

VIEWS AND VISTAS

The Newsletter of the

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From the Minister



Congratulations to our Confirmands:
Molly Mikec, Kokou Nyadzi, Jude Mikec,
Sibi Lawson, and Sandrine Bledu.

Confirmation Sunday is May 12, 2024.

The Confirmands will lead worship and be received into membership.

Throughout the year we have also enjoyed the leadership of Elders Tom & Sara Ramlow. For Tom, this is his 7th group over 15 years.

The Confirmation journey began in September with our afternoon ROPES day at Lapham Peak. During the year we met each Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30 from September through May.

Each night we played a game, had a snack, a Confirmand led prayer and had our theme for the night in: Hebrew Bible, Greek Bible, and Christian Church. We learned the Ten Commandments, the 23rd Psalm and the Apostles Creed.

During the course of the year, we visited other congregations to talk about faith and share experiences. We extend a special Thank You to Congregation Emanu-El B'Ne Jeshurun and Masjid Al-Qur'an.

We are grateful for the support of parents. We are also grateful for these wonderful confirmands as they grow on the journey of faith and life.

WORSHIP IN MAY

- May 5** Holy Communion
Scripture: II Corinthians 3:2-4
Written on our Hearts
Sermon: *You are the Letter*
Bell Choir
- May 12** **Confirmation Sunday and Mother's Day**
Molly Mikec, Kokou Nyadzi,
Jude Mikec, Sibi Lawson,
Sandrine Bledu
Scripture: Isaiah 43:1
Adult Choir
Sermon: *I Have Called You By Name*
- May 19** *Pentecost*
Recognition of Graduating Senior Highs
Alexis Berlin & Evan Carpenter
Scripture: Acts 2:1-21 *Mighty Wind*
Sermon: *A Dull Pentecost*
- May 26** *Trinity Sunday*
Memorial Day Weekend
10:30 Outdoor Service
Pet Blessing

Summer Worship in June at 9:30 a.m.

[Live Stream West Granville](#)
*Live Stream will open 10 minutes before
the start of service*

Congratulations to our Graduating Seniors

May 19 is our Senior Sunday honoring our graduating Seniors.

Alexis Berlin is graduating from Hartford High School. Alexis will be attending Concordia University in Fall 2024 majoring in Nursing. Her goal is to be a nurse at Children's Hospital. Alexis applied for and received \$1,100 from our Perseverance Scholarship.



Evan Carpenter is graduating from Brookfield Central High School. Evan is planning to pursue a degree in music education at either UW Steven's Point or UW Whitewater.



CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Welcome to Chioma and Dr. Chigozie's baby Sochi Adanne Jenesis Okonkwo

Sochi was born on April 15, 2024.

Sochi means "to follow God closely"

Adanne means "Mother's first Daughter" and is Chigozie's mother's name

Jenesis is first Book of Bible spelled with a "J"

In Sympathy

We give thanks for the life and witness of our beloved **Michael Snowden**, who entered the Church Triumphant at the age of 78, peacefully at home on April 9th.

Michael had struggled with lung disease and received home hospice.

Michael had a radiant and welcoming spirit that greeted all he met as friends. Michael was gentle and kind in heart and deeply devoted to his family.

In earlier years, Michael was a musician in a Rock and Roll Band called SPECTER. Jan attended their concert on her first date with Michael.

Michael was a career lithographer, in the printing industry, a former business owner and in retirement, manager of an apartment complex.

Jan and Michael had been married for 53 years and celebrated their 50th Anniversary in August 2020.

In this sacred season, we pray for Jan, Angie, Beau, Craig & Anna, and grandchildren Joscelyn, Karlie and Linkin.

Thanks be to God who gives us the victory.

Military

Kali Grogan and her husband Abraham, US Navy
JT Lorbiecki, WI Air National Guard 115 Air Wing

Prayers

John Lorbiecki, recovering from heart procedure and hospitalization.

Dr. Tom Roberts, treated at hospital for pneumonia.

Mark Savage, recovering from heart attack.

Dr. Kevin Tarvid, follow up testing and cancer care.

Nancy Rupke, treatment for lung cancer.

Dave Dominguez, continuing surgery May 14 for pancreatic cancer.

Long Term Prayers

Nicki Rupke, special care

Ruby Tylenda-Emmons, special needs

WOMEN'S RETREAT ~ May 3-4th

All women of the church are invited to attend any or all of the Women's Retreat. We will meet Friday, May 3rd for dinner through Saturday, May 4th after lunch at the Cedar Valley Retreat Center in West Bend. There is room enough for 15 to attend. We will be discussing Prayer in our lives. Questions ask Deb Bascom.

PER CAPITA

We are so close to our goal. We still need 27 parishioners to pay their Per Capita to achieve our goal. If you have already paid your Per Capita, thank you! If you have not paid yet, please consider helping our church meet this financial obligation. Per Capita is \$40.00 per confirmed member.

The Finance Committee

FLOWERS ~ OPEN CIRCLE

The Open Circle Flower Sale is here again. Some options will include 10" hanging baskets, flower pouches, 4.5" geranium and tomato pots, and 14" patio planters, all from Shady Lane Nursery. There are several more choices on the order form.

