

**CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, April 5**

10:30 am      Worship  
 No              Coffee HI  
 No              Confirmation I

**Tuesday, April 7**

10:00am- Noon      Coffee with Pastor Katie @ The Bean

**Wednesday, April 8**

6:00 pm              Confirmation II  
 7:00 pm              Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, April 12**

9:00 am              Adult Bible Study  
 10:30 am             Worship  
 11:30 am             Coffee HI  
 11:30 am             Cabinet Meeting  
 6:00 pm              Confirmation I

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**Worship Leaders and Church Staff**

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| Rev. Katie Miller - Sr. Minister       | Rev. Elaine Miller - Minister of Visitation |
| Benjamin Barth - Organist              | Kari Jensen - Christian Ed Director         |
| Gretchen Burbach - Choral Director     | Taylor Ebsen - Church Administrator         |
| Anthony Burbach - Bell Director/ Piano | Sarah Gregg - Church Financial Officer      |
| Paul Ebsen - Media Director            | Kathy Hasenbank, Linda Moe - Custodians     |

**2025-2026 Interns**

Madison Maschmann- Choir, Alto  
 Maleah Wright - Choir, Soprano  
 Sam VanGerpen - Choir, Tenor  
 Charlee Huska - LAF, Nursery  
 Tommy Gress - Organ  
 Lucas Thomas- Media Intern



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|         | April 5, 2026         |        |
| PRELUDE | “Darkness into Light” | Brandt |
|         | “Ode to Joy”          | Krug   |

WELCOME

Friendship Pads  
 Announcements  
 Joys and Concerns

*Please also complete a “Prayer Card” and put it in the collection plate.*

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Introit                                      “Give Me a Clean Heart”                                      188  
*Give me a clean heart so I may serve you. God, fix my heart so that I may be used by you. For I’m not worthy of all these blessings. Give me a clean heart and I’ll follow you.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

The earth trembles, and the stone is rolled away.  
**What was sealed is broken open.**  
 The ground beneath us is not as certain as we thought,  
**Yet God is at work in the shaking.**  
 Christ is risen, not in stillness, but in holy disruption,  
**Bringing life where we expected only endings.**  
 Come, let us worship the God who shakes and awakens,  
**The One who brings life out of broken ground.**



# HELLO

My Name Is:

VBS 2026  
**WHAT IS IN A  
NAME?**

**More than you think!**

**Come explore Bible stories, fun activities,  
and the powerful reminder that God knows  
and loves you by name.**

**Open to all kids PreK- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
9-11 am  
May 26-29  
@ UCC- 226 E. Main St.**

**SIGN UP TODAY, SCAN CODE  
OR EMAIL  
UCCV@UCCVERMILLION.ORG**



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Dana Hanson                      Frank Main                      Karen Hall  
Shelby Hanson                      Malene A. Little and Family  
Edrick Loudor                      Judi Tenpenny                      Marion Chesters  
Friends and Family of Terry Delhomme                      Friends and Family of Marj Coker  
Friends and Family of Greg Edelen                      Friends and Family of Eric Nygaard  
Friends and Family of James Clemenston

As a powerful symbol of who we are and strive to be—deeply connected to one another, our families, our community, our world, and our God—this list contains names of people we care about, who are in a unique time of joy or need. Although a group within our congregation has made a commitment to pray regularly for people listed, we invite everyone to lift up these names to God when they come to mind. Recognizing some folks' desire for privacy, please ask a person's permission before adding their name to the prayer list, especially if they are someone from our local area. This list is sacred work, so we ask that all requests be handled with care, respect, and honor.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LENT PROJECT: GAS CARD COLLECTION

During this Lenten season, our church is collecting gas gift cards to help members of our community who need assistance getting to jobs, job interviews, medical appointments, and other essential commitments. We recommend Bob's Sinclair gas gift cards, but cash, checks, or PayPal donations are also welcome. Please note "Gas Cards" in the memo line so we can direct your donation appropriately. Donations will be collected now through Easter, April 5. Gas cards or donations may be dropped off at the church office or placed in the offering plate during Sunday worship. Thank you for helping us support our neighbors with this meaningful Lenten project.

### THE WORLD BELOVED: A BLUEGRASS MASS

On Sunday, April 19th, our choir will share *The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass* by Carol Barnett. This unique work blends the reverence of the classical Mass with the warm, lively spirit of bluegrass, featuring choir alongside fiddle, mandolin, banjo, guitar, and bass. With twelve movements woven through the traditional sections of the Mass and text by Marisha Chamberlain, the piece offers a message of hope, new growth, and renewed love for our world—this joyful and reflective work feels especially fitting, and we are honored to share it with you.

## “Raise Your Joys and Triumphs High”

\*please watch the conductor

Verse 1:

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Verse 2:

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!  
Christ hath opened Paradise. Alleluia!

Verse 3:

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia!  
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Verse 4:

Soar we now where Christ hath led, Alleluia!  
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!  
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

## *Easter Flowers in honor of:*

*The beautiful flowers filling our sanctuary are a tribute to the loved ones who hold a place in our hearts—whether still with us or gone ahead. As we take in their beauty, may we be reminded of the love, hope, and the miracle of new life that Easter brings.*

*LAF Interns, staff and volunteers*

*Cheryl Burbach*

*Otis and Betty Groom*

*Robert and Eleanor Dickenson*

*Wayland Zimmerman*

*Joyce Zimmerman*

*Anthony “AJ” Walker*

### **STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Annual Pledge Budgeted: \$256,020

Pledges Received Through March 2026 \$77,561



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