

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.



November 2025



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Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday

9:00pm - 3:00 pm



It was the protestant reformer Martin Luther who said: ***"I've held many things in my hands, and I've lost them all. But whatever I've placed in God's hands—that I still possess."***

What is it that you have placed in God's hands?

Here is a modern interpretation of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm, written by Carla Grosch-Miller. May her words help you to think about that a little more during this season of Thanksgiving.

This I know: my life is in Your hands.

I have nothing to fear. I stop...breathe...listen.

Beneath the whirl of what is, is a deep-down quiet place.

You beckon me to tarry there.

This is the place where unnamed hungers are fed,

The place of clear water...refreshment.

My senses stilled, I drink deeply.

At home in timeless territory.

In peril, I remember: death's dark vale holds no menace.

I lean into You; Your eternal presence comforts me.

I am held tenderly.

In the midst of all that troubles, that threatens and diminishes,

You set abundance before me.

You lift my head; my vision clears,

The blessing cup overflows.

This I know:

You are my home and my hope, my strength and my solace,

And so shall You ever be.

May your attitude be one of gratitude...this Thanksgiving Tide and always!

# November

## November Birthdays

|    |                       |
|----|-----------------------|
| 7  | Brent Christenson     |
| 8  | Terra Newhouse        |
| 18 | Stephanie Christenson |
| 20 | Pastor Kathy Gloff    |
| 29 | Gloria Chubriilo      |
| 29 | Julie Rossi           |
| 30 | Carol Bishop          |

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

## Sunday

### Altar Flowers

|        |               |
|--------|---------------|
| Nov 2  | NONE          |
| Nov 9  | Swartz Family |
| Nov 16 | Barb Flocker  |
| Nov 23 | NONE          |
| Nov 30 | NONE          |



If you would like to mail your offering:



Remember Your Offerings  
Somers United Church of Christ  
PO Box 183  
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This year, the clocks fall back an hour on **Sunday, November 2nd.**

## Scripture Readings

### November 2 Communion Turn Clocks Back

Habakkuk 1: 1-4, 2: 1-4  
Psalm 119: 137-144  
2 Thessalonians 1: 1-4, 11-12  
Luke 19: 1-10

### November 9 Stewardship

Haggai 1: 15b—2: 9  
Psalm 145: 1-5, 17-21  
2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17  
Luke 20: 27-38

### November 16 Heritage Sunday

Isaiah 65: 17-25  
Isaiah 12  
2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13  
Luke 21: 5-19

### November 23

Jeremiah 23: 1-6  
Luke 1: 68-79  
Colossians 1: 11-20  
Luke 23: 33-43

### November 30 Shalom Center 1st Sunday Advent

Isaiah 2: 1-5  
Psalm 122  
Romans 13: 11-14  
Matthew 3: 1-12



Just a reminder, if the weather gets bad and it is dangerous to travel, there's a possibility church may be cancelled. You can find cancellation information on Channels 4, 6, and 12.

**2026 COMMITTEE BUDGETS** are due to Dennis



Curnes by  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14TH.**

## Announcements



There are five Sundays in the month of August, which means we will be serving the evening meal at the Shalom Center on **Sunday, November 30th**. If you have never participated in this mission opportunity, why not give it a try? Talk to someone who has and find out what's involved. Those who have served find it a meaningful experience. There will be a sign up sheet in the narthex during the month.



The **Men's Breakfast** group will be meeting on **Saturday, November 15th 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.



### Holiday Shopping

Here is one way our church can benefit from your holiday giving:

♦ **Buy Scrip** - The church has a variety of scrip available for different vendors. On the cart in the Narthex is a sheet that lists companies that script cards are available from. **If you do want Scrip Cards for Christmas gifts, please get your order to Dennis Curnes by Sunday, December 7th.** Any questions see Dennis or call at 262-914-4523.



### Breakfast & Books (B & B)

Breakfast & Books (B&B) will finish out the 2025 year discussing the book "**When Life Gives You Pears**" by **Jeannie Gaffigan** on **Saturday, November 1st at 9:30 am** in the Memorial Lounge. Tami Frentzel will lead the discussion, and Pauline Koons will furnish the pastry. Coffee will be provided. A signup sheet will be in the Narthex the first part of October for you to sign to let us know if you will/ will not be coming. **Also, on this day we will be choosing 6 book selections for 2026, so bring some suggestions with you.** Any questions see Bonnie Curnes (262-654-1612).



186 Years of Serving God! Come celebrate our Heritage and History on **Sunday, November 16th.**



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 and 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



Planning ahead for the month of **December**, we will be collecting for our annual Giving Tree. Please bring in **mittens, gloves, hats, earmuffs, scarves, socks, underwear, undershirts, and sweatshirts for women, men, and children in all sizes** to place on the tree in the back of the sanctuary of our church. Articles will be donated to a local mission group.

“Generosity is the virtue of giving good things to others freely and abundantly. It is a learned character trait that involves attitude and action entailing both the inclination and actual practice of giving liberally. It is not a haphazard behavior but a basic orientation to life. What generosity gives can vary: money, possessions, time, attention, aid, encouragement, and more but it always intends to enhance the true wellbeing of the receiver. Like all virtues, generosity is in the people’s genuine enlightened self-interest to learn and practice.”

*(Christian Smith, The Generosity Project, University of Notre Dame)*

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ  
Himself and God our Father,  
who has loved us and given us  
eternal comfort and good hope  
by grace,  
comfort and strengthen your  
hearts in every good work and  
word.

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 NASB





# NOVEMBER



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