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SUMMER REFLECTIONS

Hello wonderful people,

We have been talking about change, being connected, being inviting, engaging, and relational not just with GOD but with each other as well. As I sit here letting these words race around in my mind. I wonder and imagine how we can do more to make these words become a part of our day-to-day lives with Jesus who invites us to do just that. Is this the “purpose-filled life” we read about in a devotional book, a podcast we listen to, or even a TV show we watch? How are we going to follow in Jesus’ footsteps? What does that even look like? How do we? I think John Wesley made it pretty clear. Do no harm, do all the best you can, and do everything for the glory of GOD. Let us jump right in and explain that all these things make a major change in our lives. This is why it is so difficult for us because we do not like change at all. We love to be in our comfort zones and not be disturbed. That is why it is going to take some challenging work for us to change, even a little. YES, some of us will need to take baby steps for us to even talk about anything to change, and for others, we will take sledgehammers and knock down barriers and walls without blinking an eye. How can we be so different and yet be together? That is where being connectional comes into play. If we keep up walls and hidden barriers that keep us apart, then how do we do the things Jesus’ ministry is saying to us? Let us invite people! A personal invitation to anyone, everyone. The greatest way to bring people to Christ is to ask them! Then be relational and stay with them as they walk into their faith journey, and may the Holy Spirit lead us as we walk with them. This isn’t just a “point-and-let-you go in peace” type of thing but rather a Hey let’s walk together and see what purpose GOD has in store for you. Then may I walk along with you on this journey. We with GOD are about to take a beautiful eye-opening trip. Helping them and us be in a relationship with GOD, Jesus Christ, and understand the Holy Spirit that is waiting for us to acknowledge and open up to. As we put this into action it also makes us better disciples and children of GOD. “Making disciples for the transformation of the world.”

Small groups, MAKE ONE! Don’t wait for someone, if you feel led, pray, and discern where the Spirit is leading you. Look up a book of the Bible you like or want to understand more of, how about a book that stirs you inside? If it is affecting, you I bet GOD is having it affect someone else as well. Take the opportunity GOD is laying on your heart and spirit. This is how we bring people together to come and have conversations, explore, and even help have a clearer understanding of who we are in Christ. To be led rather than to lead. To hear the voice of the shepherd and follow. Willing and able? Are we both? Let us not be those we see or hear about, those who are the stubborn bunch who like to dig their heels in when they feel they are losing control or do not want change. Jesus fought with them constantly, we have conflicts with them still today. Let us join in a place that is compassionate, and full of mercy and grace. That loves the way Jesus loves us. This is the summer of new beginnings are we ready? Are we eager to go where we have not gone before? This isn’t just about the church it is about our daily lives! What actions are you prepared to change in your lives to be closer to Jesus?

Wishing you all a wonderful Summer!

Love and Laughter

Pastor Paul+

➔Charge News➔



Hey, did you know you can find us on Facebook and YouTube now?

We have a Facebook page for each church and a YouTube channel for Holcombe.

We are on Facebook live every Monday through Friday for our “Up at 7” Devotional time as well as our live stream church service at 8:30 Sunday morning.

If not on Facebook, please tune in to our YouTube channel and watch our Sunday service.

We do have online giving as well on our Website through PayPal.

We are reaching out to all so you may reach out to us together for the Glory of GOD!

“If prayer requests are needed, please contact Gail Laudenslager at: 715-559-6434 or email storm1935@gmail.com”

Insurance Woes Across the Nation Hitting Home to Our Churches

All three of our Charge Churches recently received notice of a rather drastic increase in property and liability insurance premiums. Each Church is facing a 40% increase in premium costs despite much higher deductibles. Representatives from each Church met with our long-term agent, Beth Kroeger. Beth explained the rationale for the increases and offered a few strategies for reducing the premiums.

The cause of the increases has to do with the increased number of catastrophic, weather related claims nationwide. Insurance companies are required to maintain reserves and purchase re-insurance from even larger insurance companies. Of course their increased costs are passed along to the end-consumers like us regardless of our claim history.

Another factor playing into the increase is the Wisconsin Conference requiring all Churches to maintain minimum coverage limits, often way beyond what small Churches need or can afford. Beth offered that Conference staff is meeting with Church Mutual representative to hopefully get some relief from those mandates. Sadly, even with those changes insurance will still be expensive.

