



# HILLTOP HERALD-SEPTEMBER 2024 MONONA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## GO IN FOR CHOIR!!



Are you ready to put a song in your heart all week? Everyone's voice matters and has a place in Worship! Come check out MUMC Adult Choir on **Sunday, September 8** at **8:45 AM SHARP**. (We have much to do in a short time so it's important to begin on time!) You will find a warm and welcoming "family" dedicated to enhancing the music ministry of our services. It's an opportunity to share and build your faith, build

relationships with others who share the love of music, plus enhance the Worship experience for our congregation. No special training or knowledge is required – just a great attitude and desire to be part of a beautiful enhancement of Worship.

## ALL ARE WELCOME!!

At this first rehearsal of our season, we'll not only raise our voices and rehearse our first anthems but there'll also be treats after rehearsal! No worries if September 8 doesn't work for your schedule though. On September 15, we'll have a drawing for a nice prize for all who arrive on time!

Looking forward to seeing you then!

Linda Jackson/Adult Choir Director; Dianne Totten/Keyboard master extraordinaire

## GAME DAY

Join us on **Friday September 6** at 10am in Fellowship Hall for some fun and games. All are welcome.

## FOSTERING FRIENDSHIPS

Let's get together and foster friendship. Friendships can play a role in preventing mental health issues like depression and anxiety by providing a sense of belonging and self-worth. Let's do that while making paper crafts for our Holiday Bazaar!

We have all the supplies needed to make many paper crafts such as, Thank you, Birthday, Sympathy, Wedding, and Christmas cards. We just need your help. Make one for yourself and make more for the Bazaar.



The following dates are set-up for us to get together:

**Tuesday September 24, 12:00-3:00pm and 6:30-8:00pm**

**Wednesday September 25, 1:00-4:00pm**

The MUMC Holiday Bazaar is Saturday, **November 23rd, 2024!**

## PASTOR'S COLUMN

In today's digital age, Monona United Methodist Church recognizes the critical need to install live-streaming equipment in our sanctuary without delay. This technology is no longer a luxury, but a necessity to effectively reach and engage a wider audience. Statistics reveal that our church website is often the first point of contact for potential visitors, with 75% of church shoppers checking online worship service before attending it in person.

By offering a compelling online experience, we can capture their attention and encourage them to watch our online services before deciding to join us in person. For the younger generation, live-streaming is not optional – it's expected. By providing this service, we can stay relevant and attract new members who may not have considered our church otherwise. Our church has immense potential to reach diverse communities in Monona, Madison, Cottage Grove, McFarland, and the greater Madison area. Live-streaming will enable us to tap into this potential and expand our reach. Moreover, our aging congregation will greatly benefit from live-streaming. The homebound and shut-ins will be able to stay connected with our church family through online worship, ensuring they feel included and valued.

As we strive to create a welcoming and engaging worship experience, I strongly believe that our 30-year-old sanctuary is overdue for a technological upgrade. The installation of two large TV screens on both sides of the cross will revolutionize our worship service, making them more dynamic and immersive for all attendees. In today's digital age, providing a visitor-friendly environment is crucial for attracting and retaining members, especially younger generations. By embracing cutting-edge technology, we can enrich our ministry, draw in new faces, and enhance the overall worship experience. Just as live-streaming is essential for reaching a broader audience, the TV screens are vital for creating an engaging and inclusive atmosphere within our sanctuary. They will help visitors feel at ease, allowing them to focus on the message and connect with our community. I understand that change can be daunting, especially for our aging congregation. However, with the ALB's approval of the live-streaming equipment and TV screens, we have a unique opportunity to transform our sanctuary and propel Monona UMC into the future.

I, as the senior pastor of this church, applied for the Ministry Enrichment grant for this project. I invite you to join me in prayers that Monona UMC will keep our hope alive, trusting that good things will be happening in the hands of our good Shepherd in His perfect timing and His ways. Thanks be to God!

**With a grateful heart,  
Rev. Dr. Yohan Hong**

## UPPER ROOMS ARE HERE

*The Upper Room* is a great little devotional book to center on a Bible verse and read a short meditation and prayer. The new September / October issue has arrived, and is in a door in the Narthex cupboard. If you would like one mailed to you, please contact the church office.

