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### Sunday Worship

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**9:00 am – Traditional Worship**  
Childcare – 8:45 am - 12:15 pm

**Education Hour – 10:10 - 10:50 am**  
• Adult Education Opportunities  
• Sunday School (age 3 through 6th grade)

**Fellowship Time – 10:10 am**  
(coffee/tea, cookies and conversation)

**11:00 am – Worship at the Edge**  
(lively music and a more informal style)

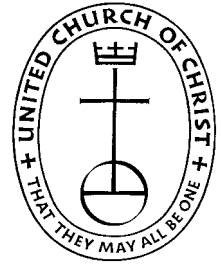
*No matter who you are,  
no matter where you are on life's journey,  
you are welcome here!*

*Come just as you are.*





# The Chapel Chimes



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## From the Senior Pastor

As I write, I have been on the staff of Lake Edge UCC for just over one week. It has been a very full and satisfying week, and many of you have generously welcomed me here. I am looking forward to many more weeks spent working and worshipping with you.

I am here to serve as the interim senior pastor. Interim pastors are hired to help congregations make the transition from one settled pastor to another. Pastors and congregations can become very close to one another in a short period of time.

When a pastor leaves, people may grieve. They grieve the loss of someone whom they have come to trust and respect. There is grief for disruption in the life of the congregation. The loss of a leader may leave some people wondering how the congregation will survive during the time that it takes to find a new settled pastor. Even in situations where there was contention between a pastor and a person, there is grief over the loss of a predictable relationship. All of these feelings deserve to be heard and given time to heal. Interim pastors can enable the grieving and the healing to take place in a safe environment.

The interim period may also be a time for growth. One of the first tasks a search committee faces is writing a "profile" of the congregation: a description of who the congregation is, some of its history, and its hopes for the future. In seeking to understand itself so as to explain itself to potential candidates, congregations learn a lot about themselves. Past assumptions may have to give way to present realities. This is a natural time for lay leaders in the congregation to reassess their roles and for shifts in that leadership to occur. New leaders arise. Past leaders are honored. New stories about the life of the congregation are told as the old tales are repeated. Congregations can also see the ways in which they are related to our denomination, the United Church

of Christ, because they are more dependent on denominational support during the interim period than at other times. During this time, congregations build on their perceptions of the past and present so that they are ready to welcome their new settled pastor into their future.

I am here to work with you to make these things happen. I'm also here to serve as any pastor does: to lead worship and to provide pastoral support and teaching. I come with 23 years of experience as a settled pastor having served three churches as associate, sole, and senior pastor.

I am a Madison native. I was born here and raised at Memorial United Church of Christ (then in Madison, but now in Fitchburg). My father Charles is a retired pediatrician and my mother Ruth is an even more recently retired potter. I went to college at the UW-Madison and then headed east to attend Andover Newton Theological School in Newton, Massachusetts, for my seminary degree. During my years in Massachusetts, I was in a committed relationship with my former partner for 25 years. Our marriage ended this year in divorce. Following the separation, I realized that I have always been homesick for Madison, so I moved back here this past December. I live in Fitchburg with my parents, their dog, and my two pugs. My avocation is fiber arts, which means that I sew a lot. I'm an early riser, and I tend to get pretty sleepy in the evening, so I'll beg your forbearance with me at evening meetings! I am a walker, and my younger dog and I walk early in the morning most days.

I am very excited to be a part of the Lake Edge community and look forward to meeting all of you!

*Wishing you peace,*  
Lisa

It has been my privilege to serve in the church leadership at Lake Edge for many years. A combination of personal responsibilities and a respect for the commitment that any church leadership position requires have led me to a difficult decision. I need to take a break and just enjoy being a regular member of Lake Edge again. Last Thursday I resigned as vice moderator. I have the utmost confidence in the dynamic leadership of our congregation. I'm looking forward to worshipping with all of my friends at Lake Edge and to supporting our church's mission with you.

