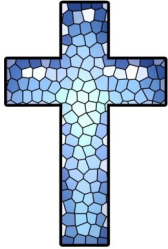


CHURCH CHAT

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 2025



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Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday

9:00pm - 3:00 pm



A long time ago—in June of 2005—I went to Iona, Scotland while I was on sabbatical from the congregation that I was serving. Iona, Scotland is a wondrous place. It is an island in the Western Hebrides with ancient buildings, no streetlights, and plenty of sheep. There are no roads on the island, but plenty of paths on which to wander and reflect and pray.

I thought I would share an affirmation of faith from the Iona Abbey Worship Book with you here:

**In the midst of hunger and war...**

*We celebrate the promise of plenty and peace.*

**In the midst of oppression and tyranny...**

*We celebrate the promise of service and freedom.*

**In the midst of doubt and despair...**

*We celebrate the promise of faith and hope.*

**In the midst of fear and betrayal...**

*We celebrate the promise of joy and loyalty.*

**In the midst of hatred and death...**

*We celebrate the promise of love and life.*

**In the midst of sin and decay...**

*We celebrate the promise of salvation and renewal.*

**In the midst of death on every side...**

*We celebrate the promise of the Living Christ.*

**Amen.**

As we return from our summer vacations and go about the mission and ministry that is ever before us...let us celebrate all of the gifts that God has given to us.

God bless our students and teachers as they return to school.



| September Birthdays     |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1                       | Dino Sturino            |
| 16                      | Tamara Frentzel         |
| 17                      | Jennifer Swartz         |
| 19                      | Liz Borger              |
| 20                      | Ryan Rossi              |
| 26                      | 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.*



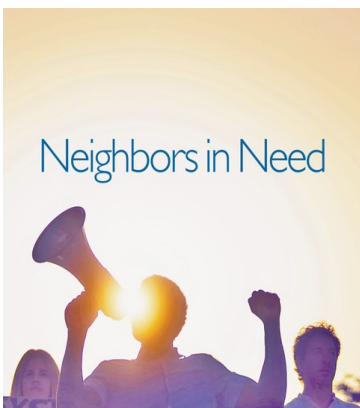
| Sunday  |                 |
|---------|-----------------|
|         | Altar Flowers   |
| Sept 7  | Deb Radovanovic |
| Sept 14 | NONE            |
| Sept 21 | NONE            |
| Sept 28 | NONE            |

| Scripture Readings                     |                                                                                                     |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>September 7</b><br><i>Communion</i> | Jeremiah 18: 1-11<br>Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18<br>Philemon 1: 1-21<br>Luke 14: 25-33                    |
| <b>September 14</b>                    | Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28<br>Psalm 14<br>1 Timothy 1: 12-17<br>Luke 15: 1-10                         |
| <b>September 21</b>                    | Jeremiah 8: 18– 9:1<br>Psalm 79: 1-9<br>1 Timothy 2: 1-7<br>Luke 16: 1-13                           |
| <b>September 28</b>                    | Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15<br>Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-16<br>1 Timothy 6: 6-19<br>Luke 16: 19-31<br>Psalm 146 |

If you would like to mail your offering:



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## NEIGHBORS IN NEED—OCTOBER 5th

The **Neighbors in Need Offering (NIN)** is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ (UCC) that support ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. The program allocates one-third of its funds to the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM) while the remaining two-thirds support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, direct service projects, and grants.

We will be collect the NIN offering on **Sunday, October 5th** as part of World Communion Sunday observance.

## Announcements



Our **10:00 am** worship will move back inside to a more “formal” style on **Sunday, September 7th**. We welcome the addition of special music if you know of someone, please let Pastor Kathy know.



If you have adult fiction / nonfiction books laying around your home and you would like to donate them to a worthy cause, please contact Bonnie Curnes. They will be going to the Little Library at the Shalom Center. Thank you.



