

## At a New Beginning

We find ourselves on the verge of a new beginning. What that is exactly, or where that journey will take us, it is too early to tell. What we do know is that God is guiding us each and every step.

Saint Paul writes in First Corinthians chapter 13, "For now we see in a glass, darkly; but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; but then I will know fully . . . even as I have been fully known."

I love that last phrase. God already fully knows us. God already fully knows our struggles and worries, our hopes and dreams. Even before we know what's going on, the first thing we come to discover is that God has been with us all along, calling us forward, leading us into what comes next, as we dive deeper into the mystery of love divine that heals a hurting world.

When Jesus was preparing his disciples for the time of his death – a time when they would not see him, when they would be confused and anxious, when they wouldn't know which direction to go or for what purpose to live, so instead, they would just huddle together – he told them simply to love as he loves.

In only three days' time, a new beginning would emerge from the tomb, one the disciples could not imagine or comprehend. But as they were on the verge of it, God already fully knew them, and the word they received from God in their crucial moment was simple: love.

It is the same word Saint Paul shared with the church in Corinth as the people waited to know fully what God will reveal, saying "faith, hope and love abide; and the greatest of these is love." As Unity looks forward to our final Strategic Visioning Retreat and as we celebrate the new beginning of life emerging from death on Easter, the Holy Spirit brings our focus to the same word. Love.

Shalom! Pr.Kevan

## Easter Worship Schedule

Palm Sunday	Sunday, March 24 <sup>th</sup> at Unity	10 a.m.
Maundy Thursday	Thursday, March 28 <sup>th</sup> at	7 p.m.
	Grace Presbyterian Church,	
	2931 S. Kinnickinnic Ave.	
Good Friday	Friday, March 29 <sup>th</sup> at	7 p.m.
	Bay View United Methodist Church,	
	2772 S. Kinnickinnic Ave.	
Easter Sunday	Sunday, March 31 <sup>st</sup> at Unity	10 a.m.



## KidsTime News

KidsTime meets each Sunday immediately following worship through May 19th. They will not meet Easter Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. The KidsTime meets following worship, during a Cross+Generational fellowship time in the back of the sanctuary. ALL are encouraged to participate in Kid's Time and Coffee Connections!



## Active Adult Center News

Unity's Active Adult Center will be closed March 5<sup>th</sup> and March 12<sup>th</sup>. They will resume on March 19<sup>th</sup> after the sewer and plumbing issues are resolved. The last Tuesday meeting for the season will be May 21<sup>st</sup>. The group will resume in the fall on Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. New members are always welcome! The group meeting in Unity's Fellowship Hall each Tuesday from 9:30 am – 1:30 pm.

The Lunch Club will meet on Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm at El Beso Mexican Restaurant at 909 W. Layton Ave. Everyone is responsible for buying their own meal and tip.

## Welcome Neighbors on April's Election Day

Our first time of Unity serving as a polling location on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> for the voting precinct comprising of our nearest neighbors was a tremendous success! A huge thank you to Jody Stack, all of you who welcomed our neighbors, baked, made donations, and prayed for this event! Not only did we connect with our neighbors, we raised almost \$700. One of our neighbors even joined us the next day for our CommUNITY meal! The next election date is Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. We'd like to host another bake sale in our lobby that day, giving us another opportunity to meet our neighbors. If you are interested in helping to help with this effort in April, please contact Pastor Kevan.

## Welcome New Members!

We are excited to welcome the following new members to Unity: Doug Henning and the Braun family: Tyler, Sarah, Jack, Everett, and Peter! We are blessed to have you in our community!



## CommUNITY Meal Continues

Unity's CommUNITY Meal continues to serve a hot meal the third Wednesday of each month. Unity representatives, as well as representatives from several partner churches continue to plan, serve, and participate in this ministry. We will serve meals on the following dates this spring: March 20, April 17, and May 15 from 5:30-6:30 pm. A HUGE Thank You goes to the countless volunteers who make this ministry happen! Additional volunteers are always welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Unity's office or Lynn Rinderle.

