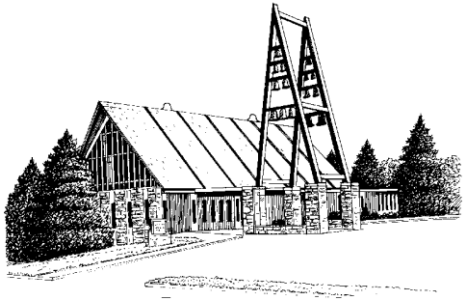




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AUGUST 2026 NEWSLETTER

"Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person." (Colossians 4:6)

Dear Friends,

A couple weeks ago, my son and his family were visiting. While we were sitting on the back patio, we noticed a large number of crows on the roof of the neighbor's house. Krysta exclaimed, "Murder at the neighbors!" It caught me off-guard until I remembered that the proper name for a group of crows is actually "murder". This short incident caused a few giggles at the moment, but later that night, I was lying awake thinking about words and how we use (and misuse) them. Naturally, as your pastor, I spend a lot of time carefully choosing my words, for sermons, meditations like this one and even casual conversation. I always want my words to be encouraging and kind, even when I am challenging or critiquing.

As I lay there thinking about how I choose my words, I remembered a recent exchange with a Facebook friend. He is actually a member of my home church, many years older than me, and had previously been a mentor. I always thought of him as an intelligent, kind, generous man with a strong Christian character and heart of gold. I had become quite disillusioned by the messages he continued to post regularly, hateful messages blaming minorities for all of the troubles in our country, harsh words using derogatory names for anyone who disagreed with him. My heart aches to see the words people use on social media these days, words that they clearly misunderstand and have no problem throwing around to advance their own political agenda without ever learning their true definition. These are hurtful words that do not contribute to any reasonable debate or discussion but just demean and dehumanize.

In many ways, social media in its anonymity has taught us that it is acceptable to use racist, misogynist, biased and malignant name-calling, while in other ways it seems that society itself has reverted to this harmful rhetoric. We as Christians, though, have been called to a better way, a kinder way. "Let your speech be gracious," Paul writes to the people of Colossae, and also to us today. It is up to us to find the words that will encourage and uplift and remind people that they are beloved children of God, even as we find ways to educate and challenge others to keep searching for the truth. It costs nothing to be kind, to pause before we speak and carefully choose words that will illuminate, rather than spread darkness and hatred and anger.

May the Spirit be with you in your every day activities, guiding your thoughts and your words. May you share the light of Christ with all you meet through gracious and kind words, now and always. You, my friends, are dearly beloved by God your Creator, and it is our mission to share that love with the world, through our words and actions.

Grace and Peace, *Pastor Julie*

Clark County Fair Service

For a number of reasons, there will be NO worship service held at Clark County Fair this year. Calvary Lutheran and Neillsville UCC have led this service for many years, but due to changes at the fair board and within both churches, it has been decided to take a break this year. Neillsville UCC will hold our regular worship service at the church at 9:30 a.m. on August 9, 2026.

Special Joint Worship Service

NUCC has been invited to join Calvary Lutheran for a special joint worship service on September 20, 2026. The service will be held at Calvary with a guest band providing special music. We will be commissioning JAM Christian Educators and blessing backpacks. The worship service will be followed by fellowship time and special activities, including games and Centershot demonstration. More information will be coming in September newsletter.



to **Sue & John Vornholt and family**
on the death of Sue's mother,
Sallie Sickels, 95 who passed away on July 9th.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you.



Continuing the
following in our
thoughts and prayers.

Gayle Schermitzler	Fritz Hediger
Lisa Schermitzler	Fran Ormond
Duane Marty	Mike & Sherrie Holub
Brian Eddy	Nancy Boon
Pastor Julie Ruegsegger	Brooks Sigurdson
Russ Karl	Barb Petkovsek
Lisa Hardesty	Linette Kuhn
(niece of Barb Shoemaker)	

Please let us know if others not listed
(with their permission) would like prayer requests.



Sunday, July 5, the radio broadcast was sponsored by Jerry Quicker in memory of sons, Paul and Mike.

Sunday, July 12, the radio broadcast was sponsored by Sharon & Byrl Buddenhagen in celebration of their family's July birthdays, Kevin, Brad, Janessa and Sandy.

Sunday, July 19, the radio broadcast was sponsored anonymously by a faithful listener.

Sunday, July 26, the radio broadcast was sponsored anonymously in praise of Jesus Christ.