Advisory Boards from each Church will be facing some challenging decisions. Rest assured, they will do their best to do what’s best for Our Churches.



Scripture readings for
JULY 2024

JULY 7TH
HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY

Old Testament

2ND Samuel 5: 1-5, 9,10

New Testament

2nd Corinthians 12: 2-10

Gospel

Mark 6: 1-13

“Shaking off the Dust”

JULY 14TH

Old Testament

2ND Samuel 6: 1-5, 12-19

New Testament

Ephesians 1: 3-14

Gospel

Mark 6: 14-29

“Mystery of His Will”

Please sign up to be a
liturgist
and share your gifts and
talents.

JULY 21ST

Old Testament

New Testament

Gospel

D.S. Peace Kim @ Holcombe

Keith @ Jim Falls and Anson

**JULY 28TH We all
gather as one
Gathering at the
Lake Service**

Old Testament

Psalms 14

New Testament

Ephesians 3: 14-21

Gospel

John 6: 1-21

We gather together to remember
our baptism and to come
together in Jesus' Name.

“5 and 2”

Holcombe Food Pantry

is open on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month from 2-5pm



Anyone in the Holcombe school district is welcome to come and receive food on those Tuesdays.

Lake Holcombe Food Pantry

Now located at the Lion's Club Building at 27867 County Highway M. It is open every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month from 2pm to 5 pm. For donation drop off or food emergencies call Dawn at 715-827-0884.

We are always looking for any donations to help stock the shelves. Here are some of the things that they need:

Paper Sacks

Kleenex

Toilet Paper

Napkins

Cake Mixes

Canned Frosting

Baking Mixes

Cereal



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JIM FALLS FOOD PANTRY IS OPEN EVERY MONDAY

4-6 pm

At the Jim Falls United Methodist Church.

The church is located right across from the
River Country gas station.

People are welcome to come three times each month.

Jim Falls Food Pantry

Located the Jim Falls Church at 13883 County Hwy S. It is open every Monday from 4pm to 6 pm. Donations can be dropped off at this time or Friday's from 11a to 2 p. For food emergencies call Bob at 715-577-2705.

We are always appreciative of any donations we receive but right now the shelves are low of the following items:

Wax paper, Plastic wrap

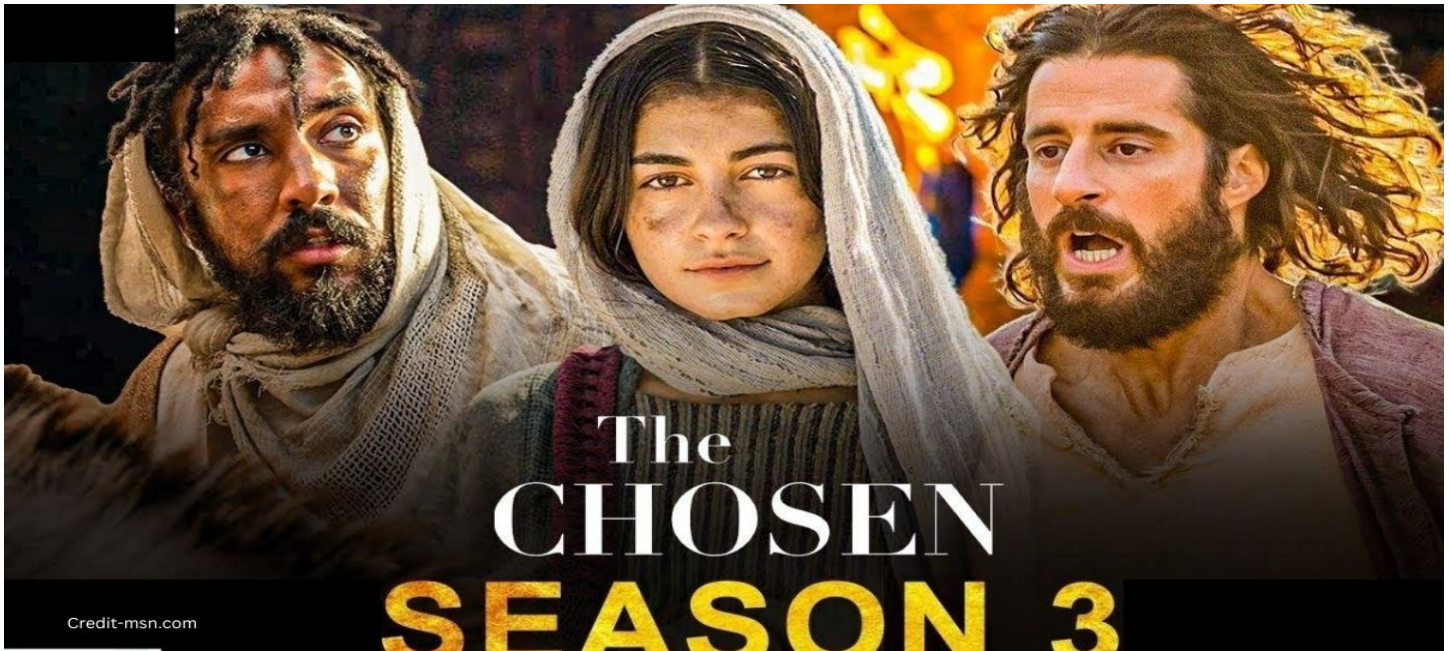
Press and seal wrap

Cleanser



We are starting movie night again! All are welcome to come and watch a wonderful family movie. Each month we will show a movie at Holcombe UMC. Come and enjoy a movie with free popcorn and you bring a beverage. We will be having them once a month at the church. Keep watching the movie time and place each month.

JULY 17 @ 6:30 will be our next movie night.



COME AND SEE
**Welcome Back to watching the chosen
at Holcombe UMC.**

We will begin on Tuesday, July 16th at 10 am.
We are starting with Season 3 and on to
Season 4.

Tell your friends all are welcome!
GET USED TO DIFFERENT!
Coffee and light snacks



We are coming together in JULY on the 28th to renew our baptism at Christian Harbor Church Camp at Lake Holcombe. We are working on being more connectional not only with our charge but with Faith in Ladysmith and others as well. All are welcome to be a part of this renewal of and remembrance of our Baptisms. It will begin at 10 am. And we will have a potluck to follow. We are coming to the lakeshore singing and praising GOD.

2ND ANNUAL

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL
WITH ADDED TACO BAR**

BROUGHT TO YOU BY:

HOLCOMBE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

JULY 31ST

4:00-6:30

AT

**HOLCOMBE UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

**27841 COUNTY ROAD M
HOLCOMBE**



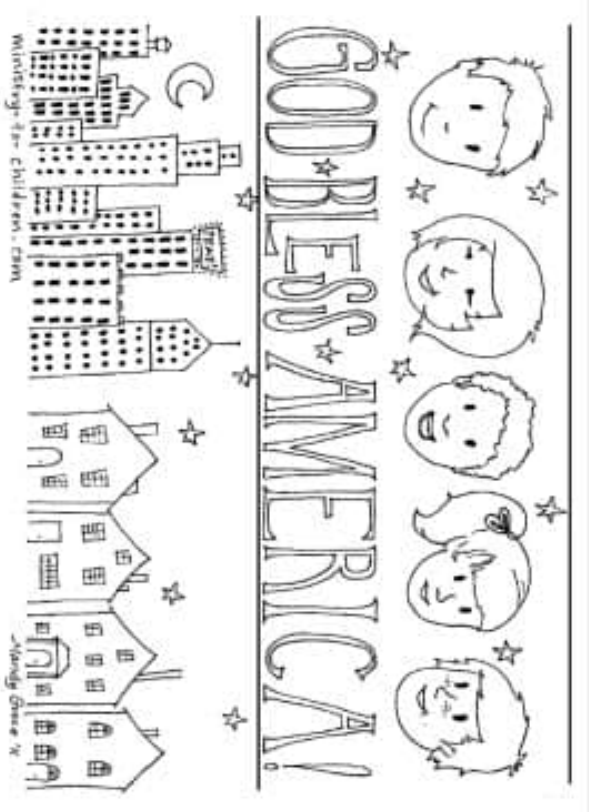
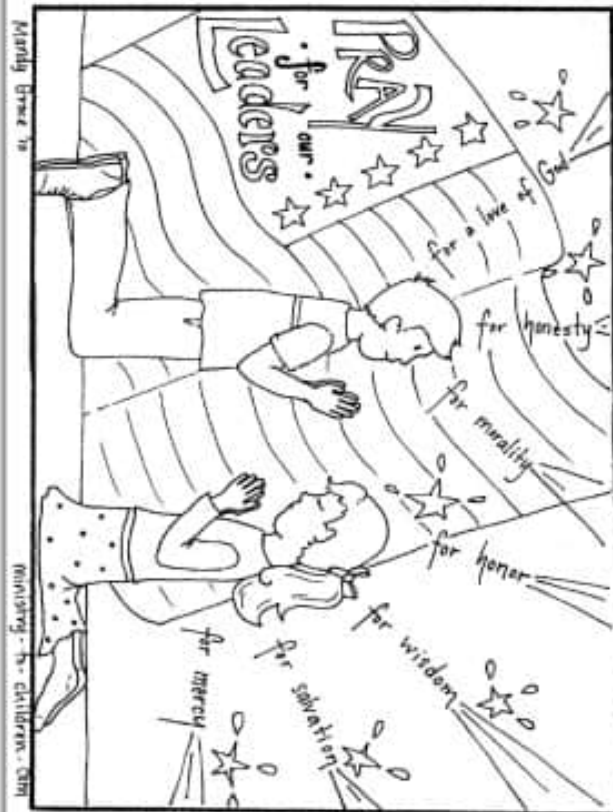
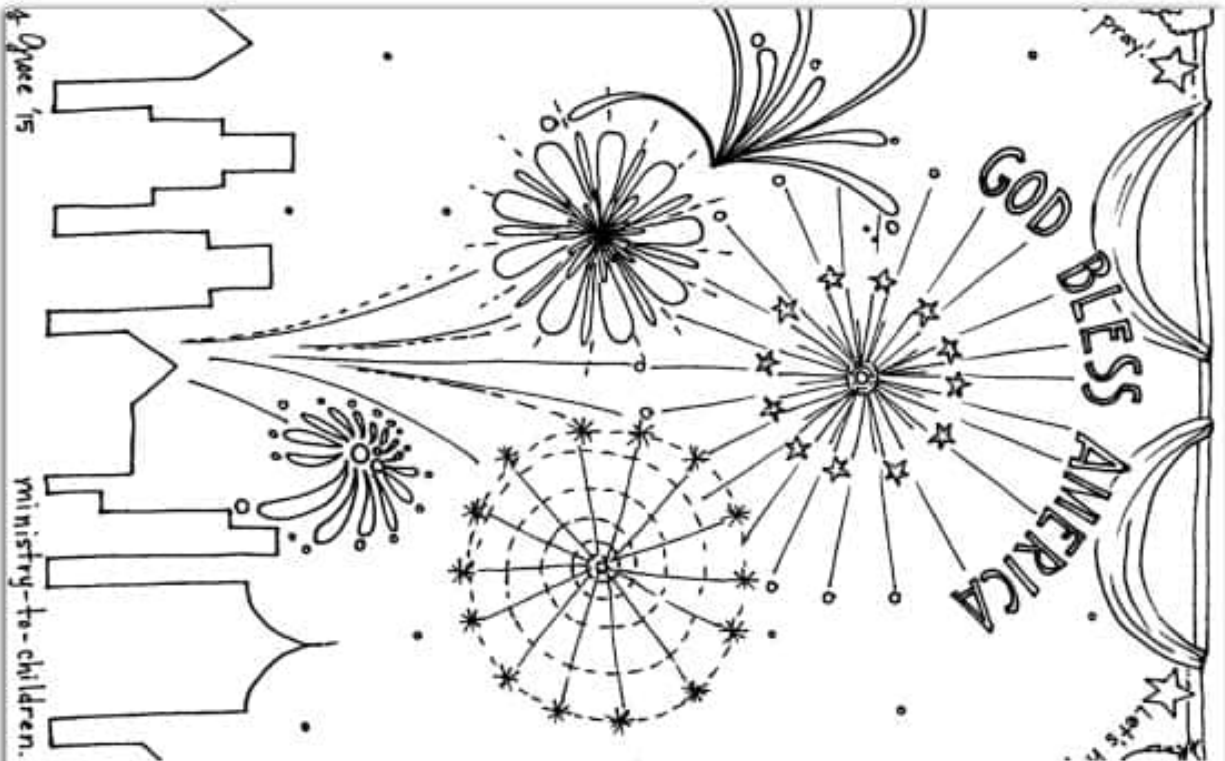
living with loss

