



Earth Day Celebration

Saturday, 20th

2 pm, raised garden building

4 pm, cookout, kids activities, music.

If you are interested, please contact Joe Williams. joewwms2@gmail.com

Yard Sale



Reminder to bring items to donate to the Youth group yard sale. **May 3-4th.**

Proceeds to our yard sale will go towards outdoor equipment for the youth. Please bring items to the Sunday School room at the bottom of the gathering room steps. If you need your items picked up, please contact Suzanne.

Job Openings



If you are interested in applying for this part time position of custodian, stop in the church office to complete an application.

Also, a **IT person** is needed for handling PPT, Website, Facebook, Weekly E-News. Contact the Office.



Prayer & Coffee

Thursday, 10 am

Join us in prayer time with drip coffee and video watching "the Circle Maker".



Church Entrance Key

In an effort to update the UMC church key inventory, if you have a key and have not verified that key number with the office, please do so by calling 715-284-4114.



Dinner Church

Every Wednesday, 5-6:20 PM

All are welcome to attend!

REQUEST: 4 Cakes donated for dessert

Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve food, greet and mingle. Volunteer sign-up sheets are in the gathering area or you may sign-up online at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4FAAAC2AAAFBC16-47489118-dinner>.

No User Name or Password is required. Contact Marcia Hagen or Charlene Galston for questions about Dinner Church.

Discipleship Ministry

If you are interested in **Discipleship Ministry**, or want to attend the **School of Congregational Development**, Schaumburg, IL, Aug. 4-7, please contact the office, or the Pastor **by April 30.**



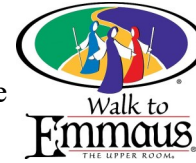
Biblical Asia Minor Tour



If you are interested in visiting the **7 churches of Revelation**, or Italy this fall, please contact the Pastor **by April 30.**

Walk to Emmaus

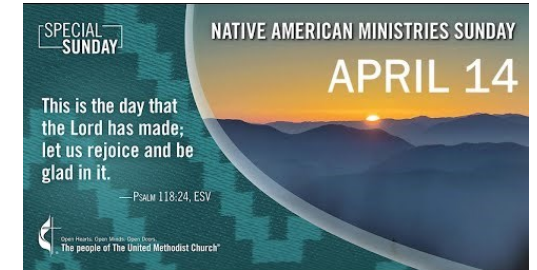
The Walk to Emmaus for men will be held April 18-21, for women April 25-28. If you are interested in the spiritual renewal through Walk to Emmaus, let the office know.



Upcoming Meetings

Wed	Apr. 17	Sewing Pillowcase Dresses	10-3:00 PM
Thu	Apr. 18	Ad-Council Meeting	5:30 pm
Sat	Apr. 20	Earth Day Celebration	2 pm
Sun	Apr. 21	Mission Outreach	10:30 AM
Tue	Apr. 23	SPRC	5:30 PM

Black River Falls United Methodist Church



UMC Mission Statement:

"To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

** Indicates, please stand if able.*

Third Sunday of Easter April 14, 2024 9 am

Liturgist: Roxie Hostrawser

PRELUDE Joyce Moldenhauer

WELCOME, PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST,
& ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN OF PRAISE UMH #148
Many and Great, O God

*CALL TO WORSHIP

All: Creator made all that is, and proclaimed that “it is good.”

Leader: Creator, help us to discover in all You have made in Nature, the good wisdom about the interconnectedness of all things, about balance and about living in harmony.

All: We are not above nature, we are part of creation; we live by the same laws as all of nature, and need to learn from what God has made.

Leader: Creator, help us discover the power that lies in the wisdom and understanding of our role in the Great Mystery, and in honoring every living thing as a teacher.

ALL: Creator God, may our spirits be in harmony with Yours as we gather in Your worship!

*OPENING PRAYER

We gather here in the presence of the Great Creator. We come together as one in Christ from all over this great planet that was loaned to us. May the Great Creator come into our hearts and make us one. Amen

OPENING HYMN UMH #384
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

*CHILDREN’S TIME Roxie Hostrawser

EXPLAINER VIDEO

TESTIMONY Larry Littlegeorge
(Member of Ho-Chunk United Church of Christ,
President of the Alliance for Justice)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we confess that we have not always kept our hearts open to our indigenous neighbors. We have failed to recognize the culture, traditions, and gifts of Native American peoples. We have shown more intolerance than acceptance. Help us, God, to recognize our wrongs and use the lessons Jesus taught us about acceptance, inclusion and love to rebuild our relationship and heal any hurts we have caused. We pray for your forgiveness, Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (Acts 3, Psalm 4)

God fills our hearts with joy and covers our lives with grace. Rest in this truth and be at peace. All is well and all will be well. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Shon

THE LORD’S PRAYER (*In 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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING (1 John 3)

As we have been loved, we are invited to love. As God has given generously to us, we are invited to give generously to God and to God’s church. May our hearts brim with love and generosity for all as we enter this time of offering.

DOXOLOGY TFWS #2026
Halle, Halle, Halleluja

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Shon

SCRIPTURE Acts 2:14a, 36-41
¹⁴ Then Peter stepped forward with the eleven other apostles and shouted to the crowd, ...

³⁶ “So let everyone in Israel know for certain that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, to be both Lord and Messiah!” ³⁷ Peter’s words pierced their hearts, and they said to him and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?”

³⁸ Peter replied, “Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ This promise is to you, to your children, and to those far away—all who have been called by the Lord our God.” ⁴⁰ Then Peter continued preaching for a long time, strongly urging all his listeners, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation!”

⁴¹ Those who believed what Peter said were baptized and added to the church that day—about 3,000 in all.

NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES EXCERPT READING
Roxie Hostrawser

*HYMN OF PRAISE UMH #308
Thine Be the Glory

SERMON Rev. David McBride
(Pastor of Ho-Chunk UCC)
Journey to Repentance

*CLOSING HYMN UMH #378
Amazing Grace

*BENEDICTION Rev. Shon

POSTLUDE Joyce Moldenhauer

Ushers: David & Sherry Olson
Fellowship: Worship Committee