2026 Radio Broadcast

Sponsors Needed

If you would like to sponsor a radio broadcast, you may choose to dedicate or honor someone for a particular service date.

The cost remains the same - \$75

Please contact Janice in the office or phone
715-743-2147 to reserve a date.

The following dates are still open for this year –
August 9, 23 November 22
September 6 December 6, 13

July 2026

Attendance for In-Person Worship

July 5	online	9	Sunday	48
July 12	online	3	Sunday	60
July 19	online	2	Sunday	43
July 26	online	2	Sunday	37



- 1- Earnie Ruegsegger
Ruth Schmidt
Sue Voigt
- 3- Delaney Rochester
- 6- Layne Woods
- 7- Morgan Erickson
Sydney Subke
- 11- Ava Krushke
- 12- Alexis Bergemann
- 19- Benjamin Mathis
- 21- Karen Mohr
Patricia Wall
- 23- Craig Heck
Axel Kruschke
- 27- Kathy Marshall
- 28- Sandy Bieneck
- 29- Nancy Boon
Jim Repinski

***Happy Birthday to all who have an August birthday!
Did we miss your birthday or have the wrong date?
Let us know if we did.***



- 9- Linette & Wendell Kuhn
- 11- Kathy & Howie Mathis
- 14- Debbie & Mike Perkl
- 15- Sandy & Paul Schmidt
- 18- Kathy & Butch Carl
- 19- Karen & Jim Mohr
- 20- Barb & Steve Miller
- 22- Kellie Murphy & Neil Czarnecki
Stephanie & Craig Heck
- 28- Sandy & Roy Bieneck
Jerry & Judy Quicker
Linda & John Stalsberg



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

SEPTEMBER 1 -9

We are adding the first days of SEPTEMBER birthdays and anniversaries so as not to miss any if the newsletter comes out late.

Birthdays

- 1- Logan Erickson
Jerry Quicker
- 2- Fritz Hediger
- 3- M.E. Sjolín
- 5- Donita Follen
Joel Raine
- 6- Crispin Hediger
Audrey Vradenburg

The Circle of Friends

is looking for more "friends".

No special talents are required,
we can do on the job training.

We meet on the first and third Mondays
of the month at 9 AM in the fellowship hall
to work on making cards.

On the second Thursday at 1:30 PM
we gather for our monthly meeting.

-Kick-off to education/JAM on **Sunday,**



September 20th at
Calvary during the 9am
worship service. We will
be planning a kick-off
party after the service
for the kids that won't
take more than an hour.

**-JAM will start on Wednesday, September
30th at Calvary from 5-5:45pm.**

Confirmation Orientation Meeting

It's hard to believe that summer is nearly over already, and it's time to start planning for the school year again. That also means that JAM and Confirmation will be starting again in September (please watch for official start dates to be announced soon).

Pastor Julie would like to gather in the upstairs lounge with confirmation students and their families on Sunday, August 23, immediately following worship for a brief meeting to plan class dates and times and location.

Confirmation is the adolescent affirmation of baptism. After a 2-year program of study and mentorship, youth "give public assent to the baptismal promises" made on their behalf as small children. Any youth going into 7th grade or older are eligible for confirmation, and we would like to remind all parents, grandparents, and guardians that ALL youth are welcome, even if you are not currently a member of Neillsville UCC. If your child has special needs, we will gladly make accommodations as needed and do our best to make sure that every child is included and knows that they are an equal and valued part of the family.

If you have any questions or are unable to join us at the August 23 meeting but still want to be a part of the confirmation program, please call or text Pastor Julie at 608-558-2397 or email NUCCpastor@gmail.com.



August 16, 2026
UCC- Neillsville
515 West Second Street
9:45-10:00 am

Volunteers Needed for Sunday Worship

August – September 2026

We are looking for volunteers to assist with Sunday worship by **reading the scriptures and/or leading the children's message**. Pastor Julie will choose the scripture readings, and volunteers will prepare and lead the children's message. Pastor Julie has online resources available and is happy to discuss ideas or offer guidance.

If you feel called to help, please add your name to the schedule below. For more specifics of questions please contact Sally Sadowska or Janice Miller.

Thank you for serving!

Sunday	Scripture	Children's message
Aug 2	Barb Shoemaker	Barb Shoemaker
Aug 9		
Aug 16	Nancy Rodman	
Aug 23	Donita Follen	
Aug 30		
Sept 6		
Sept 13		
Sept 20		
Sept 27		

SAVE THE DATE

"THANK YOU SUNDAY"

OCTOBER 25th - 9:30 AM

On "Thank You Sunday" the stewardship committee honors an individual or committee for their outstanding work for the church.

