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## *Fall 2021 Newsletter*

### *God Provides*

Throughout the autumn season, we in Unity will explore the teachings of scripture under the theme: 'God Provides'.

We begin with a vision -- accomplished through Jesus -- of where God is leading us. God forms us and shapes us with a purpose in mind. Each and every day is a good day according to God, because God is with us and takes delight in living among the world God made. With every sabbath day, we are reminded of God's vision and purpose: to rest with us, to be at home in us, simply to be so that we may also be with God forever.

God sets out to accomplish this divine purpose in the beginning. From day one and throughout the generations, God calls people into a special relationship. Like any relationship we've ever known, a human relationship with God isn't always easy. It has its ups and downs. We grow through good times and bad. But through it all, God remains faithful and trustworthy, providing a way to be together.

The way we hold together is with the love God provides. When the path gets rocky we continue on by the grace God provides. When trials and tribulations meet us at every turn, God provides protection. Even when we go off course and can't find the path, God provides forgiveness and leads us back again.

Please join us in worship each Sunday as we learn how God provides in the stories of the Hebrew scriptures and in our lives today. With joy and praise in this season of life, we offer our thanks as God leads us onward.

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### *Message from Vicar Jaime*

Dear friends in Christ,

Thank you so much for all the ways you have welcomed me, cared for me, and helped me grow as a pastoral leader this year.

Throughout my internship, a few people inside and several outside the congregation expressed disappointment on my behalf that my internship happened during a pandemic. Yet I am nothing but grateful. Of course, I missed connecting with you in Fellowship Hall after worship or during Wednesday night's community meal. But I have learned so much about agility and navigating change – and following Jesus in the midst of it all, trusting that the Holy Spirit accompanies and guides us.

The pandemic has also allowed me to step outside my comfort zone in ways I couldn't have imagined – and you have shown grace and encouragement as I did so.

For instance, of all the disruptions during worship I could imagine, losing a Wi-fi connection wasn't one of them. But I experienced it almost immediately, and I learned to improvise, to pivot, and to keep trusting that as we gather, whatever technology throws our way, God remains present, and God will be worshiped!

And I never imagined singing during a worship service, let alone online for anyone with an internet connection to see and hear. But you supported and encouraged me, even though I don't always hit the right notes. Hopefully you were singing along at home and didn't notice the worst of my musical transgressions!

I'm grateful for the ways you have welcomed me into your congregation and sometimes, when it was safe, into your homes. I'm grateful that you have trusted me with your stories, your grief, your fears, and your joys. I'm grateful for the ways you challenged me and engaged me with good questions and good conversation. I'm grateful for you, and grateful that God brought us together for this year.

You have played an important role in preparing me for what comes next - whatever that is! As you may know, I have been placed here in our Greater Milwaukee Synod for my first call as a pastor. I don't know yet where I'll be serving, but I'll let you know when I find out! In the meantime, I humbly ask for your prayers as this journey continues. And be assured I will be praying for you as you continue to live as a community on Jesus' mission, serving and welcoming all people, and making disciples of Jesus.

Grace and Peace,  
Vicar Jaime

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### Usher & Livestream Schedule for Fall 2021

	9/5/2021	9/12/2021	9/19/2021	9/26/2021	
<i>Ushers</i>	Kitty Dinauer, Nick Latona, Jennifer Lopeman, Wayne Pratis, Lynn Rinderle	Chris Davis, Jacki Davis, Josefa Puerta- Villacrez, Erin Whitehead, Nicholas Whitehead	Kitty Dinauer, Nick Latona, Jennifer Lopeman, Wayne Pratis, Lynn Rinderle	Chris Davis, Jacki Davis, Josefa Puerta- Villacrez, Erin Whitehead, Nicholas Whitehead	
<i>Online Hosts</i>	Chad Lyden	Laura McVann	?	?	
<i>Director/Producer</i>	?	?	?	?	
	10/3/2021	10/10/2021	10/17/2021	10/24/2021	10/31/2021
<i>Ushers</i>	Kitty Dinauer, Jennifer Lopeman, Wayne Pratis, Josefa Puerta- Villacrez, Lynn Rinderle	Chris Davis, Jacki Davis, Nick Latona, Erin Whitehead, Nicholas Whitehead	Kitty Dinauer, Nick Latona, Jennifer Lopeman, Wayne Pratis, Lynn Rinderle	Chris Davis, Jacki Davis, Josefa Puerta- Villacrez, Erin Whitehead, Nicholas Whitehead	Kitty Dinauer, Nick Latona, Jennifer Lopeman, Wayne Pratis, Lynn Rinderle
<i>Online Hosts</i>	Chad Lyden	?	Laura McVann	?	?
<i>Director/Producer</i>	?	?	?	?	?
	11/7/2021	11/14/2021	11/21/2021	11/28/2021	
<i>Ushers</i>	Chris Davis, Jacki Davis, Josefa Puerta- Villacrez, Erin Whitehead, Nicholas Whitehead	Kitty Dinauer, Nick Latona, Jennifer Lopeman, Wayne Pratis, Lynn Rinderle	Chris Davis, Jacki Davis, Josefa Puerta- Villacrez, Erin Whitehead, Nicholas Whitehead	Kitty Dinauer, Nick Latona, Jennifer Lopeman, Wayne Pratis, Lynn Rinderle	
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<i>Director/Producer</i>	?	?	?	?	

