



THE CIRCUIT WRITER



December 2024



Seniors' Gathering

December Senior Fellowship Wednesday, December 4th

All seniors living in the area are welcome to attend Community Senior Fellowship on **Wednesday, December 4th at 10:00 AM**. Our program will be "Christmas Celebration".

We will follow with free bingo and prizes. Don't forget the delicious baked goods and coffee. See you there in the Fellowship Hall at Wilmot United Methodist Church, 11425 Fox River Road, Wilmot.

MARK CALENDAR: No January Senior Fellowship.

Co-sponsored with Living Waters Ministries.



Charge Conference

CIRCUIT 14 CHARGE CONFERENCE

Sunday, December 8th

1:00 PM

Salem UMC, 25130 85th St., Salem

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Looking for Readers!



Lay Readers

We are looking for readers for the Advent Candle lighting (need 5) and for our Christmas Eve Service to read scripture (need 9). If you are interested please let Barbara know by December 8th.



Christmas Eve Service Tuesday, December 24th 4:00 pm at Wilmot UMC



The Gift of Appreciation

Appreciation and joy are contagious, and telling stories of appreciation and gratitude is one of the best ways to share your joy with the people in your life during this season. Try this,

Exercise

During a gathering, go around and invite others to do the following:

Share several highlights from the year, be specific if you can.

Example: "Going out of town this summer was fun and exciting."

Share what you feel thankful for from the year.

Example: "I feel thankful that we had so many quality family meals."

Bonus Step1

When everyone finishes, go around the table and share something you enjoy about each person.

Example: "I enjoy David's welcoming smile when I get to work every day."

Bonus Step 2

Take turns sharing examples where you felt God's love and goodness this year.

Example: "I felt God's peace when we were at the park watching the sunset."



ANNUAL HOLIDAY COOKIE SALE

Bakers are baking and orders are coming in for our annual holiday cookie sale. We are selling sugar, peanut blossom, peppermint, ginger snap gems, gourmet chocolate chip and raspberry thumbprint for \$5 a dozen and peanut butter golf balls and fudge for \$7. All orders should be in by November 24th.

This year in addition to taking orders for our cookie sale, we will be selling our cookies and fudge at “Trees On Parade” at St. John’s Community Center in Twin Lakes on December 6th and 7th.

Bakers need to have their cookies to the church by **Thursday, December 5th**. The church will be open that night from 5-7 pm for you to bring in your cookies. We will need volunteers to pack cookies and put together orders on **Friday, December 13th**. We will work in two shifts, noon – 2 pm and 2 – 4 pm. Please let the church office know if you can help. Orders can be picked up on **Saturday, December 14th** from 10 am – 12 pm (noon).

Thank you to everyone for doing your part to make our annual fundraiser a success.



Christmas Potluck Brunch Sunday,

December 15th

We will be having a Christmas Potluck Brunch after worship on Sunday, December 15th. We hope you will be able to join us for the day!



POINSETTIAS

The poinsettia has long been a living symbol of Christmas. Our sanctuary will be decorated with poinsettias for Christmas Eve. You are invited to purchase a poinsettia for \$ 8 to be given in memory or in honor of someone.

We are also offering the opportunity for you to brighten the holiday season by donating to a local mission like Sharing Center or Twin Lakes Food Pantry or other Mission projects in lieu of purchasing a poinsettia. Either way, your gift will be listed in honor/ or memory of a loved one. A form will be in the bulletin. The deadline to order is **Sunday, December 8th**. You can either call or mail the information to:

Wilmot UMC, PO Box 218, Wilmot WI 53192 or 262-862-6366.



Shalom to Home Kits

Living Waters Ministry is helping Shalom Center with their Shalom to Home kits which help the homeless transition to independent living. If you don’t want to shop, we will accept monetary donations; just mark the envelope “Shalom to Home” and we will do the shopping. The kits are Bathroom, Cleaning Supplies, and Kitchen. Any questions contact Rachel Hewitt or Doris Carnahan.



ABC PROJECT (ANGEL’S BLANKETS FOR CHILDREN)

We have delivered the blankets to the organizations. We won’t meet in December or January. If you need blankets to work on, please let us know. Any questions contact Glenna Kisner.

SOUNDS OF THE SEASON
PIANO CHRISTMAS CONCERT

SATURDAY, DEC. 14, 2024
6:30PM
**PLYMOUTH UNITED
CHURCH OF CHRIST**
124 W Washington St.
Burlington, WI

JOIN US FOR SOLOS AND DUETS ON THE PIANO, A
CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG, AND DELICIOUS SNACKS
AND GOOD FELLOWSHIP TO FOLLOW!

