



# OUR CHURCH

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## **Sunday School 2025/2026**

September 7<sup>th</sup> through May 10<sup>th</sup>, 9 – 10am (Schedule will be provided)

### Find a Class:

- Toddler Class (under 3) – Balcony level – Alex Adam & Sophia Gutshall
- Preschool through Elementary Class – Basement – Anna Cottington
- Middle School Class – Basement – Chelsey Worrell
- Adult Bible Study – Adult Ministry Room Off Sanctuary – Glenn Rohden

We are currently looking for more adults volunteers to teach. Materials and lesson plans are provided. If you are interested in teaching or substituting, please contact Anna or Chelsey.



Please pray for our children and adult leaders as we start a new year of Sunday School. We are looking forward to growing in our faith and having fun with our youth!





## SERVE

- **Council** September 3 6:30 PM
- **“Singing the Favorites”** September 14
- **Serving September** - Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> 10:15  
School Kits Assembly During Worship
- **Sunday School:** Need Substitute and teachers. Please contact Chelsey or Anna.
- **Trunk or Treat:** Consider and think about hosting a trunk this year. This is a fun community outreach of our church.

## GATHER

### • **Sundays Together**

#### 9:00 Sunday School

Toddlers - Balcony

Preschool through Elem - Basement

Middle School - Basement

Adult Bible Study - Adult Ministry Room

#### 9:30 Coffee and Conversation

#### 10:15 am Worship Service

Facebook live, later on Web-Cal channel 575

- **Bible Study** Tuesdays 1:30 - at Joan's
  - **UWF** September 4<sup>th</sup> Tea Room Outing  
leaving church at 11:30am
  - **Sunday School Kick-Off** September 7<sup>th</sup>
  - **Baptism** of Henry and Penelope Orness  
September 7<sup>th</sup>
  - **“Manufacturing My Miracle”** Book  
Reading September 17<sup>th</sup> 6:45-8:00pm  
refreshments will be served.
- Downtown Market** Sept 12 4:00-8:00pm

## PRAY

Please call in or email your prayer request, changes and updates to the office.

**Care Facilities and Assisted Living:** Colleen Traster and George Anderson.

### **Health Concerns:**

- Carol Orness, Brian Denklau (Marj Johnsons Dtr-in-laws father), DJ (Randy & Viney Mulder's Son-in-law).
- Those fighting cancer.
- All those suffering from chronic pain.
- Those experiencing emotional concerns and family distress.

**Grief:** Families of MN school children

### **Congregational Prayer Focus:**

- Pray for our children and youth.
- Pray for all those healing after MN shooting.
- Pray for all people in war zones. The Middle East, Ukraine and those countries the Spirit has placed in your heart.
- Pray for those who are hungry.
- Pray for Gowrie UMC its ministries, its people, and its Pastor.
- Pray for all who have yet to know the saving Grace of Jesus.

## CELEBRATE

**Labor Day  
September 1**



**Grandparents Day  
September 7**

**Midwest Missions  
Service Day  
September 21**

**We'll Put together School  
Kits During Worship!**





# PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

Courtyard of the New Room in Bristol where John's ministry began to take shape.



Epworth - Market cross, where both John and Charles would have preached. Can you picture stalls for market goods and the Wesley's preaching to the people that were there.



A few more pictures from our pilgrimage in England. So many memorable sites associated with the founders of the Methodist movement. John and Charles both had gifts that contributed to the success of the Methodist movement. Charles was personable and a musician! John was an organizer and a preacher. The movement would not have worked without both of them using their gifts. That is church, believers coming together to love and serve God.

*Pastor Susan*

Epworth Methodist Courtyard - "The world is my Parish" The ladies hosted our lunch, it felt like home.



Worship at Salisbury Methodist church, a church much like our own.



## Sermon Series

### "I Will Call Upon the Lord"

It is said of the Methodist movement that we were born in song. We sing our faith. In September we turn to the song book that has sustained and defined the people of God from the very beginning; the Psalms give words to a variety of emotions and circumstances out of which we call upon the Lord. The witness of the Psalms is that God will meet us where we are. So let us call upon the Lord.



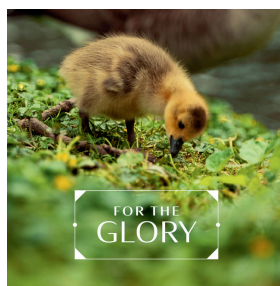
#### September 7 God Knows My Name

Jeremiah 18:1-11  
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18  
Philemon 1:17-27  
Luke 14:25-33



#### September 14 Our Hope Is In The Lord

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28  
Psalm 14  
1 Timothy 1:12-17  
Luke 15:1-10



#### September 21 For The Glory

Jeremiah 8:8-9:1  
Psalm 79:1-9 or  
Psalm 4  
1 Timothy 2:1-7  
Luke 16:1-13



#### September 28 Safety in the Shadow of the Lord

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15  
Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16  
1 Timothy 6:6-19  
Luke 16:19-31





## SEPTEMBER SUNDAY SERVICES

9:30 am Coffee and Conversation  
10:15 am Sunday Worship and Facebook live, later on Web-Cal Channel 575

Don & Paula Wiklander  
Paul & Rita Kail

Sept. 7 & 14  
Sept. 21 & 28

### September 7

Communion:  
Worship Leader:  
Music:  
Tech:  
Altar Flowers:  
Bulletins/Online:

### Back to Sunday School

Jeff & Mary Patterson  
Bergan Dalley  
Jeff Patterson  
Keith & Dena Sytsma  
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### September 21

Worship Leader: Owen Nuss  
Music: Colleen Palmer & Jeff Patterson  
Tech: Lincoln & August Akins  
Altar Flowers:  
Bulletins/Online: Keith & Dena Sytsma

### September 14

Worship Leader:  
Music:  
Tech:  
Altar Flowers:  
Bulletins/Online:

### Choir Sings

Chelsey Worrel  
Nancy Vogt & Jeff Patterson  
Owen Nuss & Glenn Rohden  
Keith & Dena Sytsma



### September 28

Worship Leader: Anna Cottingham  
Music: Tom Hlubek & Jeff Patterson  
Tech: Bergan & Carrie Dalley  
Altar Flowers:  
Bulletins/Online: Keith & Dena Sytsma



Automatic Payments and E-payments are a great way to give on your schedule. You can set frequency and date of all gifts to fit your budget.