#### Descriptions.

- **Ushers:** Greet guests as they enter and hand out masks to any who may not have one; check people's temperatures with a touchless thermometer; distribute pre-packaged communion kits onto the Welcome Table for worshippers to pick up; and show worshippers to designated seating areas.
- **Producers/directors** will run the livestream via a simple computer application, operating cameras, microphones, and the titles and images that appear in the livestream (No one has signed up for this position).
- **Online worship hosts** will greet, interact, and pray with the worshippers joining us on livestream worship (three people have signed up so far).

If you would like to learn more about any of these roles and/or receive training, please send an email to [unity@unitymilwaukee.org](mailto:unity@unitymilwaukee.org) or leave a voicemail message at Unity.

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### *We remember the following people as we pray...*

**Ebony Brown and family** (friends of Unity); **Gail Senelon** (AAC member); **Mary Cicerelli** (member); **Dareyl Wahl** (member); **Jeff Tessmer** (son of Marge); **Keith Mueller** (brother of Kim Thomas); **Jean Weibner** (mother of Tricia Skinner); **Kayla Wheeler** (friend of Krista Emmons); **Don Plant** (friend of Jeff Kornreich); **Blake Oleson** (friends of Unity); **Dorothy C.** (outreach member); **Tony Seffeldt** (nephew of Chris Brown); Pastor **Kevan Penvose**; **Patsy Lenz** (member); **Patricia Orlowski** (friend of Unity); **Sandy LeBombard** (friend of Unity); **Jerry & Nellie Javorski**; **Becky Lefebvre** (friend of Krista Emmons); **James Lopeman** (son of Jennifer Lopeman); **Cindy Larson** (friend of Frank Jendisa); **Dan Blank** (family of Rachel); **Bonnie Ziowkoski**; **Lori Jameson** (member); **Yvonne Baczanski** (mother of Yvette Baczanski); **Dan Baczanski** (brother of Yvette Baczanski); **Kathy** (friend of Unity); **Joan** (friend of Unity); **Jack Badalik** (friend of Unity); **Andy Wegner** (member); **Mary Noe**, **Sandi Buchman**; **Nikkeya Berryhill**; **Robin Servantez** (friend of Lori Jameson); **Kim Deschler**, **Justin**, **Nathan**, and **Frank**, (friends of Unity); **William Darden** (friend of Unity); **Jamie Kornreich** (member); **Elaine Kornreich** (member); **Ruth Learman** (member); **Dale Davis** (associate of Unity); **Joe**, **Shelly**, and **Joey Tuzzo** (friends of Unity); **Lu Butler** (friend of Krista Emmons); **Jackie**, **Laura**, and **Stewart** (siblings of Patty Johnson); **Steve Rowley** (member); **Gloria Brandenburg**; **Jeannine Lau** (member); **Trudy Rossman**; **Neil Larsen**; **Rachel Kaiser** (granddaughter of Judy Kaiser); **Thom R. Bagley**, **Marty**; **Jacob Kaiser** (Grandson of Judy Kaiser); **Cindy Bereiter**; **Susan & Betty Johnson** (Ross); **Paul**, **Donna**, **Paula**, **Cathy**, **Izzy & Lee**; **Hernandez family**; **David Hellrung** (member); the **Toni Fare family** (members); **Nicholas Whitehead** (member); **Brian Karnes** (friend of Alisha Flechner); **Rita Smith** (member); **Josefa Puerta-Villacrez** (member); **Rachel Hahn-Hanson** (member); and the family and friends of **Bernice Keef** (member) and **Paulette Schultz** (former member).