*Thanks,  
John Rosch*

### **From the 9:00 Worship Planning Team**

In last month's Chapel Chimes you learned of the recently formed 9:00 Worship Planning Team. We began by reading and discussing Thomas Long's book *Beyond the Worship Wars: Building Vital and Faithful Worship*. We hope to have several copies of the book available for checkout in the Library for use by the congregation, and some or all of the signs may be discussed in future Pastor's Classes. Meanwhile, we'd like to introduce the signs and, over a period of a few months, briefly present them here.

#### **Signs of Vital and Faithful Worship:**

- Make room somewhere in worship for the experience of mystery
- Make planned and concerted efforts to show hospitality to the stranger
- Have recovered and made visible the sense of drama inherent in Christian worship
- Emphasize congregational music that is both excellent and eclectic in style and genre
- Creatively adapt the space and environment of worship
- Forge a strong connection between worship and local mission that is expressed in every aspect of the worship service
- Maintain a relatively stable order of service and a significant repertoire of worship elements and responses that the congregation knows by heart
- Move to a joyous festival experience toward the end of the service
- Have strong, charismatic pastors as worship leaders (Long, 2001)

### **Make room somewhere in worship for the experience of mystery**

Long begins by addressing how it is possible to design successful services that appeal to people's loneliness, by helping them feel a part of a group; that offer music that match current fashion and

taste; and that provide people with practical tools for daily living. These services often draw large crowds, but are not true worship. People's needs for community, entertainment, and self-help can be met elsewhere. Why do we come to worship, then, if not for that? We come to worship to have our deepest needs met and our very deepest need is for mystery - for an encounter with the truly Other, for God. Worship is what happens when we become aware that we are in the presence of the living God. It then follows that because we belong to God, we have a deep need to join with others to offer ourselves to God. We cannot, of course, plan for or arrange an encounter with God, but we don't need to. Our task is to clear the noise, the clutter and the distractions, in order to communicate the mystery that is already present.

### **Make planned and concerted efforts to show hospitality to the stranger**

Hospitality to the stranger is deeply rooted in our faith, going back to when Abraham and Sarah opened their tent flap to the strangers by the oaks at Mamre. Long asserts that hospitality, or welcoming people to worship, is more complicated than simply being nice and offering a friendly greeting. People want to be welcomed to God's house, known by name, and join with others in offering themselves to God in ways that matter. But this is stuff we already do, right? We're friendly and helpful to new folks, we have nametags, and we're known for our mission efforts in which anyone can participate. But pause for a moment and really put yourself in the shoes of someone who is walking through the front door for the first time, or, just as important, someone who worships here regularly, but does not feel connected. What do they see? Who talks to them and what do they say? Where do they go and when? Every time you go to church, reach out to someone you don't know. Whether they are new to Lake Edge or not, if you don't know them then they're a 'stranger' to you. Let's learn and practice hospitality to the stranger. We welcome the Holy Spirit when we welcome the stranger.

#### **9:00 Worship Planning Team**

Barb Lewis	Derek Grady
Carol Cloutier	Bob Gwynne
Jessie Gwynne	Kassidy Rosenthal

*Honoring our traditions while planning vital worship services.  
We welcome your comments & feedback.*

### **Recent Celebrations of Baptism**

On July 12, we were pleased to celebrate the baptism of Dorothy Alice Truman-Yadon, daughter of Michael Truman and Dennis Yadon. We welcome Dorothy into the faith and family of Christ here at Lake Edge United Church of Christ.

## Hospitalized? Please Let Us Know

Just a reminder that if you or someone you love is going into the hospital, and you want to make sure that they receive a pastoral visit, you'll need to let us know here at the church. We can't always find out that you've been admitted, and with hospital stays now becoming increasingly brief, it's all too possible for your church to miss your hospital stay. We want to come and visit you, and you can ensure that it happens if you'll just let us know that you're there. Additionally, it helps to identify Lake Edge UCC by name at the time of your admittance.

