

HILLTOP HERALD-SEPTEMBER 2022 MONONA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE

Our next outdoor worship service is on Labor Day weekend, **Sunday, September 4** and we hope we can find some folks who will let us borrow their free-standing awnings. Please contact the church office if you can help out.

UPDATED SAFE SANCTUARY POLICY

The General Conference of the United Methodist Church, in April 1996, adopted a resolution aimed at reducing the risk of child and vulnerable adult abuse in the church. This resolution calls on each congregation to provide a safe and secure place and create communities of faith where children and adults grow safe and strong. Because this is our goal as a church, our church has developed and implemented a Safe Sanctuaries Policy that was recently updated and approved by our church Administrative Council. The full Policy can be found on our website [www.mononaunitedmethodistchurch.org] or hard copies are available at the Church Office. Any questions or comments on the Policy should be directed to Pastor Paul.

ADULT CHOIR



It's time to fire up the Adult Choir! First rehearsal is **Sunday, September 18 at 8:30am** and first Sunday anthem is also September 18. This is a wonderful "family" who enjoys music, is super friendly and a lot of fun! We are always ready to welcome more people who simply delight in singing and supporting our Worship. Please consider joining us!

THE EVOLVING CHURCH

We are worshipping in our sanctuary and will continue to be cautious by wearing masks and social distancing. We encourage anyone with health issues or safety concerns to remain home and join in our virtual worship. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

If you wish to schedule a group or event at the church, inside or outside, please contact Kay for the updated building use guidelines and forms.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SIGNUP

We have created an online Volunteer Sign Up Genius listing with the volunteer jobs needed for worship each week. We would especially like to fill the **Ushers** position. Please check your schedules and sign on using the link below. You can also send an email to the church office with your requested dates.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904094DA8AE22AB9-volunteer

PASTOR'S COLUMN

"Surviving a Drought"

On a recent trip to Minneapolis, we spent some time at Minnehaha Falls Park. We wanted to see the falls which is one of Minnesota's most recognizable landmarks. Hundreds of thousands of people stop each year.

We were sadly disappointed. The Minneapolis-St. Paul, area has had very little rain since June 1st. Because of this drought, Minnehaha Falls has dried up. There was no flowing water. All that remained was a little pool at the bottom of what used to be a spectacular sight.

There are times for us when life does not work out as we planned. We find ourselves in, what we might describe, as a bit of a personal drought.

We try to recover from an illness, but it takes longer than expected.

We get stuck in grief, unsure of our way forward without our loved one.

We experience too many disappointments. Our hope disappears.

But it is especially during these drought times, that God promises to be there with us.

Psalm 81 reminds us, "Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob...I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide and I will fill it."

When we get stuck in a personal drought, we are not alone. There is hope and life even if we cannot see it.

Since our visit, the Minneapolis-St. Paul area has welcomed several good rains. The community has greened up a little. Perhaps in several months, Minnehaha Falls will come back to life with flowing water and looking as spectacular as ever.

Pastor Paul

PASTOR PAUL VACATION

Pastor Paul will be on vacation **Monday, September 5 through Sunday, September 11**. If you have a pastoral need, please contact Mark Buffat (608-335-5063).



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Monona UMC is a Stephen Ministry church. Find out more by calling Mark Buffat or Pastor Paul.

BIBLE PASSAGES & THEMES 10:00AM SERVICE

September 4 - 13th Sunday after Pentecost, Outdoor Worship

"Counting Costs"

Pastor Paul will be preaching on Luke 14: 28-33. "For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it?" Communion will be served.

September 11 - 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor Angie Utter will be our guest preacher. In Luke 15:1-10, Jesus responds to the Pharisees and scribes who complain about Jesus, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

September 18 – 15th Sunday after Pentecost

"Praise for the Dishonest Servant?"
Pastor Paul will preach on Luke 16:1-13. "You cannot serve God and wealth."

September 25- 16th Sunday after Pentecost

"Increase our Faith"

Pastor Paul will preach on Luke 17:5-10. "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to the mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."

Join Us for WORSHIP

UPPER ROOMS ARE HERE

The Upper Room is a great little devotional book to center on a Bible verse and read a short meditation and prayer. The new September / October issue has arrived, and is in a door in the Narthex cupboard. If you would like one mailed to you, please contact the church office.

