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Community Church News February 2024 Come Worship With Us

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Dear Church Family,

As I write this, the temperatures have risen above freezing, the snow is melting, and I see the grass in my backyard. Though winter is not over and there is plenty of chance for snow, it reminds me of what this year represents.....a different year. One in which we will see voluntary and involuntary changes. As our town of Boulder Junction, our country, our world experiences major changes this year, I am reminded of Jesus' invitation to Peter to come out of the boat and walk on water with him. First though, it started with Peter's desperate attempt to resolve his faith in Jesus as being bigger than the waves and the storm.

"lord; if it's you;" peter replied; "tell me to come to you

We also will listen and wait for God's invitation but like Peter, let us pray and call out to God that we may have the opportunity to voluntarily step out of the safety and the known we so often put our faith in. We as a church have a purpose and mission for being here, in this time and place. May God use us for his glory.

on the water.'

As we navigate the journey of life, let us fix our gaze upon Jesus, our steadfast hope. In times of joy and challenge, He remains our guiding light. May our faith endure and be steady this year, centered on the source of eternal hope. Together, let's encourage one another to keep our eyes on Jesus.

Walking on (Melted Snow) Water, Pastor Nathan

Lectionary Readings for February 2024

February 4th

- · Call to Worship
 - 。 Psalm 131
- Reading: Hebrews 2:14-18
- Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

February 11th

- · Call to Worship
 - Psalm 27:1-4, 8, 11, 13-14
- Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:3-6
- Gospel: Mark 8:27-9:8

February 14th – Ash Wednesday

- · Call to Worship
 - Psalm 32:1-5, 8
- Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10
- Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

February 18th

- · Call to Worship:
 - o Psalm 19:7-10, 14
- Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-18
- Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

February 25th

- Call to Worship:
 - > Psalm 34:11-15, 17-18
- Reading: Romans 4:13-25
- Gospel: Mark 10:32-52

Community Fellowship - Feb 18 10:45

Let's bring Coffee Hour into the community, support local businesses, and share the love of Jesus in Boulder Junction.

On February 18, we will meet together immediately after worship at the

Boulder Junction Coffee Company

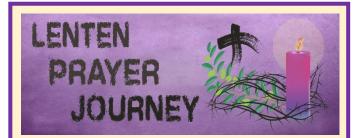


Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

ECCLESIASTES 3:20

Ash Wednesday Service

February 14, 2024, at 6:00pm.
The Elders will provide
Soup Supper in the Fellowship Hall
at 5:00pm prior to service.
Plan to enjoy delicious soup!
Bring a friend or neighbor.



Sunday February 18 – 4:00PM

Come and enjoy an evening of prayer and experience Lent in a new way.

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These stations will invite you, the pray-er, to read/listen/reflect and then respond to God's voice. Invite a friend to join.



February 2024

2nd

Groundhog

4th

Josie Allan

7th

Daniel Wahlgren

13th

Pete Johnson

ASH WEDNESDAY First Day of Lent

14th



 18^{th}

Gracelyn Zogata

24th

Carol Rowe- Zaeske

28th

Nate Zogata

Editor's note.

Each month I try to make sure the Birthday and Anniversary list is correct, but it is only as good as the information gathered.

Please take some time to contact the Office Manager, review your contact information and include Birthdays and Anniversaries for yourself and other loved ones you would like to remember on this page.

Providing this information along with a direct mail address helps our Caring Ministry reach out with well wishes and Gods Love.



Feb 4th Stephanie & Don Miesbauer

Feb 11th Lee Ann Ondracek & Deb Halverson

Feb 18th Mickey & Brent Priegel

Feb 25th Nancy Sherriff & Lynn Keating

If anyone would like to join the team for ushering and greeting our congregation on Sundays, let me know. Thank you to all who help in any area.

Joyce Marquardt (715/385-2720)



Feb 4th Bonnie Pollard
Feb 11th Bruce Greenhill
Feb 18th Sue Altschwager
Feb 25th Steve Sherriff

February Special Gifts

Feb 4th4 Chaplin ServiceFeb 11thPastor NathanFeb 18thBruce GreenhillFeb 25thBonnie Pollard

Christian Education Opportunities.