IDENTITY
**Seeing Ourselves Through the Eyes of
Jesus**

Coming to you January 8th, 6-7pm
Join us at Wilmot or on Zoom

For more information contact Rachel Hewitt at queenrachel58@gmail.com or 262-945-9731

Joys & Concerns

Concerns:

Pastor Lilliannet
Kathy Severt's co-workers, Cayla & Megan
Bob Davenport
Lisa Carnahan's dog, Ike
Election Day
Kenosha Roosevelt Elementary School
Michelle Walter's friend, Karla & sisters, Anita & Krista

Barb Hiort's son, Jeff
Michelle Walter
Carnahan's nephew, Ryan's son, Coda
Safe travel Mary Ellen Rausch & son, Bob
Jim Michalek's co-worker, Evelyn

Joys or Gratitude:

Rachel Hewitt
Pastor's niece, Isabel
Doctors, Nurses & Medical staff
Veteran's Day
Penelope Colby
Michelle Walter
Terry Colby's son, Matthew, & wife, Jessica & grandchildren
Birthdays: Fred Rausch's granddaughters—Chloe & Samantha; Marge McGrath; Julia Lightbody; Scott Walter

Bob Davenport
Cameron & Rachel Hewitt
Caregivers
Veteran's support system (family & friends)
Glenna Kisner

Keep the following families who lost loved ones during the last month in your prayers.

Kathy Eckert's friend, Sharon King's significant other; Davenport's friend, Marie Clark

Continue to keep the following in your daily prayers!!

(If you have someone who needs continuing prayers please let the church office know!)

Retta & Jim Michalek; Rachel Hewitt's co-worker, Barb; Michelle Walter's cousin, Karen; Terry Colby's co-worker, Rose; Terry Colby's co-worker's 14 year old niece & family; Bob Davenport's brother, Mike; Ann Newcomb's daughter, Kelly; Doris Carnahan's brother's granddaughter, Crystal; Barb Hiort's friend, Matt; Kathy Severt's co-worker, Kathy Powell; Sandy & Mark Kerkman's daughter, Holly; Fred Rausch's friend, Arlene; Terry Colby's co-worker, Deb; Kathy Severt's friend, Laurie; Kathy Severt; Alice Johnson; MaryIn Zirbel; Marj O'Halleran; Marj O'Halleran's sister-in-law, Maureen; Davenport's niece, Kristy; Doris Carnahan's nephew, Mike; Bob Weber's son, Robert Jr.; Garrett Youra; Bob Davenport; Kathy Severt's co-worker, Scott Bies' wife, Angela



We would like to thank **Marge McGrath and Rachel Hewitt** for leading the service on October 27th when Pastor Lilliannet was ill.

We want to thank **Rachel and Cameron Hewitt** for preparing the Power-Point presentation and streaming the worship service every Sunday.

We would like to thank **Doris and Laura Carnahan** for their musical talent of playing the organ and piano.

Thank you **Terry Colby** for getting the coffee ready every Sunday and snacks for our Coffee & Chat in the hallway before and after church.

We would like to thank **Audrey & Bob Davenport**, and **Glen Carnahan** for updating the pastor's office, cleaning the gutters, and painting the doors. We appreciate all the work you have done around the church.



Operation Christmas Child

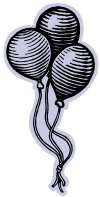
We would like to thank everyone who donated to, paid for shipping, and helped pack this year's Operation Christmas Child boxes. We filled 150 boxes and shipped 156 boxes with gifts for children around the world who would otherwise receive no Christmas presents. Bless you all for your part in this outreach ministry. Doris Carnahan



AD COUNCIL MEETING—November 3, 2024

Ad Council met on November 3th. Pastor has been helping the Wisconsin Annual Conference with Connectional Churches but will step back due to health issues. She won't be attending the spring semester of school. The Blanket Bees distributed the blankets in November. We will get the Operation Christmas Child boxes ready soon. The holiday cookie order forms are out and we will sell some at the Trees on Parade. The SPRC (Staff Parish Relations Committee) met with the Pastor and the Pastor's office is being painted and curtains removed. The lower gutters have been cleaned. We need to look for ways to clean the upper gutters. The Annual Conference is switching the insurance for all the churches which will start January 1st. The Trustees are making a list of repairs to do and in the spring we will have a clean up day. The office laptop is 10 years old, so we will replace it but will wait for holiday sales.

Joint Thanksgiving Service will be November 26 at Salem UMC. We will have Christmas Eve Service at 4:00pm. We tabled the discussion on the mounted camera. We will let everyone know we live stream the worship service. There will be no January Senior Fellowship since it falls on January 1st. Rachel Hewitt will lead a 14-15 week Bible Study starting January 8 on "Identity –Seeing ourselves through the Eyes of Jesus." We approved a motion for Cameron Hewitt to participate in a Worship Leadership Development course and the Council approved to pay \$500 for the first course which will come out of UMC Annual Conference/Leadership line item. Stewardship forms are due November 24. The Treasurer's reports for September and October were approved for future audit. The apportionments are all paid for 2024. Living Waters Committee are always looking for more members. We reviewed the Leadership for 2025. We approved the budget for 2025 of \$65,359. We tabled the discussion Townhall meetings but would like to include the members in them. Our next meeting will be December 1st.



December Birthdays/ Anniversaries

16 Linnea Rasch
31 Andrew Hewitt



PHOTOS FOR WORSHIP

We are looking for photos of nature to incorporate into our PowerPoint worship service presentation. If you have any send them to Rachel Hewitt at queenrachel58@gmail.com or the church email or bring them to church with you.



