

**DODGE CENTER  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
September 19, 2021  
\*Stand as you are able**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Joys and Concerns**

**\*Centering Hymn UMH #723 (vs. 1-3)  
"Shall We Gather at the River"**

**\*Call to Worship Psalm 16:1-9**

L: Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

**P: I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."**

L: As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble,  
in whom is all my delight.

**P: Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows;  
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take  
their names upon my lips.**

L: The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

**P: The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;  
I have a goodly heritage.**

L: I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my  
heart instructs me.

**P: I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my  
right hand, I shall not be moved.**

L: Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body  
also rests secure.

**Hymn of the Day UMH #496 (all vs)  
"Sweet Hour of Prayer"**

**Prayer of the Day (in unison)**

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**New Testament Lesson            1 Timothy 4:4-10**

**\*Prayers and The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Doxology UMH #95  
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

**\*Gospel Lesson                        Luke 10:25-37**

**Sermon                                    Rev. Chad Christensen**

**\*Closing Hymn FWS #2108 (all vs)  
"O How He Loves You and Me"**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

† Welcome to all visitors, please sign our guest book before leaving.

Needed each week- \$1,637.00

Given Sept. 12- 1366.00

Articles for the newsletter are due today

Our first Adult Caregivers Support group will meet September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm.

September 26<sup>th</sup> is our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration worship service.

Any packages that are left at the doors for the church, should be brought into the secretary's office.

Our special 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary pork loin Community Meal on September 15<sup>th</sup> served 209 people and nearly \$1700 was raised in donations. We give thanks to all who worked on preparing and serving the meal.

Sunday, Sept. 19

Reader: Tyler Kispert

Counters: Kelly Amunrud and Richard Urbain

Next Sunday, Sept. 26

Reader: Kathy Bartz

Counters: Lisa O'Neil and Kathy Bartz

Pastor- Rev. Chad Christensen

Pianist-Janet Bugarin

Secretary-Janet Sinning

Sound- Colin Lepp

*Welcome to Worship!*

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## Special Announcements

Pastor Chad will teach confirmation every other week. The dates for this year are Sept. 29, Oct. 13, Oct. 27, Nov. 10, Nov. 17, Dec. 8, Dec. 15 at 7:30 pm..

Celebration Sunday will be a Special Sunday. Worship will begin at 8:00 am as usual, there will be a special program with a potluck desert buffet to follow. Invite your family and friends.

Our church is starting a support group for Adult Caregivers. Pastor Chad and Beth will lead this. The group meets 6:30- 7:30 pm Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. For more information contact Beth Hanggi.

### **Anniversary History Tour of the Area**

Saturday, October 23rd is our history tour in our Dodge County area-- as part of our Anniversary celebration--that are connected to our church or of common interest.

Did you know that Dodge County has 29 ghost towns and settlements? We'll visit a few of these places, like Hollowell (former village area on County H), Union Springs, and consider Wasioja, Claremont Street, Avon, Rice Lake as other places to visit. We'll have a prayer at where our former church was on Main Street, and see former parsonages of the church in Dodge Center... and history about the bank being in the church. Census information has given us some interesting information.

We want to know who is interested in going with us, so we can arrange transportation. We'll provide plenty of rest stops and a picnic will be part of the day.

Call Pastor, or the church office 374-6885 if interested (and Oct Saturdays that would work for you), and we will go from there. Thank you!

## September Sermon Series

This sermon series is based upon former church leader Alvin Rogness's writings in The Book of Comfort. Rev. Rogness was president of Luther Seminary.

He also had two sons who went into ministry, Michael, a professor of preaching at Luther Seminary; and Peter, who served as bishop in two synods, Milwaukee and St. Paul.

### **Sept. 19 "The Meaning of Life"**

First Reading: 1 Timothy 4:4-10

Psalm: Psalm 16:1-9

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

### **Sept. 26 "When the Choice is Unclear"**

First Reading: James 1:2-16

Psalm 78:1-8

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40