## Bells! Bells!

Yes! Think about joining the handbell choir. All you need is a good sense of rhythm. The rest we can teach you. Rehearsals are on Monday evenings at 6:45 p.m. and will start on August 17. Call the church office, or call Jeanne Warzyn at 230-3131, if interested. It's really fun. Ask any of the current ringers.



## Heart and Soul From Your Parish Nurse

**For Our Souls and Minds:** *"Flattery is like chewing gum. Enjoy it, but don't swallow it."*

– Hank Ketcham

**For Our Bodies:** Did you know that archeologists have discovered the remains of chewing gum (made from tree resin and honey) dating back to the Stone Age? It still had teeth marks in it.

We humans like to chew; it's such a lovely, mindless pastime! Although, admittedly, there are some people who dislike the habit. Take for example my biology teacher in high school. He said it made people look like cows. "What's so bad about cows?" I often wondered.

Believe it or not, chewing sugarless gum is good for us. It improves oral health, helps with weight management, and aids in stress relief. The American Dental Association has awarded the Seal of Acceptance to several sugar-free gums. Gum chewing has actually been shown to reduce the incidence of tooth decay by up to 40%. Chewing also stimulates the flow of saliva (relieving dry mouth), neutralizes plaque after eating carbohydrates, clears plaque from the mouth, helps re-mineralize enamel, freshens our breath, and whitens teeth by reducing and preventing stains.

But what does chewing sugarless gum have to do with weight loss? Two studies in the UK found that chewing gum lessened hunger and reduced cravings. And think about it – when our

mouths are working on chewing gum, they're simply too busy to consume cookies, candy, or other treats, right?

Feeling tense? Chewing gum will significantly increase the blood flow to your brain and trigger your brain's relaxation response to sensory stimuli. People who chew gum on a regular basis are calmer and more relaxed than their non-chewing friends. Maybe that's because gum chewers find it difficult to be serious while blowing bubbles or smartly snapping their gum.

Yet another study (with 75 participants) suggested that chewing gum improves memory, although not attention span. And the act of chewing makes people more alert.

Bottom line? Still more studies are needed to determine more of the varied subtle benefits of gum chewing. To see what the American Dietetic Association says on the subject, go to [www.eatright.org](http://www.eatright.org). Search under the benefits of chewing gum; then select The Benefits of Chewing Gum.

Meanwhile be playful, chew! It's fun. Just remember what your mother told you years ago - don't swallow it! (Professional disclaimer: I must be honest here and tell you that even though your playground buddies claimed that swallowed gum would sit in your intestines or stomach for seven years – it's just not true. Sorry, my friends, but that old tale is just another exciting, yet silly, urban legend.)



## Mark Your Calendars!

**2009-2010 Sunday School Introductory Session**  
**Friday, September 11, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

Even though most of us are still in the midst of swim lessons and family vacations, autumn and the start of a new Sunday School year are right around the corner. Families who wish to participate in Sunday School this year are invited to attend *Stepping Stones*, a program designed to outline our vision for the Lake Edge Sunday School curriculum. We'll provide a simple meal, followed by a breakout session, where children will visit their classrooms and meet their teachers. Parents will have their own breakout meeting, where we'll provide an overview of the CE Program. There will be plenty of time for questions and answers and discussion among families and staff. This will be a great opportunity to learn what you can expect as your child progresses through the Lake Edge Sunday School program all the way to Confirmation. For more information, contact Peggy Rynearson at [prynearson@charter.net](mailto:prynearson@charter.net) or Debbie Leffler at [dleffler@dstewart.com](mailto:dleffler@dstewart.com).

