphanage in Chennai in Madurai State in SE India. She has taken on herself a goal of providing 25 school kits for the children. We can help by providing her the money to buy items needed. She will tell us about the need in worship on Sunday, May 27. Offerings can be given to this project through June 10.

Youth News

Five of our Middle School Youth and three of our Senior High Youth went on our annual work camp at Camp Lucerne May 18-20. A huge thank you goes to Jeff and Julie Kahn for helping to chaperone the event! We helped prepare the camp for summer by moving picnic tables out of storage and around the grounds, raking leaves from the septic systems by the cabins, putting the piers in at the beach, getting all the swim toys blown up and into the water, and cleaning the chapel. The weekend ended with a potluck and worship service with our church family.

As the school year ends, the summer activities are gearing up! On Tuesday, June 26, our youth, along with our circuit churches, will be going to Mt. Olympus for a day of extreme fun in Wisconsin Dells. Our July events include Lifest on the 11-15th and a Timber Rattlers game on Friday the 27th. The summer will end with a one day mission trip for the Middle School youth to Green Bay, while the Senior High Youth head to Chicago for a week of servanthood.

The Middle School Wednesday night EDGE group will not be meeting over the summer. It will resume in the fall. The Senior High Youth will continue to meet at Shannon Rogers house on Tuesdays, June 12 to July 17, and on Mondays, July 23 until school starts.

Blessed through the lives of Youth-
Krista Sperger and Shannon Rogers
Middle School and Sr. High Youth Coordinators

Sunday School News

ATTENDANCE AWARDS were presented to the following Sunday School students on Sunday, May 20th at the 10:30 am service:

Perfect Attendance

Zachary Abraham
Jacob Abraham

Emily Hughes
Alicia Abraham
Amy Lauber
Andrew Wittchow
Alyssa Wittchow

One Absence

Brett Bock
Austin Albright
Brandon Albright
Mackenzie Hollatz
Makaila Penke
Michelle Zimdars
Marlie Page
Amanda Himebaugh
Terry Krug
Tammy Gokey

Two Absences

Allie Hughes
Ashley Himebaugh

Three Absences

Samantha Stellmacher
Michael Lauber
Melissa Smit
Rebecca Carrico
Patsy Krueger

All Sunday School teachers and helpers were also recognized at the 10:30 am service on May 20th.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

There will be no Sunday School classes for the following grades: Pre-Kindergarten through High School, including the Shepherd's Class. For adult classes, please consult your leaders.

Deb Kaiser
Sunday School Superintendent

Great Bible Reef

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL “Great Bible Reef – Dive Deep into God’s Word”

VBS will be held June 18 – 22 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. We have a great team of teachers and helpers who are very excited about this year’s program. This promises to be a great time for those entering Kindergarten in the fall to those entering Fifth grade!

Each night will include singing, listening and learning about God, making crafts, releasing energy – outdoor activities, and of course, snacks. A free will offering will be collected every night.

A registration form is included in the center of the newsletter. Please fill it out and drop it off during the week to the church office, or place it in the designated box in the narthex. A special prize will be given to those who register in advance! Registration forms must be turned in by Sunday, June 10.

If you have any question, please contact Jennifer Zahnow at 294-6182 or Deb Kaiser at 748-7775.

United Methodist Men

Our final breakfast until fall will be Saturday, June 9 at 8:00 am in the fellowship hall. Roger Kindschi will have the program on Annual Conference, and General Conference for which he is a delegate. Claudia Thom will share her musical talent, and Rik Ridders will share a Bible study. All men are invited. You can bring a guest.

Tom Worrall, Chairman

Bible Study ...

Led by Rik Ridders on Wednesdays, will meet weekly from noon to 1:00 pm throughout the summer. For information on the location of this study, contact Rik at 748-6111(work) or 748-3185 (home).

