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The Messenger



FROM

PASTOR LEANNE

The weather has turned chilly, kids are back in school, and leaves are falling. Autumn has come on quickly. We've had a lot to be grateful for this summer. I will be real honest, the roof was nearly my second worry after figuring out how to do worship during COVID. It's a big project and the raising of the funds was going to take time and energy and focus. And, abundance came between a hail storm and insurance.

Abundance is a way of seeing the world, what we are, what we have, and how we live. Jesus embodied and revealed to us a way of abundance through extravagant sharing of a lunch with thousands and overwhelming healings. Abundance's opposite is scarcity. Scarcity says there is not enough, abundance knows there is always more. Scarcity says if you win, I lose, abundance tells us we aren't in competition. Scarcity says we can't, abundance helps us find a way.

A friend decided I needed an autumn wall hanging that says, "Don't count your blessings, share them." It's full of glitter, so it must be true. :)

If abundance is a way of seeing the world, the creatures that fill it, and our lives; then

stewardship through generosity are the values through which we live out that abundance. With our time, talents, gifts, energies, and resources we care for each other, for our neighbors near and far, for the earth, full of abundance and the creatures upon it. Stewardship is the action of care and love of the world because we know, believe, and science has revealed that our lives are intimately woven together with each person, animal creature, and plant.

This season, consider the abundance in your life—abundance of love, community, hope, music, art, creative-ness, time, network, even money—and how you might live that abundance out, how you might steward what you have and live that value to care for God's good world.

Pastor Leanne



November 5

*prayers for the Rivera family
and Pastor Leanne & Kelly*

Hosea 11:1-9

**HOLY COMMUNION / ALL SAINTS
REMEMBRANCE SERVICE**

**Pike's luncheon for the
church family after Worship
Tuesday: Bible Study at 10 AM**

November 12

*prayers for Judy & Peter St.
Martin and the Smith family*

PLEDGE SUNDAY!!

**Appreciation Luncheon
follows Worship**

1 Kings 18: [17-19] 20-39

**Monday: Trustees meeting
4:30 PM**

**Tuesday: Bible Study 10 AM;
Ladies Fellowship meeting at
1 PM**

**Wednesday: Deadline for
December newsletter articles**

November 19

*prayers for Julia Starbuck and
Sue & Tom Stelling*

Isaiah 5:1-7; 11:1-5

Council meeting after worship

Monday-Wednesday:

Emmanuel delivers the

Dousman Area Home Meals

Tuesday: Bible Study at 10 AM

Thursday: Thanksgiving Day

November 26

*prayers for Steve Thompson
and Marian Speerless &
Stephen Turley*

2 Kings 22:1-10 [11-20]; 23:1-3

**FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
OBSERVED**

Tuesday: Bible Study at 10 AM

Wednesday: Home-Brewed

Faith at Rosati's in

Oconomowoc, 7-8 PM



**CLEANING THE CHURCH: Debbie Morgan...
any other volunteers??**

**Coffee Hour Committee for November 12th...
NO COFFEE HOUR; Stewards are hosting an
Appreciation Luncheon for Pledge Sunday**

	USHERS	SCRIPTURE READERS
5	Kristen Voskuil	Mary Branson
12	Lorna & Jere Marheine	Steve Thompson
19	Debbie Morgan	Michelle Smith
26	Carol Pfalz	Jeannie Phelan



NOVEMBER CELEBRATION S

BIRTHDAYS

Olivia Obenberger	11	Sue Stelling	22
Nora Smith	17	Fran Pike	23
Tom Stelling	19	Betsy Welch	27
Robert Zondag	20	Buck Buckett	28

ANNIVERSARIES

Craig Berentsen & Michael Grant 9

MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES

Christy & John Lui	5,	2000	23 years
Alex & Jim Langreder	7,	2004	19 years
Connie Motelet	7,	1993	30 years
Corrine Mayer	8,	1987	36 years
Ann & Bill Carpenter	11,	1990	33 years
Renee & Jay Obenberger	14,	2010	13 years
Gary Phelps	14,	2010	13 years
Kristen Voskuil	14,	2004	19 years
Pastor Leanne Rose	17,	2021	2 years
Sue & Tom Stelling	18,	2001	22 years



BECAUSE OF YOU.... OUR CHURCH CHANGES LIVES

This is the theme for our 2024 Pledge Drive. You have changed many lives through your generosity of time, talents, and gifts in our church, in our community and around the world.

