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September – October 2026
Newsletter

Pastor BLURB

Christian Song of the Month

Indescribable by Chris Tomlin

Indescribable, uncontainable,
You placed the stars in the sky and You
know them by name.
You are amazing God
All powerful, untameable,
Awestruck we fall to our knees as we
humbly proclaim
You are amazing God

This is not a new song. It was published in 2004. It is a popular praise song, one about the indescribable, incredible nature of God. I listen to it every week on my way to church. It's one Vibhav knows very well. Its beautiful, poetic lyrics about God's beautiful work in creation is something that inspires me, and sets me on fire for God. And for me, these lyrics smack of the creation story. It makes me think of the Holy Spirit hovering over the waters. The moment where God declared that the water and land be separate. The moment where he set endless kinds of flowers and plants to bloom and thrive in every direction. A celebration of the beauty and complexity of the seasons.

It makes me think of the warmth and growth of spring, that first day where it's truly warm after months of cold winter. Of the joy of leaping into piles of leaves as a child on a fall afternoon.

And what a great core message. God is indescribable. Our human language is

fundamentally lacking. There are no words that can properly explain God. Because he is so beyond what we can imagine. We are created beings, trying to understand our Creator. There are going to be limits.

This is a way that the song addresses it: You put the stars in the sky and you know them by name. One of the ways that I like to think of this is when I try to imagine how vast space is. When I was in an Astronomy class, they tried to tell me how many billions of stars there were, and how incredibly far they were from us. But the more I tried to think of it, the more my head hurt. I know they're right, but my brain just can't comprehend it. And it is the same with God. All I can do when I think of God in all of his vastness, his glory. When I think of God's ability to create, his uncontainable, unconceivable power, all I can do is what the song says: awestruck, we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim; you are amazing God. We are loved by, cherished by the God who knows every star in the sky. Isn't that incredible? What a God we worship. How lucky we are.

Pastor Jady



Fennimore United Methodist Church:

8:00 AM Worship

9:15 AM Christian Education
(Ages 4 to Grade 6)

Stitzer United Methodist Church:

10:30 AM Worship

FENNIMORE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Article by Kim Cathman

Well, we are excited to report we had another successful Salad Luncheon on August 28th. A HUGE thank you to everyone who donated a salad or dessert and to all the hard workers. I feel blessed that we have such a great team of workers.

Also, if you were not called to donate or work, it is not because we forgot you. No one we called said, NO... or ... I can't I'm busy or gone... **Thank you SO much** for continuing to support this fund raiser for the church! We know how busy life gets, but so many enjoyed the get together and the delicious food.

NOTE: If you have a bowl or pan missing, please stop in the kitchen. We have a few that we could not identify who they belong to. Please be sure to label/mark your pans in the future as it helps us return to the rightful owner.

As one of our local missions, we continue to help with bingo at Dove Care Center – the first Monday of the month at 2pm. Since September 7th is a holiday, we are doing it on the 14th. If interested in helping, Karla Jones is looking for helpers. Please give her a call. The residents love to visit with us and love to win!

August 29th: We were honored to serve the luncheon of a long time member and UMW lady, Marlene Everson. We truly miss her attendance at our meetings and the work she did every week to make sure the bulletins were ready for our Sunday mornings. Rest in peace faithful servant.

Depot Exchange – Several ladies continue to support the Depot Exchange Thrift Store and Food Pantry. Behind the scenes they are sorting and marking items for sale. Our group also offers donations to the Food Pantry when needed.

Creation Team – We are still tying covers. We were gifted several pieced tops from J Nelson all the way from Illinois. She is the sister of Judy Nelson and JoAnn Weiderholt. Her love of sewing is our gain! She is very talented and her generosity is keeping us busy!

Check out the **MIDWEST MISSION** info on the bulletin boards. We are a drop off point for our area. The supplies and kits are picked up by or taken to the northern Illinois site to be distributed. Several kits are listed that can be put together to serve many who have struggles and who have had weather disasters. School kits were just delivered to us by a SW Wisconsin church and will be of great use this fall. Take any info page or if you have any questions, please talk to Chelsea.

Well, Fall is a wonderful season here in Wisconsin I know, I know ... Winter comes soon after, but that crisp Fall air replaces the HOT stuffy summer air and breathes into us, the energy to face winter and snow. ENJOY every minute!

"To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven." — Ecclesiastes 3:1

From the UMC 1996 Cookbook:

Applesauce Oatmeal Cookies
In Memory of Mrs. Rev. (Mildred) Cook
by June Klais

1 Cup Shortening
1 tsp Salt
3 Tbls Cooking Oil
3 Cups Oatmeal
1 Cup Brown Sugar
1 1/4 Cup Applesauce

3/4 Cup White Sugar
1/2 Cup Nutmeats
2 Eggs
1 tsp Vanilla
2 Cups Flour
12 oz Butterscotch Chips
3/4 tsp Baking Soda

Cream shortening, oil and sugars; add eggs, mixing thoroughly.
Add Applesauce, flour, baking soda and salt; mix; Add oatmeal, butterscotch chips and nutmeats.
Drop by teaspoon on baking sheet; bake at 350 degrees until lightly browned.