## The Chosen Meets Sunday Morning

It is not too late to join in to view and discuss <u>The Chosen</u>, Season 1. The group decided to watch Season 1 and meets Sundays following worship during Lent, February 25 – March 24. <u>The Chosen</u> is the first-ever multi-season series about the life of Christ. New members are welcome. Come watch an episode or the entire season!

## Strategic Visioning Work Continues

We are progressing as scheduled with our work with Leighton Ford Ministries, the outside consultant we have hired to help us go through a Strategic Visioning Process. This is a vital process as we (Unity Lutheran Church) look and plan for the future!

Our third visioning retreat was scheduled for March 9-10, but due to a family emergency, is rescheduled for April 6-7. Saturday, April 6th we will meet from 9-3:00 in Unity's Fellowship Hall, and on Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> we will meet from 11:30-1:30 pm. If you are interested in participating in these retreats, and have not attended a previous retreat, please contact Laura McVann or the church office no later than April 3<sup>rd</sup>.



Since our last retreat in November, the communications task force has been busy wordsmithing and expanding on our mission statement and core values in preparation for our April retreat. A building study group was formed at our last retreat and has been researching the pros and cons of 5 different building and property options in preparation for our April retreat. Through this work we have increased our learning and have expanded our thinking about doing Jesus' mission.

We will be sharing the results of this retreat with you later this spring!



# Peggy's Retirement Pot Luck Celebration

## Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> Following worship at 11:15 am Unity's Fellowship Hall



All are invited to help us celebrate and thank Peggy for her many years of service as Unity's Director of Operations and Ministry! You are encouraged to bring a dish to share. A sign-up sheet will be available in April on the usher's table in Unity's Sanctuary and in Unity's office. Peggy's last day is Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.

## Election Day Hospitality Ministry

For our first effort with the spring primary in February, Unity and friends, you were amazing! Thank you to all who baked, donated, prayed, helped out and came to meet our neighbors. Most of the voters visited the Bake Sale table to talk with us. We made connections, fostered relationships, and built community together.

The next election is right after Easter on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, and we need your involvement in the ministry. We expect a much bigger crowd. And Jody, who coordinated us and stayed the whole day, will be a poll worker herself at another ward. So, we'll need more bakers and double batches; and we'll have a sign-up schedule to organize ourselves to take turns meeting neighbors at the table. This is also a great opportunity for someone to become a partner on a leadership team to learn from Jody's experience and help Unity continue this amazing ministry.

## Prepare Now for our Next Plant Sale

We need your help with our second comm**UNITY** plant sale! It will be a hybrid fund raising/neighborhood event; raise funds by selling plants and get to know and visit with our neighbors. The plan is to gather outside at our picnic tables on Tuesday late afternoons from 4:00pm - 6:00pm on **May 21, May 28 and June 4** with the perennials, annuals, house plants and ice tea.

We are now looking for amateur or proficient gardeners to help us create an inventory of plants; perennials, annuals and house plants. As we did last year, we would appreciate house plants or perennials that you donate from your home, garden or by seed. For example, one member has already started rooting new spider plants from her existing spider plant.

If you are not into gardening, we still need your help! Join us on Tuesdays and chat with us and the neighbors. Please invite your friends, family and neighbors to donate plants and/or shop at our sale. Most importantly, pray. Ask God to bless this year's plant sale and all the neighbors we meet.



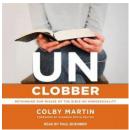


## Join Unity's Spring Book Club

Join us for Unity's Book Club and bring a friend! We will be reading <u>Unclobber: Rethinking Our</u> <u>Misuse of the Bible on Homosexuality</u> by Colby Martin. We will meet on Tuesdays, April 23rd, May 7th, and May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Bay View Colectivo Café (2301 S. Kinnickinnic Ave.). Here is the reading schedule for each session:

April 23: Chapters 1-3 May 7: Chapters 4-7 May 21: Chapters 8-10

You can obtain a copy of the book by purchase, download it through Libby (print or audio), or contact the church office by Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> for the office to order you a copy.