# ACCOUNTABLE LEADERSHIP BOARD / CONGREGATION TRAINING

**Monday, September 16 at 6:00pm**

As many of you know, the Monona UMC has changed from a traditional church board to an Accountable Leadership Board (ALB) structure. The ALB model in the United Methodist Church (UMC) is designed to streamline church governance and enhance ministry effectiveness. This model is a simplified church governance structure designed to align with the mission and vision of the church. The Wisconsin Conference of the UMC has an Accountable Leadership Board team which is responsible for guiding churches that adopt the ALB model.

In order to more fully understand how the ALB works and how the leadership roles form this board, we have asked Rev. Cathy Christman, the team leader of the Conference ALB team, to come to our church for a training and informational meeting. We invite any other members of the congregation to join us in this meeting scheduled for **Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall**. This will be an opportunity to learn about the ALB model, answer questions about it and, hopefully, identify others who would be interested in serving on the local board in the future.

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE ALB AUGUST MEETING

ALB members would like to become more visible and accessible to the members of the congregation.

Pastor Cathy Christman – Will do ALB training for board leadership members and all interested members of the congregation on Monday, September 16th at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. See announcement about the upcoming workshop.

Action Items completed:

- Sanctuary carpet has been repaired

Action items in process:

- Preparing an ORGANIZATION Guide of administrative and ministry teams for the congregation in preparation for our charge conference on Sunday, December 8, following worship.

From the FINANCE Committee

- Preparing next year's budget: Finance team will send out budget requests. Committees need to have information back to Phyllis Stertz before the September ALB meeting.

From the TRUSTEES

- Pursuing estimates for hedge trimming and removal
- Pursuing installation for Audio Visual enhancements for the sanctuary to include large screens at the front of the sanctuary and worship streaming capabilities. We will apply for a Conference grant, for up to 50% of the costs.

From Pastor Yohan:

- Recommending a Welcome Team for Sunday mornings
- Has begun shut-in visitations
- Will be starting a youth group in late August

Accountable Leadership Board:

Louise Belk, Kay Cowing, A. J. Feucht, John Huston, Carol Jacobson, Dorilee Kopp-Miller, Deb Munroe, LeeAnn Sinclair, Phyllis Stertz, Pastor Yohan Hong

## **MISSION OF THE MONTH**

### **UMCOR - International**

As the humanitarian relief and development arm of The United Methodist Church, the United Methodist Committee on Relief – UMCOR – assists United Methodists and churches to become involved globally in direct ministry to persons in need. UMCOR comes alongside those who suffer from natural or human-caused disasters – famine, hurricane, war, flood, fire or other events—to alleviate suffering and serve as a source of help and hope for the vulnerable. UMCOR provides relief, response and long-term recovery grants when events overwhelm a community’s ability to recover on their own. UMCOR also provides technical support and training for partners to address emerging and ongoing issues related to disaster relief, recovery, and long-term health and development.

Originally founded in 1940 in response to displaced and vulnerable populations in the wake of World War II, UMCOR is a ministry of The United Methodist Church through the General Board of Global Ministries. Our goal is to assist the most vulnerable people affected by crisis or chronic need without regard to their race, religion, gender, or sexual orientation. We believe all people have God-given worth and dignity.

This month we will support UMCOR’s International Disaster Response efforts through Advance #982450. Please mark your check, envelope, or electronic giving through Monona United Methodist Church with “UMCOR-International” on the memo line.

Thank you for your generous support, The Mission Team

## **HILLTOPPERS**

Hilltoppers will meet again on **September 9<sup>th</sup> at 11 am**. Don and Linda Diers will share highlights from their awesome trip to Morocco. Bring a friend and enjoy learning about their great adventure.

## **BIBLE PASSAGES 10:00AM WORSHIP SERVICE**

**September 1** – 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“How to Listen to God’s Voice”

Communion

**September 8** – 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“Happy relationship” Philippians 1:1-11

**September 15**–17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“How to be Happy no Matter What Happens” Philippians 1:12-27

**September 22**–18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“Humility as the Path to Happiness” Philippians 2:1-11

**September 29**–19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“Character as the Path to Happiness” Philippians 2:19-30

## **OUR SYMPATHY**

Goes to the family and friends of Norma Gard, who passed away on August 1.

## WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SIGNUP

We have created an online Volunteer Sign Up Genius listing with the volunteer jobs needed for worship each week. We would especially like to fill the **Fellowship hosts**. Please check your schedules and sign on using the link below. You can also send an email to the church office with your requested dates.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904094DA8AE22AB9-volunteer>



## STEPHEN MINISTRY

Life, at times, can be filled with disappointments or difficult decisions, or challenging situations that leave us feeling overwhelmed. We need not face these tough times alone. A Stephen Minister is ready to walk along with you. To find out more or to request a Stephen Minister, speak with Pastor Yohan or Mark Buffat (608) 335-5063.

## READ 'EM & MEET



The book club list for next year is in the Narthex information center. Please pick up a list and begin your reading. We will gather on **Sunday, September 8** at 2:00pm with the book, *The Gown* by Jennifer Robson at the home of Jenny Kinsler. Visitors and new members are always welcome to attend.

## OUR WEBSITE

Check out our improving website: [www.mononaunitedmethodistchurch.org](http://www.mononaunitedmethodistchurch.org)

- We have the recorded weekly sermon available on our website, Facebook and YouTube channel.
- We have a **Giving** tab on our website to make a donation with your credit card or through your checking account. To make donating easier, use our QR Code.



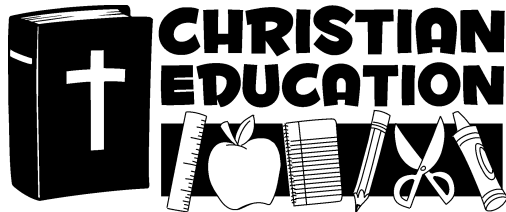
## MUMC MEN'S GROUP

All men of the church are invited to the Men's Group breakfast that will take place on **Saturday, September 14** at 9:00 am at Tully's II on corner of Monona Drive and Broadway. Come and enjoy great food and fellowship.

## ALTAR FLOWERS



We welcome donations of flowers for our altar on Sundays. If you would like to give flowers on a particular Sunday, please contact the church office or use the volunteer Sign Up Genius link found in this newsletter. Flowers may be dropped off on Fridays during office hours, 9am-2pm or on Sunday mornings. Thanks for brightening up our worship space.



## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Children's Sunday School program begins on **Sunday, September 8 at 9:00am until 9:50am.**

Thank you to Sabrina Jacobus and Jason Mittag for being our dedicated teachers. We would love to have additional teachers in order to provide flexibility for all. Prep work for lessons will be minimal. Please contact the church office ([secretarymumc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:secretarymumc@sbcglobal.net)) if you are interested or have any questions.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL THANK YOU

Thank you to all who attended our VBS. Thank you also to the Leaders who shared the Hero Hotline, as we learned how we are Called Together to Serve God! We couldn't have done it without all of you!

## BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR YOHAN

Join Pastor Yohan with a Bible Study possibly starting September 11 in the morning. Please fill out the form in this newsletter if you are interested.

## NOTICE OF YOUTH GROUP MEETING

The High School Youth Group of Monona UMC will convene on **Saturday, September 28, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Youth Room, located upstairs. As previously announced, our inaugural meeting took place on August 28 in the pastor's office, where six youth and two adult leaders (in compliance with Safe Sanctuary protocols) gathered to lay the groundwork for our group's activities. We anticipate a productive and enriching experience for all participants and look forward to the exciting developments that lie ahead.

## THANK YOU

Dear MUMC,

Thank you for the gracious gift you guys sent for my graduation. I appreciate you all thinking of me and this gift will help me make my dorm feel like home.

Brock Buskager

## YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN OUR UPCOMING ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS TO EXPLORE ...

