

## The Weekly Message

February, 10 2026

### The Moments That Sustain Us

By: In Touch Ministries

Do you find that peace comes naturally, or does it feel like a constant struggle to attain? Sometimes it seems as if so many things are actively working against our peace that our spirit may never know a moment's rest. How can we quiet distractions long enough to hear God's voice?

The key is found in meditating. Perhaps you're thinking, Meditation is too self-focused; it serves no purpose in a Christian's life. But the truth is, meditation is not about listening to yourself; on the contrary, it is about quieting your own mind and listening for the gentle whispers of the Lord (Psalm 119:15).

Think about your prayer life. Whose voice is more prominent—yours or the Father's? For most people, the vast majority of prayer time is spent talking to God, thanking Him for what He's done, and asking for help. The Lord does tell us to let our requests be made known to Him (Philippians 4:6). But if you never spend time listening closely for a response, how will you know what He wants to communicate to you?

The time we spend listening to the Lord is a good indication of how much we respect and enjoy our relationship with Him. Consider your own prayer habits, and if you feel things could improve, commit to listen for what God wants to share.

## **Joys:**

Safe travels for Nancy Meilahn as she is with dance friends in Louisiana.

For Maggie Slife who got a personal best on uneven bars and broke the Air Force Gymnastics record with a 9.975 score.

The Galentine's Day event was a great time of fun!

## **Concerns:**

Prayers for the family of Anne Herman as she passed away.

For Heidi Slife's ongoing cancer.

Brian Esser asks prayers for Tim who fell and broke his back on their way for a cruise.

**Continued prayers** for Kathy Peterson, Heidi Slife, The Bixler Family, Bob Knudson, Trish Poole, Sandy Gavin, Joyce Laehr, Anne Herman, Chris Ruud, Kim & Zoey Voss, Jeanette Marchetti-Hamm, Bob Herman, Ron Hansen, Cadyn Albright & her family, Debbie Knudson, Pastor Awilda Nolla, Evie Fell, Bob & Kim Dewey & Wendy Kumbier, Becca and Blake Kube, the McIlvaine Family and the Kolmer Family.

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## **\*\*\* CHURCH OFFICE HOURS\*\*\***

**MONDAY**- 8:30 am – 3 pm

**TUESDAY-THURSDAY** - 9 am – 3 pm

**FRIDAY** – 9 am – 12 pm

## CALENDAR

- Tues Feb 10**           Choir Practice - 6:30 pm
- Wed Feb 11**           Caregiver Support Group - 1 pm Room 16  
Chosen Meal – 5:15 pm Room 16  
Chosen Episode – 6 pm  
Chosen Discussion – 7 pm
- Thurs Feb 12**        Men’s Bible Study – 5:30 pm Conf. Room  
Events Committee Meeting – 6:30 pm Conf. Room
- Fri Feb 13**           Bible Study – 9:30 am Friendship Room  
Prayer Shawl – 1 pm Friendship Room
- Sun Feb 15**           Band Practice – 9 am  
Worship & Children’s Church 10 am **Puppet Sunday**  
Bible Study – 11:30 am Room 16  
Youth Group – 11:30 am Room 13  
**Fellowship & Fun – 11:30 am**  
Young Adult Gathering – 6 pm South Entryway

### Anne Herman Funeral Service

**Christ Church**

**Wednesday Feb 18th**

**Visitation: 10:30-11:30 am**

**Funeral: 11:30 am**

**Graveside to follow at the Veterans Cemetery in Union Grove**

# February Food Pantry List

(Items can be dropped off at the entryway doors)

**cereal, jelly, 1 lb. pkgs. of spaghetti,  
spaghetti sauce, tuna, small condiments**

Plastic shopping bags, brown paper grocery bags, greeting cards, 2026 calendars pens, pencils, child and adult Bibles, devotions & cookbooks are needed as well.



February Change 4 Change  
USO

(Support to Military Families)

The USO is a non-profit organization with a mission is to strengthen America's military service members by keeping them connected to family, home and country.

-Offers live entertainment

-Provides social facilities where service members and their families can connect

-Offers counseling services

-Helps service members and their families successfully transition into civilian life



Looking for donations of blankets  
and sleeping bags.

Donations can be brought to the church office.



