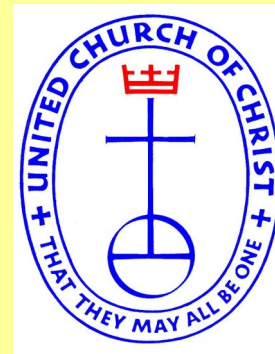


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Join Us
this Summer

Dear Friends and Families of St. James and St. Mark's – VBS is on its way!

What exciting news to share! This summer we will have Vacation Bible School for our kiddos. With much prayer and conversation, it has become evident that God is opening doors for this to happen.

Our theme for VBS will be water and faith. In particular, the biblical story of Jesus walking on water as told in Matthew 14:28-33. There will be storytelling, games, arts and crafts, music, a reenactment of the biblical story with our own boat(!), snacks served and lots of fun. Most of our activities will take place outside (we'll be praying for good weather!). Fair warning: Kids (and helpers) will get wet! Bring a towel and/or a change of clothing.

We have about 16 kiddos already signed up with ages ranging from 4 to 13. And we have room for many more! Bring your child's friend (from the neighborhood or school; from softball, soccer, or basketball). Our door is an open door to all who can join us. We will have two van drivers ready to pick up children or drop them off. Transportation is not a problem.

What: Vacation Bible School for St. James and St. Mark's
When: August 17, 18, and 19 from 9:00 am till 12:00 noon
Why: To share time with our kiddos; sharing a biblical story; and having fun
Where: St. Mark's [next year we plan on having it at St. James]
How: By God's grace and through the help and assistance of our church members!

If you want to sign your kiddos up, you can do so by emailing Pastor Patrick at schultzpw@gmail.com. He will send you a brief questionnaire to fill out to get relevant information. If you want to help, we will be looking for people to help set up, assist with our games and crafts, bring snacks and beverages, and other areas we might need help with – but haven't yet defined.

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PASTOR:

Rev. Dr. Patrick Schultz

**COME JOIN US,
GUESTS ALWAYS WELCOME!**

July 4th

St. Mark's: 9:00am Worship
St. James: 10:30am Worship

July 12th

St. James: 9:00am Worship
St. Mark's: 10:30am Worship

July 18th

St. Mark's: 9:00am Worship
St. James: 10:30am Worship

July 25th

St. James: 9:00am Worship
St. Mark's: 10:30am Worship

Sunday bulletins and links to prayer requests are posted under the "messages" link on our church website:
<https://www.stmstjucc.org/>

ST. JAMES CONSISTORY MEETINGS

June 17, 2021 6:30

The Consistory has been asked to read Just Say Yes!-Unleashing People for Ministry by Robert Schnase. Discussion on Chapter one followed.

The meeting was called to order by President Clarence Belitz. Members present were David Lorfeld – Vice-President, Deb La Duke – Secretary, Tammy Serketich, Jamey Binversie, and Pastor Patrick Schultz who led the group in prayer.

Motion to approve the Secretary's Report made by Jamey and seconded by David. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report made by David and seconded by Deb. Motion carried. An updated Financial Contribution form will be sent to members at the quarterly mark.

Pastor's Report:

Mission Vision Committee Report – getting closer to setting a final meeting date

Picnic table project – The lumber is available and Nathan Roelse has offered to supervise the project. Pastor is looking for kids to participate and will be forwarding info them.

Lock-in for confirmands – We are in need of chaperones for the event. Please contact Pastor if available.

Building and Grounds:

Stained glass window – Clarence and Jamey will remove the chipped sections of the window and Tammy or Deb will deliver to Green Bay for repair. This will save a significant amount of money.

Steeple leak – no changes but will need to be addressed soon

Power outages disable the elevator and will need to be checked for reset once power has been restored.

Committee Reports:

Vision of Hope is meeting July 5.

Old Business:

A new copier has been installed by James Imaging and a training session provided.

Covid protocols – Consistory continues to be aware of local concerns. Cases have dropped significantly and we continue to discuss and monitor activity. For now, masks will not be required, all hymns will be sung while seated, the bench ribbons will be removed, and members will be asked to hand out bulletins as ushers. The water fountains will continue to be covered and small water bottles will be available in the narthex if needed.

