



“WE ARE THE CHURCH TOGETHER”

February 2021

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2021 WATCHWORD -

God's grace toward me has not been in vain. 1 Corinthians 15:10

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES - 10:30

February 7	Worship
February 14	Worship
February 17	Ash Wednesday/Communion - 6:30 pm
February 21	Worship
February 28	Worship



Church Updates

Back to Worship, Sunday, February 7

The Joint Board met this past week and approved for us to return to in person worship beginning on Sunday, February 7. The number of Corona Virus cases in the county continue to improve. We are blessed with our own congregational panel of experts who feel that if we continue to maintain our protocols we can get back to in person worship.

For those who want to continue with virtual worship we support your decision and we will be recording and sending out the video each week on Mondays rather than Thursdays. After this week's video the next video will be available on February 8.

If you are comfortable coming back to in person we encourage you to do so. Before we shut down in the fall we still had plenty of space in the sanctuary. We will open up the balcony and the basement as well. We need to wear our masks and be distanced and we will be keeping the service short. As the weeks go by we will begin adding some pieces and parts back into worship like spoken liturgy and special music.

I know this is an exciting step but I remind you that now more than ever we need to stick to our protocols so we can get everyone safely to the place we hope to be. The race is not over but we should be filled with hope.

Budget Approved

The Joint Board has approved our budget for 2021. We will be sending you a copy of the budget and an explanation of the minor changes from last year's budget. I share with great joy and gratitude to all of you that we ended the year in a strong financial position and look forward to the mission and ministry of the coming year.

Church Council Postponed

The Joint Board has decided to postpone the annual church council until early summer. We have tried to imagine doing this virtually but feel that with increased vaccinations we should be able to hold this meeting in person safely sometime in June. We are following the example of the Moravian Church Northern Province which postponed district synods from last year. We are fortunate that our current lay leaders are committed to seeing us through this unprecedented time.

Reminder: Pastor Herrick will be out of the office for the month of February, returning March 1st.

MEETINGS

Board of Elders’	2/8	6:30 pm
Board of Trustees’	2/15	6:30 pm

Project Updates

Windows

We are pleased to share with you that all of the new windows are installed. For the first time in history we are able to get the temperature in the Fellowship Room up to the number we set it on! We are so grateful to the generosity of the Cummings family who made this happen and to Tom and Larry, from Starboard Enterprises, who have done a fabulous job on the installation.

Parking Lot

We are currently working with Meissner Landscaping on the design for landscaping and planting trees around the parking lot this spring. We are looking forward to also installing basketball hoops and maybe having a 3x3 tournament later this summer!

IN THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our loving sympathy and support to the family and friends of:

Patricia Graham who passed away December 17, 2020.

Ernest (Ernie) Wiegand who passed away January 15, 2021.



In Our Prayers:

Joyce Schranz, Pat Paschke, Ray Kazenske, Morgan Rice, Heidi Richard and Steve Heroux, whose brother passed away.

Dates to remember for Lent:

Ash Wednesday - February 17

Palm Sunday - March 28

Maundy Thursday - April 1

Good Friday - April 2

Easter Sunday - April 4

PLANNING AHEAD in 2021?

Mark Your Calendars -

Summer - Special Events (more information in the coming months)

Vacation Bible School - Completing Grade K-5 as of June, 2021. Helpers Grade 6 & up.
We are hoping to have some form of VBS this summer.
Watch for updates!

Summer Camps -

Chetek	July 18 - 24, 2021	Grade 9 - Age 21
Winmor	July 25 - 31, 2021	Grades 6,7 or 8
Junior	August 1 - 5, 2021	Grades 3,4 or 5

Sign up at wdcamping.com



We will not hate, despise, slander or otherwise injure anyone. We will ever strive to manifest love towards all people, to treat them in a kind and friendly manner, and in our dealings with them to approve ourselves upright, honest, and conscientious, as becomes children of God. *(Moravian Covenant for Christian Living, para. 29)*