## Pot Luck and Town Hall Meeting

You are invited to join the RIC (Reconciling In Christ) Core Team for a Pot Luck Dinner and Town Hall Meeting on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 – 6:00 pm in Unity's Fellowship Hall. During this time, Pastor Char Guiliani from Lutheran Church of the Great Spirit will share their experience in serving churches who embrace members belonging to the LBGTQIA+ community. Pastor Char serves as the chair or the Milwaukee Synod RIC Task Force. Participants will also have the opportunity to ask questions. If you are able, please bring a food item to share.

## Welcome Statement Feedback Wanted

The RIC (Reconciling In Christ) Task Force has been working on a Welcome Statement for Unity. By publicizing our Welcome Statement on our website and promotional literature, persons in communities that have experienced exclusion in churches on account of their personal identity will know that Unity is a church that includes and embraces them whole heartedly. The first draft was presented at the annual congregational meeting in February. Since this is still a working document, a few minor changes have been made since then. Here is the latest draft:

Love invites you in! Unity Lutheran Church unconditionally celebrates you as created in God's image regardless of your gender identity, sexual orientations, race, age, physical ability, neurodivergence, culture, family status, faith background or income. Be your authentic self as we worship God, advocate for justice, affirm all, empower others, and serve our neighbors. All are welcome, for the gifts of God are free!

Please reach out to any member on the RIC Core Team or email them at <u>ric@unitymilwaukee.org</u> to share your feedback on the Welcome Statement or to ask any questions regarding the Book Club or Q&A Potluck Event. Hope to see you there!



Unity Stewardship Campaign 2023-2024



The theme is: God's Handiwork

Our center Bible verse is: For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Ephesians 2:10

**THANK YOU** for remembering Unity Lutheran Church with your pledges and monetary donations and for keeping up with your ledges for 2024. Our ministries depend on you!



Unity's Food Pantry is open every Wednesday from 5:00 - 6:00 pm.

## CommUNITY Notes from Council ....

Here are just a few highlights of what your council has been doing and what issues we are facing. Please note that these are highlights and will not include everything.

- Unity's Annual Congregational Meeting was held on Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>. We welcome to Jr Smith to Council!
- Council decided that Unity would join our area churches in worship for Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. We are excited for this opportunity to worship and commune with several of our neighborhood churches!
- Council met with representative from 3 different roofing companies as in deciding what course of action was best for us.
- Council and church staff are working quickly to resolve our emergency sewer/plumbing situation. This could result in the building being closed for several days.
- A Fundraiser Night has been scheduled for May 6<sup>th</sup> at the Panara on 27<sup>th</sup> Street. Unity earns 25% of all sales when a flyer or FUND4U code is presented when ordering.



## Property Updates

<u>Sewer/Plumbing Clog Emergency:</u> On Wednesday night February 21<sup>st</sup>, a plumbing problem in the men's bathroom and the office lobby was discovered. Unfortunately, as we have brought in professionals to diagnose the issue, we have discovered extensive problems with our plumbing system. The main problem is a clog in our sewer line that we haven't found yet. The clog has caused leaks in several of the building's pipes that has caused damage in some areas of the basement near the fellowship hall.

Council and church staff are working quickly to resolve this emergency situation. Work is expected to begin early March. This could result in the building being closed for several days. We don't know how much the repairs and cleanup work will total, but we know it will cost at least \$10,000 just for the excavation of the pipes to find the problem, in addition to further expenses for asbestos abatement, pipe repair/replacement, and professional cleanup and disinfection. We are working with our insurance company to determine if and how much of the project will be covered. We are also blessed to have money set aside for emergency property issues in Unity's Endowment Fund that will help with the expenses. Please watch or listen for updates as this emergency situation progresses.