Following the service
a brunch will be available.

United Church of Christ Coffee Mugs for Sale



If anyone would like to purchase a UCC coffee mug for \$10, please see Emile.

Thank you!

The Circle Around the Wounded

A Meditation about Community by Rev. Cameron Trimble

"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it." —1 Corinthians 12:26

Life on the Common Good Farm is often marked by small, wondrous gifts. Every morning twenty-four hens greet us with their cheerful commentary and throughout the day leave behind beautiful brown, blue, and cream-colored eggs. They feed our family and many others. Their routines have become part of our own.

Last week, those rhythms were interrupted. When I went to close the coop that evening, I found one of our Barred Rock hens hanging from the nesting box. Her leg had slipped between the wooden slats, leaving her stuck at an odd angle. I didn't know how long she had been there. Her foot was losing circulation, and her hip was clearly out of place.

I lifted her gently and held her until her heart began to steady. I tried to ease her hip back into place and then settled her into our separate "hospital" coop where she could rest in a protected, comfortable space.

The next morning, she still couldn't put weight on her leg. I carried her outside and set her in the grass near the rest of the flock. I hoped she would at least enjoy the sunshine and the company while she healed. With my morning coffee, I pulled up a chair nearby.

Then pure grace happened. The oldest hen on the farm walked over and sat beside the injured bird. There was no pecking or competition. She just stayed close, their bodies pressed together in what looked clearly like comfort. Twenty minutes later, a hawk called out overhead. Usually, the flock would scatter, each bird running for safety. But not this time. Instead, they ran toward the injured hen. One by one, they gathered around her, forming a living circle between their vulnerable sister and the danger above.

No one taught them to do this. There was no meeting, no plan, and no debate about whether she deserved their help. They just knew they needed to keep her safe. I was stunned and honored to bear witness.

Charles Darwin once observed that communities "which included the greatest number of the most sympathetic members would flourish best."¹ Maybe compassion is older than we think. Long before people built civilizations, wrote laws, or created sacred texts, life had already learned that survival depends not just on strength, but also on care.

The Apostle Paul says, "If one member suffers, all suffer together with it."² Watching those hens, I saw that Paul wasn't coming up with something new. He was describing one of the oldest instincts in creation.

We humans often praise ourselves for being smart. Still, we often build our lives around competition, exclusion, and suspicion. We value self-sufficiency. We tell people to lift themselves up by their own bootstraps. We separate those we think are worthy from those we think are not.

Meanwhile, a wise flock of chickens taught me that real community starts with different values:

You don't leave anyone behind when they're hurt. You come closer. You become their shelter.

Maybe this is what the Kin-dom of God has always looked like. It's not everyone rushing to protect themselves. It's a circle forming around the one who can't stand alone.

Holy One,

Give us the courage to receive the kindness that finds us. When another stumbles, soften our hearts before we harden our judgments. Turn our feet toward them. Teach us to sit close, to stay present, to become a shelter without needing to fix what is broken. And when fear cries out above us, gather us together. Not as strangers protecting ourselves, but as companions protecting one another. May our lives become small circles of refuge in a weary world— places where healing has room to begin, where tenderness is honored, and where no one is left alone. Amen.

Discussion on Air Conditioning UCC Sanctuary

In recent weeks, there has been renewed interest in exploring options to provide air conditioning for the church sanctuary. On Monday, July 13, the Trustees—Chairperson Hap Eddy, Doris Bakker, Bob Petovsek, Mike Perkl, Kevin Erickson, and Moderator Paul Vine—reviewed a proposal to install three heat pumps on the south side of the sanctuary. The proposal, which includes the necessary electrical work, is estimated to cost between \$15,000 and \$20,000. The heat pumps would provide both heating and cooling. In addition to making the sanctuary more comfortable during the summer months, they could also reduce heating costs during the spring and fall by minimizing the need to operate the church furnace during milder weather. Recognizing the importance of making a well-informed decision, the Trustees recommended seeking additional proposals from local contractors for comparison. Since the 2026 UCC budget does not include funding for an air conditioning project, the Trustees also discussed possible funding sources, including proceeds from the Holiday Fair Fund and voluntary donations from members and friends of the church. During worship on Sunday, July 19, Paul Vine provided the congregation with an update on the project. He shared information about the proposal, outlined potential funding options, and explained the approval process required by the church bylaws. Because the estimated cost exceeds \$2,500, the bylaws require the following steps before the project can move forward:

- The Trustees review all proposals and make a recommendation to the UCC Council.
- The UCC Council reviews the recommendation and, if approved, schedules a congregational meeting.
- The congregation receives at least two weeks' notice before the meeting.
- The congregation votes on the proposal.

