

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

First United Methodist Church Green Bay

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## THIS WEEK'S SERMON

# The Marathon Relay of Faith

Whoever you are, wherever you are from, you are welcome here.

### Prelude

We Pray Now to the Holy Spirit

Dietrich Buxtehude

### Welcome

### Life at First Church

*Please Pass and Sign the Fellowship Pad*

\*Greeting One Another

### Congregational Introit

We Love (1 John 4:19)

We love (clap, clap) Because God first loved us

We love (clap, clap) Because God first loved us

We love (clap, clap) We love (clap, clap) We love (clap, clap)

Because God first (clap) Loved (clap) Us (clap, clap)

### \*Call to Worship

Friends, we gather this day to celebrate life –

**The life we have been given by God,**

The life we share with one another in community,

**The life that Jesus gives in abundance.**

Let us be grateful for the joy of life,

**And let us worship God.**

### \*Congregational Hymn #87

What Gift Can We Bring

ANNIVERSARY SONG

## **Scripture Reading – 1 Corinthians 3:1-9 and 1 Corinthians 9:24**

<sup>1</sup> And so, brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people but rather as fleshly, as infants in Christ. <sup>2</sup> I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, <sup>3</sup> for you are still fleshly. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not fleshly and behaving according to human inclinations? <sup>4</sup> For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not all too human?

<sup>5</sup> What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. <sup>6</sup> I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. <sup>7</sup> So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. <sup>8</sup> The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and each will receive wages according to their own labor. <sup>9</sup> For we are God's coworkers, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

<sup>24</sup> Do you not know that in a race the runners all compete, but only one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win it.

This is the word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God!**

## **Our Time of Prayer**

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayer Hymn #170

O How I Love Jesus

O HOW I LOVE JESUS

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **Scripture Reading – John 17:20-23**

<sup>20</sup> "I ask not only on behalf of these but also on behalf of those who believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup> that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup> The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup> I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

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## **\*Congregational Hymn #2223**

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

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## Offering our Tithes and Gifts to God

Offering Introduction

Offertory

*Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior*

Jan Bender

\*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*Unison Prayer of Dedication

**For the blessings of this and all our days, we give thanks, gracious God. Accept, we pray, not just this money but also our lives freely offered in gratitude for all you have done for us. Strengthen us for the race of faith as together we share your Good News with the world. Amen.**

## Special Music

Goin' Up Yonder

Walter Hawkins / Arr. Danny Kime

## Sermon

*The Marathon Relay of Faith*

## \*Congregational Hymn #572

Pass It On

PASS IT ON

## \*Sending Forth

## \*Choral Benediction

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

William G. Toner

## \*Postlude

What God Ordains is Always Good

Johann Gottfried Walther

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***What Gift Can We Bring***

*Words and Music: Jane Marshall*

***O How I Love Jesus***

*Words: Frederick Whitfield, Music: 19<sup>th</sup> cent. USA melody*

***They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love***

*Words and Music: Peter Scholtes*

***Pass It On***

*Words and Music: Kurt Kaiser*

Thank you to **Sharon Pullen** for sponsoring today's Altar Flowers  
in memory of their wedding anniversary on July 1st



Thank you to the **Accountable Leadership Board** for sponsoring today's  
Coffee Fellowship in recognition of **Forrest Wells!**  
We pray God's blessing on you! Thank you for all you have  
done for our church and church family!

## What Gift Can We Bring

*Unison*

1. What gift can we bring, what pres - ent, what to - ken?  
 2. Give thanks for the past, for those who had vi - sion,  
 3. Give thanks for to - mor - row, full of sur - pris - es,  
 4. This gift we now bring, this pres - ent, this to - ken,

What words can con - vey it, the joy of this day?  
 who plant - ed and wa - tered so dreams could come true.  
 for know - ing what - ev - er to - mor - row may bring,  
 these words can con - vey it, the joy of this day!

When grate - ful we come, re - mem - bering, re - joic - ing,  
 Give thanks for the now, for stud - y, for wor - ship,  
 the Word is our prom - ise al - ways, for - ev - er;  
 When grate - ful we come, re - mem - bering, re - joic - ing,

what song can we of - fer in hon - or and praise?  
 for mis - sion that bids us turn prayer in - to deed.  
 we rest in God's keep - ing and live in God's love.  
 this song we now of - fer in hon - or and praise!

## O How I Love Jesus

1. There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth;  
 2. It tells me of a Sav-ior's love, who died to set me free;  
 3. It tells of one whose lov-ing heart can feel my deep-est woe;

it sounds like mu-sic in my ear, the sweet-est name on earth.  
 it tells me of his pre-cious blood, the sin-ner's per-fect plea.  
 who in each sor-row bears a part that none can bear be-low.

*Refrain*

O how I love Je - sus, O how I love Je - sus,

O how I love Je - sus, be - cause he first loved me!

