

Albany United Methodist Church

"Everyone is somebody and Jesus Christ is Lord"!

April 2019

The Methodist Message

PASTOR TOM'S MESSAGE

While we wait for the blessed hope and the manifestation of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. Titus 2:13

What does hope look like to you? As a child, I remember hope looking like a **Christmas** tree loaded with presents on a **Christmas** morning. As I grew older hope began to look different. One day it looked like the clock ticking down as our high school team waited for the final win to advance to the state tournament.

How about for you? For some, the word takes the appearance of the expectation of an addition to their family? For others, the word "hope" takes appearance in a new home, a new job, or in the many things that may be, "just an opportunity away." If none of these ideas help you to envision hope, perhaps you can remember that **Thursday** night several years back as Aaron Rodgers heaved a football into the end zone of Ford Stadium in Detroit with no time left on the clock.

However hope presents itself, it is of no worth if it doesn't have a possibility of expectation. Without such expectation Paul states, "*we are a people to be pitied,*" I Corinthians 15:19. I trust that you catch the hope of this Easter Season. Paul shares these words with Titus with the desire that he come to realize that the struggles of this life will, in no way, compare to what God has in store. It is a quote of his letter to the church in Rome where he reminds them, "*I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us.*" Romans 8:18.

These words remind us that hope needs to look like the message of Easter. Whatever April has in store for you, may this, "blessed hope," fill you with expectation for what God has in store for you; both in this life and the life to come.

Pastor Moe

If you would like to receive an emailed copy of the week's bulletin in advance of the Sunday service, please let Teresa in the office know. She can be reached by email:

albanyumc@tds.net or phone: 608-862-3206. Thank you.



Men's Prayer Breakfast is scheduled for April 20th at 8:30am. Please come and join us for a wonderful breakfast and fellowship.

Glutens Should Not Limit Your Communion

We are hearing more and more about individuals who struggle with allergies and glutes. This is of concern to us because more communion bread is loaded with glutes. With that in mind, we have developed the procedures to provide gluten free communion wafers. Yes, they are a bit limited on flavor, but those of you who have gotten sick off regular bread will appreciate the new wafers.

To implement this, it would be of utmost help if you would let us know of your need before church starts. We can accommodate everyone, but would do well if we know where to find you with our separate tray.

Contact the church office if interested.



Come and join us on May 12th at the 10:00 am service as we celebrate this year's Confirmation students as they are confirmed in Christ.



Youth Group News

April 14th the AUMC Youth Group will be delivering Easter Baskets to area Shut-Ins after the 11:00 am worship Service.

Thank you, Youth Group!!



Please consider for Volunteering for Family Promise.

AUMC will host May 26th -June 2nd (Memorial Day included)

If you would like to get on the email list or have more questions,
please email:

Chris Ochalla at: chrisandchris5@charter.net

Or Fairy Elmer at: fselmer@aol.com

Grace Notes Choir 

Performs:

Sunday, April 7th -Youth Sunday

Sunday, April 21st-Easter Sunday

Sunday, May 12th- Mother's Day

Please join us for Sunday school!

We have classes for all ages from preschool through adult. Sunday school meets from 8:45 to 9:45 am. All are welcome. For more information please contact Teresa in the office.
(608)862-3206 albanyumc@tds.net



Spring Christian Women's Luncheon

The UCC Women's Guild would like to invite all the ladies of the community to their Spring Christian Women's Luncheon on Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 11:30 am.

Please RSVP by April 1st to their Church office, 897-2917, Soups, salads, and desserts will be offered.

Their featured guest will be Jessica Michna portraying Eleanor Roosevelt at 1pm. Go and enjoy her inciteful sharing of their strong women of history.

Brodhead Congregational United Church of Christ, E201 23rd Street, Brodhead, WI.

There is a poster on the bulletin board in the Narthex



Easter Sunday

On Easter Sunday, April 21st the Albany UMC Choir directed by Terrie Blumer will be performing the Easter Cantata called "In the Presence of Jehovah" at the 8:00am and 10:00am services. Please come and join our Church for this wonderful performance.



2019 Melodies of Love

- April – High School Mission Trip
- May – Family Promise
- June – St. Jude's
- July – Albany PTO
- August – Albany Community Center
- September – NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)
- October – Empty Stocking
- November – Shop with a Cop
- December – Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Green County

Lenten & Easter Services

*** All Lenten Services - 6pm with
soup & sandwich to follow @ 6:30pm
*April 3rd – Hilltop Community Church
*April 10th – Albany UMC**

Easter Services

April 14th – Palm Sunday 8am & 10am

April 18th Maundy Thursday – 6pm with communion

April 19th Good Friday – Noon – 3pm

April 21st- Easter Cantata “In the Presence of Jehovah” – 8am & 10am

We will be open as a church on Good Friday from noon to 3. Pastor Tom will be here for spiritual support to any who wish to stop by.

