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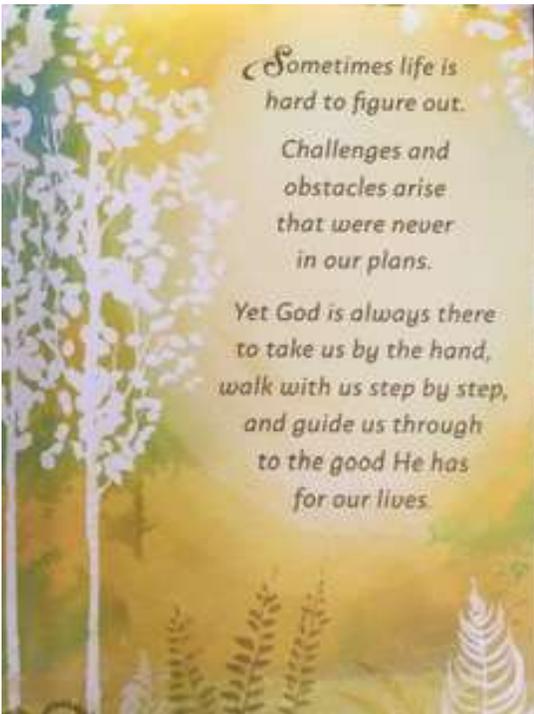


*Give thanks in all circumstances;  
For this is the will of God in  
Christ Jesus for you.  
Thessalonians 5:18*

## *Community Church News November 2020*

### *Come Worship With Us*

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# *From the Elders*

*“Grace and peace to you from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ.”*

I love this verse. It calms my heart whenever I think of it. Paul says these exact words at least eight times, twice in Ephesians, twice in 1 & 2 Corinthians, and also in Galatians, Philippians, 2 Thessalonians, and Philemon.

I say it now to you, even though I know that we are all having a hard time with that these days. Pastor Scott knew that and talked about it in his last sermon. If you weren't there in person October 11, I encourage you to watch it on Youtube.

We have our own reasons for not feeling much grace and peace right now. But it is there. Even in the differing opinions and the hurt, God's grace and peace are available to us. It is up to us to tap into that, just by opening our hearts. That is not so easy. Our sin gets in the way, our pride, our stubborn conviction that we are right, and they are wrong. It is never that simple.

I opened my heart recently in a small gathering with three other members. Through our conversation, we began the difficult process of healing and reconciliation. I don't mean to give the impression that everything is fixed between us. We are still hurting and have a long way to go towards reconciliation. I was exhausted by this initial step in the process, but we all agreed that this kind of conversation, one-on-one and in small groups might be the way we can begin the process of healing.

I encourage you to take the action that our little group did, to initiate this type of get-together. Call someone whose viewpoint is different from yours. Start the conversation. Start the healing. We need to begin to look forward, not look back. What is done is done. Ask for forgiveness. Forgive. Heal.

As we move forward, be assured that God has a plan for us. He has called Pastor Scott to a church that has been without a pastor for a year and a half. He and Lisa will be closer to his family, in the same town as his daughter. We can already see the plan coming together for him and his family. We don't know what he has in store for us yet. The elders will make sure there is someone in the pulpit each Sunday; local clergy or one of the elders will provide a message. Pray earnestly for God's provision for our little church.

I mean it when I say, “Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.”

*Lorine*  
Chairperson, Board of Elders



## November 2020 Birthdays & Anniversaries



- 1<sup>st</sup>
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Pat Patterson  
Debra Schoenike
- 4<sup>th</sup> Susan Kern
- 5<sup>th</sup> Lorine Walters
- 10<sup>th</sup> **Bruce & Jody Wilsie**  
Bob Zahn
- 12<sup>th</sup> Randy Bassuener
- 14<sup>th</sup> Christopher Spencer
- 15<sup>th</sup> Craig Richardson
- 17<sup>th</sup> Marianne Carlson  
Claudia Russell
- 23<sup>rd</sup> **Kurt & Tammy Bjork**
- 25<sup>th</sup> Jan Thomas  
**Darrel & Betty Clough**



- 26<sup>th</sup>
- 28<sup>th</sup> Kathy McMyler  
Sara Sanderson
- 29<sup>th</sup> **Bill and Bonnie Spear**



Dear Friends,

Thank you to those attending Indoor Worship for volunteering as ushers, readers, sound system monitors, offering special music, etc. I am happy to report that beginning in November Gracie Vickerstaff (Chirp) will resume scheduling special music and Claudia Russell will resume scheduling readers. We will continue to request that those in attendance at the service volunteer to serve as ushers & greeters. We are in need of people to volunteer as sound system monitors as well as people to record services to upload to our website for members who do not yet feel comfortable worshipping indoors. Thank you again for sharing your time and talent with our congregation. Blessings!