Staff of IUM Church

Senior Pastor
Administrative Assistant
Equipping Ministries Director
Senior High Youth Director
Middle School Youth Director
Visitation Ministries
Organist
Choir Director
Custodian

Rev. Paul Nulton
Carol Schwark
Roger Kindschi
Shannon Rogers
Krista Sperger
Patti Quinn
Gen Stellmacher
Shelley Nulton
Stan Brink

Praise 2 Bible Study

Wednesday nights starting at 6:30pm in the Church Lounge

During the summer months, the Praise II Bible study will be studying the book of **ACTS**. This is an incredible book written by Luke as a continuation of the gospel of Luke. We will be looking at the acts/ministry of Peter and Paul. The primary emphasis in the book of Acts is the activity of the Holy Spirit. Come join us!

Summer Share and Care, and Prayer

Come and fellowship for a time, then spend time in prayer for our families, our church, our community and our world. Experience God for an hour on Wednesday mornings, from 9:00 – 10:00 am, in the Disciple Room. We will meet on June 13 and 27, July 11 and 25, and August 8 and 22.

Basic Lay Speaking Class

June 23 and 30, 2007 9:00 am – 2:30 pm

Wesley UMC 760 Florida Ave, Oshkosh, WI

Rev. Jean Schmidt, pastor at Wesley UMC, will lead the class. The cost of the class is \$30, which includes snacks, the book and lunch on both days. Please register by calling the Regional Office at (920)991-0548 by June 11, 2007.

This class is an overview course which explores the many facets of the call to gospel proclamation: worship leadership, service, growth in faith and practice, *as well as preaching*. Anyone experiencing a call from God might find the basic course a good experience for exploring and clarifying these dimensions.

June Sunday Worship Volunteers

USHERS-Coordinator, Mike Wuest

	<u>8:00</u>	<u>10:30</u>
June 3	Russ Skurr, Tim Lubinsky Chet Fenner, Gerald Schulz	Aldon and Anita Keplin Deb Kaiser and Daryl Bly
June 10	Pat and Nancy Himebaugh Rik and Helga Ridders	The Gellings family Kyle, Mindy, Hunter and Mason
June 17	Louie and Shelby Bock Hank and Alma Hedberg	Joel and Mary Jo Cartier Tom and Shannon Rogers
June 24	Dale Stephens, Bryan Kautzer Vance and Mary Henning	Tom and Deb Konecny Pat and Tami Conlon

COFFEE HOUR-Coordinator, Kathy Hilscher

	<u>8:00 Set-Up</u>	<u>10:15 Clean Up</u>
June 3	Alice Uecker	Phyllis Huggett
June 10	Joe and Deb Gonyo	Joe and Deb Gonyo
June 17	Shelley Nulton	Shelley Nulton
June 24	Sundae Sunday	

The Worship Committee is grateful for your help.

Attention Parents:

At this time, we do not have nursery service during either service. Please feel free to use one of the quiet bags available in the foyer.

Or You may also sit in the lounge with your child and listen to the service, as there are toys in the southeast corner of the lounge. ☺ ☺

June/July Sponsors

ACOLYTES-Coordinator, Carol Schwark

ALTAR FLOWERS - \$12

June 3 LaVerne Stellmacher
June 10 Elmer Hilke family
June 17 DuWayne Wichman family
June 24 Robyn Theune
July 1 Gerald & Georgia Stellmacher
July 8 Open
July 15 Open
July 22 Joel & Mary Jo Cartier
July 29 Open

BULLETINS - \$10

LaVerne Stellmacher
Open
Betty Eichstedt
Claudia Thom
Gerald & Georgia S.
Open
Open
Mike & Marilyn Wuest
Open

8:00

June 3 Rachel Schulz
Melissa Smit

June 10 Ashley Zahnow
Krystal Tetzlaff

June 17 Emily Johnson
Amanda Coehoorn

June 24 Kimi Kernen
Tom Amend

10:30

Tom Zimdars
Hunter Gellings

Brad Arnold
Allie Hughes

Amy Lauber
Michael Lauber

Crissi Felix
Emily Grahn

RADIO BROADCAST - \$50

June 3 LaVerne Stellmacher
June 10 Gary Smith family
June 17 Mary Alice Wilkinson
June 24 Open
July 1 Gerald & Georgia Stellmacher
July 8 Velma Seidl
July 15 Open
July 22 Open
July 29 Open

2007 sign up sheets to sponsor all items above have been posted on the bulletin board between the coatroom and restroom on the main floor. Please sign up today!

