



Albany United Methodist Church

“Everyone is somebody and Jesus Christ is Lord”!

October 2022

The Methodist Message

Pastor Tom

How good and pleasant it is when people live in unity!

Psalm 133:1

Unity has always been a strong point in the church. In fact, it wasn't that long ago, 2001, that our entire country seemed to be unified. Sadly, so much has changed both in our country and in the church. With that in mind, I have so appreciated the passion of Catherine Blackmore as she wanted to remind us to never presume that conflict has to be the norm.

Perhaps the greatest solution to conflict came from a group of Christians in Eastern Europe known as the United Brethren. These United Brethren are often considered the first Protestant Church, taking form almost a century before Martin Luther started the main body of Protestants. The United Brethren had three rules of which they lived:

1: In Essentials – Unity

2: In Non-essentials – Liberty

3: In all things – compassion

As the United Brethren began the practice of the Three Truths, they discovered marvelous things began to develop. First, they discovered that divided people could agree on essentials because most of their conflict was really over what they realized to be, non-essentials. Second, they discovered how few things were essential leaving them plenty of room for individual preferences. Third, they discovered that conflict seemed to melt when they would begin with compassion for the feelings of those of whom they disagreed. For example, when forced by the Roman Church to leave Europe or face prison, they moved to America but refused to become hostile to the Roman Church here.

I think that you, too, will discover this to be true. Whether it is in gatherings in the community or even in your home, your family will easily unit over essentials. You will discover that most conflict tends to be about preferences, which are clearly non-essentials. You will also discover that it is hard to hold conflict with someone of whom you feel strong compassion.

Why not put this into practice in your life?

Pastor Tom



Come and enjoy our Sunday School Ministries

Sunday School Classes for all ages 3 through Adult are held every Sunday 8:45-9:45 a.m. This time is between the two Worship Services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. allowing you to attend service either before or after Sunday School.

We have fabulous Sunday School staff members who have awesome activities planned for you! Please consider becoming a part of our Sunday School program, and bring your friends.

In Sunday School, we are having lots of fun learning new songs and enjoying some of our familiar songs. Please join us on **Sunday, October 9th** when our younger Sunday School children will be singing during the 10:00 Worship Service.





Special activities celebrating harvest will be held on **October 30th** during the Sunday School hour. You are invited to wear a costume. Please do not wear gory or violent costumes or accessories.

Thank you to everyone who made Friendship Sunday a special day! We had a wonderful time of fellowship and fun!



We are learning songs and beginning practice for our Elementary Christmas Program. Please make every effort to have your child(ren) present every week for Sunday School. The Christmas Program is scheduled for Sunday, December 11th at 10:00 a.m. Thank you!

Confirmation activities will be beginning soon. Contact Fairy Elmer or Pastor Tom for additional information.

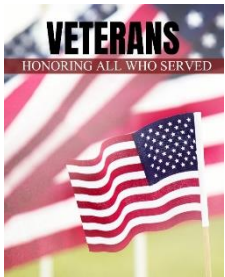
Contact Karen Moe at moe.karen@yahoo.com to share your thoughts and ideas for education



October Melodies of Love: Empty Stocking



Albany Women's League will start their annual Empty Stocking project for families in the Albany area in need of clothing. The Empty Stocking fund is purely dependent on monetary donations which are deposited at the Greenwood's Bank Albany Branch. It's important that we reach those in need of boots, coats, and warmer clothing items. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you, Albany Women's League



Honoring Veterans

We are Looking for framed pictures of your loved ones who have served or are serving in the military to add to a display that Margaret Kauk will be putting together for the month of November. If interested, please bring them to the church office.



A BIG heart felt Thank You to the Tim Soddy family for their generous donation in memory of Tim to our music department. Their donation of \$1060 to our music fund will be put to good use. Tim loved his music. He sang with our choir and preformed with his quartet "4 His Praise". Tim lost his battle with cancer on Jan. 29, 2022. We will always remember Tim and his love for music.

Thank you, Soddy family.



October 30th All Saints Sunday

Sunday, Oct. 30th at the 10 am Worship - Annual Memorial for those who have passed. Please let us know of persons that you would like to have us remember. You can call or email the church office or leave a note on the office desk on Sundays. 608-862-3206 or albanyumc@tds.net



October Senior High Youth Group Event

Senior High Youth Group will gather Saturday evening Oct 15th.... Meet at the church at 5:30 pm. We will be going to a haunted house/walk. We need to get tickets ahead of time, so youth need to RSVP to Ann 608-931-6428 or Erica 608-426-2069 by Oct 1st if you plan to go.