At this time, the Trustees are seeking additional donations to help fund the project. Anyone wishing to contribute is encouraged to contact one of the Trustees or Paul Vine. Thank you for your continued interest and support of our church. Please stay tuned for future updates as additional proposals are received and the project moves through the review process.

Submitted by Paul Vine

Celebrate America's 250th Anniversary with an Amazing Chili Cook-Off!

Saturday, September 19 | 12:00–4:00 p.m.

United Church of Christ

Join us for a fun, community-wide Chili Cook-Off as we celebrate America's 250th Anniversary! All proceeds will benefit the Food Pantry.

Calling All Chili Cooks!

Contestants are asked to bring a 7–9 quart crock pot or roaster of homemade chili, along with one or two people to help serve.

Please register by August 20 with:

- Nancy Rodman: 608-780-5115
- Janice: 715-743-2147

When registering, please indicate:

- The type of chili you will be serving.
- Any allergy concerns.

Contestants should arrive at the church by 11:30 a.m. with their chili fully cooked and ready to serve.

We will provide:

- Ladles
- Table service supplies
- Sour cream
- Shredded cheese
- Crackers
- Tasting cups
- Bars and cookies

Awards

Prizes will be awarded for:

- 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place
- People's Choice Award
- Best Table Presentation

This event will be advertised in the local newspaper, with participating organizations and individuals recognized.

Admission

- Adults: \$8.00
- Children (under 10): \$4.00

Admission includes bottomless chili tasting, dessert, and one People's Choice voting ticket.

Everyone is invited to join the celebration! Whether you're entering your favorite chili recipe or simply coming to enjoy great food and fellowship, we hope you'll be part of this special community event.

Currently the following groups and individuals are entered in the contest: The Lions, Optimist, Schmitt's, Breakfast Club, Hansens IGA, Fringe Benefits, Mathis Market, Karlene Wallace, Mike Perkl, Kelley Burch, and Bonnie Hennen.

King's Conquest to Perform at the Neillsville United Church of Christ



Mark your calendars for **Sunday, August 30, 2026 at 3:30 PM** for an afternoon of Christian fellowship with Kings Conquest performing at the Neillsville United Church of Christ.

King's Conquest is an award-winning Christian band based in central Wisconsin, with a mission to shine the light of Jesus through a blend of pop/rock and contemporary music styles. The band consists of three members who are siblings:



- Noah on lead vocals and keyboards
- Ella on the violin and vocals
- Ezra on the drums and vocals

Noah, Ezra and Ella come from a family with a musical background and got started in performing through their families' band known as MPK Christian Celtic band. Through years of performing with the family band, Noah wrote many of his own original songs, acquired his own studio and formed King's Conquest with his siblings. The band released their first 12 track album on February 3rd 2023 and are currently working on album 2!

For more information, visit their website at <https://kingsconquestmusic.com> or on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/@kingsconquestmusic>

After the Kings Conquest's performance, we will host a "Baked Potato Bar", with broccoli, butter, sour cream, parsley flakes, bacon bits, cheese, etc. More details will be published in the August newsletter.



Approved Minutes

Neillsville United Church of Christ Council

The meeting was held on Wednesday, April 29, 2026 in the lounge at the Neillsville United Church of Christ. Moderator Vine called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Attendance

Council Members Present: Trustee Representative Doris Bakker, Christian Education Representative Stephanie Heck (left at 7:33 PM), Vice Moderator Barb Petkovsek, Moderator Paul Vine, Deacons Representative Karlene Wallace, and Treasurer Bonnie Weyer. Those Absent: Pastor Julie.

Prayer

Moderator Vine guided the committee with a prayer.

Minutes

Motion by Stephanie Heck, seconded by Karlene Wallace to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2026 meeting. Voice vote taken with all "aye"; motion carried.

Financial Report

Motion by Doris Bakker, seconded by Stephanie Heck to approve the financial report as presented by Bonnie Weyer reading Assistant Treasurer Don Quicker's written report. Voice vote taken with all "aye"; motion carried.