***...On God's Side: What Religion Forgets and Politics Hasn't Learned about Serving the Common Good*** by Jim Wallis

“Bestselling author, public theologian, and leading Christian activist Jim Wallis speaks directly into our current context, revealing the spiritual compass we need to effect lasting change in our society. He explains how the good news of Jesus transforms not only our individual lives but also our public lives. Jesus's gospel of the kingdom of God helps us recover a personal and social commitment to the common good and shows us--in concrete ways--how to be both personally responsible and socially just. Working together, we can reshape our churches, society, politics, and economy.

In the midst of contentious national debates on gun control, immigration, budget deficits, and more, this book moves the conversations beyond current media and political warfare to bring together a divided country. Wallis explores how Jesus's agenda can serve the common good, what it takes to sustain a lifelong commitment to social justice, and how reading the Bible as well as the culture can shape our lives for genuine transformation.”

*Amazon*

**We meet in the church library on Sundays after coffee hour (11:30am - 12:30pm) starting September 15 through December 22.** We buy our own books. Cost for a used copy of this book is around \$6, including shipping at Amazon

## HELP NEEDED TO MAKE RICE MEALS

**Saturday, September 7** join together with people from churches all over to make a difference on one special day of work! We will be making Rice Meals for Midwest Mission Distribution Center. Three shifts available: A: 9am-12pm; B: 12:15-1:45pm; C: 2-5 pm. Hosted by Sugar River UMC, 415 W. Verona Ave, Verona; Co-sponsored by People's UMC, Oregon

Sign up to volunteer here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A49ABAB23AB9-50296857-midwest>

Funding: Each meal bag costs \$2. That means our goal is to raise \$6,000 for the project.

Donation link: <https://onrealm.org/sugarriverumc/-/form/give/now>

If you have other questions, you can contact us at [sradmin@sugarriverumc.org](mailto:sradmin@sugarriverumc.org) or 608-845-5855.



## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW) INFORMATION

**Friendship Circle** will gather on **September 11, 1:30 pm**, in the Fellowship Hall. We'll catch up with each other on summer fun and happenings. In addition, be thinking about and bring ideas for our 2024-25 program plans. Our involvement and support of the upcoming Fall Bazaar will be a focus. Even if you are not a current member, please come and visit with us on September 11. All are welcome.

**Faith Circle** will meet at 1:00 PM on **Thursday September 12** at Velma Hockenberry's. Her address is 1020 Liberty Blvd. #204 in Sun Prairie. Call Jan Wanek, 608-395-2433 with questions. New members or visitors always welcome.

## FALL GATHERING

The United Methodist Women-Executive Board will be hosting the UMW Fall Potluck on **Tuesday, October 8** starting at 5pm. Bring a dish to share. Beverages and table serve are provided. All are welcome, members, spouses and or friends. Our program will be provided by a musical group called "Central Strings" (a group of retired and fun loving string players). Ukeleses, Guitars and percussion with many options to sing along.

## JAVA JIVE

Adapted from the Fair Trade Website

We at Fair Trade USA® believe that everyone wants to do what's right – for their families, fellow global citizens, and the planet. That's why we're committed to making the right choices the most obvious ones. Based on the simple idea that the products bought and sold every day are connected to the livelihoods of others, fair trade is a way to make a conscious choice for a better world. A choice for Fair Trade Certified™ goods is a choice to support responsible companies, empower farmers, workers, and fishermen, and protect the environment. In other words, it's a world-changing way of doing business.

When you see a product with the Fair Trade Certified seal, you can be sure it meets rigorous social, environmental, and economic standards.

That means:

- Safe working conditions
- Environmental protection
- Sustainable livelihoods
- Community Development Funds

We measure progress in the tangible difference we're making in lives and communities around the world. That includes financial benefit to producers, stronger communities, improved livelihoods, and commitments made to the people in our supply chains.

Thank you all for your continued support of our UMW Mission by purchasing fair trade certified products.

Jackie Hull 608-576-7837; Karelyn Hopkins 608-577-3185

Coordinators for our UMW Fair Trade Mission

Please let us know if you have any questions or ideas for improvement.



## **IT'S JUST FRIDAY: LET'S TALK ABOUT VOTING FOR OUR COMMON GOOD**

Our Constitution guarantees our right to vote. What guarantees our responsibility to vote?

