

# Union Congregational United Church of Christ



At Union, we are all the body of Christ together:  
Through our voices, Christ is still speaking  
Through our hands, Christ is still serving  
Through our hearts, Christ is still loving



June 14, 2026

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Our sanctuary is equipped with a hearing loop. You can access the loop by activating the T-coil in your hearing aid. If you do not have a T-coil, you can request a portable receiver from an usher.

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# Welcome to Union Church!

- Today's service is being live streamed via Facebook and YouTube.
- During the Children's Moments, the live stream will display a graphic, in order to protect our children's privacy.
- Please see an usher if you would like a children's activity packet or if you need help finding the nursery.
- Visitors are encouraged to fill out a visitor card at the usher's station or email [office@unionucc.com](mailto:office@unionucc.com) to receive our weekly email newsletter.
- Visitors, if you would like more information about our church, please take home a yellow "Welcome to Union Church" folder located at either sanctuary door. If you have trouble finding them, ask one of our friendly members to help you locate one!
- We encourage those who are COVID positive or have cold or flu symptoms to worship from home and to consult with your healthcare provider to ensure you are engaging in best practices regarding masking, distancing, and receiving vaccines/boosters, particularly if you or someone you live with have health concerns.

## St. James Playground After Church

Please join other Union Families after church at the playground across the street for fun and fellowship.





Too often we celebrate freedom without asking who is still waiting to be free.  
Too often we speak of peace while avoiding the work that peace requires.  
Too often we proclaim your love while withholding it from those who need it most.  
Forgive us. Renew our hearts where they have become hardened. Open our eyes where they have become closed. Strengthen our courage where it has grown weary. By your grace, make us into a people who not only receive your love but reflect it in the world. We pray in the spirit of Christ. Amen.

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON: (responsive)

One: Friends, hear the good news: God does not wait for us to become perfect before offering us grace.

All: **God's love is not earned. It is given.  
God's mercy is not scarce. It is abundant.  
God's forgiveness is not conditional. It is a gift.  
In Christ, we are forgiven, renewed, and set free to begin again.  
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

\* PASSING THE PEACE OF JESUS CHRIST

\* HYMN NO. 593:

*"Lift Every Voice and Sing"*  
(see pages 6-7)

LIFT EVERY VOICE  
The New Century Hymnal

**PROCLAIMING GOD'S GOOD NEWS**

HOLY SCRIPTURE:

Exodus 5:1-9

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CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Children are invited to gather on the chancel steps and bring their offering.  
Following Children's Moments, all children are welcome to remain in worship.  
Additionally, parents are welcome to accompany their children to our "playground" in the south transept to play and pray quietly or to drop them off downstairs to play in the nursery with our paid nursery staff. Activity bags with crayons, etc. are available from an usher.

HOLY GOSPEL:

Matthew 9:35—10:8

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THE SERMON:

Rev. Bridget Flad Daniels

SPECIAL MUSIC:

*"Allegretto"* --from *Three Romances*

Clara Schumann  
Dr. Taylor Giorgio, violin

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Today it is our joy to celebrate the sacrament of baptism with:

**Sigrid Helen Rhine**

Sigrid's Parents: **Tison Rhine and Maya Zahn Rhine**

Sigrid's Godparents: **Eric and Bridget Smith**

### WELCOME

One. Members and friends in Christ, we gather now to celebrate the gift of grace in the sacrament of baptism.

All. **There is one body, one God, and one Spirit. There is one hope in God's call to us.**

### QUESTIONS OF PARENTS AND SPONSORS

#### CONGREGATIONAL ASSENT

**Sigrid, we welcome you with joy into the household of faith. We promise you our friendship, help, and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ.**

**May you find guidance and encouragement for your journey in the Christian community, and by the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in knowledge and love of God and as witnesses of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### BLESSING THE WATER OF BAPTISM

THE BAPTISM: Sigrid Helen Rhine

### THE BAPTISMAL CANDLE

#### PRAYER OF BLESSING

One. We give you thanks, O Holy One, mother and father of all the faithful, for this your beloved child and for the grace acknowledged here today in water and the Holy Spirit. Embrace us all in the household of your love. Grant us grace to receive, nurture, and befriend this new member of the body of Christ.

