

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.



October 2026



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Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday

9:00pm - 3:00 pm



Many of you are retired (but still working tirelessly for our congregation). I came across a series of articles on the computer recently: Quotes for Retirees to Live By. There is a set of quotes by 10 famous men. Why no women? I do not know, but I will quote the old adage to explain it here: "Men may toil from sun to sun...but a women's work is never done."

**"When reality looks too ugly, fantasize."—Jimmy Buffett**

**"Spend on what makes you happy."—Warren Buffett**

***"May the forces of evil become confused on the way to your house."—George Carlin***

**"The most valuable asset you can ever have is time."—Mark Cuban**

**"Wisdom does not arrive like a pizza delivery, hot and fast at your door. It builds slowly, the way a river carves a canyon, one year at a time."—Bob Dylan**

***"I've missed more than 9,000 shots in my career... I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed."—Michael Jordan***

**"Winning is not a sometime thing; it's an all time thing... and my all time win is finally enjoying my pension."—Vince Lombardi**

***"Life is one grand, sweet song, so start the music."—Ronald Reagan***

***"Life's too short to wake up with regrets. So love the people who treat you right, forgive the ones who don't and believe that everything happens for a reason."—Dr. Seuss***

**"All I do know is as we age the weight of our unsorted baggage becomes heavier ... much heavier. With each passing year, the price of our refusal to do that sorting rises higher and higher."—Bruce Springsteen**

# October

## October Birthdays

|    |                |
|----|----------------|
| 1  | Jeff Rossi     |
| 4  | Karen McKenzie |
| 23 | Peggy Gallo    |
| 27 | Jennifer Rossi |

## October Anniversaries

|    |                               |
|----|-------------------------------|
| 10 | Brent & Stephanie Christenson |
| 24 | Dino & Christine Sturino      |
| 26 | Donald & Patti Stolfi         |

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

## Sunday

|        | Altar Flowers |
|--------|---------------|
| Oct 4  | Swartz Family |
| Oct 11 | NONE          |
| Oct 18 | NONE          |
| Oct 25 | NONE          |



"Where your treasure is,  
there your heart  
will be also..."  
- Matthew 6:21

*Just a reminder that  
our annual  
Stewardship Sunday  
will be here soon.  
Please take a little  
time to reflect on how  
you are able to best  
share your particular  
gifts in 2027.*

## Scripture Readings

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| <b>Oct 4</b><br><i>Communion</i><br><i>Neighbors in</i><br><i>Need</i> | Isaiah 5: 1-7<br>Psalm 80: 7-15<br>Philippians 3: 4b-14<br>Matthew 21: 33-46             |
| <b>Oct 11</b>                                                          | Isaiah 25: 1-9<br>Psalm 23<br>Philippians 4: 1-9<br>Matthew 22: 1-14                     |
| <b>Oct 18</b>                                                          | Isaiah 45: 1-7<br>Psalm 96: 1-9, (10-13)<br>1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10<br>Matthew 22: 15-22 |
| <b>Oct 25</b>                                                          | Leviticus 19: 1-2, 15-18<br>Psalm 1<br>1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8<br>Matthew 22: 34-46       |



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## Shalom Center Update

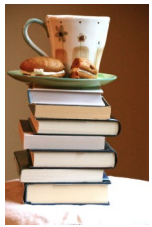


On Sunday, August 30th, our church served approximately 91 people (82 adults and 9 children) at the Shalom Center Soup Kitchen. Stephanie C. made delicious minestrone soup. We provided garden salad, fruit salad, sandwich meat, bread and chips. The following helped serve the meal: Stephanie C., Pastor Kathy G., Lynetta I., Caryl K., Char L., Terra N., and Martha S.. Thank you to all. Our next date to serve is Sunday, November 29th

## Announcements



The **Men's Breakfast** group will be meeting on **Saturday, October 17th 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 finish out the year on **November 7th at 9:30 am** in the Memorial Lounge.

The book that was chosen to discuss is **"Lottery" by Patricia Wood**. Jennifer S. will lead the discussion, and Norene C. will furnish the food. Coffee will be provided. Also remember on this day we will be selecting the books for 2027. Look for the signup sheet in the narthex the first part of October if you will be attending. Any questions see Bonnie C.



### **NEIGHBORS IN NEED OCTOBER 4th**

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 4th** as part of World Communion Sunday observance.

### **School Supplies Update**

Mission Committee



Members would like to thank everyone who donated school supplies these past few weeks.

The items were taken to the Boys and Girls Club of Kenosha, and they were very grateful to receive them.

Here is what was collected:

Backpack —7  
lunch bag—1  
Spiral notebooks—27  
Folders — 17  
Loose leaf paper — 8 packages  
Erasers—11  
Eraser caps 25  
Colored pencils — 9 packages  
Glue Bottles —4  
Glue sticks—15 (2-in1 Glue set—3)  
Crayons — 14 packages  
Pencils — 166  
Highlighters—1 package of 8  
Markers—2 packages  
Pens—35 pens  
Scissor—4  
3 ring binder—2

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



| Sun                                                                                                          | Mon | Tue                                                           | Wed | Thu                                              | Fri | Sat                                                                        |
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| <div> <b>Dates and times are subject to change, call the church or check the website for updates.</b> </div> |     |                                                               |     | 1                                                | 2   | 3                                                                          |
| <b>4 Communion</b><br><b>Neighbors in</b><br><b>Need</b><br><br><b>10:00 am</b><br>Worship                   | 5   | 6<br><br><b>2:00 pm—5:00</b><br><b>pm</b> Diaper<br>Ministry  | 7   | 8                                                | 9   | 10                                                                         |
| <b>11</b><br><b>10:00 am</b><br>Worship                                                                      | 12  | 13<br><br><b>2:00 pm—5:00</b><br><b>pm</b> Diaper<br>Ministry | 14  | 15                                               | 16  | <b>17</b><br><b>8:30 am</b> Men's<br>Breakfast at<br>Phoenix<br>Restaurant |
| <b>18</b><br><b>10:00 am</b><br>Worship                                                                      | 19  | 20<br><br><b>2:00 pm—5:00</b><br><b>pm</b> Diaper<br>Ministry | 21  | 22                                               | 23  | 24                                                                         |
| <b>25</b><br><b>10:00 am</b><br>Worship                                                                      | 26  | 27<br><br><b>2:00 pm—5:00</b><br><b>pm</b> Diaper<br>Ministry | 28  | 29<br><br>6:00 pm CUSH<br>Annual Fall<br>Banquet | 30  | 31                                                                         |