We are always in need of **KID’S CEREAL, TOILET PAPER, and PAPER TOWELS**. In the past few months, we have seen more food being given to families or senior citizens at our food pantry. \$\$\$ money donations are always welcome, and we will do the shopping for you. Just send or put a check in the offering plate and mark on it “**Food Pantry**”. Thank you for your help.  
Bonnie Curnes, Project Manager



### Shalom Center Update

On Sunday, June 29th, our church served approximately 56 adults at the Shalom Center Soup Kitchen. Martha Swartz made delicious minestrone soup. The following helped serve the meal: Stephanie Christenson, Lynette Ingham, Char Laba, Terra Newhouse, Jennifer Swartz, Maggie Swartz, Robin Swartz, and Martha Swartz. We provided fruit salad and sandwich meat. Thank you to all who help. Our next date to serve is Sunday, August 31st.



The **Men’s Breakfast** group will be meeting on **Saturday, September 20th** at **8:30 am**. They will gather at the **Phoenix Restaurant, 12440 75th St, Kenosha** located west of I-94 on the north side of Hwy 50 at the West Frontage Road Intersection. Hope you will join us.



### Breakfast & Books (B & B)

Breakfast & Books (B&B) will gather on **Saturday, September 27th**, the group decided to discuss the book “**The Girl in The Red Coat: A Memoir by Roma Ligocka with Iris Van Finchenstein**”. Jane Fahey and Tami Frentzel will lead the discussion, and Pauline Koons will furnish the pastry. Coffee will be provided. Any questions see Bonnie Curnes (262-654-1612). ***Sign up to let us know if you will or will not be attending.***



### Congregations United to Serve Humanity (CUSH)

**25th Banquet Celebration**  
**Thursday, October 23, 2025 at 5:30 PM**  
**The Vault, 625 57th St., Kenosha**

*\*See CUSH Kenosha Website or Pastor Kathy for ticket purchase.\**

Join us in celebrating twenty-five years of CUSH by attending our 2025 Banquet Celebration! Each ticket secures general admission for one, including a full meal.

Enjoy cocktails, food, a silent auction, and a short program featuring CUSH community leaders including our esteemed guest speaker, Mr. Darryl D. Morin, President and CEO of Advanced Wireless, Inc. (AWI), and the National President of Forward Latino.



# 3K

## RECOVERY IN MOTION

Family Run/Walk/Roll

**FRIDAY**

**SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2025**

**5PM-7PM**

**RUN/WALK/ROLL**

**BEGINS AT 5:30PM**

**Petrifying Springs Park  
Pavillion 5  
5555 7<sup>th</sup> St Kenosha WI,  
53144**

Join us for a 3K Recovery Walk to show support for individuals on the journey of recovery from substance use. This uplifting event celebrates resilience, raises awareness, and brings our community together. There will be music and entertainment after the walk.



Call (262) 605-6688 Email: [Levi.Stevenson@kenoshacountywi.gov](mailto:Levi.Stevenson@kenoshacountywi.gov)



| Sun                                       | Mon                | Tue                                       | Wed | Thu | Fri                                                                                                 | Sat                                                 |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
|                                           | 1 <b>Labor Day</b> | 2<br><br>2:00 pm—5:00 pm Diaper Ministry  | 3   | 4   | 5                                                                                                   | 6                                                   |
| 7 <b>Communion</b><br>10:00 am<br>Worship | 8                  | 9<br><br>2:00 pm—5:00 pm Diaper Ministry  | 10  | 11  | 12<br><br>5:00 pm—7:00 pm Recovery in Motion at Petrifying Springs Park                             | 13                                                  |
| 14<br>10:00 am<br>Worship                 | 15                 | 16<br><br>2:00 pm—5:00 pm Diaper Ministry | 17  | 18  | 19                                                                                                  | 20<br>8:30 am Men's Breakfast at Phoenix Restaurant |
| 21<br>10:00 am<br>Worship                 | 22                 | 23<br><br>2:00 pm—5:00 pm Diaper Ministry | 24  | 25  | 26                                                                                                  | 27<br>9:30 am Breakfast & Books                     |
| 28<br>10:00 am<br>Worship                 | 29                 | 30<br><br>2:00 pm—5:00 pm Diaper Ministry |     |     | <div>Dates and times are subject to change, call the church or check the website for updates.</div> |                                                     |
|                                           |                    |                                           |     |     |                                                                                                     |                                                     |