Radio Broadcast

Our Sunday 8:00 am service broadcast is on WRPN Radio, 1600 AM, at 9:30 am every Sunday.

9:00 am

July 1 Colby Schultz
Megan Sperger

July 8 Amanda Himebaugh
Ashley Himebaugh

July 15 Kyle Erdmann
Tim Hoffman

July 22 Brendan Conlon
Kimi Kernen

July 29 Amanda page
Marlie Page

June 2007 A STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE FOR YOUR CHURCH

#231 Giving is a Form of Praise "...Praise the Lord's glorious name; bring an offering and come into his Temple." Psalm 96:8

With gas prices on the rise, wouldn't you like to find a way to give a larger gift to the church with a smaller impact on your checkbook? You can do just that by giving shares of appreciated stock that you've owned for at least a year and a day.

Giving shares of appreciated stock allows you to transfer this gift to the church without paying 5-15% gains taxes. Thus, you're able to give a larger gift. If you process your stock gifts through the Wisconsin U.M. Foundation, you do not pay a selling fee or commission. This means you're also able to give a larger gift when the church receives 100% of the proceeds from the sale of your shares of stock.

From January 1 – April 30, 2007, the Foundation has processed 51 stock gifts to 32 churches for a total of \$367,671.73. Gifts range from just under \$300 to just over \$50,000, for an average of \$11,489/church. Is your church the recipient of one of these gifts? Perhaps God is calling you to give some shares of stock to make a gift to the general operating fund of the church, to the building project, or to a special mission project.

You can also use appreciated stock to establish a Permanent Endowment Fund which will provide gifts to your church or another favorite ministry from now into eternity. Or consider using stock to establish a Charitable Gift Annuity or a Charitable Remainder Unitrust, which will provide you with a predictable life income.

For more information on how to make a gift to your church using appreciated stock, please call us at 1-888-903-9863. Our electronic stock transfer form is on our website at www.wumf.org under the "more assistance" tab.

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at the 10:30 am Service on May 13:

- Kendra Leigh Koseck, daughter of Erik and Theresa (Parks) Koseck. Her Godparents are Tim Koseck and Kim Parks;
- Alec Jaden Rohloff, son of Robert and Teresa (Arnetveit) Rohloff. His Godparents are Tamara Bahr and Lisa Jorgensen.

Food Pantry

As an Outreach Project to our community, we continue to donate items to our local Food Pantry. We ask that you bring the following items as these items are in low supply at this time.

In June and July bring: Baby food, baby powder, disposable diapers, salt, pepper, salad dressing, Spam, canned corned beef, canned fruit (except pineapple), non-frozen fruit juice concentrate, Tang, laundry and dishwashing detergents, crackers, cookies, powdered milk, sweetened condensed milk, and evaporated milk. Please place your donations in the shopping cart that is located on the main floor in the west (parking lot entrance) stairwell.

UMCOR 2nd Quarter Mission Project

Our 2nd quarter (April – June) mission project for 2006 is giving to **UMCOR** (United Methodist Committee on Relief). Because of the need at this time, we will be designating our offerings to go to help people affected by natural disasters that happen at this time of the year, like storms and flooding. Giving to this project makes a world of difference for these people in their time of need. Money given to this project through May 20 is \$810.

3rd Quarter Mission Project

Our 3rd quarter mission project (July - September) is giving to **Northcott Neighborhood House** in Milwaukee. Offerings will be used to support programs and for building projects.

Survivors of Suicide Support Group
First Thursday of each month
Immanuel Church Lounge 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Organized by Tim & Sandy Page, led by a trained counselor.

CHRISTIAN AVIATORS FELLOWSHIP DINNER
THURSDAY, JULY 26 6:00 p.m.