## Junior Church

What is Junior Church, you ask? Long-time members at Lake Edge may remember when there was a shorter, kid-friendly version of worship offered specifically for children. The CE Board and Sunday School teachers are hard at work designing a present-day version of Junior Church. The plan is for all children participating in the Sunday School program to meet together for the first 20 minutes or so and have worship. We'll focus on teaching about worship, how we express our faith and nurture our spiritual life through worshipping together. As we progress through the year, we'll move toward having each class be responsible for a part of the worship service on a weekly rotating basis. We're excited for this opportunity to teach through experiencing the elements of worship, including prayer, bible stories, stewardship, and service. More details to come!!!

## Women's Fellowship Apple Pies

The apple pie committee is looking for a crew of Lake Edge women and men who are interested in making apple pies in early September. We hope to make between 50-60 pies this year and will sell them frozen or fresh, at last year's price of \$9 per pie. Proceeds will - as always - support WF projects that help people in need. If you would like to help, call Judy Fritz at 222-8247. An actual work date will be set in late August as we know more about the ripening of the apples.

The church's freezers are not "industrial" enough to quickly freeze the number of pies we make in one day - hence, we still get "soggy bottoms" on the baked pies. If you know anyone with commercial freezers who might be interested in freezing and keeping our pies for just a few days in September, please call Carrie Wurz at 221-3459 - ASAP!

Pies can be pre-ordered by calling Judy Fritz at 222-8247 and leaving a voice message. Frozen or freshly-made pies must be picked up at the church. Fresh pies must be picked up on pie-making day and then frozen in your own freezer right away (if you want to freeze them!). Look for more information regarding pre-ordering, pick-up and purchasing frozen pies, as well as the date of pie-making in the September Chapel Chimes, weekly Sunday bulletins, and eNews.

## Cookie Walk

We are beginning the planning for our annual Cookie Walk to be held on December 5, beginning at 9:00 am. We welcome your input with new ideas, suggestions for improvements, recipes, etc. Please contact Jan Zimmerman at 249-7831 or Kathy Borner at 839-3540.

## Senior News – August

### "It's Reunion Time"

Monday, August 3, 11:45 am, 1855 Restaurant, Cottage Grove  
It's the time of year for reunions of all kinds, and we are no exception! We are looking to gather the ladies of the original Monday Morning Breakfast Group (which evolved into a lunch gathering), PLUS anyone else who would like to join us as we reminisce, enjoy lunch, and make plans to reorganize for fall and beyond. Do we want to meet regularly or just on occasion? Shall we have breakfast or lunch? Where should we give the money we've collected over the years? Will you be joining us? Call Mary with your reservation!

### A Tour of EPIC Systems/Lunch

Thursday, August 6, 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Located in Verona, Wisconsin, you've probably heard of EPIC, but have wondered what they do. Well, they make and support software for every aspect of healthcare that affects the patient. EPIC makes possible, every day, a healthcare experience with minimal stress, maximum efficiency, and one where the patient feels cared for and remembered from visit to visit. We will tour this magnificent facility and then enjoy lunch in Verona. Again, let's car pool by meeting at church at 9:00 am and leave by 9:10 am.

### "A War a World Away"

Wednesday, August 12, 9:30-11:00 am

Join us for a sweet roll and coffee/juice before we assemble gift packs for our soldiers fighting overseas. Please bring 20 of the same item... candy bars, gum, magazines, toothbrush, toothpaste, nail clippers, pen/pencils, deodorant, granola bars, etc. ... anything you can think of or that you see that you might want if you were thousands of miles from the comforts of home. We will assemble the boxes in Fellowship Hall and mail them out that afternoon!

### Identity Theft & Senior Scams

Wednesday, August 19, 1:00-2:30 p.m.

If you ever have your identity stolen, it can be a nightmare! Join us for this informative session on how to protect yourself from identity theft and to find out the latest senior scams working in our area. Don't let yourself be a victim! You'll leave this session thinking quite differently about how to protect yourself and your resources.

### "Fresh Bread" Book Talk

Thursday, August 27, 1:30-3:00 p.m.

The August chapter "The Fearful Heart" takes us on a journey as we discover the many joys and disappointments felt in our hearts.