WORDS: Frederick Whitfield, 1855  
 MUSIC: 19th cent. USA melody

O HOW I LOVE JESUS  
 CM with Refrain

# 2223 They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love



1. We are one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord,
2. We will walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand,
3. We will work with each oth - er, we will work side by side,
4. All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,



we are one in the Spir - it, we are one in the Lord,  
we will walk with each oth - er, we will walk hand in hand,  
we will work with each oth - er, we will work side by side,  
and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:  
and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:  
and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:  
and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

## *Refrain*



And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love. —

WORDS: Peter Scholtes (John 13:34-35; Eph. 4:4-6)  
MUSIC: Peter Scholtes

ST. BRENDAN'S  
76.76.86 with Refrain

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# Pass It On

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*Unison*

1. It on - ly takes a spark to get a fire  
 2. What a won - drous time is spring, when all the trees are  
 3. I wish for you, my friend, this hap - pi - ness that

go - ing, and soon all those a - round can  
 bud - ding; the birds be - gin to sing, the  
 I've found; you can de - pend on him, it

warm up in its glow - ing. That's how it is with  
 flow - ers start their bloom - ing. That's how it is with  
 mat - ters not where you're bound. I'll shout it from the

God's love once you've ex - pe - ri - enced it; you spread his love to  
 God's love once you've ex - pe - ri - enced it; you want to sing, it's  
 moun - tain - top; I want my world to know; the Lord of love has

ev - ery - one; you want to pass it on.  
 fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.  
 come to me, I want to pass it on.

WORDS: Kurt Kaiser, 1969  
 MUSIC: Kurt Kaiser, 1969

PASS IT ON



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# FIRST @ A GLANCE

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SUNDAY, JUNE 29 - SATURDAY, JULY 5

## SUNDAY

Worship Service, 8:45 AM  
Sermon Cafe, 10:00 AM  
Acts 2, 11:00 AM

## MONDAY

WOW, 10:00 AM

## TUESDAY

Good Will Place Pantry, 9:00 AM

## FRIDAY

Office Closed for July 4th



## Music Notes

### #572, Pass It On

Few Christian songs from this post-World War II baby boomer era have reached the iconic status of "Pass It On," which, though informal in its verbiage, is seen as a development from and inspiration of the Great Commission in Matthew 28:19-20. Kurt Frederic Kaiser, who wrote both the lyrics and the tune of this hymn, was born in 1934 in Chicago; he and his wife resided in Waco, Texas, where he died in 2018. He has composed more than sixty hymn texts and tunes, "Pass It On" being the most popular. Kaiser described the inspiration of this hymn: "In 1969, Ralph Carmichael and I collaborated on a musical, *Tell It Like It Is*. It was written to get young people involved in the Church. After reviewing what we had written, we decided there needed to be a closer, a modern 'Just As I Am'. On a Sunday night I was sitting in our den by the fireplace where there were remnants of a fire, and it occurred to me that it only takes a spark to get a fire going . . . and the rest came very quickly. My wife suggested that I should say something about shouting it from mountain tops, and that ended up in the third verse. It only took about 20 minutes to write the lyrics. Afterwards my wife and I went for a walk, letting the song ruminate in our minds."

# JUNE LOOSE COIN: ST. JOHN'S SHELTER



**Reminder: Only coins or cash/checks labeled "loose coin" will be allocated to this cause**

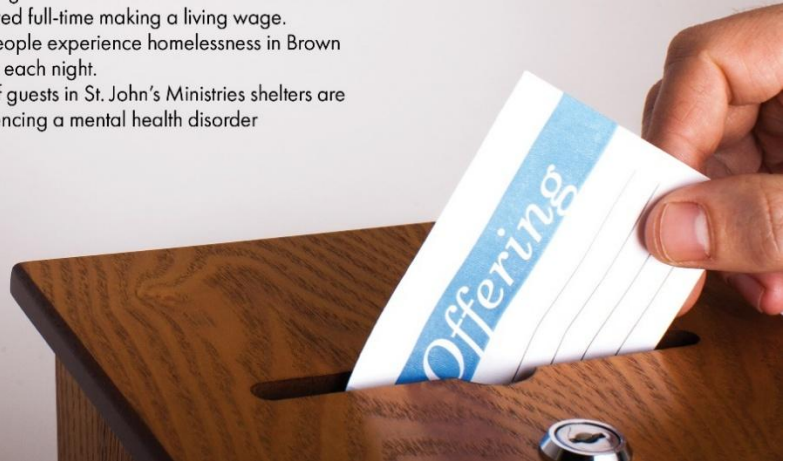
Their mission is to honor the **dignity**, restore **hope** and create lasting **change** for those experiencing homelessness or housing instability in the greater Green Bay community.

