



**SCRIPTURE: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9 (NIV)**

And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. <sup>2</sup>In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. <sup>3</sup>For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, <sup>4</sup>they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord’s people. <sup>5</sup>And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us. <sup>6</sup>So we urged Titus, just as he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. <sup>7</sup>But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving. <sup>8</sup>I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. <sup>9</sup>For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**PRAYER FAMILIES:** Pray for all those who need healing, or have health issues. Specifically, pray for Karen Dolsey and others. Also continue to pray for those in Ukraine and other areas of the world where people are suffering.

**FRESH EXPRESSIONS:** Final meeting today at 10:30am at the Van Etta Library. All are welcome.

**DISCIPLESHIP CLASS 201:** Dec. 8 & 15, 5–6:30 pm. Dinner will be served.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT CONNECTIONS:** Cancelled due to Thanksgiving Eve Service

**THANKSGIVING EVE JOINT SERVICE:** With Evangelical Lutheran Church, Wed. at 6:00pm.

**CELEBRATION OF GIVING:** Pot Luck meal, December 4<sup>th</sup>.

**ADVENT BIBLE STUDY:** Four Sundays, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> – Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30am. Devotional book “Roots” is available on the desk at church entrance. Freewill donations are appreciated.

**UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH:** Are selling Rice Packs for the next two Sundays as a fundraiser for their 2023 Pledge to Missions. Freewill donations are accepted

**UMC of WISCONSIN’S VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION:** Is putting together a group to go to Marion Alabama, February 4-12, 2023 to partner with a Marion group to do home repair. More information available on the mission outreach bulletin board. If interested contact Charlene Galston, 715-896-9055.

**DECORATING THE CHURCH:** Will take place on November 26. See Roxie Hostrawser.

**VOLUNTEERS:** Wanted to ring a bell at Red Kettle Campaign by Salvation Army at Walmart or Hansen’s IGA, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> -Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>. 9 am-7pm. Contact the office if interested.

**POINSETTIAS:** Today will be the final day to order Poinsettias for Christmas. See Roxie.

**NEWSLETTER:** All articles for the December Newsletter are due in the office by Friday Nov 25.

**YOUTH & FAMILY THANKSGIVING DINNER:** Postponed, Future date to be determined.

**SCRIP CARDS:** When you are thinking of ideas for gift giving or personal use, consider Scrip cards. Stop at the gathering area on Sundays or call Marcia at 715-284-3346

**CHARGE CONFERENCE:** December 4<sup>th</sup>, 4pm.

**USHERS/GREETERS:** Suzanne & Ella Goldsmith

**THIS WEEK AT THE CHURCH:**

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| Sunday:    | Fresh Expressions        | 10:30am | Tuesday: | SPRC | 5:30pm |
| Wednesday: | Thanksgiving Eve Service | 6:00pm  |          |      |        |

# Black River Falls United Methodist Church



**UMC Mission Statement:**

"To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by proclaiming the good news of God's grace and by exemplifying Jesus' command to love God and neighbor, thus seeking the fulfillment of God's reign and realm in the world."

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