



BAKER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SERVICE of WORD, SONG and PRAYER - MAY 31, 2026, 9 : 30 AM

...a multigenerational congregation filled with the joy of faith, hospitality towards everyone and hope for the future. We believe God's grace is a gift to everyone; each person a beloved child of God worthy of love, respect & blessing.



GREETING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you!**

WELCOME

Rev. David Aslesen, Pastor

PRELUDE

“Come, Holy Spirit,” Johann Pachelbel, Stephen Uhl, organ

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Chris Leo, Liturgist

One: Worthy of praise from every mouth,

All: Worthy of confession from every tongue,

One: Worthy of worship from every creature,

All: Is your glorious name, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

One: For you created the world in your grace,

All: and by your compassion you saved the world.

One: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts;

All: heaven and earth are full of your praises.

* HYMN 64 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

* PRAYER FOR TRINITY SUNDAY

Holy God our Universal Creator, we call you by many names, but the names we choose tell of our relationship with you.

Holy Spirit of Breath and Blessing, we feel you move through us, guiding us on our journey, inspiring us to share your love with others.

Holy Christ, Jesus, the Savior, our Brother and Friend, we desire to walk in your ways and to love one another as you have first loved us.

Triune God, we desire to relate to you and to each other more fully so that we might grow to know the depths of your love.

Call us, guide us and lead us into this world and beyond. Amen.

* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Share a smile, wave or sign of peace.

EPISTLE SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 13:11-13
New Testament, pg. 186, pew Bible



TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS – CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Sunday school is on summer break. Busy bags with activities for children can be found at either entrance. A place space is located in the south narthex area.

SONG OF PRAYER 328 “Surely the Presence of the Lord”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

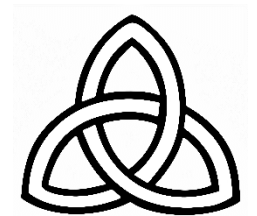
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. AMEN.

*GOSPEL SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28:16-20
New Testament, pg. 34, pew Bible
This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

*SUNG RESPONSE, #70, “Gloria Patri”

***Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.***



MESSAGE

“Relationship to the 3rd Power”

Rev. David Aslesen

INVITATION TO STEWARDSHIP: ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

Offertory, “Be Thou My Vision,” arr C. Courtney, Kelly Johnson, soloist

* Doxology, Sung response, Doxology, Hymnal, pg. 94

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts.
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

- * Prayer of Dedication
- * HYMN 606 “Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine”
- * BLESSING & SENDING FORTH
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all. **AMEN.**
- * POSTLUDE “Praise Holy Trinity,” Flor Peters, Stephen Uhl, organ

*Today’s altar flowers are given by **Bob & Carol Coutts** in celebration
of their **70th** Wedding Anniversary.*



SEASON OF HOPE BEGINS JUNE 7

Throughout the month of June, we will honor God's gift of hope for every season. **I Peter 1:3-9: "God has given us a new birth into a living hope!"** Worship will explore living hope, practicing hope and lifesaving hope. On Sunday, June 28, we will celebrate with our **CAMP HOPE** VBS kids!

THE B. G. GROSS SCHOLARSHIP FUND; APPLY BY JULY 27, 2026

Named in honor of the late Dr. Gross, former director of music and organist, the fund provides scholarships for church members seeking higher education or members currently enrolled in institutions of higher learning. Pick up the detail sheet from outside the church office or email pastordavid@bakermemorialchurch.org for the link to the online application or go to the church website. The completed application must be received by the Rev. David Aslesen either by mail or email by July 27, 2026, no exceptions.

BAKER MEMORIAL CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor: Rev. David P. Aslesen, Dir. of Music Ministries: Jeff Hunt, Dir. of Children & Family Ministries: Shelly Stienbarger, Dir. of Administration & Finance: Steven Wilhelm, Maintenance Manager: Karl Lescelius, Creative Dir.: Michele Claney, Organist: Stephen Uhl, Dir. of Children’s Music: Kathy Olivarez, Pianist: Sam Wyatt, Treasurer: Lita Jimenez, Wedding Coordinator: Judy Schlarb, Organist Emeritus: Mark Edwards.

FOR MORE NEWS AND INFORMATION:

Speak with our pastor or staff. Call 630.584.6680.
Info@bakermemorialchurch.org. Go to www.bakermemorialchurch.org.
 Check us out on YouTube, Facebook & Instagram.
 Traveling? Worship Online!



UPCOMING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

Information about all of our events can be found on our church app
and at BakerMemorialChurch.org/Whats-Happening.
Don't have our app? Scan the QR code to download!