SPECIAL MUSIC IN WORSHIP



During the summer, our regular music ensembles take a well-deserved break. We welcome and encourage your ideas/plans for providing special music to enhance our services. We have a process in place to assure music appropriateness, schedule availability, and supportive logistics are in place. Please submit your ideas via a form that is available in the church office and our Committee will take it from that point. We will use this process year around as there are always times when our regular ensembles are not

available. Thank you again for your ideas to enhance the music ministry of MUMC. Worship Committee

MISSION OF THE MONTH

Nuestro Mundo-Backpack Meals

Monona United Methodist Church supports weekend take-home meals for students who receive free lunch during the school week. The Monona UMC Nuestro Mundo Community School team packs and delivers weekend meals for over 70 students each Friday school is in session.

Please consider supporting this wonderful mission that works to feed hungry children in our community. Please mark your check, envelope, or electronic giving through Monona United Methodist Church with "Backpack Meals" on the memo line.

Thank you for your continuing generous support of this mission and many blessings.

Thank you, The Mission Team

HILLTOPPERS

The Hilltoppers will be meeting on **Monday, September 12**, at 11 AM in fellowship hall at Monona United Methodist church. It was originally scheduled for Monona Garden, but I have been informed that Monona Garden restaurant will be closing forever on Sunday Aug. 28. So the meeting has been rescheduled for our church. The program will be presented by Brian Johnson, Public Information Officer for Madison public streets department which includes the Recycling Division. He has a Power Point presentation regarding the Madison recycling program thus it was rescheduled for fellowship hall where he can use his laptop and hook into our computer screen on the wall for his presentation.

I understand the recycling program is not nearly as successful as had been hoped for when they began the program. He will cover all aspects of recycling.

It will be an interesting and informative program.

WEEDS IN THE PATIO

Thank you to all who have been pulling weeds in our patio area. Gather a couple friends to continue this and then share some fellowship time at the tables. Take a walk through the garden to see what veggies and flowers are growing.

MUMC MEN'S GROUP

All men of the church are invited to the Men's Club breakfast that will take place on **Saturday, September 10** at 9:00 am (location to be determined soon). Come and enjoy great food and fellowship.

READ 'EM & MEET

The book club list for next year is in the Narthex information center. Please pick up a list and begin your reading. We will meet on **Sunday, September 11** at 2:00pm with the book, *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles at the home of Doreen Peterson. Dessert is provided by Mary Graper. Visitors and new members are always welcome to attend.

SUBSTITUTE OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

We are looking for additional volunteers to substitute in the church office. It could be as simple as answering the phone and being a welcoming presence for visitors, or include more secretarial duties, like helping to prepare and print bulletins. It is all up to you and what you would like to learn. Please let Kay know if this is something that you would like to do (secretarymumc@sbcglobal.net, 222-1633).

WISCONSIN RIVER VALLEY, PRAISEFEST!

On **Saturday, September 17** six bands will entertain and inspire on the grounds of Midland UMC at 10235 Cty. Rd. KP, Mazomanie. Gates open at 9 am, last band ends at 6:30/7pm. Tickets are \$15, kids 15 and under are free! For tickets, please email midlandumc@gmail.com.

Proceeds go to help local and worldwide disasters and missions.

RIVER FOOD PANTRY

The River is currently getting most of the eggs already in cartons and only need egg cartons on a limited basis. Monona UMC is still collecting all sizes, as we still have a few alternatives to take them.

Paper grocery bags are always in high demand for The River as are plastic grocery bags. They also will take any non-perishable and shelf stable goods. Some other highly requested items for The River include:

100% juice products low sugar cereals Tuna Helper and tuna disposable diapers all sizes, (including adult sizes)

OUR SYMPATHY

Goes to the Edward Johnson and his family, upon the death of his wife, Lorraine, on August 4.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR MARY BEAN

Dear Friends,

We are pleased to announce the memorial for Mary Bean who passed away in 2020. We look forward to celebrating her with music and scripture on **October 8, 2022** at 2pm in the sanctuary of First United Methodist Church, 203 Wisconsin Avenue. Madison. The concert will feature the Quadrilateral vocal quartet, organist Ross Cowing and members of the FUMC choir.

