

INVITATIONS TO ACTION

Fresh Starts for Every Neighbor-Share the Care

For our April Collection we are running a "shower of kindness" drive for personal care products for Sunshine Place. Personal care products are not covered by SNAP payments. They need the following items: Shampoo, conditioner, gels, hair styling tools and products for ALL hair types, Personal Hygiene products for ladies, Soap (bar and liquid), body creams and lotions, toothbrushes and toothpaste, Deodorant, perfume and cologne. All products must be unopened and new. Please bring to the display in the Narthex.

Earth Day Clean Up

Saturday, April 25th from 9am-noon is Sun Prairie's Annual City Park Clean Up event for Earth Day and we are signed up to help clean-up Wetmore Community Park. We selected Wetmore for both its proximity to the church and because we want to make sure we are giving back to a community partner that has supported us in events such as our outdoor summer worship and the Easter Egg hunt. If you would like to be part of our Park Posse please RSVP with Daniel Taylor at familymin@sunprairieumc.org (If you would like to learn more about the Park Clean Up and volunteer for a park closer to your home you can register as an individual or family at <https://parksfriends.org/earthday/>).

Wear Green for Mental Health on May 3rd

Our Mental Health Ministries Team is inviting everyone to wear green to worship Sunday May 3rd in support of Mental Health Awareness Month. There will be a table of resources set up Sundays in May for those wishing to connect.

Understanding Trauma: A Path to Hope and Healing

Date: May 4th - Time: 6:30-7:30 pm

Trauma isn't just a single event; it's the lasting impact of experiences that overwhelm our ability to cope, affecting our minds, bodies, and spirits. It is a widespread reality that touches many in our community, often in ways we don't realize. Join us for a special seminar as we explore how trauma shapes our lives and discover trauma-informed principles to foster safety, sustain well-being, and support one another on the journey toward healing. Our presenter will be Debo Mofikoya.



CONFIRMATION

SUN PRAIRIE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday April 19, 2026

9 am

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**Please stand if it is comfortable for you*

PRELUDE

WELCOME & GREETING

SONG OF BEGINNING

Alleluia, Alleluia

OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, we gather in worship today to celebrate and confirm our Christian faith. We come to claim again the promise of your unconditional love for each of us. We give thanks for those who have lived out their faith around us. These witnesses help us know you're creating, saving and sustaining presence in the midst of all things. In this time of worship, may we choose once again to be your covenant people as we seek to follow Jesus the Risen Christ.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

*HYMN

*Come, Christians Join
to Sing, vs. 1-3*

No. 158
Red Hymnal

WITNESSING GOD'S LOVE TO OUR CHILDREN

Children Pre-K through fifth grade may go to Children's Church. Pre-K through 2 nd grade go to the Nursery and 3 rd through 5 th grade go to classroom E-8.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God of all people, you know each one of us from the beginning. You see more good and beauty in us than we have dared to believe. You beckon us to do more than we have dared to try. You call us to be light for others when we prefer to keep our light hidden. We have filled our ears with sounds of the world. We have timidly spoken of your great love and we have doubted the gifts deep within each of us. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy and forgive us as we make our silent confessions (silent confession)

SUNG RESPONSE

*Surely the Presence
of the Lord*

No. 328
Red Hymnal

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Ascend! Together We Rise

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-35

SERMON

Check Your SPAM Folder

*HYMN

*Lord of the Dance,
vs. 1-5*

No. 261
Red Hymnal

A TIME FOR PRAYER

OFFERING OUR LIVES AND OUR BLESSINGS

Invitation
Offertory

Harp Music
*Doxology

No. 94 Red Hymnal

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Written by the
Confirmation Class*

Words on
Screens

*CLOSING BLESSING

Participating in Worship:

Rev. Jenny Arneson, Pastor

Lisa Wink, Treasurer, Worship Assistant

Daniel Taylor, Dir. of Family Ministry, Children's Time

Heavenly Handbells, Music; Steve Crego, Director

Gini Werling, Harp Music

Sue Lundeen, Organist