New Business

Summer Schedule for Council Meetings

A summer schedule was set for Council meetings as follows:

- May – no meeting
- June – meeting
- July – no meeting
- August – meeting

If any matters arise that need the Council's attention, Moderator Vine will contact the Council members to set up a special meeting.

Old Business

Future Connections Update

- Silent Auction – Emile Miller
 - 55 items were donated for the auction, with a profit of \$3,282
 - held from Sunday, March 1 through Sunday, March 29 with final bids at 11:30 AM
 - all items have been picked up and paid for
- Chili Feed – Barb Petkovsek
 - all food items were donated
 - \$1,100 profit
- Youth Guest Speaker – Barb Petkovsek
 - 10 students attended and engaged in conversation
 - suggestions were:
 - schedule for a Wednesday evening, since sports now are held year round
 - include those students that attended this session to get their input on what they would like in the future

Committee Reports and Requests for Action

Christian Education

Stephanie Heck shared the following:

- Jesus and Me (JAM)
 - met last week with Calvary to discuss next year
 - Julie Bechtel from Calvary will not be helping next year
 - new smaller class groups
 - 3K to 2nd graders
 - 3rd to 4th graders
 - 5th to 6th graders
 - looking at new curriculum for this group
 - hoping Calvary will check with UCC before purchasing
- Vacation Bible School (VBS)
 - Sunday, June 7
 - 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM
 - theme is Jesus is the Light
 - Calvary is invited to attend
 - hoping to do a dance to “This Little Light of Mine”, like an illuminated dance

Next Meeting Date and Time

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 9 at 5 PM.

Stephanie Heck left the meeting at this time

Old Business Continued

Future Connections Update Continued

- Baked Goods Auction – Emile Miller

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- sign-up sheet has approximately 40+ items
- auctioneers secured
- Chili Contest – Paul Vine
 - coordinated by Kirk and Nancy Rodman
 - tentatively set for Saturday, September 19
- Special Music – King’s Conquest
 - possible schedule this event with the Heritage Days community service, Pastor is looking into this
 - some type of special music during a church service

Committee Reports and Requests for Action Continued

Trustees

Doris Bakker shared the following:

- kitchen countertops
 - pleased with the approval by the congregation
 - the Holiday Fair funds will purchase the countertops
 - installation will happen when there are no conflicts with kitchen use
- new furnace room sink has been installed

- lawn mowing - Kevin Erickson will continue to provide this for the church
- landscaping
 - looking for someone to oversee the upkeep of the landscaping around the church, ie: watering, trimming, etc.
 - an article will be printed in the newsletter
- driveway at the lower level
 - issue with the garbage truck cutting the corner short and making roots in the lawn, this is being investigated
- back storage room (card room)
 - Kevin Erickson and Bob Petkovsek cleaned this out
 - once the city has its clean sweep, items will be disposed of properly • Bob Petkovsek working on the lights in the kitchen and will replace the needed ones
- next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19

Deacons

Karlene Wallace shared the following

- Confirmation
 - students read their Statement of Faith to the Council members, parents and mentors ○ a meal was provided by the Council members
 - discussed possible volunteer areas the confirmands may be interested in doing, ie: children's service, PowerPoint, AV, ushering, etc.
- Pastor will be gone this Sunday, May 3 with Barb Shoemaker filling pulpit duties
- welcome bags out from for visitors to take on their own so they don't feel pressured
- next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 12

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Other/Next Agenda Items

Other

- Request from Calvary Church
 - with the upcoming funeral of Pastor Chad's son, the members of Calvary church are requesting the use of chairs and kitchen items from UCC. Since the Trustees are not meeting before Saturday, May 2, Moderator Vine granted permission of Calvary's request.
- Audio Visual Needs
 - with the upcoming busy summer schedule for everyone, we need more volunteers for running the AV equipment on Sundays
 - an article asking for more volunteers should be in the newsletter again ○ a new person will be watching the procedure on Sunday, May 3 to see if they would be interested in helping
- Fair Service
 - with Calvary not having a pastor at this time and with Pastor's health, conversation was should we hold our joint fair service this year
 - Barb Petkovsek will check with Calvary to see if they are still interested in this joint service
 - Moderator Vine will check with Pastor Julie with concerns

Next Agenda Items

- Baked Goods Auction

- Chili Contest
- Fair Service Update

Closed Session – WI Statute § 19.85(1) (e)

At 8:03 PM, motion by Barb Petkovsek, seconded by Bonnie Weyer that the committee go into closed session in accordance with WI Statute § 19.85(1) (e) for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the investment of funds and considering the donation of funds, where competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Topic: Christmas Family Fund Distribution.