This fall, Monona United Methodist Church is continuing our collaboration with the justice ministries team at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church as we explore the social justice topic of voting—for the common good of all of our citizens.

Our first event on **September 20** will be a panel presentation about why we should vote and how to cast our ballots. We will meet at 6:30 pm at Monona UMC, 606 Nichols Road in Monona.

The panel for the evening includes Rev. Breanna Illéné, Director of Justice Initiatives for the Wisconsin Council of Churches, David Liners, Executive Director of Wisdom, and Maribeth Witzel-Behl, Madison City Clerk.

In October, we will continue our spotlight on voting with a presentation from Cynthia Crane, Director of the Lutheran Office for Public Policy in Wisconsin. Cindy will offer us insight "beyond voting" suggesting how we can continue to work within government systems to get our voices heard on critical social justice issues.

And finally in November we will conclude our consideration of voting with a post-election follow-up about the areas where we want to stay engaged with the officials we have just elected.

Please join us as we examine this critical topic from the perspective of why voting is an act of social justice and vital to our faith.

## **ADULT AND PEDIATRIC CPR, AED AND FIRST AID CLASSES**

Monona UMC is hosting CPR, AED and First Aid classes and you are invited to attend a class for free. Please contact the church office if you are interested. There will be portion completed on your computer and an in-person portion. The dates included are: September 14 and 28.

## **RIVER FOOD PANTRY**

**We have stopped collecting egg cartons as of this month.** Tim is running out of places that will accept them. **Paper grocery bags** are always in high demand for The River. They also will take any non-perishable and shelf stable goods.

Some other highly requested items for The River include:

- \*Tuna Helper & tuna
- \*Low-sugar cereals
- \*Low-sodium canned vegetables
- \*No sugar-added canned fruit
- \*100% juice products
- \*Pasta, Rice
- \*Personal hygiene items, including disposable diapers all sizes, (including adult sizes)

## 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL DIAPER DASH

Babies & Beyond will be *Going the Distance to #EndDiaperNeed!* The 10th annual DiaperDash Run/Walk is **Saturday morning, September 21** at McKee Farms Park. Run the 5k or walk the 2 mile loop; join in the Kids dash, enjoy kids activities, a bouncy house, raffle baskets and more! Volunteers needed! Prizes will be awarded for top fundraising and diaper donations. Diapers donations can also be dropped off at the park that morning 8-10am or at the Sharing Center during Open Hours.

You can register, donate and learn more about the event at:

<https://babiesandbeyondwi.org/diaperdash/>

# \$ Financial Report \$

## Cash Flow July 31, 2024

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Income	\$ 25,646	\$ 169,206
General Operating Expenses	21,907	176,612
<b>Net Surplus (Shortfall)</b>	<b>\$ 3,739</b>	<b>\$ (7,406)</b>
<b>General Fund Balance July 31 2024</b>		<b>\$ 66,844</b>

## STEWARDSHIP

### **The Church's Need to Receive or the Giver's Need to Give?**

When I was first learning about stewardship early in my ministry, I heard someone say, "Good stewardship practices focus on the giver's need to give, rather than the church's need for money." At the time, I didn't buy it. To my cynical ears, it sounded like a line. Today (many years later), I can say that I was wrong.

We love our churches. We want them to thrive and succeed. They are near and dear to our hearts. So when the churches faces financial challenges, we want to plead with people how important it is to keep the ministries of our beloved church going. We need to pay the bills. Throw in the anxiety that surrounds any financial topic, we may want to push the point.

The truth is the church's mission isn't to keep existing. In fact, we love our churches because of the ways God has touched our lives through them —ceremonies and rituals, helping us grow in faith and connection. Likewise, a church's teaching about faithful stewardship should be centered on helping people learn about the place of money in a Christian's walk of faith. It's about discipleship and partnering with God to make a positive difference in the world — whether people do that by being generous with the church or other organizations. (Note: I do believe people who are generous as a part of their faith include the church in their generosity if the church is faithfully living out its mission.)