Bring a dish to share and join the potluck dinner with missionary aviators from around the globe. They gather for the EAA Convention and enjoy sharing stories with us and with each other. It is an inspirational evening for all.

Sundae Sunday
June 24, 2007

Come join us after each worship service for a free ice cream sundae topped with delicious Prellwitz Produce strawberries or Smuckers chocolate toppings.

Sponsored by the Nurture Committee

Wisconsin Timber Rattlers Tailgate Party and Game

We want to invite everyone (up to 100 people) to the July 27th Timber Rattlers Game and tailgate party in Appleton. This event is sponsored by the United Methodist Men and open to anyone who wants to join us. The following are the details of this event:

Date: Friday July 27, 2007

Times: 5:00pm – Tailgate Party
7:05pm – Baseball game
After the Game – Fireworks

Cost: \$8.00

Deadline: Sunday July 1, 2007 for payment of the tickets

Tailgate Party: This year we have reserved a picnic area along with a 20' x 30' tent so that we can sit in the shade

Bring the Following: Chair, meat to grill, dish to pass by each family, table service for your self/family and your beverage of choice

Need help with the following: Gas Grill's – We will need three gas grills to cook the meat. Please contact Tom Worrall or Roger Kindschi if you can provide one of the needed grills

Contact Person: Roger Kindschi (toll free #) 1-800-725-5276

Women's Circles

The **Merry Friends Circle** will meet on Tuesday, June 12 at 1:30 pm in the church lounge. Annagene Priske will be the leader, and Gerry Klingbeil will be the hostess.

The July meeting is on Tuesday, July 10 and will also be in the church lounge at 1:30 pm. The leader will be Ilah Morgan, and the hostess will be Rose Wetzel.

The **Priscilla Circle** will meet on Monday, June 11 at 7:00 pm in the church lounge. Debbie Zeratsky will share experiences from a recent trip to Southern Africa, along with a little history about the area. Visitors are most welcome. Business meeting will follow the presentation.

On July 9 we will meet at church at 5:40 pm to carpool to Paul and Heidi Semenske's home on Green Lake for our annual picnic which will begin at 6:00 pm. Bring a dish to pass. Beverages will be provided.

The **Koinonia Circle** will not meet in June, July and August. Their meetings will resume in the fall.

The **UMW Mission Team meeting** will be held on Monday, June 4 from 7:00 -8:00 pm in the church lounge. All unit officers, mission coordinators and circle leaders please be there.

IN REMEMBRANCE

The following are those from our church family and friends who have passed away in the past year. We take time to pay respect and tribute to the departed.

“Thank you, Father, for the lives that have been lived and the friendships that we have shared.”

Olwen Welk	June 29, 2006
Esther Hoffman	July 31, 2006
Mary Jo Bloch	September 9, 2006
Evelyn Splitt	September 16, 2006
Kathaleen Mathias	October 1, 2006
*David Steifner	October 16, 2006
Elnora Manske	October 16, 2006
Ray Zellmer	November 12, 2006
*Dawn (Belau) Moore	November 13, 2006
DuWayne Wichman Sr.	December 1, 2006
Herbert Singmaster	December 14, 2006
Aaron Schultz	December 27, 2006
Lois Zimdars	January 20, 2007
Doris Smith	March 4, 2007
Harold Hill	April 12, 2007

*non-members

Memorials were given in Memory of the following loved ones:

Olwen Welk
Elnora Manske
David Steifner
Herbert Singmaster
Doris Smith
Harold Hill

Esther Hoffman
Kathaleen Mathias
Ray Zellmer
Aaron Schultz
Lois Zimdars

Memorials purchased in the last year dedicated on Memorial Sunday:

United Methodist Women pledge in memory of Lois Zimdars.

Memorials to Accessibility/Elevator Fund in memory of
Olwen Welk, Esther Hoffman, Elnora Manske, Kathaleen
Mathias, David Steifner, Ray Zellmer, Herb Singmaster, and
Lois Zimdars.

Artificial plants for sanctuary in memory of Doris Smith.