<u>Roof:</u> The Council and the Congregation voted to approve the repair of the roof to get us a couple more years. The Company approved to make the repair is Great Lakes Roofing. A new contract has yet to be made since so much time has lapsed since the first quote was issued. At the annual meeting, it was advised to add the clause "not to exceed" a certain amount (ie: not to exceed double the quote). Council has decided to put this project on hold until we deal with the sewer/plumbing issue.

<u>Shared gifts:</u> The Lutheran Church of the Great Spirit shared their grant money with Unity. We were able to secure a new CommUNITY Meal sign outside the office/fellowship hall entrance on Oklahoma Avenue and repair our kitchen freezer. Thanks to the Church of the Great Spirit, those in need of a meal or the food pantry will have accurate information and the kitchen freezer will house food acquired for our CommUNITY Meal.

#### Facility Use:

March	Pinewood Derby: Scout Troop 79, March 16, 10:30 am to 4 pm
April	Easter Monday: Office Closed, April 1
	<ul> <li>Election Day in the Fellowship Hall, April 2</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Strategic Visioning Retreat w/Leighton Ford Ministries, April 6-7</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Pancake Breakfast: Scout Troop 79, April 13, 8am to 2 pm</li> </ul>
May	Active Adult Center, last Tuesday gathering is May 21
	Memorial Day: Office Closed, May 27



## Additional Worship Volunteers Wanted

We greatly appreciate the work of our faithful volunteers; however, we continue to look for additional volunteers for Sunday mornings. A few of the high-need areas are listed below. If

you would like to learn more about any of these roles, or other worship roles, and/or receive training on any position, please send an email to <u>unity@unitymilwaukee.org</u> or leave a voicemail message at Unity.

- Altar Guild Prepares for Holy Communion (wine and grape juice) and changes the alter when the liturgical season changes.
- Communion Servers Serves Holy Communion (bread or wine) with Pastor.
- Producer/Director Runs the livestream via a simple computer application, operates cameras, microphones, and updates the titles that appear in the livestream.



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• Lectors – Read the scriptures in worship for the congregation.

## Endowment Board News

The Endowment Board is pleased to announce 10 Zirwes scholarships were awarded this year. One scholarship was awarded to a student at St. Stephan the Martyr, our partner church. One scholarship was awarded to Pastor Ndelekwa in Tanzania, our synod partner. Eight members of Unity received assistance for their education. They are: Kymarie Kuster-Kosmoski, Amber LaRosa, Maya Penvose, Zeke Penvose, Ava Wisniewski, Anna Wisniewski, Andrew Wisniewski, Massamba Nsau Jr. Scholarships are awarded to confirmed members who answered the following questions:

- See: Where have you seen Jesus in this last year and how has it had an effect on your life?
- Do: What have you personally done to help and participate in our commUNITY to serve others? How have you lived your faith on a daily basis?
- Invite: When have you given witness to your faith in Jesus and have invited others to join or participate in learning more about Jesus and serving our commUNITY?

If you have any questions, please contact an Endowment Board member.





25% of sales will benefit UNITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

May 6, 2024 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm CDT 3511 South 27th St, Milwaukee, WI

In Cafe Drive-Thru Pick-Up Delivery Enter promo code FUND4U at online checkout.







## Unity Lutheran Church has a Scout Troop!

Unity is now the charter organization for Scout Troop 79! Troop 79 is a co-ed organization though we do have separate girl and boy troops, most all activities are together as one group. Troop 79 is founded on the principles of scouting + we warmly welcome faith difference and gender diversity. Primary objectives are camping, conservation and service to the community. The goal is for the scouts to lead the troop - the adult leaders are coaches. All adult leaders are trained and adhere strictly to BSA Youth Protection principles. Our troop is active in the outdoors - we just finished our winter campout, have a Wisconsin River canoe camping trip coming up this spring, and we'll be sending 20+ scouts to week long summer camp at Camp Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan.

Chad Lyden and Jack Kosmoski are adult leaders of the troop, Lucy Lyden and Oliver Kosmoski are both on their way to earning their Eagle badge. Our scout troop is one more way that Unity is reaching out to our community and engaging our neighbors. If you have any questions about our troop, please reach out to Chad or Jack - or just catch us on Sunday.