*\*Please notify the office to add or remove someone from Unity's prayer list.*

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### Stewarding our resources for Jesus' mission

Member giving to Unity's Ministries and Operations thru July 2021 is \$66,109. Giving to the Special Appeal thru July \$6,195. Thank you for your generosity and for sharing your blessings and supporting Unity's ministries during this critical time.

Total Income	\$122,733.45 YTD	Annual Budget	\$172,081.60
Total Expenses	\$123,692.93 YTD	Annual Budget	\$211,858.01

We find ourselves with a year-to-date loss of \$959.48 at the end of July 2021. We have an operating reserve in 2021 from the gain realized in 2020 of \$28,067.67 (mostly because the \$28,630.87 PPP loan that was forgiven, multiple COVID-19 relief grants, generosity of other congregations and our Endowment Fund and your continued support). In the Property Reserve Fund, we have \$6,814.88 in cash available. Donations continue during the pandemic. Thank you!

Our Stewardship drive for the Special Appeal resulted in \$6,195 by the end of July. Thank you for your generosity and for helping Unity pay its fixed expenses during the pandemic.

The tentative 2021 budget resulted in a \$39,776 loss. We lost some grants for 2021 because they expired or decreased, or we were no longer eligible. We do have the reserve of \$28,067.67 to offset some of the deficit; but in the budget, we will still experience a loss of \$11,709 if the reserve is fully used (the budget included a special appeal of \$5,000).

Giving to Ministries and Operations in all of 2020 was \$121,339.00; in all of 2019 it was \$140,756. God will provide.

### Stewardship: Let Us Be Faithful Servants

Let us be faithful servants! Because we see Jesus doing so much in our lives and in the world, our generosity equips us to do what he is doing and to invite others to participate with us even during the pandemic. God is calling us to love our neighbor as ourselves. Please prayerfully consider giving generously to God's mission at Unity, helping us reach more people to see the good news of Jesus in action.

#### SIX Ways to Give Generously and Securely to Unity:

##### 1. Donate button of Facebook:

Look under the cover photo of our sign for Soup Kitchen, and there should be a blue 'Donate' button. Click it and continue to our Vanco page.

##### 2. Shop with Amazon & Give to Unity!

Switch to AmazonSmile (<http://smile.amazon.com>).

Go down to the bottom to search, type 'Unity Evangelical Lutheran Church,' and press enter. There are a few to choose from, but make sure you find the one from Milwaukee, and that's us!

##### 3. On our website!

Go to Unity's website at <http://www.unitymilwaukee.org/donate> and click on 'DONATE' button in the upper righthand corner. Our site is secure.

##### 4. Give+ Mobile App

Download the Give+ Mobile app! Register; look for 'Unity Evan Lutheran Church' or enter zip code 53207.

##### 5. Thrivent Choice

If you are a Thrivent benefit member you can recommend how Thrivent distributes some of its charitable grant funds using a vehicle called Choice Dollars. For more information about Choice Dollars:

- Visit [Thrivent.com/thriventchoice](http://Thrivent.com/thriventchoice)
- Call 800-847-4836 or contact your local Thrivent Financial Representative

##### 6. Text to Give

Enter 833-894-6696; enter the amount you wish to give; click the registration link and enter your contact and payment information, tap process. You will receive a verification text as well as a receipt via email. For future giving, just text the amount you wish to donate and it will process automatically. You can also text repeat to make the payment recurring or refund to cancel the donation.

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### Fall Scripture Messages & Daily Readings

#### "God Provides a Home Among Us" September 5th

Sunday Revelation 21:1-7  
Monday Revelation 21:9-21  
Tuesday Revelation 21:22-27  
Weds. Revelation 22:1-5  
Thurs. Revelation 22:6-13  
Friday Revelation 22:16-17  
Sat. Revelation 22:18-21

#### "God Provides a Blessed Creation" September 12th

Sunday Genesis 1:1-2:4a  
Monday Genesis 2:7-9, 15, 18-25  
Tuesday Genesis 3:8-19  
Weds. Genesis 12:1-9  
Thurs. Genesis 15:1-6  
Friday Genesis 17:15-21  
Saturday Genesis 18:1-15