We are starting a new small group of individuals who are hurting and living with a loss of any kind. We are exploring our feelings and how we are moving forward, coping, or just surviving daily. We welcome all to come and have a seat and look at scripture as well as our feelings and the feelings of others in a safe place and reassurance of moving forward one step at a time. Come, you are invited to share and have a safe place to make it one day at a time.

HOLCOMBE UMC

Thursdays at 1 pm in person or on Zoom.

JESUS JOY



↔Holcombe News↔

HOLCOMBE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

Holcombe United Methodist Church
Finance Committee Meeting
June 24, 2024

Present: Jeff Anders, Chair of Trustees
Sherry, Annual Conference Rep
Pastor Paul Messmer
Brenda Cigan, Finance Committee Chair
Kathy Yeager, Finance Committee Treasurer
Deb Horecka, Finance Committee Secretary

Not Present: Aron Cote, Samaritan Fund and Shelby Justus, SPRC

1. Meeting began with prayer led by Pastor Paul.
2. Introduction of Brenda Cigan as new Finance Chair with an explanation of her role and the role of others within the Finance Committee was done.
3. Jeff, Brenda and Pastor Paul will meet with Carla to tell Carla of the change in the Finance Committee and that Kathy Yeager has agreed to volunteer as the treasurer.
4. Brenda will call Carla to schedule the appointment. Her phone number is (715)271-4758. The meeting will be scheduled for Thursday, June 27th at 10:00, if possible.
5. Kathy will speak to the bank regarding changes and what information will be needed from committee members.
6. Kathy would like to use paper checks and not a computerized program.
7. Kathy will write checks for the month and Jeff and Brenda will review and sign the checks before each Ad board meeting.
8. 2 people will be required to sign checks and that will be Jeff Anders and Brenda Cigan with Deb Horecka as the backup.
9. Kathy discussed having access to the 501(c)(3) and other tax numbers and possibly having a bank credit card.
10. It was decided that Script cards would be purchased to have available for others, such as kitchen staff, to use instead of individuals having to pay out of their pocket and then get reimbursed at a later time.
11. Membership for the 3 churches is how the percentage of payment is determined. At the present time Holcombe pays 65%, Jim falls 25% and Anson 10%.
12. Discussion occurred on the need to reevaluate membership and if this is a fair distribution of funds.
13. Additional Finance Committee meetings will be scheduled as needed.
14. The Ad Board meets every 3rd Tuesday at 5:00.

HOLCOMBE UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

**HOLCOMBE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN IN FAITH
MEET AT CHURCH THE SECOND THURSDAY EACH MONTH
AT 1:30 UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
EVERY WOMAN IS INVITED TO JOIN US AND
YOU NEED NOT BE A METHODIST TO JOIN!**

Holcombe Mission Committee

➤Jim Falls News◀

“Just Talk” Church Service

We are doing service a little differently at Jim falls UMC. On the fourth Sunday of the month at 10:00 am. We are having a discussion time that is the church service. Yes, come in and we will talk about what is happening in the world today. How does it make you feel? Where can we find ourselves in all this turmoil? It is a new way to come together and help us walk together and encourage and lift each other. We will look at scripture have testimonies and share what has or is occurring in our lives. We welcome all to come and join in the discussion. We want to hear from you the ones who are lost, unsure, lonely, afraid, or looking for answers. Come grab a cup of coffee and sit and let us have a conversation to talk and look and see where god is in all these feelings and emotions. Come and let us find these answers together. Again, the fourth Sunday of the month. At 10:00 am

➤Anson News◀

2024 July Birthdays and

Holcombe Anniversaries!