WORSHIP ASSISTANCE PROVIDED BY:

Greeters: Allan & Jayne Scales; Ushers: Greg Pratt, Jane Fanslow, John Stumpf, Steve Hunt;
Liturgist: Chris Leo; Livestream Tech: Rob Hale

CAMP HOPE SUMMER VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: JUNE 25-25

We are seeking at least 25 volunteers from 8:45 to 11:15 AM. to help make this year's Vacation Bible School, "Camp Hope," a success. Any time you can contribute will make a significant difference for the children in our community. Save-the-Date for the volunteer meetup on Sunday, June 7, from 10:30 to 11:30 AM. (Baker Hall). Please visit <https://tinyurl.com/325h4d25> for more information.

CAMP DECORATIONS NEEDED!!

Lend our VBS crew your camping items to help transform Baker Hall into "Baker Lodge" for VBS. Please ensure all borrowed items are clearly **labeled** with your **name**. Items can be delivered to Baker Hall starting June 7, or between Sunday, June 14 through June 19 during regular church hours.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR REV. PHIL DRIPPS, JUNE 6, 10:30am

Our former associate pastor passed away on April 15. Phil was 91.

CELEBRATE PRIDE 2026: ST. CHARLES PRIDE FEST SUNDAY JUNE 7, 11AM – 3PM

Located at St. Mary's Park, enjoy some music, grab lunch from a food truck, and shop the vendor tables! Baker Memorial's Social Justice Committee will be participating, stop by and say hi! Support PFLAG at parades and festivals throughout June, <https://signup.com/group/105307113201>

BLOOD DRIVE, JUNE 11, 2:30PM-630PM, SAVE A LIFE!

Versiti Blood Center will be onsite! Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/34nvd4ys>. Please donate!

NIL FOOD BANK GANG, JUNE 15, 9AM

Join the Illinois Food Bank gang! A team of volunteers' heads to the NIL Food Bank every month. Our shift runs from 9 a.m. until Noon. For more info contact Betty Erickson at n9yfc@aol.com.

SUNDAY FUNDAY, JUNE 21, 10:30AM

It's VBS kick-off day! Everyone is invited to gather in Baker Hall as we celebrate Camp Hope VBS.

SUMMER VBS: CAMP HOPE, JUNE 22-25, 9AM – 11AM

Come to learn about the seed of hope growing in our hearts to share with the world! Kids pre-K-8th grade are invited to Camp Hope Vacation Bible School.

SUMMER MISSION TRIP: JULY 27-30, 2026

Save the date as we again head to Midwest Mission in Pawnee, IL (near Springfield). This is a great opportunity for members(youth 12 & above w/adult) to participate in service and fellowship. More info on our website.

GRADUATION CONGRATULATIONS

Send your graduate's information to the church office by email or phone call. We'd love to acknowledge their accomplishments and future plans in an upcoming edition of the Weekly Word.

This Week

AT BAKER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, May 31

- 9:30am Worship
- 10:45am AdultEd: *Faith in the News*
- 5pm St. Charles Singers Rehearsal

MONDAY, June 1

- 1pm One O'Clock Book Club
- 7pm Scout Troops 1

TUESDAY, June 2

- 11am Staff Meeting
- 11:30am Kiwanis
- 6:30pm Lydia Circle
- 8pm Keep it Simple Group AA Mtg

WEDNESDAY, June 3

- 11:30am UWF Board Meeting
- 6:30pm Phil Dripps Rehearsal
- 7pm Keep it Simple Group AA Mtg

THURSDAY, June 4

- 9:30am First Aid/CPR
- 6pm Trustees Meeting

FRIDAY, June 5

- OFFICE CLOSED
- 9am Phil Dripps Funeral Prep
- 6pm UWF Movie Night

SUNDAY, June 6

- 10:30am Phil Dripps Service
- 11:30am Phil Dripps Reception

SUNDAY, June 7

- 9:30am Worship
- 10:30am VBS Volunteer Meetup
- 10:45am Social Justice Committee
- 10:45am AdultEd: *Faith in the News*
- 5pm St. Charles Singers Rehearsal



FRIDAY, JUNE 5
AT 6PM IN WILEY HALL

Come for fellowship,
pizza & salad dinner,
watch the movie
Eleanor the Great,
and discuss the movie.

SIGN UP ON THE CHURCH APP
OR THE WEBSITE
bakermemorialchurch.org
Sponsored by United Women in Faith



UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH
Coffee & Conversation
Wednesday, June 3 at 9 am

Drop in for casual
coffee & conversation
at Maple Leaf
Coffee House
1 West Illinois St.



Sign up now!
Summer Mission Trip
Join us at Midwest Mission July 27-30
This is a great opportunity for all ages
to participate in service and fellowship!
Contact Pastor David or Chris Stumpf for info
Sign up on church app or website [Volunteer page](#)



PETE HOLMES
BLOOD DRIVE

**THURSDAY
JUNE 11
2:30-6:30 PM**

SIGN UP TO
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& SAVE A LIFE!

Make an appointment
on the church app or website
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