You will soon be receiving a Pledge Letter from the Board of Stewards which will include a Pledge Card that we ask you to complete each year. It is our hope that you will consider the blessings that you have received from God and, in a spirit of gratitude, wish to share those gifts. Please complete and return your 2024 Pledge Card by NOVEMBER 12TH.

We hope we can continue to be the little church that gives a lot as we prepare for our Annual Pledge Drive.

On Pledge Sunday, November 12th, we invite you to join us for a light brunch after church.

Sincerely,
Your Board of Stewards
Sue Stelling, Charlotte Voigt,
Francine Langlais and
Steve Thompson



Dear Church Family,

As most of you know we have been talking about moving to North Carolina for some time. Well, it's finally going to happen! November 19th is moving day. It has been a long journey with many bumps in the road. Many of you have said to us we don't know how you do it! Our response is we don't know how we would have done it without the support of our church family, the cards, words of encouragement, prayers and offers of help.

Our last Sunday will be Nov 5th and we would like to invite all of you to a light lunch following worship. We plan on continuing to attend services online so it's not to say goodbye but to say THANK YOU for all you have done. Just remember to turn to the camera and wave to us occasionally.

Ken & Fran



**You will be able to order SCRIP
on Sunday, December 3rd!
Have your Christmas list
ready and don't forget this
year's Angel Tree gift cards
for Family Promise friends...
\$10-\$30 cards for food stores
or gasoline.**



these hygiene products. Thank you.

The month of October we've been supporting the local organization Wildlife In Need located on Waterville Road. Their mission is the treatment and care of injured, diseased, or orphaned indigenous wildlife, and the subsequent return of healthy viable animals to appropriate habitats in the wild. At the Wildlife In Need Center (WINC) they answer over 10,000 phone calls from people asking for advice or help with wildlife issues. Of the 3,000 animals admitted annually for care, 85% of these animals were admitted because of interactions with humans. They also conduct educational programs in schools and for scouts, church, and civic groups.

For November, our charity will be Adaptive Community Approach Program (ACAP). ACAP's mission is to encourage people with disabilities to achieve their highest potential and to acquire life-long skills that will enable them to become contributing and valued members within their communities. They do this through adaptive recreation, education, enrichment, and community service. They are located in Waukesha and besides providing adult daycare, there are opportunities for clients to express themselves artistically. ACAP has an art studio on Main Street, Art Links 333, where clients can make their art and sell it to the public. They work with Waukesha Civic Theater to do shows as the ACAP Players. They have a collaboration with Lifestriders for clients to work with therapy horses and learn to care for them. ACAP has lots of opportunities for adults with disabilities to be out in the community. There are many events and ways we can support this charity, but our dollars and cents collected in November will be very much needed.



From April to October we have been using the facilities of the Housing Action Coalition for our families in need of shelter. Starting in November we will be partnering with Hebron House to run the Waukesha Winter overflow shelter in the same facility. One side of the shelter will house our families while the other side will house single men and women. Meals for the families will be served at different times than those for the single people. With this change comes a change in how we participate in providing meals. Emmanuel hopes to join with another partner who may request us to assist them in providing part of a meal once a month.

If you are willing to be called upon for this task, please contact Emmanuel's Volunteer Coordinators, Sue Stelling, Shirlene Hazelberg or Charlotte Voigt so that we may add your name to the list of available volunteers to provide part of a meal. We also need volunteers to serve the meal from 5 P.M. – 8 P.M. You must complete a training

Congratulations again on your generosity! We raised \$240.00 for the Mukwonago Food Pantry and collected 34 generous sized Men and Women's Body Washes and Deodorants, which was very much needed as Food Pantry was very low on

course if you are interested in that. Talk to the coordinators for further information.

If you would like to contribute in a different way, Pick'n Save gift cards in denominations of \$10, \$20 or \$30 are always appreciated. Thank you.

Remember Food Pantry Sunday!



We designate the first Sunday of each month as Emmanuel's Food Pantry Sunday. We invite you to bring non-perishable donations for the Kettle Moraine Food Pantry and place them in the bin in the foyer.