Lectionary Study – Wednesday 10AM. In the church conference room. Led by Pastor Nathan

The "Bible Project" Video.

Sundays at 9:10am. Led by Steve Sherriff In the Church Conference Room.

A full list of the 2023-24 Department Committee members is located on the bulletin board by the church office.

In addition, Church Council minutes are available on the bulletin board outside the office. Copies are available. Contact the office manager to pick one up or have mailed to you.

From the Church Office . . .

COMMUNION

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed at the worship service February 4, 2024.

COUNCIL MEETING

Church Council meets Tuesday, February 13, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Watch the Sunday bulletin or check the BIG wall calendar for announcements of when departments or committees meet.

WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to place an announcement in the weekly bulletin, please submit it to the church office by <u>Tuesday</u> afternoon.

FILL IN THE CALANDAR FOR 2024!

Laurie requests that Departments, Committees, and others put meeting notices on the large format calendar across from the office. This information is used to inform every one of the happenings in the church through the bulletin and newsletter announcements.

CONTACT LIST

The church contact list is updated as changes are reported to the office. If you would like an up-to-date copy, call the church office, send an email to secretary@commchbj.orgt or drop a note in the office mail slot and we will provide you with the most current list.

4 CHAPLAINS SERVICE

Our morning worship Sunday, February 4th will include a special program in memory and honor of Four Chaplains Day. Everyone is invited.

VALENTINE/ LENTEN PAL

Beginning February 4th, this project is a way to connect with each other during the Lenten season. It starts with 's. and continues through the Lenten season.

Get ready to have fun with our church family.

SOUP SUPPER & ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

February 14, the Department of Elders will serve Soup Supper at 5:00pm. Ash Wednesday church service will follow in the sanctuary at 6:00pm. Invite a friend to join.

Lenten Payer Worship

February 18th, 4pm.

The Worship and Music Department invite you to experience Lent in a new way.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The monthly Treasurer's report is available in the Church Council meeting minutes and as requested from the Stewardship of Finance Committee or the church office.

HELLO FROM YOUR STEWARDSHIP of FINANCE (SOF) DEPARTMENT

The 2023 Annual Giving statements were mailed to the address on file at the church office and should have arrived in your mailbox. If you did not receive your statement by the end of January 2024 and believe you should have received one, please contact Laurie at the church office at

715-385-2146 or secretary@commchbj.org and she will forward the information to our department. Every effort is made to accurately record your gift, but sometimes errors occur. Should your records differ from ours, please contact the church office.

As we follow Gods Word,

What good works will He lead us to in the future.

In Faithful Service, The SOF Department

The **Community Food Pantry** is proud to serve the residents of our Northwoods.

The food panty receives donations from Lakewood, Trigs, several churches, and other organizations. They also welcome donations of canned goods and personal hygiene items from you.

There are a number of current volunteers, but they would be happy to add you to their volunteer core.

Another way you can help; if you are aware of any person or family in need, please direct them to check in on Thursdays or call the church office.

There are no financial or residential requirements for clients to benefit from the pantry. Clients may use the pantry twice per month and names are kept confidential.

Whether the need is ongoing or to help following an unforeseen emergency, the Food Pantry is here to serve.

Food Pantry is located behind the Community Church. 10445 Main Street Boulder Junction WI



Richardson-Michaud American Legion Post 451 invites you to

Four Chaplains Ceremony

Sunday February 4, 2024 9:30 am

Community Church of Boulder Junction 10445 Main St Boulder Junction, WI

During the regularly held Sunday morning service.

All Are Welcome!

What is Four Chaplains Day?

Four Chaplains Day is a day to honor the memory and legacy of four brave chaplains: George L. Fox, Alexander D. Goode, John P. Washington, and Clark V. Poling. These men, representing different faiths and backgrounds, came together in an act of unity and selflessness that serves as a symbol of courage and compassion.