Glen Wildenberg  
Worship & Music Department



November 1st	Claudia Russell will resume
November 8th	contact for volunteers
November 15th	as weekly readers.
November 23rd	Please participate as you
November 29th	are able.

### *Special Music for November*

Nov 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sarah Poisson
Nov 8 <sup>th</sup>	S.O.U.L.
Nov 15 <sup>th</sup>	Lorine Walters & Kris Roepke
Nov 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Lorine Walters
Nov 29 <sup>th</sup>	Olivia England

Thank you to all who enrich our services by sharing your time, talent, and special gifts. If you wish to offer "special music", please contact Gracie (Chirp) Vickerstaff 715-356-3315 or call the church office to schedule a date.

## From the Church Office . . .

### COMMUNION

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed at the worship service November 1st, 2020.

### COUNCIL MEETING

Church Council meets Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Prior to the Council Meeting, the Elders Department meets at 4:30 p.m. Watch the Sunday bulletin for announcements of when other Departments or committees meet.

### OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes for 2021 are available in Fellowship Hall. Please stop by to pick yours up as soon as possible. Do not use the new envelopes until the New Year as some numbers have been changed.

### CONTACT LIST

The church contact list is updated as changes are reported to the office, often several times a month. If you would like an up-to-date copy, call the church office, send an email to [commchbj@centurytel.net](mailto:commchbj@centurytel.net) or drop a note in the office mail slot and we will provide you with the most current list.

### THE COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

The Community Food Pantry will once again be preparing Thanksgiving Bags for our clientele. Special items will be needed by November 15, 2020. Please bring your contributions to the Community Church by that date.

Food Items you could bring:

Canned: sweet potatoes, corn, green beans, mushroom soup, and pie filling.

Box: potatoes, stuffing, nuts, and raisins

Thank you for sharing.

### SOUP CANS

Labels and lids for "The Can for Change" soup cans are or will soon be available in the church office, weekday mornings, Monday - Thursday and on the table in Fellowship Hall. Our church has been supporting Covenant World Relief through this program for many years. Fill your soup can with coins, bills, or a check and turn it in Thanksgiving week. Your donations will be supplemented by the Missions Department and go to feed hungry people around the world. Thanks for supporting this project.

*Thanksgiving services are not being planned at this time. Our prayer is that however you are able to celebrate this very special day that God Blesses your gathering.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT

	Income	Expense
September	\$ 15,667.20	\$ 16,089.22
Fiscal Year to Date	\$ 41,514.48	\$ 52,922.50

### FALL APPEAL

Autumn has quickly changed to winter here in the Northwoods and our Fall Appeal is well under way. Thank you to all who have responded thus far. Just a reminder, the money collected during this time helps reduce the financial stress on our operating budget and allows for the continued work of our Lord in the community.

There are numerous ways to continue your contributions wherever you are. Setting up automatic monthly funds transfer, either through your bank or PayPal, or simply go to the church website at [www.commchbj.org](http://www.commchbj.org). Also, with the assistance of your financial planner, you can make a tax free charitable contribution directly from your Qualified IRA. And as always, you can send contributions direct to the church by mail: PO Box 14, Boulder Junction, WI 54512. And as always, if you have questions you can contact the church at 715-385-2146

Whether you make a single additional end-of-year gift or increase your routine giving, we ask you to prayerfully consider this request and follow where the Lord leads you.

If you have not yet received your letter or if you have questions, please contact Wendi Neupert or Bruce Greenhill.

### Prayer Chain Requests

Please contact Shelby Tallroth @ [Shelby.tallroth@gmail.com](mailto:Shelby.tallroth@gmail.com) or Gracee (Chirp) Vickerstaff @ 715-356-3315 for your Prayer Chain requests.

### Church Access

The church is accessible from 7:00a.m. to 8:00p.m. unless otherwise indicated. If access is needed at other times, please contact Ken Carlson at 319-213-4417.