We are collecting cash donations and gift card donations for the Slife family as Heidi is undergoing cancer treatment.

You can donate using the QR Code to the  
compassion fund and note "Heidi"

or purchase and drop off to the church office gift cards:

**Mulberry's Pancakes & Café (Union Grove)**

**TinCAN Roadhouse (Union Grove)**

**McDonald's**

**Olive Garden**

**Panera Bread**

**Domino's**

**Culver's**

<https://giving.myamplify.io/App/Form/0e10d7ef-dea0-4258-8f94-3f594dc6cc12>



## Galentine's Day Women's Event



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# **PUPPET SUNDAY!**

Join us Sunday February 15<sup>th</sup>  
at 10:00 a.m. for a puppet show.



Lunch provided after the service along with large  
games, table games (for all ages) and a bounce house!

Scan here to sign up



Click on the link to sign up

<https://40196.people.myamplify.io/external/form/2eaacd60-da20-47bb-a0b7-26a41fbcf678>



**Click on the link to sign up**

<https://ricracine.org/love-%26-justice-2026>

# Ash Wednesday Service February 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm



**Christ Church Invites You!**

*Easter Bunny  
Carnival*

**Saturday March 21st 1-3 pm**

**A free community event for the whole family!**

- Giant inflatables
- Easter bunny
- Indoor carnival: games, crafts,  
prizes, cotton candy & popcorn

# Announcements

**John Granger would like to come to church and sing in the choir but needs a ride. His address is 1113 College Ave Apt 207. If you are able to give him a ride, please reach out to him at 262-664-0820.**

The Service Above Self Expo runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., this Saturday (Jan. 31) at Fountain Hall, 8505 Durand Ave. If you made a New Year's resolution to get more involved in the community, you will likely find your niche at the Expo. Service organizations from around the area will be gathered at one spot where people can see what they do for the community and how to help. There are volunteer opportunities for adults and kids alike.

You can now watch the livestream and sermon through the church app.

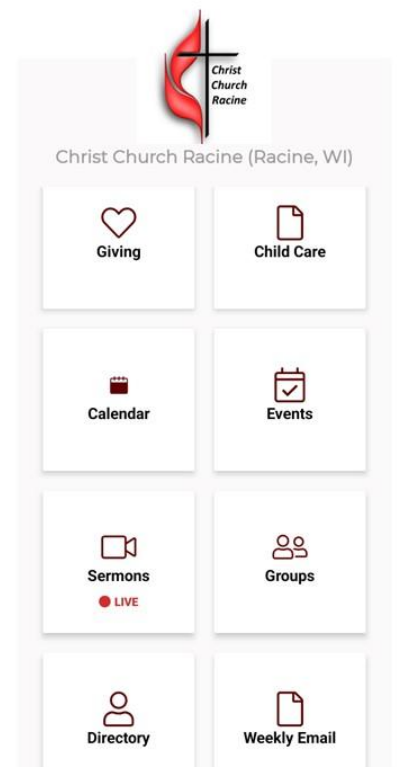
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## **Class on Leading Worship being offered at Wauwatosa Avenue United Methodist Church!**

On February 21<sup>st</sup> and March 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am-3:00 pm, Reverend Krysta Deede, Certified Servant and Praise Team Director Tim Karth, and Certified Lay Speaker Wendy Kamerling will be offering a class on Leading Worship!

This is an advanced class for those seeking certification or re-certification as part of their Lay Servant Ministries journey.

**Those not pursuing certification, but who have interest in learning more about leading worship, are welcome and encouraged to attend!**

To register, use the link below.

<https://wisconsin-reg.brtaapp.com/lsmregistrationleadingworship>

You will also find the registration link on the WI Conference website, under Laity, Laity Trainings.

For more information, contact Wendy Kamerling at [wkamerling@wi.rr.com](mailto:wkamerling@wi.rr.com)



**March/April Upper Rooms are now located in the library.**

**February 2026 Announcer:** You will find copies in each entryway. You can also access it online clicking on the link: Or visit [www.christchurchracine.com](http://www.christchurchracine.com)

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If you have a change in phone number or address, please call the church office at **262-632-1607** or email at [christcumc@gmail.com](mailto:christcumc@gmail.com). **You can also change your information on your profile on your app as well.**

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