Also... any youth wishing to learn more about AUMC Sr. High Youth Group or wish to join, should contact Erica or Ann for more information. We usually meet once a month in addition to **Sunday** School time each **Sunday** morning at 8:45 am. During our monthly meetings, we do such things as community service like yard cleanup or caroling, movie nights, games, bowling, mini-golf, etc. It's a great time to join in fellowship!



Food Pantry

Family Promise of Green County has been working behind the scenes to address the food insecurity concerns in various areas of Green County. On September 29th the SWCAP Pop-up Food Pantry Bus will begin making monthly stops at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church parking lot located at 405 E. 9th Ave., Brodhead, and will be there

from 12 Noon to 1 pm this month. You will need to visit the "SWCAP Pop-up Food Bus" Facebook page for monthly dates and times. In addition to the Food Bus, Family Promise volunteers will operate a weekly transport from the Bethlehem Lutheran Church parking lot at 405 E. 9th Ave in Brodhead beginning October. **"VERY IMPORTANT, PLEASE READ"**

Space is **limited to six** people per trip. Only **ONE** person per family will be able to ride. Families are limited to **ONE** ride per month. You Must register in advance according to the date posted below, and on the designated registration date, by call the posted phone number. You will need to arrange transportation to the pick-up site and have someone meet you there on return so you can get your groceries home. The van will pick up and drop off all passengers at the listed location only. "Registration at the chosen food pantry is required. If you are not currently registered, you will need to complete the registration papers enroute to the destination." All passengers will need to have identification for the Food Pantry.

OCTOBER VAN TRANSPORT DATES:

OCT. 5th: going to Green County Inter-Church Food Pantry

Departing at : 8:45 AM

The registration date is Sept. 29th between 9 am and 3 pm. Call 608-328-2600

OCT. 8th going to Monticello Green Cares Food Pantry

Departing at: 7:45 AM

The registration date is Oct. 3rd between 9 am and 3 pm. Call 608-328-2600

OCT. 11th going to Monticello Green Cares Food Pantry

Departing at: 3:15 PM

The registration date is Oct. 6th between 9 am and 3 pm. Call 608-328-2600

OCT 17th going to Green County Inter-Church Food Pantry

Departing at: 1:45 PM

The registration date is Oct. 13th between 9 am and 3 pm. Call 608-328-2600

Visit Facebook at: "Food Pantry Green County WI" for updates

Volunteer Schedule

Liturgist

October

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9 Dean Houlberg

16 Ann Trow

23 Terrie Blumer

30 Leigh Whitehead

November

6 Jena McIntosh

13 Sharon Pryce

20 Kathie Riemer

27 Darrell Clark

Ushers

October

2 Margaret Kauk/Ann Trow

9 Bruce & Jena McIntosh

16 David & Janis King

23 Eric & Katie Brugger

30 Russ Whitehead/Darrell Clark

November

6 Teresa Brugger/Barb Briggs

13 Brian & Teresa Brugger

20 Dean Houlberg/?

27 Teresa Brugger/Dave Gavin

Communion Schedule

Communion 1st Sunday
each month

October Computer Schedule 9am Service

2 Teresa Brugger

9 Teresa Brugger/Debbie Houlberg

16 Jena McIntosh/ Teresa Brugger

23 Sharon Pryce/Teresa Brugger

30 Teresa Brugger

Please Check the dates. Dates may have been changed since last posted.

If you are unable to do your designated Sunday, please contact the church office. 608-862-3206

We are in need of more **volunteers** for Liturgist, Ushering, YouTube, and PowerPoint. Contact the church office if interested. 608-862-3206

Also, if any of the confirmands and High School would like to be added to the volunteer list, please contact the church office.

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October 2022 Calendar

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 8 & 10am Worship with Communion 8:45 All ages Sunday School Senior Choir sings 10am Live on Facebook & YouTube	3	4	5 Choir 7pm	6	7	8
9 8 & 10am Worship 8:45 All ages Sunday School Sunday School children sing 10am Live on Facebook & YouTube	10	11	12 Choir 7pm	13	14	15
16 8 & 10am Worship 8:45am All ages Sunday School Senior Choir sings 10am Sr. High Youth Group 5:30 Haunted House Live on Facebook & YouTube	17	18	19 Choir 7pm	20	21 Newsletter Deadline	22
23 8 & 10am Worship 8:45am All ages Sunday School Live on Facebook & YouTube	24	25	26 Choir 7pm	27	28	29
30 8 & 10an Worship All Saints Sunday 8:45am All ages Sunday School Live on Facebook & YouTube	31 Halloween					

All taped services can be found on our Sunday School face book page or YouTube: AUMC WI

Newsletter deadline October 21st

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