Remember Your Offerings

If you would like to mail in your offering:
Wilmot United Methodist Church
PO Box 218
Wilmot WI 53192

Vanguard –Parsonage Sale & Memorials Investment:

Invested \$111,040.86.00
Balance 9/30/2024 \$ 167,723.12



SNOW CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS!

In case of inclement weather please check the following stations:

WTMJ (TV 4 & Radio 620 & 94.5 Lake FM)

WISN (TV- 12)

October Treasurer's Report

2024 Budget	63,387.00
INCOME	
Balance 10/1/2024	11,831.07
Income:	
Sunday Offering	4,6982.92
Expenses:	
General Account	(5,811.43)
Transfer from other accounts	(275.00)
Balance 10/31/2024	10,428.46
Year to Date:	
Balance 1/1/2024	19,195.84
Income:	
General Account	45,493.09
Expenses:	
General Account	(59,039.35)
Transfer– Designated	4,768.88
Balance 10/31/2024	10,428.46

Please remember to mail in your offering envelope if you are out of town. We appreciate your support.

CHECK US OUT:

WEBSITE: www.wilmotumc.org

FACEBOOK: *Wilmot United Methodist Church*

WAYS YOU CAN HELP US RAISE FUNDS:

1. Purchase gift cards in denominations of \$50 or \$100 for **Woodman's Market** which is part of Living Waters Scrip program. Living Water will receive 5% profit from the cards and will pay 2 1/2% to the local church. Please contact Doris Carnahan (262-877-9876) at least a week in advance due to expiration dates and make checks out to "Living Waters".
2. **UMCMarket.org is now iGive** where you can shop at thousands of retailers you know and love, and earn cash back for your church. No Fees to your church or you. We pay out commissions from retailers to your church each month. Please sign in or sign up, select your church location, and then click through to retailers.

God's Helpers

Sunday	Liturgist	Greeters	Counter
Dec 1	Mike Wolf	Marge McGrath Paul McKibben	Barbara Sherman Mike Wolf
Dec 8	Bob Davenport	Fred Rausch Kathy Severt	Audrey & Bob Davenport
Dec 15	Paul McKibben	Audrey & Bob Davenport	Doris Carnahan Glenna Kisner
Dec 22	Marge McGrath	Marge McGrath Paul McKibben	Bob Davenport Marge McGrath
Dec 24		Audrey & Bob Davenport	Audrey & Bob Davenport
Dec 29	Barbara Sherman	Fred Rausch Barbara Sherman	Doris Carnahan Glenna Kisner
Jan 5	Mike Wolf	Marge McGrath Paul McKibben	Barbara Sherman Mike Wolf

If you are unable to serve on Sunday at your scheduled time, please try to find a substitute. If you cannot find substitute liturgists, ushers, greeters and money counters call Audrey Davenport at (847) 702-7399. Also, if you have not sign the Time & Talent Sheet, but would like to serve, call the Church Office at (262) 862-6366. Please call the Church office if substitutes are made, for proper identification of participants in the Sunday bulletin. Thank you!!

Communion Preparation

December 1st— Barb Fiebelkorn
January 5th—Terry Colby

Fellowship

December 15th—Potluck Brunch
January 19th—

Snow Shoveling

Nov 18th—24th—
Nov 25th—Dec 1st—
Dec 2nd—8th -
Dec 9th—15th -
Dec 16th—22nd -
Dec 23th—29th—Sherman
Dec 30th—Jan 5th—



SNOW SHOVELING!!



If anyone is interested in helping the church during the winter months to shovel snow around the church, we could use help. You shovel a week at a time from Monday through Sunday and if it snows you are responsible to shovel the walkways around the church. Call or email the church office to see what weeks are available.

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Sunday Worship 8:30 AM

Church: 262-862-6366

Website: www.wilmotumc.org

Email: WilmotUMC@gmail.com

Pastor Lilliannet's phone 262-725-6203

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <i>Communion /</i> 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Ad Council	2	3	4 10:00 AM Community Senior Fellowship	5 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Drop off cookies at church	6 4:00 PM—8 :00 PM - Trees on Parade at St John's Community Center Twin Lakes (Admission \$2)	7 10:00 AM—4 :00 PM - Trees on Parade at St John's Community Center Twin Lakes (Admission \$2)
8 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Adult Class	9	10	11	12	13 12:00 PM—5:00 PM Pack cookies	14 10:00 AM—12:00 PM Pick up orders 6:30 PM—Sounds of the Season at Plymouth UCC, Burlington
15 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Potluck Brunch	16	17	18	19	20 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!!	21
22 9:00 AM Worship	23	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i> 4:00 PM Service at Wilmot UMC	25 <i>Merry Christmas</i>	26	27	28
29 9:00 AM Worship	30	31			<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 5px;"> Worship is live stream on Wilmot United Methodist Church –Facebook </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> Events and time subjected to change. Check the website or Facebook for updates. </div>	

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Rev. Lilliannet Rosario

Office Phone:

262-862-6366

Sunday Worship

9:00 AM

Adult Class

10:00 AM



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