

CHURCH CHAT

It is the mission and purpose of Somers Community United Church of Christ to study and seek the will of God and to transform our understanding into action.



September 2021



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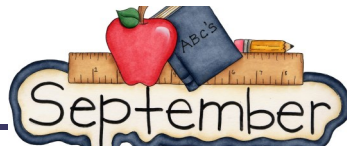
9:00pm - 3:00 pm



In honor of Labor Day, I thought I would share a portion of a humorous piece of writing that I came across as I was reading one of my favorite magazines. I hope that it brings a smile to your face as well. Happy Labor Day.

This is an excerpt from "*Nothing Works for Me*" by Richard Lederer:

- ◆ My first job was working in an orange juice factory, but I just couldn't concentrate, so I got canned.
- ◆ Then I became a lumberjack, but I just couldn't hack it, so they gave me the axe.
- ◆ I was once a set designer, but I left without making a scene.
- ◆ I was next employed at a diet center, but I got downsized.
- ◆ I became a baker, but I turned out to be a loafer and couldn't make enough dough.
- ◆ Then I opened a donut shop, but I soon got tired of the hole business.
- ◆ I manufactured calendars, but my days were numbered.
- ◆ I took a job as an upholsterer, but I never recovered.
- ◆ Next I worked in a muffler factory, but that was exhausting.
- ◆ I became a hairdresser, but the job was just too cut-and-dried.
- ◆ I moved on to selling lingerie, but they decided to give me the pink slip.
- ◆ I tried telemarketing, but I had too many hang ups.
- ◆ I became a dentist, but gummed up the works and couldn't do the drill. The job was boring and felt like a bridge to nowhere.
- ◆ I worked as a fortune-teller, but I didn't see any future in it.
- ◆ I sold origami, but the business folded.
- ◆ For a while, I was an astrologer, but it wasn't in the stars.
- ◆ I attempted to be a deli worker, but any way I sliced it, I couldn't cut the mustard.
- ◆ I studied a long time to become a doctor, but I didn't have the patients.
- ◆ I became a cardiologist, but my heart wasn't in it.
- ◆ Next was a job in a shoe factory, but the job didn't last, and I got the boot.
- ◆ I studied to become a lawyer, but my career was brief. It was too trying and had no appeal.
- ◆ For a while, I sold vacuum cleaners, but the job really sucked.
- ◆ I tried being a teacher, but I soon lost my principal, my faculties, and my class.




# September

| September Birthdays     |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 7                       | LeRoy Johnson           |
| 12                      | Alaina Rose             |
| 17                      | Jennifer Swartz         |
| 19                      | Liz Borger              |
| 20                      | Ryan Rossi              |
| 23                      | James Bishop            |
| September Anniversaries |                         |
| 11                      | Robert & Terra Newhouse |
| 28                      | Joseph & Peggy Gallo    |
| 30                      | Jack & Bonnie Adams     |

*NOTE: If we are missing your birthday or anniversary, please let the church office know.*

| September Readings                     |                                                                                            |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>September 5</b><br><i>Communion</i> | Proverbs 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23<br>Psalm 125<br>James 2: 1-10 (11-13), 14-17<br>Mark 7: 24-37 |
| <b>September 12</b>                    | Proverbs 1: 20-33<br>Psalm 19<br>James 3: 1-12<br>Mark 8:27-38                             |
| <b>September 19</b>                    | Proverbs 31: 10-31<br>Psalm 1<br>James 3: 13 - 4: 3, 7-8a<br>Mark 9: 30-37                 |
| <b>September 26</b>                    | Esther 7: 1-6, 9-10; 9: 20-22<br>Psalm 124<br>James 5: 13-20<br>Mark 9: 38-50              |

| Sunday              |           |               |
|---------------------|-----------|---------------|
|                     | Liturgist | Altar Flowers |
| <b>September 5</b>  | NONE      | NONE          |
| <b>September 12</b> | NONE      | NONE          |
| <b>September 19</b> | NONE      | NONE          |
| <b>September 26</b> | NONE      | NONE          |



**Remember Your Offerings**

If you would like to mail your offering:  
Somers United Church of Christ  
PO Box 183  
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Ten banners were recently purchased from the Memorial Fund of Albert & Helen Schlitz. The first two new ones will be in place in September. Watch for additional ones to be hung throughout the year.



### Fall Worship Hour

Our **10:15 am** worship begins on **Sunday, September 12th**. This is for the fall, winter and spring months.



As our worship service moves back inside to a more “formal” style. We welcome the addition of special music. We are also looking for anyone who would like to serve as liturgist. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Please consider helping us out.



### Breakfast & Books

Our Saturday, September 25th B & B will meet in the pavilion (weather permitting) at 9:30 am. We will be discussing the book **“Sara’s Sacrifice”** by **Flo Parfitt**. Coffee will be provided. New people are always welcome. If you have any questions or concerns contact Bonnie Curnes 262-654-1612.



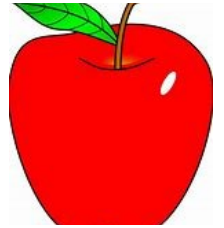
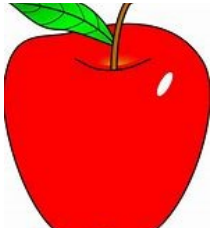
We would like to thank everyone who did things around the church this summer. We appreciate your help on clean up day, weeding or spraying for weeds, fixing items in the church; watering the plants; donating school supplies; donating to our Food Pantry; and anything else that kept the church shining this summer. **Thank you!!**



### NEIGHBORS IN NEED

The **Neighbors in Need Offering (NIN)** is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ (UCC) that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC’s Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy, efforts, and direct service projects through grants. This year, special consideration will be given to projects focusing on serving our immigrant neighbors and communities.

We will be collect the NIN offering on **Sunday, October 3rd** as part of World Communion Sunday observance.



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| Sun                                                                                             | Mon                       | Tue                                                        | Wed | Thu | Fri                                                                      | Sat                                                    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| <p>Dates and times are subject to change, call the church or check the website for updates.</p> |                           |                                                            | 1   | 2   | 3                                                                        | 4                                                      |
| <p>5 <i>Communion</i></p> <p>9:30 AM<br/>Worship</p>                                            | <p>6 <i>Labor Day</i></p> | <p>7</p> <p>2:00 PM - 5:00<br/>PM Diaper<br/>Ministry</p>  | 8   | 9   | 10                                                                       | 11                                                     |
| <p>12</p> <p>10:15 AM<br/>Worship</p>                                                           | 13                        | <p>14</p> <p>2:00 PM - 5:00<br/>PM Diaper<br/>Ministry</p> | 15  | 16  | 17                                                                       | 18                                                     |
| <p>19</p> <p>10:15 AM<br/>Worship</p>                                                           | 20                        | <p>21</p> <p>2:00 PM - 5:00<br/>PM Diaper<br/>Ministry</p> | 22  | 23  | 24                                                                       | <p>25</p> <p>9:30 AM<br/>Breakfast &amp;<br/>Books</p> |
| <p>26</p> <p>10:15 AM<br/>Worship</p>                                                           | 27                        | <p>28</p> <p>2:00 PM - 5:00<br/>PM Diaper<br/>Ministry</p> | 29  | 30  | <p>Service Team #1<br/>Co-chairs Char Laba &amp;<br/>Jennifer Swartz</p> |                                                        |