A live-stream link will be available by request.

We hope you will be able to join us for our remembrance. Marcia Bean (EMMBEAN2@gmail.com)



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Children's Sunday School program begins on **Sunday, September 11 at 9:00am until 9:50am**. We will have class outside as long as the weather is good and then hold class in our Fellowship Hall.

Thank you to Sabrina & Brian Jacobus and Jason Mittag for being our dedicated teachers. We would love to have additional teachers in order to provide flexibility for all. Prep work for lessons will be minimal. Please contact the church office (secretarymumc@sbcglobal.net) if you are interested or have any questions.

3rd / 4th GRADE BIBLE GIFT

On **Sunday, September 18** our third and fourth grade Sunday school members will be presented with Bibles. This ceremony will take place during the 10am worship service.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL THANK YOUS

Thank you to all who attended our VBS. Thank you to the Leaders who shared about God's Creation and taught us some special music to thank God for sharing it with us. We couldn't have done it without all of you!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Freeing Jesus: Rediscovering Jesus as Friend, Teacher, Savior, Lord, Way, and Presence by Diane Butler Bass

Our fall Adult Sunday School book study starts on **Sunday September 11 (goes through October 30) at 11:30am until 12:30pm** in the church Library. Please purchase your own book and join in the discussion. We are also trying to get a Zoom option setup.

The award-winning author of Grateful goes beyond the culture wars to offer a refreshing take on the comprehensive, multi-faceted nature of Jesus, keeping his teachings relevant and alive in our daily lives.

How can you still be a Christian? This is the most common question Diana Butler Bass is asked today. It is a question that many believers ponder as they wrestle with disappointment and disillusionment in their church and its leadership. But while many Christians have left their churches, they cannot leave their faith behind.

In Freeing Jesus, Bass challenges the idea that Jesus can only be understood in static, one-dimensional ways and asks us to instead consider a life where Jesus grows with us and helps us through life's challenges in several capacities: as Friend, Teacher, Savior, Lord, Way, and Presence. Freeing Jesus is an invitation to leave the religious wars behind and rediscover Jesus in all his many manifestations, to experience Jesus beyond the narrow confines we have built around him. It renews our hope in faith and worship at a time when we need it most.

UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH (UMW) INFORMATION

Faith Circle will meet on **Thursday, September 8** at 1pm. The location will be determined soon. Call Jan Wanek at 608-395-2433 with any questions.

Friendship Circle - Wednesday, September 14, meet at 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall at church. Marilyn Hearden will provide the program.

JAVA JIVE

Adapted from the Equal Exchange Website

Despite the extra layer of stresses and worries the pandemic is causing, we at Equal Exchange are also feeling a depth of gratitude and affection for the myriad relationships that we have cultivated over these past four decades. We simply can't say it enough: creating, maintaining, and deepening relationships are the pillars that our organization and our business model are built upon. Cultivating these strong relationships with – and between – small farmer cooperatives, trading partners, like-minded businesses, non-profits, religious organizations, and citizen-consumers: weaving these disparate strands together into something beautiful and transformative is both the means and the ends of why we exist.

Since our founding, Equal Exchange has always invested deeply in time and resources to connect to our farmer partners. Despite language, culture, infrastructure, and access challenges, we have literally gone the extra mile to meet our partners face to face. We visit the producers; tour their farms and processing centers; learn how they cultivate and care for the land. We talk with them and participate in their co-op meetings: how are they organized and governed? What are their hopes, dreams, worries, and challenges?

The learning is mutual: we share information about who we are; how we are organized; our successes and challenges. We let them know how their products are marketed, sold, and enjoyed in the U.S. We also invite our trading partners to visit us: attend trade shows; participate in our co-op meetings, tour our facilities, visit the stores that sell their products, and talk to consumers.

These exchanges are one of the richest parts of our model and unequivocally what sets us apart from others in the food industry.

Jackie Hull Coordinator 608-576-7837 Karelyn Hopkins Coordinator 608-577-3185



ALTAR FLOWERS

We welcome donations of flowers for our altar on Sundays. If you would like to give flowers on a particular Sunday, please contact the church office or use the volunteer Sign Up Genius link found in this newsletter. Flowers may be dropped off on Fridays during office hours, 9am-2pm or on Sunday mornings. Thanks for brightening up our worship space.