All. **Give to Sigrid the strength for life's journey, courage in time of suffering, the joy of faith, the freedom of love, and the hope of new life. Through Jesus Christ, who makes us one. Amen.**

HYMN:

*"All the Colors of the Rainbow"*  
(see page 5)

ABBOT'S LEIGH

## RESPONDING IN FAITH

### THE PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please join us in praying the Lord's Prayer in these words or a translation meaningful to you.  
**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.**

### THE OFFERING

Offertory: *"Sancta Dorothea"* Franz Liszt  
\*Praise Response: *"We Belong to One Another"* Amanda Udis-Kessler

***We give thanks for one a-no-ther, for each heart and hand and face.  
We are grate-ful for the bless-ings that in-fuse our lives with grace.  
May we of-fer our a-bun-dance. As we're gi-ven, may we give.  
In our thanks for one a-no-ther, may we help each o-ther live.***

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (responsive)

One: Generous God, thank you for reminding us that all that we have and all that we are come from you. Receive these gifts, and receive our lives as well. Use them to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, comfort the grieving, and strengthen all who seek justice and peace.

**All: May these offerings help build a world that reflects your dream for creation—a world where every person knows their dignity, every voice is valued, and every person is free to flourish. Bless these gifts and bless those who give them, that together we may partner in your work of healing and hope. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

## SENT INTO ALL THE WORLD

\*HYMN NO. 353: *"Great Work Has God Begun in You"* VERBUM DEI  
(see page 8) The New Century Hymnal

### \*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: *"Leiden schastlich schnell"* --from *Three Romances* Clara Schumann  
Dr. Taylor Giorgio, violin

Thanks to all who helped lead today's service including **Tim Dantoin** (reader),  
**Dr. Taylor Giorgio** (violin), **Elaine Moss** (organ),  
and **Brittany Hendrix Malone** who offered our Children's Moments.

Carl P. Daw

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# All the Colors of the Rainbow

ABBOT'S LEIGH  
Cyril V. Taylor

1. All the co - lours of the rain-bow live un - seen in dai - ly light,  
3. Ev - ery lang - uage gains more mu - sic when the words for peace ap - pear:  
4. Teach us, God, our need of oth - ers; through them help us ful - ly live.

but their splen - dors find ex - pres-sion when re - leased to hu - man sight;  
Pax, Sa - laam, Ei - ri - ni, Hei - wa, Pa - ce, San - ti, Frie den, Mir.  
Wean us from our sel - fish hab - its; let us list - en, learn, for - give.

so the church re - veals most beau - ty where di - ver - si - ty is real:  
Though our tongues make sounds that va - ry all be - speak a com - mon home:  
May we see your longed - for im - age in each hu - man heart and face,

breadth of race and class and gen - der, room for doubt and space to heal.  
long - ing for the end of con - flict and a new life in God's Sha - lom.  
and be - hold how those a - round us can be chan - nels of your grace.

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Tune: LIFT EVERY VOICE Irr.  
J. Rosamond Johnson, 1921

James Weldon Johnson, 1921; alt.

1 Lift ev-ery voice and sing, till earth and heav - en ring, ring with the  
2 Ston-y the road we trod, bit-ter the chas-tening rod, felt in the  
3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears, God who has

har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty; Let our re - joic - ing  
days when hope un - born had died; Yet with a stead - y  
brought us thus far on the way; God, who by your

rise, high as the lis - tening skies, let it re - sound loud as the  
beat, have not our wea - ry feet, come to the place for which our  
might, led us in - to the light, keep us for - ev - er in the

roll - ing sea. Sing a song full of the  
peo - ple sighed? We have come o - ver a  
path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the

faith that the harsh past has taught us, Sing a song full of the  
 way that with tears has been wa - tered, We have come, tread - ing our  
 plac - es, our God, where we met you, Lest our hearts, drunk with the

hope that the pres - ent has brought us; Fac - ing the  
 path through the blood of the slaugh - tered, Out from the  
 wine of the world, for - get you; Shad - owed be -

ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun, let us march  
 gloom - y past, till now we stand at last where the white  
 neath your hand, may we for - ev - er stand, true to our

on till vic - to - ry is won.  
 gleam of our bright star is cast.  
 God, true to our na - tive land.