Fall Prayer

Golden Leaves

We see signs of summer's passing in golden leaves,
shortening days, misty mornings, autumn glow.
We sense its passing in rain that dampens,
winds that chill, Harvest's bounty placed on show.

Creator God, who brings forth
both green shoot and hoar frost,
sunrise and sunset,
we bring our thanks
for seeds that have grown,
harvests gathered,
storehouses filled,
mouths fed.

And, as your good earth rests
through winter's cold embrace,
we look forward to its re-awakening
when kissed by Spring's first touch.

- Author Unknown

"Autumn leaves fall, but the Son rises!"

Care Facility Residents

Please keep our residents in your prayers!

Divine Rehabilitation and Nursing

Sue Lewison
Linda O'Kane

Orchard Manor

Bill Rotramel

Park Place Senior Living

Joann Schrader

FROM THE Church Office

Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Most days we are in the office outside of these hours and we work remotely as well.

Supplies Needed for Operation Christmas Child:

Personal Care Items –
Hairbrushes
Combs
Deodorant
Toothbrushes
Hair Accessories
Washcloths

Donated items can be dropped off at Fennimore United Methodist Church at any time. Last year we were able to send out boxes and share the love of Jesus to over 50 kids across the world!



Fall Kick Off Carnival at Fennimore UMC

On September 10, we welcomed the community to a Carnival held right here at Fennimore UMC! Activities included a dunk tank, carnival games of all varieties, face painting and of course, food – pizza, popcorn and sno-cones! Fun was had by everyone!



Christian Education

We began classes on Sunday, September 20. Our new curriculum for Sunday School this year is Bible Fun Factory. We are looking forward to a great year of Christian Education ahead!

All students, age 4 – Grade 6 are invited to join on Sunday mornings from 9:15 – 10:15 AM.

Unity Fellowship Celebrates 50 years!



1986



April 2013



December 3, 2017

Unity Fellowship ~ 50 years strong

Back in 1976 members of the existing Adult Fellowship and Christian Fellowship decided to start another group for the younger couples, our age group in our 20s. In September of 1976, 4 couples agreed to give it a try. Of those 4 couples, Carl & Betty Austin, Ardell & Sandy Henkel and LaDonna Klais are still members after all these 50 years. Other current members are Curt & Kathi Freymiller, Jim & Sharon James, Bob & Maggie Miller, Claudia O'Brien, Don & Marsha Schneider and Dave & Ann Stenner. There are 14 other couples who were a part of the group at one time or another.

We began meeting monthly from September through May in our homes, and also planned some miscellaneous fun activities at other times during the year. When we meet monthly we have a business meeting conducted by a president and a secretary / treasurer. The host gives devotions at the end of the meeting and then we enjoy snacks, playing cards , we visit and have lots of laughter. We collect dues annually.

In addition, over the years we have done numerous things to raise money that we used for supporting the church. We've provided coffee hours for countless years, we prepared and served chili suppers, and lasagna dinners. We also bought 100 afghans to sell and 1000 post cards to sell, all with pictures of our old church.

With our group money we were able to:

- Plan, design and purchase the outdoor church sign in 1992, and moved it in 1999 to our new location.
- Purchase the nativity set in 1987. We have repainted and replaced pieces as needed. Unity Fellowship men have set up the nativity and taken it down every year since.
- Construct and set up the Christmas angels in the yard.
- Purchase furniture for the narthex
- Purchase hymnals
- Buy bundles of shingles for the church
- Donate toward parking lot repaving and maintenance
- Remodel the Sunday School office twice at the old church
- Buy Sunday school supplies
- Donate to the building fund
- Purchase microwave(s) for the kitchen
- Donate to radio ministry, and drive to the Lancaster radio station weekly to deliver the tapes for the radio broadcast

We have also provided acts of service:

- Donated to Angel Tree recipients for decades
- Numerous mission projects
- Donated to SWTC Christmas boxes for many years
- Donated to post prom for 30 years
- Prepared and served turkey suppers
- Provided senior breakfasts for 15 years
- Provided VBS meal for many years
- Men prepared & served Mother-Daughter Banquets several years
- Worked at the apple orchards lots of times
- Went Christmas caroling
- Decorated interior of church when nativity got set up
- Cleaned parsonage between pastor appointments, including removing wallpaper
- Served as teachers, youth leaders, liturgists, Sunday school superintendents, ushers and greeters

Fun outings:

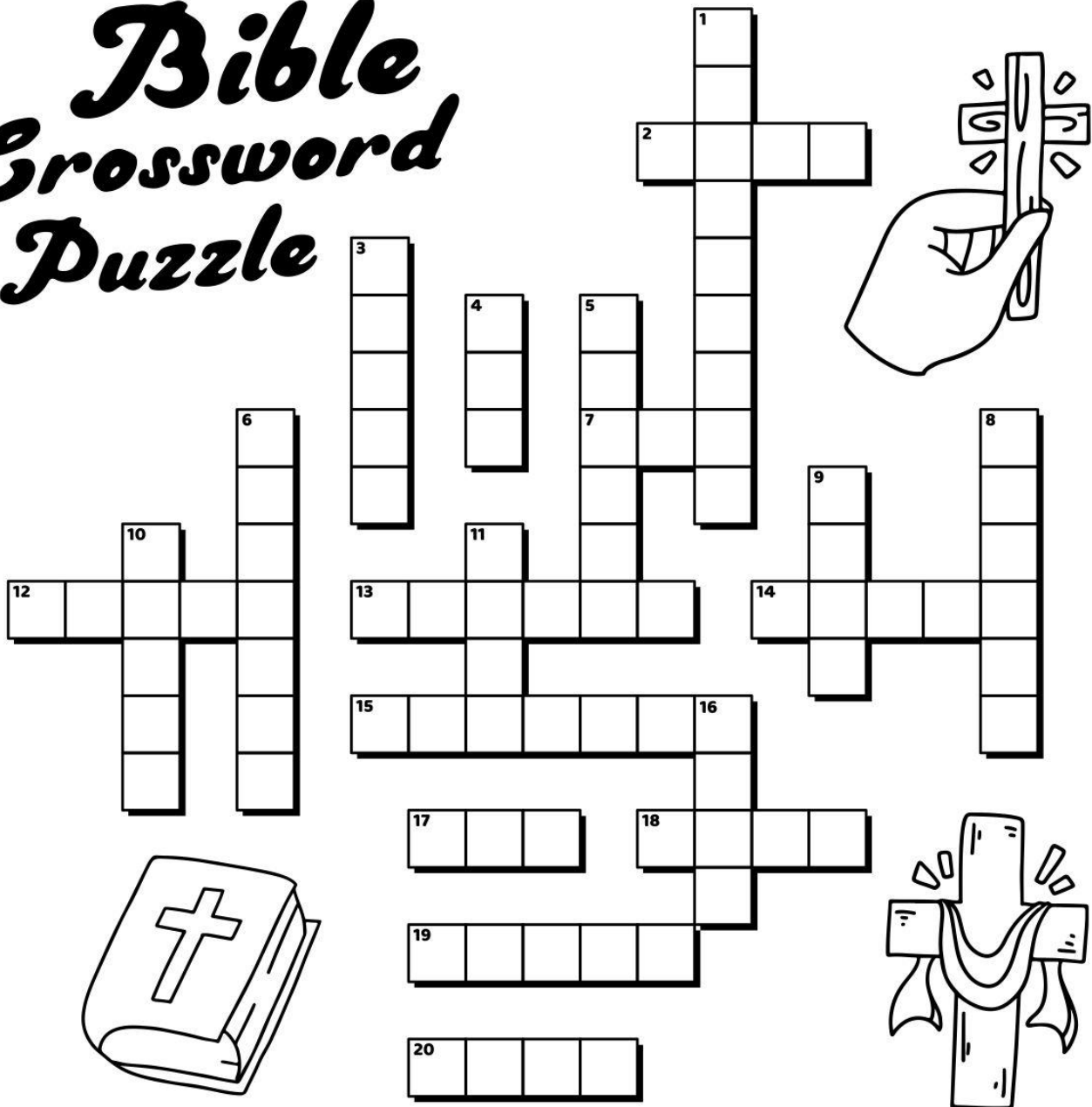
- Family Christmas dinners every year
- Family picnics at Marsden Park or Blackhawk Lake and more recently at Schneider's lovely back yard
- Sledding, Canoeing, hayrides, softball, bowling, mini golfing, volleyball, tubing and pontooning.
- Costume parties for Halloween
- Out for suppers or dinner theater
- Many pizza and movie outings

Through these many years we've been honored to support our church and members as much as possible through acts of service or donating money where needed. We have built lasting relationships, being there for each other through fun times, and celebrating joyful times, as well as being supportive in hard and demanding times, or times of loss.

We've watched each other's kids grow up, leave home and bless us with grandchildren and also great-grandchildren!

Our fellowship group is a family, who we can turn to, trust and count on as we grow through the many phases of life. We've been very blessed indeed.

Bible Crossword Puzzle



Across

2. This led the wise men to baby Jesus
7. The first woman
12. The queen of what country came to see Solomon
13. What is it called when we talk to God?
14. Who wrote the 23rd Psalm?
15. Wisest man in the world
17. God created the world in how many days?
18. Two ladies argued about this
19. Who parted the Red Sea?
20. What kind of bird did Noah send out of the ark to see if the land was dry?

Down

1. The town Jesus was born in
3. Long sharp weapon
4. Who created everything?
5. How many disciples did Jesus have?
6. Who was the first Jew?
8. What Solomon asked God for
9. The first man
10. Who is a descendant of Abraham and King David, and is the Savior of the world?
11. The first king of Israel who died in battle with his son, Jonathon
16. He built the ark

Word Bank

Solomon	Baby	Sword	Sheba	Adam	Eve	Wisdom
Star	Saul	Bethlehem	Moses	Abraham	Jesus	Noah
Dove	God	David	Twelve	Prayer	Six	