## Pinewood Derby is Saturday, March 16th at 1pm

Who remembers the Pinewood Derby? Our annual Pinewood Derby will be held in the fellowship hall on Saturday, March 16th from 1-3:30. The Pinewood Derby is for younger scouts (6-10 years) and their parents, and these young scouts are snack hounds. Please consider donating baked goods to our concession stand / fundraiser (which will run out the kitchen). There will probably be around 40 scouts (and their siblings and



parents) at the race. If you can contribute baked goods or other concession items, please drop them off at 10am on Saturday, March 10th in the Unity's Fellowship Hall.

## Come to our Pancake Breakfast on April 13!



Please spread the word to friends and family! Troop 79 is holding our 2nd Annual Pancake Breakfast, 8:30am to 11am, Saturday, April 13. Scouts will cook & serve pancakes & sausages for all comers. This event is both community outreach and a fundraiser for the Troop. Cost is \$10 per adult ticket, \$5 for kids 5 years and younger. And, of course, the pancakes are amazing : )



Member giving to Unity's Ministries and Operations thru October 31, 2023 is \$78,271.50. Thank you for your generosity and for sharing your blessings and supporting Unity's ministries.

> Total Income \$ 14.215.62 YTD Total \$ 17.299.65 YTD **Expenses**

Annual Budget \$137,114.38 Annual Budget \$165,997.01

Our Loss in 2023 was \$19,036.59. The loss was partially deducted from the reserve of \$8,984.39 and the \$10,052.20 balance left was deducted from the Funds of Remembrance leaving us with no reserve in 2024 and a Funds of Remembrance of \$5,561.61. Some may object to the use of the Funds of Remembrance covering the deficit, but the legacy of those who gave in memory of someone lives on in the life of Unity to allow us to live Worship 24/7 for another year.

In the Property Reserve Fund, we have \$9,644.15 in cash available the end of January. We are still dealing with the oil leak issue. In February, a payment of \$1657.50 was made to the firm reporting to the WDNR from 10/30/2019 thru 7/21/2023. (7 total).

The 2024 budget reflects a loss of \$28,882.63, with no reserve. Budgeted for 2024 is \$90,000 in pledged and unpledged income and a total income of \$137,114.38. Our expense budget for 2024 is \$165,997.01. Please refer to the annual meeting packet for further information on the budget.

#### Stewardship:

The Stewardship campaign theme for 2024 is "We are God's Handiwork". Total number of households is 105; 37 households have committed their support. Thank you for supporting Unity is Jesus' mission here. In following Jesus, we have clothed and fed those who are in need. We have spread the Word through our social media outlets. We have met our neighbors through our fundraisers and used our space to share with groups who have come to Milwaukee for service or who have a not-for-profit organization needing space.

#### Remember there are SIX Electronic Ways to Give Generously and Securely to Unity:

#### 1. Donate button of Facebook:

Under the cover photo of our sign for Soup Kitchen, click the blue 'Donate' button. You will go to our secure VANCO page.

#### 2. On our website!

Go to Unity's secure website at http://www.unitymilwaukee.org/donate and click on 'DONATE' to give electronically.

#### 3. Vanco Mobile App

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

#### 4. Thrivent Choice

If you are a Thrivent benefit member you can recommend how Thrivent distributes some of its charitable grant funds through Choice Dollars. For more information about Choice Dollars: Visit Thrivent.com/thriventchoice. Call 800-847-4836 or contact your local Thrivent Financial Representative

#### 5. Text to give:

Give plus Text: enter 833-894-6696. Enter the amount you wish to give, Click on the registration link, enter your contact and payment information, and tap process. You will get a verification text as well as an email receipt. For future giving, just send a text with the amount you wish to donate and it will process automatically.