Voice vote taken with all “aye”; motion carried.

At 8:08 PM, motion by Bonnie Weyer, seconded by Doris Bakker to reconvene into open session. Voice vote taken with all “aye”, motion carried.

The committee may go in and out of closed session, take any action deemed appropriate from closed session and may return to open session to continue transacting business.

Christmas Family Fund Distribution

Motion by Doris Bakker, seconded by Bonnie Weyer to grant distribution from the Christmas Family Fund as discussed in closed session. Voice vote taken with all “aye”; motion carried.

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Adjournment

Motion by Barb Petkovsek, seconded by Bonnie Weyer to adjourn. Voice vote taken with all “aye”; motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Submitted by:

Emile J Miller

Neillsville UCC Council Secretary

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UCC Shows Appreciation to Area Farmers

The UCC Mission and Outreach committee again this year recognized area farmers during June Dairy Month by preparing and delivering 36 Chicken Pot Pies to farm families who devote their daily lives to supplying the rest of us with nutritious milk and food. This is the 4th year that Neillsville UCC has recognized their agricultural neighbors' efforts by giving them a meal.

With the help of volunteers, young and older, chicken pies were made from meat, vegetables, and staples provided by the church and individual donations. Volunteers gave of their time and talents, as well as generous financial contributions to supply ingredients and make the delicious pies. In addition, trips were made to deliver the pies to each farm family.

The extra ordinary efforts of the UCC Mission and Outreach committee members and dedicated volunteers, who supported the "Chicken Pot Pie" gift giving deserve a great big "Thank You"!!! You're definitely the hands and feet of Jesus Christ!

-Stewardship Committee

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE
August 2, 2026 – September 20, 2026

	Deacon/ host	Greeter(s)	Usher(s)	Power Point / AV
Sunday, Aug. 2, 2026	Barb Shoemaker	Janice Miller	Roger Carl	Barb Petkovsek
		Barb Miller	Ken Shoemaker	/Emile Miller
Sunday, Aug. 9, 2026	Sally Sadowska	Rosie Repinski	Guy Jodarski	
		Jim Repinski	Larry Marshall	/Bonnie Weyer
Sunday, Aug. 16, 2026	Karlene Wallace	Jim & M.E. Sjolín	Jim Sjolín	Paul Vine
			Jerry Hamm	/Lydia Schumacher
Sunday, Aug. 23, 2026	Janice Miller	Donita & Phil Follen	Don Quicker	Janice Miller
			Jerry Quicker	/ Bonnie Weyer
Sunday, Aug. 30, 2026	JoAnn Wren	Jenna Ziegler & family	Craig Sigurdson	Barb Petkovsek
			Wendy Sigurdson	/ Stephanie Heck
Sunday, Sept. 6, 2026	Wayne Voss	Lydia Schumacher	Phil Follen	
		Karen Northup	Donita Follen	/ Emile Miller
Sunday, Sept.13, 2026	Byrl Buddenhagen	Sandy Bieneck	Craig Heck	Brynn or Calvin Heck
		Michelle Bergemann	Bob Petkovsek	/Stephanie Heck
Sunday,Sept. 20, 2026	Barb Shoemaker	Carole Romens	Debbie Perkl	
		Jenny Erickson	Mike Perkl	/Lydia Schumacher
Please call the church office if you are unable to be here, or make arrangements with another church member. 715-743-2147				



 August **2026** **United Church of Christ**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
NA will change from meeting on Sunday nights to Saturday nights at 7 PM starting August 8th						1
2 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 AM Worship	3 9 AM Card Making	4 1 PM Bible Study	5 7 PM NA	6 Noon- T&C Quilters	7	8 7 PM NA
9 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 Worship	10	11 1 PM Bible Study 4 PM – Deacons Mtg	12 1 PM Stewardship Comm. Meeting 7 PM NA	13 1:30 PM Circle of Friends Meeting	14	15 7 PM NA
16 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 Worship	17 9 AM Card Making 9 AM- T& C Quilters	18 1 PM Bible Study 5:30 PM – Trustees Mtg	19 7 PM NA	20	21	22 7 PM NA
23 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 Worship 24 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost 3:30 KING'S CONQUEST CONCERT	24 31	25 1 PM Bible Study 6 PM – HCE Homemakers	26 7 PM NA	27	28	29