They believe that each person is **unique**, with the same inherent worth as the day they were born. They meet each of their guests right where they're at and walk alongside them on their journey.

## UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM

- **25%** of guests in St. John's Ministries shelters are employed full-time making a living wage.
- **558** people experience homelessness in Brown County each night.
- **41%** of guests in St. John's Ministries shelters are experiencing a mental health disorder

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## COFFEE TALKS WITH PASTOR JEFF

Pastor Jeff loves coffee, so join him for a cup, a snack, and conversation!

As we prepare for **Jeff Meyer**, our new pastor's arrival, we put together small group gatherings to help him know who we are and so that together, we can begin casting a vision for the future of our church.

See below for the times that are available:

<b>Wed. July 9</b> 9:00 AM At church	<b>Sun. July 13</b> 10:00 AM At church	<b>Mon. July 14</b> 10:00 AM At church	<b>Wed. July 16</b> 6:00 PM Off campus	<b>Sun. June 20</b> 11:00 AM At church
<b>Mon. July 21</b> 6:00 PM Off campus	<b>Wed. July 23</b> 12:00 PM At church	<b>Tues. July 29</b> 12:00 PM At church	<b>Thurs. July 10</b> 9:00 AM At church	<b>Thurs. Aug. 14</b> 9:00 AM At church

See Lina with any questions and sign up at the Welcome Center!



**Power of Pipes Organ Concert Series** – These free summertime concerts are on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. and are a great way to visit a few different Green Bay area churches and listen to some great organ music. Some of the concerts have themes, and they usually include some music you are not likely to hear from the organ on Sunday mornings! Each concert lasts between 45 and 60 minutes.

- July 8 - St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church - Jason Pues
- July 15 - Grace Lutheran Church - Adria Cary, SPC & Denise Zenko
- July 22 - St. Norbert Abbey - Devin Atteln, CAGO
- July 29 - St Anne's Episcopal Church - John Kopp
- August 5 - St. Francis Xavier Cathedral - Colin Welford
- August 12 - First United Methodist Church - Jeffrey Verkuilen, FAGO
- August 19 - Ascension Lutheran Church - Connor Klavekoske
- August 26 - First Presbyterian Church - Dr. Stephen Ackert

Scan for more information online:



## HOSTING COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

A quick run down of what it means to sign up for coffee fellowship!

### The Details

- **Sign up** for your date and cause at the **Welcome Center**
- Be at church and ready by **9:30 AM**
- Coffee is prepared for you by **8:30 AM**
- **Greet** members and visitors after service
- Provide some healthy snacks and sweet treats (prepare for **100**)  
Store bought or homemade - we're grateful for you!
- Plates, napkins, silverware, and more are **provided** for you
- **Clean up** after crowd has left the Gathering Area

### Available Dates

- August 17
- August 24
- August 31
- September 7
- September 14
- September 21
- September 28



# Prayer Requests

*The printed last name option is only available to individuals who are requesting a prayer for himself or herself and/or immediate family.*

**CONTINUE TO KEEP IN PRAYER:** Family and Friends of Alyssa Ouradnik  
(granddaughter of Len and Deana Martin)

Amanda  
Amber Jolie  
Amira Rynish  
Amy  
Amy W  
Andrew & Family  
Anthony  
April  
Audrey Crosby  
Beth  
Betty Birzer  
Bev Coulter  
Bev Gilsoul  
Bob Carlson  
Bob Konop  
Bonny Dolan  
Brett  
Brody  
Brooke  
Bruce Guillaume  
Carlyn  
Carol Lehman  
Carolle Jaklin  
Caroline  
Carrie  
Chris  
Dan Burger & Family  
Dave Prosser  
Dawn Auteman  
Diane McNeill  
Don Dupart  
Don Keppers  
Donna Haverkorn  
Edgar Colt  
Elsie H  
Gary Schultz  
Gerri Mandich  
Glenda Burdick

Gracie W  
Gracie Oberneder  
Jack  
Jan  
Jane Houle  
Janice Nys-Martin  
Jasmine  
Jay & Family  
Jean  
Jeanette Eskridge  
Jeanie  
Jeff  
JJ Meyer  
Jodi  
Joe & Family  
John  
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Linda Pliska  
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Lyle  
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Maryanne  
Mary Guillaume  
Mary Hoffman  
Mary Jo Solie  
Mary Jones

Mary Langhoff  
Mary Vander Woude  
Megan  
Melissa A  
Meredith  
Nancy Jones  
Neil  
Nicole  
Noah  
Novak Family  
Pat Hanlon  
Paula  
Payten  
Peggy Schroeder  
Rhonda  
Rick  
Roberta B  
Romy  
Ryan Jones & Family  
Syan Tischart & Family  
Samantha  
Sarah H  
Sears Family  
Shelley Barstow  
Shirley Bohland  
Stan  
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