OUR WEBSITE

Check out our improving website: www.mononaunitedmethodistchurch.org

- We have the recorded mini-service available for an online Worship experience as well as our in-person worship. Check our website for more information.
- We have a **Giving** tab on our website to make a donation with your credit card or through your checking account.

CLOTHES FOR MADISON AREA JAIL MINISTRY

Madison Area Jail Ministry is seeking clothing and shoes for Residents of the Dane County Jail when they are released.

All seasons T-shirts, long sleeve shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, jogging pants, shoes. For all items, gender neutral is great. Women's Size XL needed most Men's Sizes L, XL & XXL needed most.

Thank you for your compassion and generosity! Drop items in the bin in front of the office.

DIAPER DASH

Babies & Beyond is *Going the Distance* to #EndDiaperNeed. The 8th annual DiaperDash is Saturday morning, **September 24** at McKee Farms Park.

Run the 5k or walk the 2 mile loop, join in the Kids dash, enjoy face paint, balloon animals and a firetruck! Prizes will be awarded for top fundraising and diaper donations. The cost is \$30 for an individual registration, and \$75 for family registration.

Diapers and wipes can also be dropped off at any Madison Princeton Club locations September 1-30. Join us in raising funds for our Diaper Bank that provides free diapers to families in need.

All event information can be found at www.babiesandbeyondwi.org

NEWBRIDGE LOCAL NUTRITION SITE MEALS

The NewBridge Nutrition sites provide an exciting option for Madison area older adults to enjoy a nutritious meal and socialize with others!

- Messiah Lutheran Church, 5202 Cottage Grove Rd, Tuesday & Thursday at noon.
 Reservations required; contact Kristen at 608-512-0000, Ext 2001 by Thursdays at 10am one week prior.
- Monona Senior Center, 1011 Nichols Rd. Friday at noon. Reservations required; contact Kristen at 608-512-0000, Ext 2001 by Wednesday at 10am one week prior.

2022 HYBRID CROP HUNGER WALK

Sunday, October 16

A *HYBRID* Walk to fit your needs while serving the needs of others! To keep everyone safe and at ease, the Madison Area CROP Hunger Walk is going Hybrid again this year! That means that individual Walkers and Teams will have different options of how to participate.

Register for the walk or donate online: crophungerwalk.org/madisonwi

Gather your family and friends and create your action route:

- Outdoor/in-person option at First Congregational UCC, 1609 University Ave, 12:30pm registration/1:00 walk
- Spirit Walkers: Team members walk in Spirit
- Micro Walks: Families/small groups walk at home
- Bike, Hike, Paddle, or participate in other safe activities
- Check online for additional ideas: resources.crophungerwalk.org

The work of Church World Services (CWS) and our local hunger agencies continues – with the possibility of a global famine on the horizon, raising money for vulnerable people is more needed than ever.

Reminder: 25% of funds raised stay local helping area food pantries and hunger organizations.

RSVP VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

"Life is never so busy that there is no time to serve." – author unknown

Catholic Multicultural Center: meal servers and cooks

Habitat Restore: sort and shelve building material and supplies, assist shoppers, work at the cash register

SSM St Mary's Hospital: help with At Your Service program (escorting patients and families, delivering belongings, etc.); Patient Registration (welcoming patients and escorting them to their destination); Surgical Waiting Area (supporting families and offering caring presence and support through conversation)

American Red Cross: volunteers to welcome donors, help register, assist with refreshments as a Blood Donor Ambassador; Red Cross Blood Transport driver makes sure blood is available for patients in need in Wisconsin

Agrace Hospice Care: Kitchen Volunteers, include Small Batch Baker, Café Cashier, Nutrition Center Stocking, Soup Brigade and Kitchen Prep

The River Food Pantry: volunteer greeters

Please contact Jan Karst, RSVP Community Connections Coordinator, at <u>jkarst@rsvpdane.org</u> or 608-441-7891, for more information about these volunteer opportunities.