Sharing life's celebration with Alter Flowers is easy as 1-2-3

- **1.** Pick a reason to celebrate in honor of or memory of a special person or event.
- **2.** Sign up on the Flower Chart on the Fellowship Hall door, and/ or contact the Office Manager with information to be included in the applicable Sunday bulletin.
- **3.** Contact the florist to order flowers, arrange delivery or pick up, Or... bring your own arrangement to be placed at the front of the church. Flowers should be at the church by Saturday.

Lori's Flower Cottage Woodruff 1-800-248-5045 715--356-3480

Trigs Floral Manitowish Waters 715-356-9456



Pastoral Relations Committee.

The Pastoral Relationship Committee (PRC) recently met. It is an exciting time for Pastor and the church community as we look to our future. We discussed several initiatives that Pastor is working on. These include continued work with the vision team, working to rebuild Christian Education, continued outreach to the local community and strengthening church practices such as work with department chairs and connections with members and others. We will meet later this spring and review the progress on these items. PRC members include Lynn Keating, Bill Spear, Kris Kassien, Jim Naylor, Pastor Nathan, and Anne Derber. Please feel free to reach out to anyone of us if you have any questions.

Mission Moment: Help in Our Community



https://www.sunshineforhumanity.com/

A message from the organizers. "Every contribution holds immense value. Our sincere gratitude is extended for every donation received. We stand together in this endeavor for individuals confronting adversity".

Sunshine for Humanity

at 1191US 45, Eagle River, WI, is a non-profit Christian charity running a Homeless Shelter, a Freewill store and access

to many services.

Their mission is to faithfully aid in the improvement of human lives, to achieve health and well-being for the disadvantaged, with an emphasis on children.

For more information call 715-477-2220

10 ASTOUNDING AND UNDENIABLE BENEFITS OF PRAYER AND FAITH

It might be painful, but take a second and imagine the hardest thing you've ever done in life alone. Maybe it was a health problem, or you were in financial hardship, or even lost someone you loved.

Now imagine that you were not alone in that situation, and that there was someone with you through all of it, who was there at every moment you needed them, just to comfort you, show you love, and guide you in what to do next. Wouldn't it have been so much easier to walk through that situation that you were facing alone?

This is how praying helps us! When we believe in Jesus Christ and pray to God the Father, we are never alone! We are loved with an unending, never-failing, constant love from Him. There are infinite benefits of prayer and having faith in God, and being rooted and grounded in Christ. Prayer connects us with Him and all of His goodness that is available to us!

There can be so many benefits to praying for others. Our hearts change and our compassion increases when we pray for others. Our world is opened up and we are moved with compassion for them when we carry each other in prayer to the Lord. We commit to praying for you! And we pray that you will make a commitment as well to the Lord and to yourself to spend more time in the day in prayer.

10 BENEFITS OF PRAYER:

- Prayer Develops and Strengthens a Relationship With God.
- 2. Praying Helps Us Make the Right Decision.
- 3. Prayer Give Us Direction in Life.
- 4. Avoid Temptations With the Power of Prayer.
- 5. Prayer Allows Us to Be Present.
- Miracles Can Happen Through Prayer and Faith.
- 7. Prayer Invites God Into Our Daily Activity.
- 8. Praying Helps Alleviate Anxiety.
- We Gain More Confidence Through Prayer.
- 10. Prayer Helps Us Understand God's Will.

You can be confident that your relationship with the Lord will grow and that your heart will be opened to Him.

Exerts from https://rootedandgrounded.com/blogs/news/10-benefits-of-prayer-and-faith

February 2024

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pm. Enjoy an evening of prayer and experience Lent in a new way. Along with songs and readings, prayer stations will be placed around the sanctuary. These stations will invite you, the pray-er, to read/listen/reflect and then respond to God's voice.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Editor's Note: Thank you to all who contributed to this Newsletter. A reminder for those who have items to contribute, please have information to me at ccbjnewsletter@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