THANK YOU to Laurie Buckett for taking our donations to the Pantry each month.

SHOPPING OPPORTUNITIES IN OCONOMOWOC ON NOVEMBER 4TH!!

**Oconomowoc Area Senior Center**
210 South Main Street, 262.567.4288
OconomowocSeniors.org

CRAFT FAIR

Saturday, November 4
9 am - 2 pm
Oconomowoc Area Senior Center
210 S. Main St, Oconomowoc

Our many crafters will offer you great
choices for you or as gifts -
Christmas is coming!

Silent Auction...Enjoy lunch too!

**Our own
Sandy Jarrett
will have a
booth at this
Craft Fair and
will be selling
her beautiful
cards & gifts.**

**HUGE
Church
Rummage Sale**
First Congregational UCC
815 S. Concord Rd., Oconomowoc

Saturday, November 4
8 AM - 2 PM

Continuing Opportunities...



TUESDAY MORNINGS
10-11 AM in the library
Each week the Scripture for the following Sunday is discussed.

THURSDAY MORNING BREW!!
FIRST THURSDAYS ONLY!



November 2nd

stop in for a cup of coffee or breakfast and chat with Pastor Leanne
Sunnyside Up Restaurant on Hwy. 67 in Dousman

HOME-BREWED FAITH DISCUSSION!!

Wednesday, November 29th

7-8 PM

Rosati's in Oconomowoc

An Apocalyptic Advent

No Homebrewed in December



THANK YOU! for your ongoing support!

We appreciate your ongoing support. Donations may be sent to our P.O. Box address: Emmanuel UCC, P.O. Box 216, Dousman 53118...OR scan our Paypal QR code if you

prefer. Please be aware that the church does not receive 100% of your donation via Payal. An administration fee is deducted from our receipt.



Thank you for donating your aluminum cans to our Precious Metals project. Monies received from recycling the cans and other metals benefits Emmanuel's operating budget. When the snow starts flying, please place your bags of cans to the left of the garage service door so they don't get plowed away...thank you.



♥ Everyone who helped with the October 22nd clean up of the church grounds and Hwy. 18.

♥ Tom Stelling & Peter St. Martin for

spraying the parking lot cracks in preparation for the crack filling project being done by SuperSealers.

♥ Carol Pfalz for washing the outside of the church windows!!

♥ Kristen Voskuil for getting rid of the majority of the left-over rummage.

♥ Tom Stelling and Rod Podszus for mowing the lawn.

♥ Jeannie Phelan, Ann Carpenter and Erika Weiss for helping Pastor Leanne select hymns for our Sunday worship.

- ♥ Our Dousman Home Meals drivers Sue Stelling, Kris Davidson, Kathy Bleecker-Piirto, Jo Quaden, Charlotte Voigt, Francine Langlais and Ron Blaschuk, Shirlene Hazelberg, Kathy Zebrowski and Nansi Hawkins.
- ♥ , October Ushers Shirlene Hazelberg, Charlotte Voigt, Laurie Buckett, Connie Motelet and Kris Davidson.
- ♥ Scripture Readers...Steve Thompson, Francine Langlais, Kris Davidson and Ann Carpenter.
- ♥ Camera Operator: Melissa Rivera
- ♥ Michael Clark & Mary Branson for purchasing the water for our water coolers.
- ♥ Ann Carpenter for leading worship singing.
- ♥ Sue & Tom Stelling, Francine Langlais & Ron Blaschuk for cleaning the church in October.
- ♥ Our Coffee Hour Committee for October 8th: Stellings, Francine & Ron, Kathy Zebrowski, Deb Morgan, Kris Davidson and Donna Newland.
- ♥ Lorna Marheine for sending in our Sentry receipts so that we get our rebate!!



- ♥ Pastor Leanne who is recovering from ankle surgery.
- ♥ Marian Speerless, recovering in rehab from a broken hip.
- ♥ Lorna Marheine and their son,

Jason.

♥ Mary Ellen Jondle

♥ Gregg Jarrett

♥ Fran Pike

♥ Pastor Leanne's sister, Jessica

♥ All of our dear shut-ins including Vera Ortmann and Betsy & Bill Welch.



Thank you for your gift of \$25 via Check received on 10/13/23. Your generosity will prevent families from losing their home through financial assistance for rent, utilities or car repairs; or provide them an opportunity for a new beginning in our shelter program.

