October 2022 >>>

We miss you!

Join us Sundays at 10:30 AM

for Worship Service



A Monthly Newsletter for FPC, Oconto



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The Messenger

Please take note...

Schedule Change Pastor Craig will now be in Oconto on Tuesdays and Thursdays. On Mondays and Wednesdays he will be in Marinette. You can always call either church office or Pastor's cell phone as needed, 920-604-3922

As always please contact the church office, Deacon or Elder if you have any questions or concerns. The office phone number is 920-835-3922.

coming soon >>> In The Next Issue

Deadline for November issue is

Oct.. 20, please email articles or updates
to Amy: amy@eapetersonfamily.com

Thanks!

World Communion Sunday- October 2, 2022

Join us Sunday, October 2, 2022 at 10:30 AM. to celebrate World Communion Sunday with Christians around the world.

Please plan on staying after service some fellowship and to enjoy some breads and desserts from around the world. Is baking your gift? The worship committee invites you to make a bread or dessert, especially from another area of world, and bring it to share on Sunday.





All impacted by COVID-19

All Military personnel & their families including: Sterling Heyrman - Navy.

Local Congregations in Pastoral transition:, Athelstane, Wausaukee, First American Lutheran, Oconto

General Prayers: Songhee Buck, Bill Boesen, Carol Boesen, Rory Cisar, Margaret Dakins, Currie Sowle Dulata, Kris Fortney, Betty Geiger, Ken Geiger, Ted Haakonson, Rosetta Lehman, Gary Miller, Joan Nowak, Amanda Ruleford, Ted Ruleford, Judy Sanford, Ruth Saber, Cindy Shallow, Diane Staidl, Gene Stamsta, and Sue Strandt.

Need to add someone to the prayer list? Is an update needed on the prayer list? Please contact Stacy in the church office with additions or corrections — Thank you!

Hey Kid! Yeah You! Come to Sunday School!

Sunday School is meeting again!! The youth will be helping around the church and during worship times so attendance will be super important. The older youth will also be helping with Sunday School along the way. Sunday school dates for the remainder of the year are: October 9 & 23, November 6 & 20, December 4 & 18. Sunday School meets from 9 AM -10:30 AM at church.

Please reach out to Michelle McDowell, Dawn Steele or Kristy Patenaude with any questions or concerns about youth activities. PLEASE consider helping out as we work to get out youth involved in church, the community and with each other.

Changes to Worship:

Beginning on October 2, we will be offering 2 options for sharing in holy communion. We will continue to offer the elements in individual containers for those who want to stay in the pew. Another option will be to come forward down the center isle to receive the elements. For those who choose to come forward, Eleders and Deacons will place a piece of bread in your hands (either regular or gluten-free) and then as you eat the bread, you may take a cup of juice from a tray. There will be trash cans to dispose of the empty cups. Then you may return to your pew via the side isles.

We appreicate your patience and feedback as we make changes to worship to make all feel welcomed and included at our church.

Planning ahead...

The Deacon's pantry and Bread by the Bay Food Pantry are always accepting donations. If you are able to put a few more things in your cart next time you shop, please do so. Bring them to church to help fill our cart and pantry shelves.

Our church will again this year be helping out with Toys for Tots. Toys for Tots is the Marine Corps premier community action program. There are multiple ways to help: buy toys to donate (for children ages Newborn-17), host a collection box at your business or place of work (maybe have a friendly challenge or competition to help boost donations), volunteer to distribute collection boxes or pick them up. Volunteers are also needed to help sort toys.

If you are able to help, have questions or want to simply know more about this wonderful community project please contact Stacy in the church office, 920-834-3922.



PLEASE READ

Rev Craig Alwin is inviting you to join a scheduled Zoom Worship Service. Topic: FPC

Oconto Sunday Worship

Time: 10:30 AMish

Worship will start at (or about) 10:30 AM. This invite is being shared with people outside our local congregation, so don't be alarmed if you don't recognize someone. If you see or hear anything inappropriate, please unmute and let us know so that person can be muted or blocked. (There have been reports of malicious activity like this called "zoom-bombing" which is why we use passwords and don't publish the meeting info on the web or social media.) Anyone who joins the meeting early can unmute themselves and share joys, concerns, or whatever's going on. All are welcome to hang out after worship for "coffee hour" fellowship.

Please, respect the privacy of others by not sharing info without their permission.

A) To join the worship service with your phone audio only:

(This will work with any landline, flip phone, or smart phone)

- 1. Dial the phone number 1-312-626-6799
- 2. Enter the Meeting ID: **xxxxxxxxxx**
- 3. You will be asked to enter another code OR press # again: ONLY PRESS #
- 4. Enter the password: **xxxxxx**
- 5. You will automatically be muted to prevent feedback and distractions (whenever a noise is detected, the visual screen switches to that participant)
 - a. You can mute or unmute yourself by pressing *6 during the meeting
 - b. You can "raise your hand" to let us know you want to talk by pressing *9

B) To join the worship service with your <u>computer</u> or <u>smartphone</u>:

- 1. Download the Zoom App
- 2. Join the Zoom Meeting by one of the following options:
 - a. Use this link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85623683669?pwd=bitsbUtMeUJlSWtZSXlHRzY0MVBGdz09

- b. Open your Zoom app and manually enter the following
 - 1. Enter the Meeting ID: xxxxxxxxxxx
 - 2. Enter the password: xxxxxxx