## Extravagant Giving

### August Offerings

**\$8,989**

### Thank you!

Outgoing Automatic  
Bill Withdrawals  
Per Month  
Approximately \$9000

Your generosity has set the stage for us to once again make disciples through another year of Sunday School. We have 17 children under the age of 12! We will be adding a toddler group. We could not do it without your gifts.

**We are God's church!**



# September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>31</b> 9:45am Coffee and Conversation 10:15am Sunday Worship	<b>1</b> Pastor's Sabbath	<b>2</b> 9am Office Open 1:30pm Bible Study	<b>3</b> 9am Office Open	<b>4</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Jamie Dalley 9am Office Open 9:30am Facebook Devotion 1pm UWF Mtg. Tea Room	<b>5</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Bretton Farnham Pastor's Prep Day Gowrie City-Wide Garage Sales	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Haley Stewart <b>9am Sunday School Kick-Off</b> 9:45am Coffee and Conversation 10:15am Sunday Worship	<b>8</b> Pastor's Sabbath	<b>9</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> John Lomicka 9am Office Open 1:30pm Bible Study	<b>10</b> 9am Office Open	<b>11</b> 9am Office Open 9:30am Facebook Devotion	<b>12</b> Pastor's Prep Day	<b>13</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> William Adam
<b>14</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Jeff Patterson Karen McCubbin 9am Sunday School 9:45am Coffee and Conversation 10:15am Sunday Worship	<b>15</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Dick Learned Marla Stokesbary Pastor's Sabbath	<b>16</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Lexi Rice Nate Slawson 9am Office Open 1:30pm Bible Study	<b>17</b> 9am Office Open	<b>18</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Myrna Jacobson 9am Office Open 9:30am Facebook Devotion	<b>19</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Drew Dorsey Pastor's Prep Day	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> <b>Serving September Kits</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Rich Tucker 9am Sunday School 9:45am Coffee and Conversation 10:15am Sunday Worship	<b>22</b> Pastor's Sabbath	<b>23</b> 9am Office Open 1:30pm Bible Study	<b>24</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Deb Coughlon 9am Office Open	<b>25</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Jolene Johnson 9am Office Open 9:30am Facebook Devotion	<b>26</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Avery Akins Pastor's Prep Day	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Carolyn Sandgren 9am Sunday School 9:45am Coffee and Conversation 10:15am Sunday Worship	<b>29</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Camden Johnson Pastor's Sabbath	<b>30</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Shawn Blunk 9am Office Open 1:30pm Bible Study	<b>1</b> 9am Office Open	<b>2</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Jim Frahm Lauren Johnson 9am Office Open 9:30am Facebook Devotion 1pm UWF Mtg.	<b>3</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Carson Joyce Pastor's Prep Day	<b>4</b> <b>Happy Birthday!</b> Abbi Tucker

WORSHIP LIVE ON FACEBOOK AND ON LATER CHANNEL 575 AT 11:00 AM

*"God knows my name"*





United  
Women  
in Faith

## 2025: Carrying Our Faith Forward

September 4: Tea Room Outing  
Tea Thyme in Fort Dodge @ 11:30  
Meeting at The Church at 10:45 to carpool



“He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.” Micah 6:8

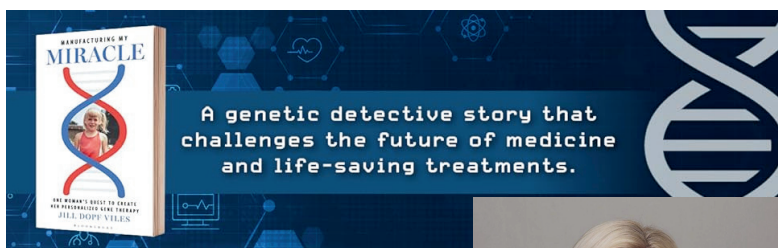


**Midwest Mission goal is to make 2,500 Student Kits during Serving September.**

We have successfully gathered items for over 25 school kits!!!

**We will put together school kits in worship on September 21st!**

*“God knows my name”*



## “Manufacturing My Miracle”

Book reading  
scheduled for  
September 17  
6:45-8:00 PM.



Jeremy Viles will be joined by Jill's sister and mother in reading selections from Jill's book.

Refreshments will be served.

*Come celebrate Jill's accomplishment.*

## Midwest Missions Ingathering Kits



In October, we will focus on Personal Dignity Kits, and Layette Kits. There will be brochures in the Narthex listing the items for making a Kit. There is also shopping list available on Midwest Missions website:

<https://www.midwestmission.org/collect-donate>





## Summer Campers

This summer has been a busy time for our young members. Charlotte, Tayden, Siena, and Emerson all enjoyed time at camp this summer sponsored by the United Women in Faith. .



VBS was held July 22 and 23 at Zion Lutheran Church. There were 31 kids each night. Everyone had fun eating, playing and learning together!







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**Office Schedule**

Tuesday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Wednesday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Worship Schedule**

Sunday School 9:00 am  
Coffee and Conversation 9:45 am  
Worship 10:15 am  
Facebook Live  
Later on Channel 575 at 11:00 am