New Business:

One member has offered to sub for Karen Mansker as secretary. The Joint Consistories will meet to define hourly rate and responsibilities.

Vacation Bible School – Pastor is formulating the lesson plans for “Jesus Walking on Water.”

There are potentially 20 children expressing interest at this point. Pastor is looking for a small boat to use as a prop. Please contact him if you know of one available. The VBS is tentatively scheduled for either August 2,3,4 or August 15,16,17. Supply list will be forwarded to members.

Review of Financial secretary and Church Secretary salaries are added to the October Joint meeting.

We are looking to set up round table discussion opportunities with members over coffee. Dates TBD.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, July 15, 6:30

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Jamey and seconded by Tammy. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Deb La Duke - Secretary

ST. MARK'S CONSISTORY MEETING

June 2 , 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Pastor Patrick, Dave Call, Julie Herrmann, Glenn Grunwald, Jacob Grunwald, Louise Jetzer, Judy Steinbeck and Lori Roelse. Pastor led the group in prayer.

The Secretary's and Financial Secretary's reports were reviewed and accepted by Dave Call and seconded by Glenn Grunwald.

A thank you will be put in the newsletter for all those who did parsonage landscaping.

The roof on the bell tower needs to be addressed soon. Professionals should be hired. Ceiling in pastor's office needs repair from water damage. Will ask Larry Perronne to get estimates for roof bell tower to propose to congregation.

There was a small group of responses for Vacation Bible School. Possibly doing 3 days in August. Brenda to possibly do a youth high school Sunday school in the fall.

Pastor is looking for a female co-chaperone for the Lock-In with the confirmation class. Dave and Cindy Call will make breakfast.

Pastor is looking for two members to sit in on a conversation with Franz Rigert.

Pastor suggested to start singing 3 songs and use song books during service.

Bible study will start in the fall.

Karen Mansker is requesting finding a substitute secretary for her when she is on vacation. Individual would be compensated and would be needed approximately 4-6 hours a week. Will announce in church and put in newsletter.

Next meeting is July 1st at 6:30 p.m.

Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Glenn seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Herrmann, Consistory Secretary

If you or a family member are in need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Patrick at 920-693-2858 or leave a message on the church's answering machine at 920-693-8361.

There have been some changes to the confidentiality laws. These changes make it difficult for pastors to obtain information about anyone in the hospital. If you or a loved one will be in the hospital, please call the church office 920-693-8361 or contact Pastor Patrick at 920-693-2858.

With
Sympathy



Our most heartfelt sympathy goes to the family o f Jackie Henschel. She will be deeply missed in our church and in our community. Jackie's funeral was held at St. James on June 22nd.

Jacqueline C. Henschel, 80, of Cleveland died Thursday morning June 17, 2021 at Harvest Home Assisted Living, Howards Grove. She is the former Jacqueline Foster, born May 19, 1941, in Stanley, WI, daughter of the late Jack and Beatrice (Wrye) Foster. Jackie attended schools in Stanley. On October 12, 1963, she married Ronald Henschel in Cleveland.

Jackie took great pride in taking care of her family and her home. She also cared for many of her grandchildren, friend's children and children from the community. She was an active member of St. James United Church of Christ. She enjoyed going to baseball games on Sundays, the annual trip to Shawano Lake for fishing and fun, going to a fish fry on Fridays and playing cards with family and friends.

Survivors include her husband; Ron, children; Laurie Sixel (Scott Smith), Brian (Wendy) Henschel, Steven Henschel, Todd (Lori) Henschel, daughter-in-law; Tammy Gabsch, grandchildren; Jessica Sixel, Morgan and Amanda Henschel, Jack Henschel, Justin (Brittney) Henschel, Josh Henschel (fiancee' Karlie), Jacob Henschel; sisters, Mavis Johnson and Sharon (Larry) Anderson; brothers, Marvin (Mary) Foster and Harold Foster.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son; Kevin Henschel, grandson; Brandon Henschel, mother and father-in-law, Harvey and Norma Henschel; sister, Marian (Arnold) Haas; brothers, Lee (Carol) Foster, Leonard Foster and brother-in-law, Fred Johnson.