Volunteer Drivers needed for Seniors and Veterans: drive to medical & other appointments, receive per mile reimbursement, set your own schedule on weekdays, receive extra liability insurance.

Contact Steve Jaeschke, 608-441-7892 or <u>sjaeschke@rsvpdane.org</u> for driving seniors or Lorrie Hylkema, 608-238-7901 or <u>lhylkema@rsvpdane.org</u> for driving veterans.

AGRACE

Virtual and In-Person Grief Support

In September, Agrace grief support specialists are offering one-on-one grief support and professionally led grief support groups to *anyone*, even if the person who died did not have hospice care:

- One-on-one grief support is available in-person, by phone or video chat.
- **Bridges (in-person)** meets at the Agrace Grief Support Center September 7 and 21, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Bridges (virtual) meets online September 14 and 28, from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- **Grief on the Move** meets at the Agrace Grief Support Center September 6 and 20, from noon to 1 p.m., weather permitting.
- **Journey Through Grief (virtual)** meets online September 8 to October 13, from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- **LGBTQ+ Spouse/Partner Grief Support** meets at the Agrace Grief Support Center September 7 to October 19, from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Pre-registration is required for all groups and one-on-one appointments. For details, fees or to register, visit <u>Agrace.org/GriefGroups</u> or call (608) 327-7118.

Agrace Adult Day Center Offers Daytime Care

Do you care for or know an older adult who cannot—or chooses not to—stay alone all day? The Agrace Adult Day Center in Madison gives seniors the reassurance and comfort of having others with them throughout the day. The Center is especially helpful for people who have dementia or trouble with their memory, and can be a welcome break for family caregivers, too. Learn more at (608) 327-7303 or Agrace.org/AdultDayCenter.



Cash Flow July 31, 2022

General Fund		Month		Year to Date	
Income	\$	22,633	\$	153,946	
General Operating Expenses		19,854		158,401	
Net Surplus (Shortfall)	<u>\$</u>	2,779	\$	(4,455)	

FOR THE LOVE OF GOD'S CREATION

...consider... Vegetable, Parmesan, Egg Muffins

Ingredients

- Cooking spray
- 2 T extra-virgin olive oil
- 1½ cup finely chopped broccoli
- 1 medium red bell pepper, chopped
- 4 scallions, chopped
- ½ tsp. salt, divided
- 8 large eggs
- 1 cup grated parmesan cheese
- ½ cup low-fat milk
- ½ tsp. ground pepper

ONE MUFFIN ~ ONE SERVING

Nutrition facts/per serving 215 calories; 15.1g protein; 5.2 g carbohydrate; 1.2 g dietary fiber; 2.9g sugar; 14.8g fat.

Directions

- Preheat oven to 325 degrees F
- Coat a 6-cup large muffin tin well with cooking spray
- Heat oil in skillet over medium heat. Add broccoli, bell pepper, scallions & 1/8 tsp. salt; cook, stirring until vegetables are tender, about 5 minutes.
- Whisk eggs, parmesan, milk, pepper and 1/8 tsp. salt in a bowl. Divide the egg mixture evenly into the six muffin cups.
- Divide the vegetable mixture evenly into the six muffin cups.
- Bake for 30 minutes until firm to the touch.

Remember

Mother Earth Meals are nourishing plant-based dishes with reduced amounts of meat or dairy products. Cutting down animal products in our diet could free up land space currently used for growing cattle feed, reduce demand for fresh water for animals and feed crops, and diminish the release of methane, a serious greenhouse gas, a byproduct from farm animals' digestive systems.

Siv Goulding, CH&SOC

STEWARDSHIP - A NOTE IN THE OFFERING

A young child wrote this note to his pastor. "Dear minister, I'm sorry I don't give more money to the church on Sundays, but my father didn't give me a raise in my allowance. Could you give a sermon about a raise in my allowance? It would help the church get more money."

As funny as this is, many of us approach giving in this way, whether it's to the church or to any other organization that helps those in need. We'd give more if only we had a little more to give. We just need that raise and everything will be so much easier. There's only so much to go around and there's just not enough right now.