Tithing benefits the giver as much as it strengthens the mission and ministry of the church — especially in the midst of our materialistic and consumerist society. We are immersed in a culture that feeds the appetite for more and bigger and that fosters that self-worth is found in material wealth and happiness comes by possession. As one person once said, “We buy things we don’t even need with money we don’t even have to impress people we don’t even know!”

At the root, these are spiritual problems, leading to continued discontent, discouragement, and unhappiness. We can never earn enough to be happy. In fact, studies have shown that people believe all they need is more money to be happy, when in reality, an academic study concluded that money can only boost happiness up to a certain point (at about \$75,000 in annual income).

Practices like embracing gratitude do lead to more contentment. For instance, consider making a list of the things in your life for which you are grateful. It doesn’t have to be long or take much time. Taking time to focus on what you have rather than concentrating on what you don’t can be transformative.

Beyond embracing gratitude, consider the following questions:

- How does living generously help you see the world through God’s eyes?
- How is your own perspective shaped by materialism, acquisition, and the desire to possess? How is it shaped by the wisdom of God? How do you resolve tensions?

Rev. Jason Mahnke  
Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation  
888-903-9863 or [www.wumf.org](http://www.wumf.org)

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## **REGISTRATION FORM**

### **CLASS 101: THE GOOD AND BEAUTIFUL GOD**

#### **Why Small Group?**

It is important that we are continuously growing in our relationship with God as well as in relationships with one another. Small groups are one of the most important ways that people connect and grow in their faith together. In a small group, life is shared, nurtured, and fed by God’s Word, prayers, and the loving fellowship with other Christians. Spiritual formation happens most profoundly in the context of a group. Anyone who longs for change—young or old, new Christian or mature Christian, male or female, you are invited. You can also invite others to join your small group! In this way, Monona UMC can grow in number and maturity.

#### **Invitation from the Author of *The Good and Beautiful God***

“Would you like to have abiding peace? Would you like to have a heart that is filled with love? Would you like to have the kind of faith that sees everything—even your failure and losses in light of God’s governance for good? Would you like to have the kind of hope that endures in discouraging circumstances? If this is the life you most deeply desire, then this book is meant for you. A lot of people want to change and would answer yes to those questions, but many of them do not believe it is possible. After years of trying and failing, they lead a Christian life of quiet desperation, longing for change and yet certain it will never happen. So they sit in their pews each week, sighing silently, resigned to their fate.... The passion of my life has been to find the answer to this question: “How do we become like

Christ?” I have come to believe that the problem is not that we do not want to change, nor is the problem that we are not trying to change. The problem is that we are not training. We have never been taught a reliable pattern of transformation... We cannot change simply saying, “I want to change.” We have to examine what we think (our narratives) and how we practice (the spiritual disciplines) and who we are interacting with (our social context)” (James B. Smith, *The Good and Beautiful God*, 19-23).

**Course Description and Curriculum**

**Do you know who God is? Do you desire to know God more deeply? In this course *101: The Good and Beautiful God*, you can experience transformation by challenging false beliefs about God by discovering the God that Jesus revealed in Scripture.**

	Week	Topic	Soul Training
Week 1	September 11	<b><i>What Are You Seeking?</i></b>	Sleep
Week 2	September 18	<b><i>God Is Good</i></b>	Silence and Awareness of Creation
Week 3	September 25	<b><i>God Is Trustworthy</i></b>	Counting Your Blessings
Week 4	October 2	<b><i>God Is Generous</i></b>	Praying Psalm 23
Week 5	October 9	<b><i>God Is Love</i></b>	Lectio Divina
Week 6	October 16	<b><i>God Is Holy</i></b>	Margin
Week 7	October 23	<b><i>God Is Self-Sacrificing</i></b>	Reading the Gospel of John
Week 8	October 30	<b><i>God Transforms</i></b>	Solitude
Week 9	November 6	<b><i>How to Make a Pickle</i></b>	Slowing Down

**Registration**

- o will be available ***from August 25 to September 10***. Please fill out the registration form below and submit it to the pastor or to the church office. ***Tentatively***, the class will start during the week of September 11.
- o There will be, if needed, two classes: one in the morning and the other in the evening. After collecting registration forms for two weeks, the pastor will decide the dates for the classes and inform the participants of the details.