6. Use your QR code reader or your phone to give securely through the VANCO giving app.





## Sunday Worship Schedule: Ushers, Online Host, Producer, Altar Guild

	3/3/2024	3/10/2024	3/17/2024	3/24/2024	<mark>3/31/2024</mark>
Ushers	Kitty Dinauer, Josefa Puerta- Villacrez, Jorge Tores Munoz, Zeke Penvose	Erin Whitehead, Nicholas Whitehead, Jacki Davis, Lynn Rinderle	Kitty Dinauer, Josefa Puerta- Villacrez, Jorge Tores Munoz, Lynn Rinderle	Erin Whitehead, Nicholas Whitehead, Jacki Davis, Chris Davis	Kitty Dinauer, Josefa Puerta- Villacrez, Jorge Tores Munoz, Lynn Rinderle
Online Hosts	Patsy Lenz	Chad Lyden	Laura McVann	Laura McVann	Chad Lyden
Director/Producer	Chad Lyden	Laura McVann	Chad Lyden	Kyle Davis	Kyle Davis
Altar Guild	Josefa Puerta- Villacrez	Josefa Puerta- Villacrez	Stacy Davis	Josefa Puerta- Villacrez	Stacy Davis
	4/7/2024	4/14/2024	4/21/2024	4/28/2024	
Ushers	Erin Whitehead, Nicholas Whitehead, Jacki Davis, Chris Davis	Kitty Dinauer, Josefa Puerta- Villacrez, Jorge Tores Munoz, Lynn Rinderle	Erin Whitehead, Nicholas Whitehead, Jacki Davis, Chris Davis	Kitty Dinauer, Josefa Puerta- Villacrez, Jorge Tores Munoz, Lynn Rinderle	
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	5/5/2024	5/12/2024	5/19/2024	5/26/2024	6/2/2024
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If you would like to serve in any of these ministries please email our office at <u>unity@unitymilwaukee.org</u> to learn more.



## 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); Don Plant (friend of Jeff Kornreich); Blake Oleson (friends of Unity); Dorothy C. (outreach member; Pastor Kevan Penvose; Patsy Lenz (member); Patricia Orlowski (friend of Unity); Sandy LeBombard (friend of Unity); Jerry & Nellie Javorski; Cindy Larson (friend of Frank Jendisa); Bonnie Ziowkoski, Lori Jameson (member); Kathy (friend of Unity); Joan (friend of Unity); Jack Badalik (friend of Unity); Andy Wegner (member); Mary Noe, Sandi Buchman; 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); Joe, Shelly, and Joey Tuzzo (friends of Unity); Gloria Brandenberg; Jeannine Lau (member); Trudy Rossman; Neil Larsen; Thom R. Bagley, Marty; Cindy Bereiter; Susan & Betty Johnson (Ross); Paul, Donna, Paula, Cathy, Izzy & Lee; Hernandez family; the Toni Fare family (member); Nicholas Whitehead (member); Rita Smith (member); Thurston, Isaac, Eric, the Zolinsky family; Tricia Skinner (member); Scott Neumann (friend of Cindy Flechner); Dennis Block (member), and Irvin Smith (AAC – Charolette Smith's husband); and Matthew Robert Van Etta (dad of Ophelia); Pam Padgett (member); Wayne Pratis (member); Dave Emmons (Friend of Unity); and Jason (Friend of Unity); and the Family and Friends of Greg Elkin.

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

Deadline for the Summer 2024 Newsletter is Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>.



# CH Spring 2024 Newsletter "At a New Beginning" Scripture Messages & Daily Readings

#### "Rejected Not Dejected"

March 3rd

Sunday	Mark 12:1-12
Monday	Mark 12:13-17
Tuesday	Gen. 12:1-4a
Weds.	Psalm 121
Thurs.	Mark 12:18-27
Friday	Rom. 4:1-5
Sat.	John 3:1-13

#### "Taking Notice"

March 10<sup>th</sup>

Sunday	Mark 12:28-44
Monday	Exod. 15:22-27
Tuesday	John 8:12-20
Weds.	Psalm 107:1-16
Thurs.	John 12:1-11
Friday	Hebrews 4:14-5:4
Saturday	Psalm 51:1-12