Then little children were being brought to him in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them; but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." (Matthew 19:13-14)

People were bringing even infants to him that he might touch them; and when the disciples saw it, they sternly ordered them not to do it. But Jesus called for them and said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." (Luke 18:15-17)

ST. MARK'S

St. Mark's Consistory members will be taking care of the ushering duties month of July .

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JULY

*Bill Heckmann
Caroline Heckmann
Madisan Langenhahn
Allen & Eunice Stolzmann
Rick & Donna Wippermann
David Lorfeld
Tom Kleinhans
Daniel Kleinhans
David Lutze

ST. JAMES

AUGUST

*Jeff & Wendy Meyer
Jim & Karen Becker
Marissa Fitzgerald
Jonathan Meyer
Amanda Henschel
Morgan Henschel
Randy & Karen Krause
Chelsea Langenhahn
Henry & Kari Langenhahn, Jr.



Katie Sohn & Daniel Kleinhans
were married at St. James
on Saturday, June 19th
Congratulations!



Project Angel Hugs



Project Angel Hugs will be holding their 2nd annual, on-line “*Be An Angel Auction*” starting Saturday, July 25th through Saturday, July 31st. This is the second year Project Angel Hugs will utilize the on-line auction platform in lieu of the in-person “*Be An Angel*” Benefit event.

Project Angel Hugs is a non-profit organization ministering to children touched by cancer and their families. They offer support during a family’s most difficult time.

Their goal is twofold:

- to ease the stress of this devastating disease on our littlest warriors
- to instill within our youth the importance of giving back to the community

This ministry was started by the generous heart of Vanessa Jensema, a little girl who passed away in 2021, but lives on in the spirit of many.

For more information or to volunteer, email: contact@projectangelhugs.org or call 920.892.9138



Youth Group News

St. James/St. Mark's Youth Group Volleyball is underway with a record of 1-0!!! Please feel free to come out and cheer us on Sunday evenings at 6:30! Below is the schedule of where we play:

Sunday, July 11th at Immanuel/Bethel

Sunday, July 18th at St. James

Sunday, July 25th at St. James

Thanks in advance for your support!

Kari Langenhahn

Youth Group Leader



St. James/St. Mark's Youth Volleyball Team~2021



Hello Friends,

Hello summer! It has been a whirlwind month as we prepare to host our first larger camp events in over a year. It feels so good – and new – to gather together, give and receive hugs, see smiling faces! This moment in time holds so much joy and relief.

This moment also holds everything that we have experienced in a pandemic that is ending, and not ending. Our “Pick 2” policy has evolved in conjunction with CDC guidelines for those that are vaccinated. If you are vaccinated, you will no longer need to wear a mask indoors or outdoors. Masks will still be required for those not fully vaccinated. Outdoor mask wearing will still be required for those not vaccinated when in close proximity to others. Bottom line, be vaccinated if you are eligible!

Out of love for the vulnerable, there also may be times that vaccinated guests will still be asked to wear a mask. Bottom line number two, put compassion and flexibility in the driver’s seat.

We can’t think of a better way to transition than to be outside for play, rest, reflection and to come together in these sacred spaces. That’s Outdoor Ministry, and that’s what UCCI offers for you. Event registration is still open, so take a look and plan to join us this summer at Moon Beach, Pilgrim Center and Cedar Valley.

Can’t wait to see you!

Glenn & all your friends at UCCI

Glenn Svetnicka – Executive Director UCCI

glenn@ucci.org

202: Re-United!

UCCI is open and ready to welcome you to Moon Beach, Pilgrim Center and Cedar Valley. We can't wait to reunite in these sacred spaces again. Check out our event registration and link to the scholarship application below. Money is not a barrier to participation. The lake is calling, the sunshine is calling, the trees are calling, camp is calling, God is calling you – it's time!

Contact Karen in the church office, stmstjoffice@gmail.com to have the e-church brochure forwarded to you!



