

**Mission of the Month:
Sandra Kay Raasch**

Sandra K. Raasch is a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church serving as Volunteers Coordinator. Sandy was born in Cape Girardeau, Missouri and attended the University of Missouri in Columbia, earning her Bachelor of Science in business administration and finance in 1987. Sandy is a member of the UMC of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas.

The 4th Weekend Drive: Thank you for your continued support of the 4th Weekend Drives. The request will continue to be “Dessert Mixes” May 25 & 26. If you are able, please bring cakes, cookies, brownies, etc. Items may be placed in the blue bin located in the Narthex.

The Missions Committee

Newsletter Submission deadline is Tuesday. Meeting notices, general information, Thank You notes, good news or sympathies for “The Messenger” all may be emailed or left in the office door box.

Board of Trustees will meet Tuesday, at 4:30pm.

Chimes & Choir Practice will be Wednesday, 6:00pm & 7:00pm, respectively. Open to all.

Finance Cmte will meet Thursday, at 6:30pm.

Graduation Sunday, June 2. Please let the office know of graduates from 8th grade, high school or college so they may be honored during the service and coffee hour.

United Kids After School: Check out the UKAS bulletin board in the narthex for info and an updated wish list. There are forms that may be filled out if you would like to volunteer as well. Be sure to “like” the United Kids After School Facebook page. Contact information for Kim: 630-699-2328 or ucs.unitedkids@gmail.com

Pie of the Month Event



June Pie-Strawberry-Rhubarb
Order Deadline-June 9
Pickup Date-June 15

These pies can be purchased baked or frozen (with baking instructions).

All pies will have to be picked up at the Church no shipping or delivery.

Check the Website: unitedchurchsandwich.org for more details or call the Church office to place your order



Rummage & Bake Sale - June 7 & 8
Drop off dates, May 19-31

Take items to the southeast room.
Sign up sheets for sorting, cashing, baked goods donations, general help and clean-up may be found in the Narthex.

Be sure to check it out!

United Women in Faith Thank Offering Boxes: Pick up one of their boxes to begin collecting your daily blessings. Your gifts are used in the total program of missions carried on by UW in Faith.

Meals on Wheels in June: Please consider volunteering a few hours for this important meal delivery program. Sign-up sheets are located in the narthex.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

05/19 Ron Henrich

WE PRAY FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING FOR:

Robert Beck — Lilli Jaeger — Joan Johnson
Carol Larson — Christine McMahan — Lynn Reeder

Day of Pentecost
May 19, 2024 — 10:00 am
Order of Worship~ Holy Communion

GOD

also highly exalted Him and gave him

THE NAME

that is above every name ...

JESUS

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**We are passionately united to feed all people —
body, mind, and spirit — to the glory of God!**

§ *Welcome in Christ's name to all visitors and guests. Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We hope you will experience God's presence with us and will come again soon. We welcome your inquiries about the Christian faith and about membership in the United Church of Sandwich congregation.*

- *Please sign the **attendance pad** as it is passed to you, to let us know you were with us today.*
- *Please turn off cell phones and all electronic devices.*
- *Scripture quotations are from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, © 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA. Used by permission. All rights reserved.*
- (†) *This sign indicates to stand if you wish.*

PRELUDE

CHOIR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† **HYMN** No. 368 *My Hope is Built*

† **OPENING DIALOGUE**

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit. Inspire our hearts with your fiery presence!

*Congregation: **Let your flame burn within us, stirring us to action.***

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit. Energize our lives to work for God.

*Congregation: **Let your wind of hope swirl around us, lifting and moving us from complacency.***

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit. Pour your blessing on us.

*Congregation: **Let your presence challenge us to proclaim God's presence and love in everything we say and do.***

Amen.

† **OPENING PRAYER**

Almighty God, your Holy Spirit came to Jesus' disciples, hidden in an upper room in Jerusalem. A violent wind and tongues of fire were the symbols of a new thing happening in their lives. May your Holy Spirit burst into our lives today, encouraging and inspiring us to proclaim boldly the good news of Jesus Christ who offers healing and hope to all people.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE Philippians 2:1-11

Imitating Christ's Humility

¹If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ²make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. ⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-- even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of God. **Thanks be to God.**

PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN No. 393 *Spirit of the Living God* (2x)

SERMON *Living in Unity:*

The Downward Path to Greatness (This Is Living!)

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 glory forever. Amen.

CHOIR *Pray for the People*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

† **DOXOLOGY** No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion in this church is open to all who wish to receive the grace of God through his Son Jesus Christ. Please notify an usher if you would like to receive Communion where you are seated.

† **HYMN** No. 558 *We Are the Church*

BLESSING

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist: Marilyn Steenwyk

Greeter & Usher: Ron & Kim Henrich

Communion Minister:

Music Director: Kevin Duy

Pianist: Abi Mogge