## Great Work Has God Begun in You

*Phil. 1:6; Col. 2:6; Eph. 5:1*

Tune: VERBUM DEI L.M.

Alternate tune:

Carol Birkland, 1995

William P. Rowan, 1993

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1 Great work has God be - gun in you, so let the Spir - it  
 2 In love, God calls you to this day, and gives you strength, these  
 3 A - round God's ta - ble cel - e - brate the end of bond - age,  
 4 Great work has God be - gun in you; take on God's love in

fol - low through; The mark of Christ up - on your brow, bap -  
 vows to say; Take up the faith that you were shown, and  
 sin, and hate: A feast of love and vic - to - ry, the  
 all you do, And may that love in you in - crease—now,

tis - mal touch re - mem - ber now.  
 grow, as - sured you are God's own.  
 gift of Christ who sets us free.  
 with God's bless - ing, go in peace.

# Mental Health First Aid

## Training Opportunities



- ✓ Adult Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training will be held on Friday, June 26, 8 am through 4:30 pm, at Union Church, 716 South Madison Street, Green Bay. Lunch will be provided along with all course materials and certification upon completion of the course at no cost to you. Please complete [this form](#) if you would like to take this course.



*Led by Jen Sovey and Christie Reese*

- ✓ A Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHA) training will be held on Tuesday, July 28, 8 am through 4:30 pm, at Union Church, 716 South Madison Street, Green Bay. Lunch will be provided along with all course materials and certification upon completion of the course at no cost to you. Please complete [this form](#) if you would like to take this course.



*Led by Christie Reese and Erin Bongers*

- ✓ De Pere will be hosting Youth Mental Health First Aid training at St. Norbert college on 9/10/2026 and Adult Mental Health First Aid training on 9/29/2026. More information will be coming soon!

Learn more about Mental Health First Aid training here: <https://mentalhealthfirstaid.org/>



## Blessing Box City Band Concert Food Drives 2026 Season Begins June 17!

The Blessing Box team will collect canned food on Wednesday evenings, during the Green Bay City Band Concert season.

If you'd like to participate, you're welcome to drop off donations at the Mayflower Entrance on your way to the concert. Thank you!

*Concert details available at <https://greenbaycityband.com>.*

## Weekly Planner

June 15 — 20

### **Monday:**

11:30 a.m. Ladies Lunch Bunch

### **Tuesday:**

12:30 p.m. Education Ministry

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### **NEXT SUNDAY: June 21** **Fourth Sunday after Pentecost** **Father's Day**

10:00 a.m. Worship in the sanctuary  
(or stream it online)  
followed by Coffee Hour  
in the church hall

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### **Allouez Antiques & Vintage** **Blessing Box Fundraiser**

Allouez Antiques & Vintage, 1510 S. Webster Avenue, has selected Union's Blessing Box to be the recipient for all money collected for the month of June from sales in their non-profit fundraiser booth. If you would like to donate antiques/vintage or collectible items for the sale, please contact Stacie Christian at 920-639-8421 or come pick out an item that you would like to buy so you can add to the donation! For more information, please visit the Allouez Antiques & Vintage Facebook page.

## Union Congregational United Church of Christ

Union Congregational United Church of Christ is an **Open and Affirming Congregation**. We are a Christian fellowship where diverse perspectives may live together in the Spirit of Christ and where all persons are precious children of God without qualification or discrimination because of ability, age, ethnicity, gender, race, or sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.

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### **Ladies Lunch Bunch** **Meets June 15**

**Join us at 11:30 a.m.**  
**at the Village Grille in Allouez**

### **Our Church Staff**

Senior Minister..... Bridget Flad Daniels  
Administrative Assistant ..... Eric Goska  
Financial Secretary ..... Katrina Catteruccia  
Building & Maintenance Supervisor ..... Brad Dorin  
Music Director..... Haley Steele  
Organist..... Franklin Beyer  
Handbell Ensemble Director..... Linda Cook  
Librarian..... Cathy Putman  
AV Coordinator ..... Daniel Hatton

#### Student Music Interns:

Zeke Fietsch-Huber, Caleb Hale, Ella Hamilton

#### Nursery Attendants:

Jenna Stevens, London Graham, Katelyn Mertens, Scott Nixon