



Sunday, February 9, 2025
St. James and St. Mark's United Church of Christ
Rev. Dr. Patrick Schultz, Pastor
Ann Rodewald, Organist Scott Siekman, Reader

Meditative Music

Bells Ring

Prelude Gathering for Worship:

God So Loved the World

Call to Worship:

Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as a little child,
flesh and blood, to share in our humanity

For God so loved the world that all might have eternal life.

Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as a carpenter
and yet in whose creative hands a world was fashioned

For God so loved the world that all might have eternal life.

Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as a fisherman
and yet pointed to a harvest that was yet to come
For God so loved the world that all might have eternal life.

Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as a healer
and opened hearts to the reality of wholeness
For God so loved the world that all might have eternal life.

Blessed are you, Lord Jesus who came to us as a servant
and revealed to us the extent of his Father's love for humanity
For God so loved the world that all might have eternal life.

Blessed are you, Lord Jesus, who rose from the ignominy of a sinner's death to the triumph of a Savior's resurrection. For God so loved the world that all might have eternal life. God so loved the world that he gave his only Son for the sake of me and you and other sinners. Blessed are you Lord Jesus, our Savior and Redeemer. Amen.

Hymn:

St. James (#192)
St. Mark's (#110)

*Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me
We Come, O Christ, to You*

Affirming Our Faith:

I believe in God the Father, Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord:

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried:

He descended into hell: The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead:

I believe in the Holy Spirit: The One Holy Universal Christian Church: the communion of saints: The forgiveness of sins: The resurrection of the body:

And the life everlasting. Amen.

Young at Heart:



Prayer of Confession:

Great God of all creation, who are we that you are mindful of us? You who set the stars in motion, who launched waves crashing against the shore, who knows the heights and depths of the world; Why do you bother with us?

You count the hairs on our heads and call us each by name. You give us your wisdom and you uphold us by your Spirit. You tend to us and care for us, and we do not understand why.

We cannot grasp your love for us, O God, for it is unlike us to be that loving and forgiving. We become enmeshed by our own needs and wants and desires and we fail to see beyond anything but our own little circles.

Turn us around, O God. Remind us once again of the sacredness of our ordinary, day-to-day lives. By your Spirit, teach us to live truly as beings in Christ. In your mercy, O God, forgive who we are and bless who we will be.

A Moment of Silence:

Words of Assurance:

Hear the good news! God's Spirit has been poured out upon us and we have been made one in Christ. We who are uniquely made are no longer scattered or divided but gathered together to build up the kingdom on this earth. Amen.

Hymn:

St. James (#252)

St. Mark's (#257)

*Take Thou Our Minds
What Wondrous Love is This*

Scripture Reading:

John 16:4-14 ESV

But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told them to you.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me, and none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Message:

Reclaim The Truth

Dr. Patrick Schultz

Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. *Amen.*

Offering:

Offering, tithes and gifts can be made before or after worship in the offering baskets/plates at the welcome area of the church. St. James is also set up to take on-line offerings through the website (stmstjucc.org).

Offertory Music:

As the Deer

Doxology: ~ *The offering is brought to the altar* ~

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye Heavenly Host;

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving:

Majestic and holy God, Creator of all that is seen and unseen, we bring these gifts in awe of your glory revealed in the heavens and here among us. As we offer these gifts, may they reflect your wisdom and share your love, building a world that proclaims your majesty. Through your Spirit, pour your grace into our lives, that our service may mirror the love you have shown us in Christ. In Christ we pray. *Amen.*

Hymn of Sending:

St. James (#406)

St. Mark's (#342)

In Christ There is No East or West

Rejoice the Lord is King

Benediction:

Go, now, in the blessing of the Triune God who creates all things, redeems all things, and sustains all things so that we may live out the glory of God's abundance and peace with one another and all creation. *Amen.*

Postlude:

Recessional March



Our Church Celebrations!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK TO:

February 9th – Hillary Hermann, Kari Langenhahn, Ron Vandoske

10th – Elliot Gumm, Jon Herrmann, Briana Riesterer, Sue Vandoske

12th – Amanda Russart

15th – Clara Meyer

NO ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

CHOIR REHEARSALS:

St. James choir practice will be held this week Tuesday, February 11th, beginning at 6:30pm. New members are welcome!

St. Mark's choir practice is on hold right now. Kathy will contact you with any new information regarding getting together.

Next weekend is busy with the Mission Team Brat Fry at Miesfeld's 9-2 on Saturday, February 15th and the Rural Church Fellowship Sheepshead Tournament at Bethlehem UCC 1-3 on Sunday, February 16th. Check the two last pages of the bulletin for more information.

COME & JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS!

St. James UCC

1st & 3rd Sundays..... 10:30 a.m.

2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays..... 9:00 a.m.

~Sunday School at St. James 9-10am ~

St. Mark's UCC

1st & 3rd Sundays..... 9:00 a.m.

2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays.....10:30 a.m.



The Church and Ministry Team of The Northeast Association
of the Wisconsin Conference, United Church of Christ

Invites all members,
friends and clergy of the NEA Congregations to the

**Ordination of
Randall Koppenhaver**



At Bethlehem United Church of Christ
11608 Lax Chapel Rd
Kiel, WI 53042
(920) 894-3332

Saturday, February 15, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

The service will be live streamed on the churches Facebook page- <https://www.facebook.com/buckkiel>

A meal and reception will follow the service.

Clergy are invited to robe and the stole color is red or rainbow.

An offering will be received for the Wisconsin Conference Member in Discernment Scholarship Fund.

**Immanuel UCC's famous
CHILI SUPPER**

Drive Thru Only



Wednesday, February 12th
Serving from 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

W3694 Co Rd FF, Plymouth, WI 53073
Corner of FF and M

*\$10.00 includes a quart of chili, two slices of bread,
a package of crackers, cheese, and dessert*

**(In case of inclement weather, it will be held on Thursday,
February 13th)*

HOLY TRINITY PARISH
11928 Markon Road, Kiel - (Located in School Hill)
24th ANNUAL PERCH FRY

FRI. FEBRUARY 21, 2025
Dine-In Serving from 3:30-7

Carry-outs from 11:00-1:00 and 3:30-7 ~ Call 920-773-2380

Raffle Tickets, Visit the HT Lounge, Handicapped Accessible



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RURAL CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

Presents

SHEEPSHEAD TOURNAMENT



Where: Bethlehem United Church of Christ
11608 Lax Chapel Road
Kiel, WI 53042

When: **Sunday, February 16, 2025, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm**
[Snow date is Feb. 23rd, same time]
Doors open at 12:30

Entrance Fee: Canned goods and/or free will offering

Rules will be explained before the tournament begins.

All levels of skill are welcome.

Beginner's table(s) will be available for those who don't know how to play.

Don't want to play sheepshead but want to participate in the fun?

Bring your own board or card game.

Refreshments will be available.

COME ONE...COME ALL! Open to the Public!

Childcare will be supplied. Games and movies for the kiddos.

MIESFELD'S Brat Fry

Our 2025 Mission Team is raising funds for a youth mission trip to Altoona, Pennsylvania.



WHERE:

MIESFELD'S 4811 VENTURE
DR. SHEBOYGAN, WI. 53083

WHEN:

SATURDAY, FEBURARY
15TH @ 9A.M. - 2P.M.



10:30am Services are recorded and available on our church YouTube channel:
St. Mark's & St. James UCC

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Join our prayer team; contact Karen in our Church office: stmstjoffice@gmail.com