**Textbook: Smith, James. *The Good and Beautiful God*. IL: IVP Books, 2009.**

(\$17 for a new copy or a less expensive price available for used books on amazon.com)

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**1. Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **2. Cell Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **4. How to Order A Book** myself ( ) or church ( )

**5. Preferred Date and Time** (Please mark **EVERY** option available for you. This will help me figure out the best time and date working best for the class)

<Morning Class>

- \_\_\_ Tuesday morning (9:30-11:00 am)
- \_\_\_ Wednesday morning (10-11:30 am)
- \_\_\_ Thursday morning (10-11:30 am)

<Evening Class>

- \_\_\_ Tuesday evening (5:30-7 pm)
- \_\_\_ Wednesday evening (5:30-7 pm)

# The Life and Ministry of God's People in Monona United Methodist Church

## September 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b> Newsletter Deadline September 22 Information arriving after the above date may not be in the October newsletter. Remember, you can email to <a href="mailto:secretarymumc@sbcglobal.net">secretarymumc@sbcglobal.net</a>						
<b>1</b> <a href="#">See schedule below</a>	<b>2</b> <b>Labor Day</b> <b>Office Closed</b>  <b>Mark vacation through Sep 15</b>	<b>3</b> 11am Staff Mtg	<b>4</b> 11am Upstairs Narthex in Use 2-4pm Caregivr Support	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>Kay Vacation</b>  10am Game Day 11am Upstairs Narthex in Use	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> <a href="#">See schedule below</a> 8:45 Choir Rehearsal 2pm Read 'Em & Meet	<b>9</b> Pastor's Day Off 11am Hilltoppers Fellowship Hall 11am Upstairs Narthex in Use Girl Scouts troops 5-6pm 5:30-7pm	<b>10</b> 9:30-12:15 NewBridge Foot Clinic F.H. 11am Staff Mtg	<b>11</b> 10:30am Bible Study 11am Upstairs Narthex in Use 1:30 Friendship Circle at church	<b>12</b> 1:00 Faith Circle	<b>13</b> 11am Upstairs Narthex in Use  1-3pm Mah Jongg-Cry Room	<b>14</b> 8:15am-3pm Revive CPR class- F. H.  9am Men's Grp Breakfast-Tully's II
<b>15</b> <a href="#">See schedule below</a> 8:45 Choir Rehearsal 11:30am Adult Sunday School	<b>16</b> Pastor's Day Off 11am Upstairs Narthex in Use <b>6:00pm Accountable Leadership Board Training</b>	<b>17</b> 9:30-12:15 NewBridge Foot Clinic F.H.  11am Staff Mtg	<b>18</b> 10-11:30am RSVP Knit/ Stitch-hall 11am Upstairs Narthex in Use	<b>19</b> 6:30pm Accountable Leadership Board	<b>20</b> 8:15am-4:30pm Revive CPR class- F. H. 11am Upstairs Narthex in Use <b>6:30pm Let's Talk About it-Fellowship hall</b>	<b>21</b>
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<b>29</b> <a href="#">See schedule below</a> 8:45 Choir Rehearsal 11:30am Adult Sunday School	<b>30</b> Pastor's Day Off 10am-3pm Monona Quilters-F.H 11am Upstairs Narthex in Use					

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 Children's Sunday School starts Sept. 8  
 10:00 Worship  
 11:00 Fellowship  
 1:00 El Libertador Worship in Spanish



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Worship 10:00am

## **SEPTEMBER 2024**



# Community Meal

## **COMMUNITY - WIDE DINNER**

Our next Community Meal is on **Thursday, September 26 at 5:30 p.m.** Join us for a delicious meal of brats, burgers, veggie burgers, pasta salad, cheese plate, and of course our awesome desserts. Dinner starts at 5:30. Bring a friend and enjoy good food, conversation and fellowship.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR COMMUNITY PICNIC**

We are also looking for someone to grill our meal this month. Please let Frank know if that will be you! If you are available to help with setup, serving or cleanup, please call or text Frank Gaylord at 608-443-6361. Any time you can give us will be truly appreciated.