## Late Risers Breakfast

Thursdays, August 13, September 10, October 8, 9:00 am  
Original Pancake House, 516 River Place

Mark your calendars now for the second Thursday of each month to join us for breakfast at the Original Pancake House, 516 River Place, at 9 a.m. The fellowship is great!

## Save the Date!

The Adult Fellowship will celebrate the fall with a potluck picnic at the Elvehjem Park shelter, 1202 Painted Post Road, Madison, from 11:00 am to 3:00 p.m. on **Sunday, September 13**. Come and enjoy the fun, food, and fellowship. Bring your dish to pass and silverware. Outlets are available.

## Our Outdoor Sports Ministry is Growing!

This summer we've gone camping, rock climbing, biking and hiking, and we have two more events coming up in August.

- Saturday, August 8 we're going on a canoe trip to the Crystal River. Crystal River is about a 2-hour drive with a 3-hour, highly scenic river float. We'll make it a day trip and take a picnic. This trip will be with a canoe outfitter – we'll rent canoes for \$15 per person and they'll take care of all the work. No experience or equipment necessary! (*Leader: Amanda Helm*)
- Sunday, August 23 1 p.m. a local paddling trip on a lake yet to be determined. We'll take off after the 11 a.m. worship and bring a sack lunch. Bring your own boat. If you need a boat or equipment, someone may be able to lend you one; contact Monica Wahlberg (886-3124 or mdwimagin@yahoo.com) (*Leader: Monica Wahlberg*)
- Wednesday Sept. 2, Cave of the Mounds tour. We'll meet at church at 5:15 and carpool over in time to catch the last tour of the day. (*Leader: Steve Pieroni*)

Contact Amanda Helm (223-1660, amanda\_helm@sbcglobal.net) to sign up for any event. Please DO let us know you are coming so we can keep you in the loop on final details about the trip.

Got an idea for an event? This program is just starting and you can help us make it fun. Just contact Amanda with your event idea. YOU can help with leading an event or helping with coordination of the outdoor sports ministry. Find out more about Lake Edge's new Outdoor Sports Ministry on the Lake Edge website: <http://www.lakeedge.org/node/506>

## IHN News

### The Road Home

Did you know? The Rapid Rehousing program is a new collaborative effort between The Road Home, the YWCA of Madison, the Salvation Army, and United Way of Dane County. Rapid Rehousing provides move-in costs, a small monthly rent subsidy, and case management services for a year to help families move more quickly and successfully from shelter to housing.



Sheila and her two elementary school-age children became homeless because their roommate moved out and Sheila couldn't afford the apartment on her own. No eviction was filed because Sheila had maintained a good relationship with the landlord, but they had to leave and stayed temporarily in a hotel through the Salvation Army. Within three weeks, the family was accepted to the Rapid Rehousing program. The very next day, their former landlord accepted them back! He expressed that the support of the program made him willing to give Sheila another try. The kids are back in the same neighborhood, Sheila just got a full-time job, and they'll be working with Georgie, a case manager from The Road Home.

*Thank you,*  
*Rachel Krinsky*  
Executive Director  
The Road Home Dane County

## Library News

### Library book review:

*"Lindberg's Badger Days"* by Anne Vandenburg  
In this book, Anne Vandenburg, a University of Wisconsin-Madison librarian for more than 30 years, carefully documents the three times when Charles Lindberg came to Madison. First he was a student at the UW, and then he returned after his historic flight twice, once to receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. Many photographs collected from college yearbooks and the University archives are displayed throughout the book.



### Book discussion;

Please join us on Sunday, September 20, at 10:10 am, in the Library to discuss *"The House at Sugar Beach"* by Helene Cooper. This memoir of Helene Cooper's African childhood in Liberia is also an examination of a violent and stratified country. She tells of tragedy, forgiveness, and transcendence with unflinching honesty and a survivor's gentle humor.