#### "God Provides without Withholding" September 19th

Sunday Genesis 22:1-14  
Monday Genesis 24:1-14  
Tuesday Genesis 24:15-33  
Weds. Genesis 24:33-51  
Thurs. Genesis 24:52-67  
Friday Genesis 25:19-28  
Saturday Genesis 25:29-34

#### "God Provides Despite Our Worst" September 26th

Sunday Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23;  
28:10-17  
Monday Genesis 29:1-30  
Tuesday Genesis 29:31-30:24  
Weds. Gen 37:2-36; 39:20-23  
Thurs. Genesis 40:2-3, 5, 9-23;  
41:14-45  
Friday Gen 47:1-12; 50:22-26  
Saturday Exodus 1:8-14; 2:1-25

#### "God Provides the Words and the Way" October 3rd

Sunday Exodus 2:23-25; 3:1-15;  
4:10-17  
Monday Exodus 5:1-13  
Tuesday Exodus 7:14-8:15  
Weds. Exodus 8:16-9:12  
Thurs. Exodus 9:13-10:29  
Friday Exodus 12:1-32  
Saturday Exodus 13:17-14:25

#### "God Provides When There's Nothing Left" October 10th

Sunday Exodus 16:1-18  
Monday Numbers 21:4-9  
Tuesday Deuteronomy 5:1-22,  
6:1-9  
Weds. Joshua 1:1-9  
Thurs. Joshua 24:2-25  
Friday Judges 5:1-31  
Saturday 1 Samuel 1:20-2:11

#### "God Provides a New Path" October 17th

Sunday 1 Samuel 3:1-21  
Monday 1 Samuel 7:3-17  
Tuesday 1 Samuel 8:1-22  
Weds. 1 Samuel 10:17-27  
Thurs. 1 Samuel 12:1-25  
Friday 1 Samuel 13:1-15  
Sat. 1 Samuel 15:1-35

#### "God Provides a New Perspective" October 24th

Sunday 1 Samuel 16:1-13;  
Psalm 51:10-14  
Monday 2 Samuel 1:1-27  
Tuesday 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 6:1-5  
Weds. 2 Samuel 7:1-29  
Thursday 2 Samuel 12:1-24  
Friday 1 Kings 1:28-40  
Sat. 1 Kings 3:3-28

#### "God Provides a Powerful Respite" October 31st

Sunday 1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:1-13  
Monday 1 Kings 11:1-13  
Tuesday 1 Kings 11:41-12:19  
Weds. 1 Kings 16:1-28  
Thursday 1 Kings 16:29-34  
Friday 1 Kings 17:1-24  
Sat. 1 Kings 18:20-46

#### "God Provides in Loneliness and Sorrow" November 7th

Sunday 1 Kings 19:1-18  
Monday 1 Kings 21:1-29  
Tuesday 2 Kings 2:1-12  
Weds. 2 Kings 2:13-25  
Thurs. 2 Kings 4:1-44  
Friday 2 Kings 14:23-29  
Sat. 2 Kings 15:1-7

#### "God Provides the Waters of Justice" November 14th

Sunday Amos 1:1-2; 5:14-15,  
21-24  
Monday Micah 2:1-13  
Tuesday Micah 5:2-5  
Weds. Hosea 1:1; 14:1-9  
Thurs. Isaiah 6:1-13  
Friday 2 Kings 19:1-7,  
14-28  
Sat. 2 Kings 25:1-21

#### "God Provides Now and Always" November 21st

Sunday Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14  
Monday Jeremiah 29:15-23  
Tuesday Jeremiah 30:1-11  
Weds. Jeremiah 31:1-14  
Thurs. Jeremiah 31:15-20  
Friday Jeremiah 31:21-30  
Sat. Jeremiah 31:31-40

#### "God Provides the Righteous Reign" November 28th

Sunday Isaiah 9:1-7;  
Luke 1:26-33, 38  
Monday Isaiah 9:8-21  
Tuesday Isaiah 11:1-9  
Weds. Isaiah 12:1-6  
Thurs. Ezekiel 1:1-28  
Friday Ezekiel 2:1-10  
Sat. Ezekiel 3:1-11

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**Mission:** Transformed by Jesus, our Lord,  
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**Vision:** To lead the people of Unity in living worship,  
empowered to make disciples of Jesus.

**Values:** Faith is a way of life.  
Outreach is relationship building.  
Diversity is sought and celebrated.  
Worship is life-shaping.

Exploring our scripture theme Sundays at 10 a.m. (live stream at  
<https://facebook.com/unitymilwaukee>):

## "God Provides"

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