In 2022, gifts provided assistance to 95 households and 316 individuals. These are families who either were able to avoid the chaos of homelessness or were provided shelter and given an opportunity to escape homelessness. 68% of families who completed the shelter program were able to exit to independent, permanent housing. 93% of households we assisted with rent assistance remain in their home.

It is because of your compassion and kindness that these families have another opportunity.

On behalf of all those we serve - thank you!

Best regards, Joe Nettesheim, Executive Director



Thank you Peggy Hazelberg for taking pictures at the Blessing of the Pets Service!

Sun	3	Holy Communion / Food Pantry Sunday Place SCRIP orders Congregational Meeting after Worship
Tues.	5, 12, 19	Bible Study 10 AM
Thurs.	7	Morning Brew with Pastor Leanne at Sunnyside Restaurant, 8:30-10 AM
Sun.	10	Sunday School Christmas Pageant Coffee Hour
Mon.	11	Trustees meeting 4:30 PM
Tues.	12	Ladies Fellowship Christmas Party at noon in fellowship hall
Sun.	17	Special offering for The Christmas Fund Council meets after Worship
Mon-Fri	18-22	Emmanuel delivers the Dousman Area Home Meals
Sun.	24	Christmas Eve – no morning service 5 PM Christmas Eve Service with Communion
Mon.	25	Christmas Day
Wed.	27	NO Home-Brewed Faith Discussion in December
Sun.	31	New Years Eve Worship at 9:30 AM



THANK YOU
everyone who contributed to our Clergy
Appreciation Gift for Pastor Leanne...
Moderator, John Lui presented the gift to her at
our October 8th Blessing of the Pets Service

...we blessed not only 'live' animals, but also stuffed and pictures of our beloved pets!



...and thank you Kris Davidson & Litla for providing pony rides!



Treasurer's Report for September 2023

PLEDGED Income received

(September 2023)	\$7,263.00
(September 2022)	\$8,280.00
Difference	-\$1,017.00

NON-PLEDGES & PLATE Income Received

(September 2023)	\$228.81
(September 2022)	\$1,377.00
Difference	-\$1,148.19

Total INCOME for (September 2023) *	\$11,669.26
Total INCOME for (September 2022)	\$9,764.98
Difference	\$1,904.28

Total EXPENSE for (September 2023)	\$31,782.06
Total EXPENSE for (September 2022)	\$10,349.69
Difference	\$21,432.37

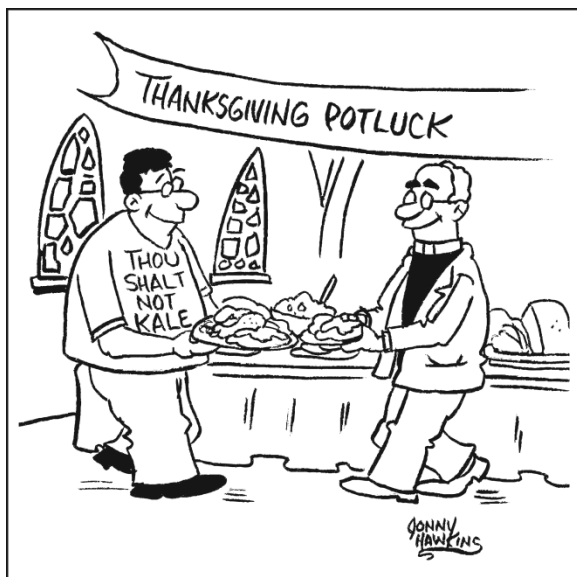
Checking Account Balance as of September 30, 2023	\$1,909.48
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Difference	-\$6,836.69

*TOTAL INCOME includes funds received for:

Singing Bowl	\$172.45
WI Conference offering income (OCWM, Christmas Fund, etc)	\$1,952.00
SCRIP sales/Pastor Appreciation	\$1,695.00
Fund Raiser	\$358.00

RBC Investment Account Growth for September 2023	-\$3,935.84
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Please direct questions or comments to Kathy Zebrowski (262-646-8882) or
Jeannie Phelan (414-940-4464)



November

9:30 AM WORSHIP EACH SUNDAY
(also live-streamed on Facebook)

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