Flowers will be available at the church for pick-up on **Sunday, May 19**, after 9:30 a.m. Orders must be placed by **Sunday, May 12**. Flowers can be ordered in one of the following ways:

1. online at the following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdGeqQVEkpYIN5IBOzu_6oBJ680yRVxm_u4Wjj916nFoHtOg5Q/viewform?edit_request_sted=true

If this link does not work for you, also see the link and notice in Tuesday's weekly email.

2. contacting Deb Crane at 262-707-1102 or debcrane99@gmail.com

3. paper form - please contact Deb Crane to request a copy or you may pick some up in Perseverance Hall starting May 5.

Master Singers of Milwaukee Concert May 19, 2024 ~ 4:00 pm

MSM's final 50th anniversary season concert looks forward to the bright future of both MSM and of music-making in the greater Milwaukee area. Selections explore the power of music and its ability to continue to comfort loved ones and change the world even after the original music-makers are gone.

The concert "*The Song is Mightier Than the Sword*" will be performed on Sunday, May 19, 2024 at 4:00 pm at the Sharon Lynne Wilson Center for the Arts, 3270 Mitchell Park Dr., Brookfield.

Tickets: www.mastersingersofmilwaukee.org

THANK YOUs

*Dear Pastor Dee and beloved WG Congregation,
I am deeply touched by the cards, gifts and well-wishes from my beloved church members received for my recent retirement as Parish Nurse. Arranging for my portrait, the generous check and title of Parish Nurse Emerita is humbly and gratefully accepted. Words cannot adequately express my gratitude to each of you. I have loved the opportunity to be with you in my ministry and I will continue to be part of our congregation for years to come. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.*

*With love and God's blessings,
Lil Sullivan*

Dear Congregation,

Thank you so much for all of the many wonderful get well cards that you have sent to me over the past few months. Your concern and prayers and love have meant the absolute world to me. Also the scrumptious homemade soup and the delicious cookies!!

The radiation treatments for my lung cancer are complete and I was fortunate to have no side effects. I will not find out if the cancer is gone until June. In the meantime I will need to develop a great deal of patience!

*With appreciation and love,
Nancy Rupke*

*We have received checks of \$100.00 and \$200.00 to help with food products to help our neighbors. Thank you for your donations. God bless you for caring.
~ St. Peter-Immanuel Food Pantry*

To our dear and much loved church family ~

*We are so very grateful to all of you for the many cards, gifts of food, and the gorgeous orchid plant that we received in honor of our cherished Michael. WGPC has been so very kind and generous to all of us throughout our many years together. We feel so very blessed.
the Snowden Family*

~all cards are posted in the Narthex

MAY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

1	Ben Anderson
2	Kelly Grogan
5	Sarah Von Drasek
6	Elizabeth Sandretti & Ed Kress, 2006
6	Terry Mikec
7	Bridget Rhode
8	Noel Adams
8	Jeff Prill
8	Alexander Shuff
10	Billie & Ken Alderden, 1997
12	Stephen & Carol Buck, 1979
14	Karl & Pamela Mayer, 1988
19	John T. Lorbiecki
21	Chris & Michelle Pogorzelski, 1994
25	Deborah Crane
26	Elizabeth Tylenda & Arnold Gutkowski, 1979
28	Christine Prill
29	John & Bridget Rhode, 1994
30	Kent & Marna Tess-Mattner, 1975
30	Joseph Hrovat
31	Elizabeth Tylenda

If your dates are missing or in error, please inform the church office.

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Please submit June articles by May 26, 2024

MAY 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Communion Team:</i> Deb Bascom, Calley and Mark Savage <i>Ushers:</i> David Lambert, Carol and Steve Buck</p> <p>Zoom links may be found on our www.Westgranville.org website under the <i>Events</i> tab. *Meetings may be via Zoom or may have been date- and/or time-changed, please stay tuned. Recorded sermons and videos may be found at our YouTube channel – https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNPrOpTv3k_4JE8gYrRM4-Dw</p>			1 6:00 Bells	2	3 Open Circle Retreat -> 4 th	4
<p>5 – 6th Sunday of Easter 9:30 Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship Holy Communion Bell Choir</p>	6 7 – Worship *	7	8 6:30 Session with Confirmands	9	10	11 Open Circle flower orders due tomorrow
<p>12 – 7th Sunday of Easter Mother’s Day 9:15 Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship, Confirmation Adult Choir</p>	13 7 – Finance *	14	15	16	17	18 Pick up Open Circle flowers tomorrow
<p>19 – Pentecost 9:15 Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship H.S. Senior Recognition</p> <p>Pick up Open Circle flowers after 9:30</p>	20 Pastor Dee Away -> 22 nd	21	22	23	24	25 June Newsletter deadline tomorrow
<p>26 – Trinity Sunday 9:15 Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:30 Outdoor Worship Pet Blessing</p>	27 <i>Memorial Day observed</i>	28 7 – Property *	29	30	31	<i>Coffee Hour hosts:</i> 5: Bichler family 12: Essoka family 19: CE Committee