## CE News

The SOUL group went on a youth retreat to Living Waters Bible Camp the weekend of September 25-27<sup>th</sup>. Seven young people participated in TAC (Team Adventure Challenge) to learn team building skills, had fun with archery, and observed the sun through a special telescope. They also were able to experience Rebekah Loew's nature program to discover how BIG the universe is, and that God created all of it with us in mind.

In addition, they learned about the tabernacle by touring a life-sized replica.

This tour allowed the youth to understand the lyrics behind the words of the song they sang on October 11<sup>th</sup>- "Take Me In".

### **"Take Me In"**

Take me past the outer courts  
Into the Holy Place  
Past the brazen altar  
Lord I want to see your face  
Pass me by the crowds of people  
And the Priests who sing your praise  
I hunger and thirst for your righteousness  
But it's only found in one place

*[Chorus:]*

Take me into the holy of holies  
Take me in by the blood of the lamb  
Take me into the holy of holies  
Take the coal, touch my lips, here I am

Lorine Walters, and Ruth & Jim Stober, also joined us for part of this weekend adventure. The SOUL group would like to thank the anonymous donor who paid all the retreat fees for the teens.



## Operation Christmas Child Update

Each week there has been an insert in the bulleting suggesting items to donate for the OCC boxes. We have received many donations; thank you! We could use some bigger gifts for the boxes such as: deflated soccer balls and the pump, Lego sets (boy as well as girl themed), baby dolls, or craft kits.

We also have empty OCC boxes at church. Please take one if you would like to fill a box on your own. There should be a brochure on the inside explaining what to do. Fill a box in honor of a grandchild, child, or someone else special in your life. Please have these filled boxes back to the church by Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

On Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00, we will be having a packing party. We will be using all of the supplies donated to put together as many boxes as we can. The more people who participate, the more fun there can be! So, see you bright and early on the 14<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, contact Leah Loew at (715)385-2310 or [stay@timberlost.com](mailto:stay@timberlost.com).



## Thanks, Pastor Scott



We are so grateful for the time that Pastor Scott was with us. He came to us in June of 2018 and preached his last sermon on October 11, 2020. We enjoyed coffee and cupcakes outside after church on that chilly morning in the sun. Everyone had an opportunity to say goodbye and wish him well at his new church. It's good for us to remember some of the highlights of his time as pastor of Community Church.

Attendance at Sunday services increased early in the summer of 2018, to the extent that consideration was given to a second service to accommodate those numbers. Pastor Scott was also committed to reaching out and making young families feel welcome. He had several ideas of alternative ways to worship. He organized Sunday evening contemporary services at that time which included a worship band providing both contemporary and gospel music. The intent was to reach out to visitors, vacationers, and those needing an alternative to Sunday morning.

We hosted two guest musicians during that summer. Both were Christian performers that Pastor Scott knew. Mark Smeby shared his music outside on a Sunday evening with the intent of drawing in people from the community. Nici Peper shared her gifts in the sanctuary and also on a Sunday evening. Both of them participated during morning worship, as well.

Pastor Scott actively supported expanding the Thanksgiving dinner to be held in the Boulder Junction Community Building. The change of location enabled our church to reach out to the other churches and community members in general.

During two in-service days at North Lakeland, the Christian Ed Department sponsored a day of activities for students to provide a place for children to go while their parents were working. Pastor Scott played an active role by providing Bible-based object lessons that children could relate to.



Earlier this year Sarah Poisson had a great idea of starting a worship band. Pastor Scott supported her idea and was instrumental in helping her get it up and running. We have enjoyed their music on the second Sunday of the months since late summer.

In addition to all these things, he implemented ways for all of us to worship during the last seven months. As soon as we were unable to meet, he initiated a recorded service online. Every week we could access the sermon on our website, YouTube, and Facebook. His technical skills were essential for the success of this project.

Seeing the need to support those who support our community, he had the idea to hold two "Prayin' Lot" services, one at North Lakeland recognizing students and teachers, and one in downtown Boulder Junction thanking our emergency services for their work in the community. This creative idea evolved into the "Windshield Worship" that many of us enjoyed from the late spring into early fall. After careful planning with the Worship and Music Department to keep us safe, worship in the sanctuary was restored beginning August 6.