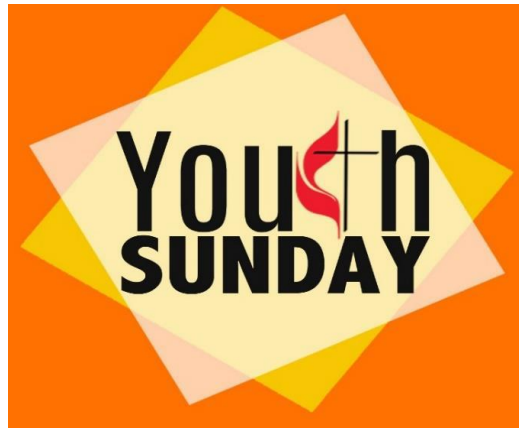


Easter Lily Dedications

Lilies Will be given in honor and memory of:

- Given by Teresa Brugger: In Honor of Barbara Crall and in Memory of Francis Pence**
- Given by Danae Bump: In Honor of her children: Mckenna, Nataley, Lily and Nolan**
- Given by Glenn Holtsapple: In Memory of Margaret Holtsapple**
- Given by Sam Keller: In Memory of Kay Keller**
- Given by Cindy Pryce: In Memory of Greg Pryce and Thorvald Olson**

There is still time to dedicate an Easter Lily before Easter. Deadline is April 7th. Easter Lily sign up sheets are on the table in the Narthex. Please include payment with the signup sheet.



Sunday, April 7th, 2019

8 am & 10 am Church Services

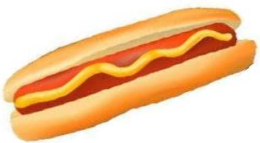
Led by the AUMC Youth & Leaders

Following the 10am Service

Please join us for a hot dog luncheon

HOT Dogs for Cause

***Albany United Methodist Church
Youth Mission Fundraiser***



Free Will Offering Proceeds for Youth Mission Trip

500 Park Street, Albany, WI 53502

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SCHEDULE

++ **Please note there may have been changes made to the schedule** ++

April

Liturgist

7 Chris & Christine Ochalla
14 Confirmation Students
21 Confirmation Students
28 Dean Houlberg

Ushers

7 Albany UMC Youth
14 Confirmation Students
21 Confirmation Students
28 Fairy & Emily Elmer

Nursery

Open but not staffed

Acolytes

7 Ty Durtschi
14 Carver Brewer
21 Nolan Bump
28 Whitney Pryce

May

Liturgist

5 Wesley Isenhart
12 Darrell Clark
19 David King
26 Ann Trow

Ushers

5 Daryl & Kari Fernstaedt
12 Barb Briggs & Teresa Brugger
19 Julie Blumer & Penny Thompson
26 Keith & Terrie Blumer

Nursery

Open but not staffed

Acolytes

5 Emmy Briggs
12 Allie Dahl
19 Taylor Pryce
26 volunteers



Communion Stewards

April 14th – Holly Atkinson/Bonnie Zee

April 18th – Maundy Thursday – Kathie Riemer/Katie Brugger

May 5th – No Communion

* If you cannot fulfill your scheduled day, please try to switch with someone and please let the office know. Thank you for your service for the Lord!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	3 Food Pantry 4:30-6:00pm Lenten Ser. 6:00pm Hilltop church Confirmation attending Lenten serv. 6pm	4	5	6
7 Youth Sunday 8am & 10am Worship Children's choir Senior Choir Sings 8:45-9:45am Sunday school 8 & 10am following worship – Youth Group Hotdog Luncheon 11:00am Welcome comm. mtg.	8	9	10 Food Pantry 4:30-6:00 Confirmation Students attending Lenten ser. – 6pm Lenten serv. 6pm at AUMC Senior Choir - 7pm	11	12	13
14 Palm Sunday 8am & 10am Worship with Communion 8:45-9:45 Sunday school Youth Group delivers Easter Baskets to Shut-ins following 11am service	14	16	17 Food Pantry 4:30-6:00pm Senior Choir - 7pm Confirmation – 6pm	18 Maundy Thursday/w Communion 6pm	19 Newsletter Items Due Good Friday 12pm -3pm Church open for spiritual support	20 Men's Prayer Breakfast 8:30am
21 Easter 8am & 10am Worship Children's choir Senior Choir – Cantata “In the Presence of Jehovah” 8:45-9:45 Sunday school 11:00 am Finance mtg.	22	23	24 Food Pantry 4:30-6:00pm Senior Choir - 7pm	25	26	27
28 8am & 10am Worship 8:45-9:45 Sunday school 11am – Missions comm. Mtg.	29	30	1 Food Pantry 4:30-6:00pm Senior Choir – 7pm	2	3	4

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Church Staff

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