## **Lake Edge Bloodmobile**

Our bloodmobile on June 9 had 25 successful donations! The donations helped save as many as 63 lives. We couldn't have done it without you! Thank you to everyone who donated blood or time as a volunteer by setting up/taking down, registration, canteen work, donor aide, or refreshment donor. A special thank you also to Rozan, Pastor Paul, and Tim for their consideration and assistance. God bless!

Our next bloodmobile will be Tuesday, November 17, 2009.  
Carol and Bob Naylor, Coordinators

## **Upcoming Area Bloodmobiles**

Friday, July 10, 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Blooming Grove Fire Department  
1880 S. Stoughton Road, Meeting Room

Thursday, July 16, 11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Country Inn & Suites  
400 River Place

Friday, July 24, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Danisco – UW-Extension  
Fen Oak Court, Large Meeting Room

Tuesday, July 28, 1:00-6:00 p.m.

Plymouth UCC  
2401 Atwood Avenue, Fellowship Hall

## **Pastor Paul's Final Sermon at Lake Edge**

We have a DVD of Pastor Paul's final sermon at Worship at the Edge on June 28. You are welcome to check it out from the church library and watch it at home on your own DVD player. If it does not play, just let Ron Rockow know at 222-1548.

## **Madison Friends of International Students**

How would you like to meet a young person from Mongolia, Italy, Indonesia, Turkey or The Netherlands? Our MFIS temporary host families are given this opportunity by hosting university students or scholars from these countries as well as many others. In fact we hosted more than 130 students from over 35 countries during the summer and fall of 2009.

Our host families report that, "I think of this as really welcoming and supporting a student who is new to this country and of us really representing our country and culture in how we welcome people." And, "we had lots of fun with Poem who changed his name to Steven ... we love hosting and intend to do it forever". Or "I just e-mailed my student and she seems to be doing quite well ... I enjoyed the Chinese perspective on the Olympics ... we will continue to be in touch." Other host families write, "My husband took our young student for a bike ride ... I think our

student was surprised that he could keep up." And "after dinner we took our students for a walk which the girls enjoyed ... one said, 'I don't want to blink, I think I will miss some of the beauty that surrounds me.'" And finally, "We taught them to play euchre, had lots of fun until it was eventually time to sleep."

As you can tell, we enjoy our international students and find the experience to be one of mutual fun and learning. If you would consider becoming a temporary host, please write to Nancy Schultz, randn1509@sbcglobal.net. She will send you an informative letter which may help you decide to become a part of this great experience.

## **Dear Everyone at Lake Edge,**

Thank you so much for your wonderful gift of \$1150.00 to the What If Foundation. I just returned from a very inspiring trip to Haiti, where I saw your gift in loving action at the food program. Each day I was there, hundreds of children streamed into the eating area, in what seemed like an endless line to receive their only meal of the day. I could see the relief and gratitude in their eyes as they quickly ate their meal of rice, beans, vegetables and chicken. I was reminded again in a powerful way of how important this program is for their health and survival. And what a beautiful expression of love the food program is. You have made about 1700 meals possible and provided not only desperately needed calories, but hope and a sign that Christians thousands of miles away are standing alongside those who are suffering in Haiti.

Just a note to let you know of the sad news that Fr. Gerry Jean Juste passed away a couple of weeks ago. I met him the first time I arrived in Haiti in 2000 and it was he who inspired me to start the What If Foundation. I feel blessed to have worked with him for so many years. He was a great mentor and friend and taught me so much about living out one's faith in the world. Years ago he handed over the daily operations of the program we support to excellent community leaders, so the program will continue to thrive in the months and years to come.

We've uploaded lots of photos to our website from our recent trip to Port-au-Prince. I think you'll enjoy looking at them as "a picture worth a thousand words".

Thank you again for all of your support and compassion.

*With love,  
Margaret*

If you have questions regarding the What If Foundation, find a BOCO person to answer those questions. The web site is [www.whatiffoundation.org](http://www.whatiffoundation.org).