#### "Ready or Not"

March 17th Sunday Mark 13:1-8, 24-37 Monday Isaiah 43:8-13

Tuesday Isiah 44:1-8 Psalm 119:9-16 Weds. John 12:34-50 Thurs. Friday Phil. 2:1-11 Saturday Phil. 2:12-18

#### "Special Delivery"

March 24 <sup>th</sup>	PALM SUNDAY
Sunday	Mark 11:1-11
Monday	Mark 11:15-19
Tuesday	Mark 11:12-14
Weds.	Mark 14:3-9
Thurs.	Mark 14:22-42
Friday	Mark 15:16-39
Saturday	Hebrews 10:16-25

#### "Ending at a New Beginning"

March 31 <sup>st</sup>	EASTER SUNDAY
Sunday	Mark 16:1-8
Monday	Genesis 1:1-19
Tuesday	Genesis 1:20-2:4a
Weds.	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
Thurs.	1 Cor. 15:35-49
Friday	1 Cor. 15:50-58
Saturday	Psalm 133

#### "Doubting at a New Beginning" April 7th

Sunday	John 20:19-31
Monday	lsiah 26:1-15
Tuesday	Luke 24:1-12
Weds.	Ps. 118:1-2, 14-24
Thurs.	Luke 24:13-35
Friday	1 John 2:3-11
Saturday	1 John 2:12-17

#### "Listening at a New Beginning" April 14th

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Sunday	Luke 24:36b-48
Monday	Psalm 16
Tuesday	1 Peter 1:3-9
Weds.	Psalm 114
Thurs.	1 Peter 1:8b-12
Friday	1 Peter 1:13-16
Sat.	Psalm 116:1-4,12-19

#### "Guided at a New Beginning"

April 21st Sunday John 10 11-18 Monday 1 Peter 1:17-23 Tuesday 1 Peter 1:23-25 Psalm 134 Weds. Thursday 1 Peter 2:1-14 1 Peter 2:13-17 Friday John 15:1-8 Sat.

#### "Connected at a New Beginning"

April 38th Sunday John 15:9-17

Monday	1 Peter 2:19-25
Tuesday	Jer. 23:1-8
Weds.	Psalm 23
Thursday	Jer. 26:20-24
Friday	Hebrews 13:20-21
Sat.	Psalm 100

#### "Love at a New Beginning"

May 5 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday	John 15:9-17
Monday	1 Peter 2:2-10
Tuesday	1 Tim. 6:11-12
Weds.	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
Thurs.	1 Tim. 6:13-16
Friday	Prov. 3:5-12
Sat.	Prov. 3:13-18

#### "Waiting at a New Beginning" May 12th

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Sunday	Acts 1:1-14
Monday	1 Peter 3:8-12
Tuesday	Luke 24:44-49
Weds.	Psalm 66:8-20
Thurs.	Luke 24:50-53
Friday	1 Peter 3:13-22
Sat.	

#### "Spirit Filled at a New Beginning"

May 19th PENTECOST Sunday Acts 2:1-21 Monday 1 Peter 4:1-6 Tuesday 1 Peter 4:7-11 Weds. Ps. 68:1-10, 32-35 Thurs. 1 Peter 4:12-14 1 Peter 5:6-11 Friday Romans 8:9-11 Sat.

### "Giving at a New Beginning"

May 26th Sunday Acts 3:1-10 Monday Romans 8:18-24 Tuesday Romans 8:26-27 Weds. Psalm 20 Rev. 4:1-8 Thurs. Friday Rev. 4:9-11



- Mission: Transformed by Jesus, our Lord, we go into the community to serve and welcome all people.
   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.

Please join us for worship on Sundays at 10 a.m. We are worshiping in-person and by live stream at facebook.com/unitymilwaukee. Our theme for this spring is:

"At a New Beginning"



## STAFF

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