Sheboygan County Interfaith
<https://www.sheboygancountyinterfaith.org>
July, 2021

- ◆ Bridgeway could use the following items: Napkins, Crayola markers, canned vegetables
- ◆ The Summer Market is in full swing! We are located in Fountain Park Wednesdays and Saturdays, from 8:00a-1:00p. The Plymouth market is in the Dairy Queen parking lot on Thursdays from 12noon-5:00p. Stop by the teal information tent to find out more about all our programs: EBT, Double Your Bucks, the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program, Market Fresh Box and Market Fresh Meal. Or, visit our website:www.sheboygancountyinterfaith.org.
- ◆ Bridgeway & Beyond Update: We have experienced some turnover in our program, as a couple of moms weren't ready to make the necessary changes to participate in a transitional living program. Our other residential families are doing well and enjoying the longer days and summer weather. We are gearing up for our annual camping trip in July – an event that has grown tremendously over the last few years! Families enjoy spending time together and making deeper connections with others over the course of the extended weekend. We have also started raising monarch butterflies – a favorite seasonal activity among moms, kiddos and staff!
- ◆ Plan to join us for the 2021 Night Markets – July 30th and August 20th in City Green. We are thrilled to bring back an event that drew over 1000 people in 2019! Bring the family – there's something for everyone: live music, food trucks, arts & crafts, yard games, and more! Event runs from 4-9pm.



"Application for Funding" forms are available in the narthex, from **VISION OF HOPE** Committee members, or under "More" on our website. We welcome specific requests as well as your suggestions for using our semiannual gifts from the Wagner Foundation.

PLEASE NOTE THAT A PRIVACY SECTION HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE FORM. Effective Jan. 1, 2021, old forms without a completed "privacy choice" section will not be accepted.

The next Vision of Hope Committee meeting is on Monday, July 5th, at St. James at 6:30pm.

STUDENTS: Use the "Application for Funding" form for tuition help (currently \$1,000) each year.

ST JAMES JULY CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Ruth Ann Kolb
- 2 Matthew Lutze
- 4 Henry Langenhahn
Cody Mueller
- 6 Heidi Belitz
Debra LaDuke
Tom Kleinhans
Laurie Heckmann
- 7 Rachel Stolzmann
- 8 Marissa Fitzgerald
- 10 Jack Heckmann
- 11 James Becker
Ryan Lutzke
- 12 Linda Lutzke
- 13 Pat Kleinhans
Michelle Mauk
- 16 Tanya Wasmer
- 17 Frederick Krause
Hudson Quast
- 18 Sue Johnson
- 20 Hailey Henschel
- 21 Randall Krause
- 22 Ronald Hansmann
- 23 Madisan Langenhahn
- 25 Tom Urness
- 26 Doris Sprenger
- 27 Katelynn Mauk
Ann Rodewald
- 29 Chris Grotegut
- 31 Grace Schultz

ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Kevin & Sherry Jump
- 23 Richard & Sarah Lutze
- 24 Hank & Barb Reimer
- 25 Jeff & Wendy Meyer
- 26 Henry & Kari
Langenhahn

Pastor Patrick has designated Tuesdays & Fridays as his day of Sabbath and his day out of the office During those two days each week, you may contact him in case of an emergency only at 608-352-9544.

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United Church of Christ: <https://www.ucc.org>

St. James UCC/St. Mark's UCC: www.stmstjucc.org

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

St. James		St. Mark's
24	June 6th	39
47	June 13th	36
17	June 20th	54
41	June 27th	55

ST MARK'S JULY CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Brandon Cyr
- 6 Wyatt Scharl
- 10 Emily Binversie
- 12 Steven Schnelle
- 13 Crissy Athorp
- 14 Gerald Thiel
Lindsay Summers
- 15 James Schuette
Jan Strysick
- 16 Deanne Schultz
Anna Marie Bramstedt
- 20 Jane Vandoske
- 21 Emily Urban
- 22 Owen Bramstedt
Janice Marcheske
- 25 Jay Schnelle
- 27 Ann Rodewald
- 30 Wayne Grunwald
- 31 Amy Clemens
Grace Schultz

ANNIVERSARIES

- 6 Richard & Mary Lou Sixel
- 8 Larry & Sandra Perronne
- 9 Bob & Tara Vandoske
- 11 Steven & Crystal Brown
- 13 Gary Van Auken and
Sandra Stark
- 23 Tim & Wendy Schueler
Corey & Amy Clemens
- 25 Eric & Brynn Bergeman
- 26 Tim & Deanne Schultz

Please report any corrections or additions on the birthday and anniversary lists to Karen in the church office:

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