Unfortunately, this paints a false picture of God. Our world tells us over and over those resources are scarce. There's only so much to go around. And so, we can only give so much because otherwise there won't be enough left for us. We spend so much time and energy acquiring and worrying about what we don't have and often are so measured and cautious with what we give, because we believe there isn't going to be enough. This is the myth of scarcity. That God hasn't given his children enough to go around. This is not the God we worship.

The truth is, we believe that the God we worship has given to us abundantly! Not only is there enough to go around, but there's also more than enough. And therefore, we give in response to the abundance God continually provides us with.

I have heard people say that the more they have given the more God has given them. From my experience, I don't think God gives more to the generous and less to misers. I have found that the more I give the more I recognize how much God has already blessed me with. It's not that God has given me more in a "quid pro quo" arrangement. In giving, I am transformed. I can see the gifts I have more clearly. I can give thanks more fully. I can give more joyously.

Thank God for the many abundances he has given to us!

Rev. Jason Mahnke Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation 888-903-9863 or <u>www.wumf.org</u>

The Life and Ministry of God's People in Monona United Methodist Church **September 2022**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
NEWSLETTE	R DEADLINE					
Newsletter Dead	lline September 25	Information arriving	g after the above dat	e may not be in the	October	
newsletter. Reme	ember, you can FAX	your article to 608-	-222-2395 or email	to secretarymumc (@sbcglobal.net	
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				1	Pastor's Day Off	3 6-7:30am E.L.
				1pm Church & Society-zoom	Pastor s Day Off	Prayer Vg
				Society-zooiii		Trayer vg
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
See schedule below	Labor Day			1:00 Faith Circle	Pastor's Day Off	6-7:30am E.L.
			2-4pm Caregivr			Prayer Vg
10am Worship	Office Closed		Support		Kay Vacation	
Outside	Pastor Paul					9am Men's Grp
	vacation thru					Breakfast-
	September 11					
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
See schedule below 9am Children's		9:30-12:15			Pastor's Day Off	6-7:30am E.L.
Sunday School	11am	NewBridge	1:30 Friendship	1pm Church &		Prayer Vg
11:15 Trustees	Hilltoppers -	Foot Clinic F.H.	Circle at church	Society-zoom		11
11:30 Adult	MUMC-	1:00 Staff Mtg				11am-8pm Building in Use
Sunday School	Fellowship Hall	7:00 Stephen		6:30 SPRC-		Building in Ose
2pm Read 'Em		Ministry		Zoom		
& Meet		Willistry		Zoom		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
See schedule below		9:30-12:15				
8:30 Choir		NewBridge	10-11am RSVP		Pastor's Day Off	6-7:30am E.L.
Rehearsal		Foot Clinic F.H.	Knit/Stitch-hall			Prayer Vg
9am Children's						
Sunday School 3 rd /4 th Grade		1:00 Staff Mtg				
Bibles		6:30 Finance				
11:30 Adult		6:30 Finance				
Sunday School						
25	26	27	28	29	30	
See schedule below	10am-3pm	9:30-12:15			Pastor's Day Off	
Newsletter	Monona	NewBridge				
Deadline	Quilters-F.H	Foot Clinic F.H.				
9am Children's	5:30-6:30 pm	1:00 Staff Mtg				
Sunday School	Girl Scouts					
11:30 Adult	7:00 Stephen	6:30 Ad Council				
Sunday School	Ministry	Zoom				

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

10:00 Worship 11:00 Fellowship

1:00 El Libertador Worship in Spanish



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SEPTEMBER 2022

FOOD FORREST

Our Wisconsin Food Forest has been funded by the MUMC Jim Goulding Memorial Fund. Siv wrote a lovely dedication:

...FOR THE LOVE OF GOD'S CREATION...

WELCOME all to our FOOD FOREST

...two legged, four legged, winged, and underground critters come and explore, rest a while, and take a taste...

You may have noticed the beautiful new bench inviting visitors to come and sit and enjoy the scenery. "Connecting communities through food forests." That's the mission of Wisconsin Food Forest. The non-profit helped guide us through the creating and planting process and we are thrilled with the result.

I will provide a brief guided tour of this special space after church, **Sunday, September, 11** at 11:15 & 11:45.

Go to https://www.wisconsinfoodforests.com/

Questions or to arrange a tour at another time contact Mark Buffat at markbmumc@gmail.com or 608-335-5063