- 1 Graci Willmarth
- 3 Jean Wolfe
- 6 Lucas Hering
- 15 Yvonne Carlson
- 17 Joe Cigan
 - Ruby Getting
 - Ken & Carol Severson
- 18 Rochelle Catlin
 - Mary Pietenpol
- 19 Jeff & Erika Alix
 - Tom Burns
- 23 Carley Maier
 - Robert & Nancy Wendell
- 25 Jett Uitdenbogerd
- 27 Jolene Anders
 - Mark Willmarth

Jim Falls

- 2 Bob & Carla Ingalls
- 4 Andy Strupp
- 9 Paul Sweeney
- 14 Brian Lazarz
- 18 Lang & Holli Jacobson
(Keith Pitsch daughter)
- 19 Robbie Baker
 - Devin Smith
 - John & Sheila Sundlin
- 25 Sara Smith
 - Tess Stipek
- 26 Jeanne Driessen

Anson

- 7 Dan & Ann Crogg
- 9 Brandon & Charlene Colvin
- 11 Gavin Griesbach
- 14 Chris King
- 15 Marjorie Hakes
- 19 Mason Sande
- 22 Mike & Jeri Dumholt
- 23 Don & Kathy Cernohous-Hauser
 - Lisa McIlquham
- 25 Travis & Leah Griesbach
- 26 Molly McIlquham

JULY

Anson, Holcombe, and Jim Falls

UMC

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Coffee Time 7-9a (H) Food Pantry 3:30-5:30p (JF) The Chosen 1:00p (JF)	2 Board of Trustees 4p (H)	3 Coffee Time 7-9a (H) CCWP 1p (H)	4 HAPPY 4 th of July!!!!!!!	5 Thrift Sale (H) 8a-4p	6 Hooked on Lake Holcombe 8a-11a
7 Sunday Service 8:30a (H), 10a (JF), (A)11:15a "The Chosen" Max's on Long Lake at 2:30p	8 Coffee Time 7-9a (H) Food Pantry 3:30-5:30p (JF) The Chosen 1:00p (JF)	9 Food Pantry 2-5 (H) Missions 10a (H) Outreach 5p(H) The Chosen	10 Coffee Time 7-9a (H) CCWP 1p (H)	11 Choir 5:30 p (H) UWF 1:30p (H) Living with Loss 1p (H)	12 Pastor's day off Coffee Time 7-9a	13
14 Sunday Service 8:30a (H), 10a (JF), 11:15a (A) "The Chosen" Max's on Long Lake at 2:30p	15 Coffee Time 7-9a (H) The Chosen 1:00p (A) Food Pantry 3:30-5:30p (JF)	16 Church Council (H) 5p The Chosen Season 3 (H) 10a	17 Coffee Time 7-9a (H) CCWP 1p (H) Movie night (H) 6:30p	18 Choir 5:30p (H) Living with Loss 1p (H)	19 Pastor's day off Coffee Time 7-9a (H)	20 Men's Breakfast 7:30a (JF)
21 Sunday Service 8:30a (H), 10a (JF), 11:15a (A) "The Chosen" Max's on Long Lake at 2:30p	22 Coffee Time 7-9a (H) The Chosen 1:00p (JF) Food Pantry 3:30-5:30p (JF)	23 Food Pantry 2-5 (H) The Chosen Season 3 (H) 10a	24 Coffee Time 7-9a (H) CCWP 1p (H)	25 Choir 5:30p (H) Living with Loss 1p (H)	26 Pastor's Day Off Coffee Time 7-9a (H)	27
28 Sunday Service Outside Service by Christian Harbor Camp lakeshore 10am-All Churches to attend+Ladysmith "The Chosen" Max's on Long Lake at 2:30p	29 Coffee Time 7-9a (H) Food Pantry 3:30-5:30 (JF) The Chosen 1:00p (JF)	30 The Chosen Season 3 (H) 10a	31 Coffee Time 7-9a (H) CCWP 1p (H)			

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Office Hours	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Pastor Paul	HC (9a-1:30p) (JF 1-2:30)	HC (9a-3p)	HC (9a-3p)	HC 9a Visiting day	Sabbath day Of rest

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Lay member of the Annual Conference

Cheri Bingham (H)

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Wisconsin Area Bishop | Hee-Soo Jung

Northwest District Superintendent | Peace Kim.

CHURCH INFORMATION

We are on Facebook and UTUBE

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**JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON
 SUNDAYS IN PERSON AND
 VIRTUAL.**

HOLCOMBE 8:30 A.M.

JIM FALLS 10 A.M.

ANSON 11:15 A.M.