We enter a new phase in the life of our congregation. Recognizing all Pastor Scott Jorgenson did for us in the past two years helps us bring closure to this time we had together. God's blessings on you, Pastor Scott.

**Community Church of Boulder Junction  
Church Council  
July 2020 – June 2021**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Department of Elders</u></b></p> <p>Bruce Wilsie      Emeritus Ruth Johnson Bonnie Pollard Harold Eick Duane Marquardt Lee Ann Ondracek *Lorine Walters Shelby Tallroth</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Department of Worship &amp; Music</u></b></p> <p>Helen Townsend      Emeritus Gracie Vickerstaff Lorine Walters Mary Anderson *Glen Wildenberg Don Gatzke Jamie Zogata</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Department of Missions</u></b></p> <p>*Lorine Walters Nancy Naylor Linda Sterba Stephanie Miesbauer Don Miesbauer</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Department of Stewardship of Finances</u></b></p> <p>*Wendi Neupert Kris Nelson Roepke Connie Christopherson Jim Rennheck</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Department of Personnel</u></b></p> <p>Shelby Tallroyh Ruth Johnson Betty Clough *Laurel Malicki Vicki Gillett</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Department of Christian Education</u></b></p> <p>Luella Doss Nancy Kassien Allyson Duwe *Leah Loew Jim Stober Joni Vehrs</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Department of Church Property</u></b></p> <p>*Ken Carlson Sue Fehlandt Bob Zahn Bill Spear Deb Halverson Jim Naylor</p>
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**CHURCH COMMITTEES**

<p><b>BANNER</b></p> <p>Mary Anderson Joanne Eick Lee Ann Ondracek Claudia Russell Deb Halverson</p> <p><b>BEAUTIFICATION</b></p> <p>Gracee Vickerstaff Maggie Wolf Luella Doss</p> <p><b>CLOTHES CLOSET</b></p> <p>Karshon Carlson Deb Halverson Maggie Wolf LeeAnn Ondracek</p> <p><b>ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>Wendi Neupert Betty Clough Lorine Walters Bruce Greenhill *Bill Spear Anne Derber</p>	<p><b>LIBRARY</b></p> <p>Karshon Carlson</p> <p><b>MEMORIAL</b></p> <p>Harold Eick Lloyd Giles Joyce Marquardt</p> <p><b>NEWSLETTER</b></p> <p>Wendi Neupert</p> <p><b>NOMINATING</b></p> <p>Stephanie Miesbauer Allyson Duwe Anne Derber</p> <p><b>PASTORAL RELATIONS</b></p> <p>Harold Eick Bruce Greenhill Sue Fehlandt Betty Clough</p> <p><b>WEB SITE</b></p> <p>Lorine Walters Wendi Neupert</p>	<p><b>~SOUND SYSTEM</b></p> <p>Glen Wildenberg Bruce Greenhill Jamie Zogata Pete Johnson Lorine Walters Bud Fitzgerald</p> <p><b>VISION</b></p> <p>Ruth Johnson Mary Congdon Karshon Carlson Ken Carlson Matt Loew</p> <p><b>W.C.C.</b></p> <p>Sue Fehlandt Maggie Wolf Mary Anderson Nancy Naylor</p> <p><b>FELLOWSHIP</b></p> <p>Betty Clough</p>
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## CHURCH COUNCIL REPORTS

An election was held at the October 13<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, resulting in the election of Maggie Wolf, Council Chairperson, and Ruth Johnson, Vice Council Chairperson. They will hold their positions until the July 2021 annual meeting.

Betty Clough, the retiring Council Chair, served in this position for two years. She was kind enough to serve for an extended period of time until the present election was held.

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### *MESSAGE FROM MAGGIE WOLF*

*I want to thank Betty Clough for her past years of service to the church. She has generously provided her time and talents during the recent difficult times of our church family. I again want to offer a big thank-you to Betty and her officers for their job.*

*Moving forward in this year of 2020, I am looking forward to assuming this job in and for the leadership of this church. We all have our own special gifts and talents. Using our unique and special gifts, I believe that we can work together to provide the loving church fellowship we have been known for.*

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**Advent begins Sunday November 29, 2020**

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*“On Tuesday evening, October 13, our daughter-in-law Lori, was called home to be with our Lord. Although we will miss her greatly, we thank God that her suffering has ended, and she is now restored in the presence of our Lord. We would like to thank everyone who has been praying for Lori, our son, and their family. We send prayers up to God, not to make demands, but only to place our trust in His Divine Will. God be with you all”.*

*Faith and Don Gatzke*

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## MEMOS and NOTES

*Dear members of B.J. Community Church,  
I'd like to thank Pastor Scott, the Church Council and all of our members for all the support and help I received during my 2 year term as Council President. I was honored to be elected to the position.*

*Maggie Wolf will be the Council chairperson for the next 2 years. Please welcome and support her as you did me.*

*Again this winter I am asking anyone who sews and would like to make baby quilts for at Risk Babies to please do so. During COVID 19 while staying at home it is a perfect time to sew. The quilts should be approximately 30" X 40". There is batting in the closet off the Fellowship hall and also some material. You can use cotton on both sides or cotton on one side and flannel on the other. I sent 10 baby quilts down to Sinai Hospital in Milwaukee a few weeks ago that were made last winter. Again thank you all and please stay safe and enjoy the next few months when it won't be that hard to stay home.*

*Betty Clough*

### Employment Opportunity

As of November 1, 2020, there will an open positions at the Church for **Office Manager**. Please consider applying for this positions or passing this information onto a friend or neighbor who would be interested and qualified. Contact Laurel Malicki, 715-385-2132, [bearlake64@gmail.com](mailto:bearlake64@gmail.com) to apply or suggest a candidate.

**Office Manager** – 16 hours per week – roughly 9 am to 1 pm four days per week. \$11.71 to \$15.98/hr.

High School or GED. Reliable. Must work independently. Good organizational skills. Office computer technologies. Good character. Maintain an orderly and professional business environment. High confidentiality. Receptionist duties for the pastor. Answer phone. Prepare letters, reports, bulletins, flyers. Order supplies. Operate copy machine.

Thank You  
Thank You

Bonnie and Bill Spear for donating and distributing multiple copies of the book, "Canoeing the Mountains" by Tod Bolsinger. The book addresses Christian leadership in uncharted territory. The books are to be shared with one another and one will be available in the church library. Please let the church office manager know if you wish to be on the list of readers to obtain the next copy available.

**Remember to turn clocks back before bed Oct 31, 2020.**



**It's time to FALL back!!!**

Just a friendly reminder to turn your clocks back Saturday night one hour!!!

Also, now is a great time to change the batteries in your smoke detector when you are "falling back!"

Enjoy the rest of this beautiful season!!

## MONTHLY LECTIONARY

The Revised Standard Common Lectionary is a calendar of Sunday's by Season with corresponding readings suggested for each Sunday of the church year. It is being provided as a way for those not worshipping indoors to keep in touch with appropriate scripture readings for each Sunday of the month. It may also be helpful to those worshipping inside to read and reflect on the lessons prior to the service. This is one of many ways that we can remain connected during this pandemic.

*Even in the midst of a pandemic, "hope" is not cancelled and "faith" is not closed.*

Blessings!

Glen Widenberg  
Worship & Music Department

Revised Standard Common Lectionary				
November, 2020				
Date	Sunday/Season	Psalm/Reading	First Reading	Gospel Reading
November 1st	All Saints Day	Psalm 34:1-10, 22	Revelation 7:9-17	Matthew 5:1-12
November 8th	Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost	Psalm 78:1-7	Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25	Matthew 25:1-13
November 15th	Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost	Psalm 123	Judges 4:1-7	Matthew 25:14-30
November 22nd	Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost	Psalm 100	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24	Matthew 25:31-46
November 26th	Thanksgiving	Psalm 65	Deuteronomy 8:7-18	Luke 17:11-19
November 29th	First Sunday of Advent	Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19	Isaiah 64:1-9	Mark 13:24-37

### Editors Note

I wish to thank Jim Hornbrook for his 11 years of service as the Editor of our church newsletter. Every month he created a great avenue to communicate the good works of our busy and dedicated congregation. He also designed a format that makes it simple for me to follow in his footsteps. As the year progresses, I hope this newsletter continues to be a blessing for all who share in its creation and those who read it. For those who have items to contribute, please have information to me at [cbjnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:cbjnewsletter@gmail.com) by the 3rd Thursday of the month (or before) so there is time to place everything and distribute prior to the end of each month. Thank You Wendi Neupert