

# The Bridge

## Spring 2024

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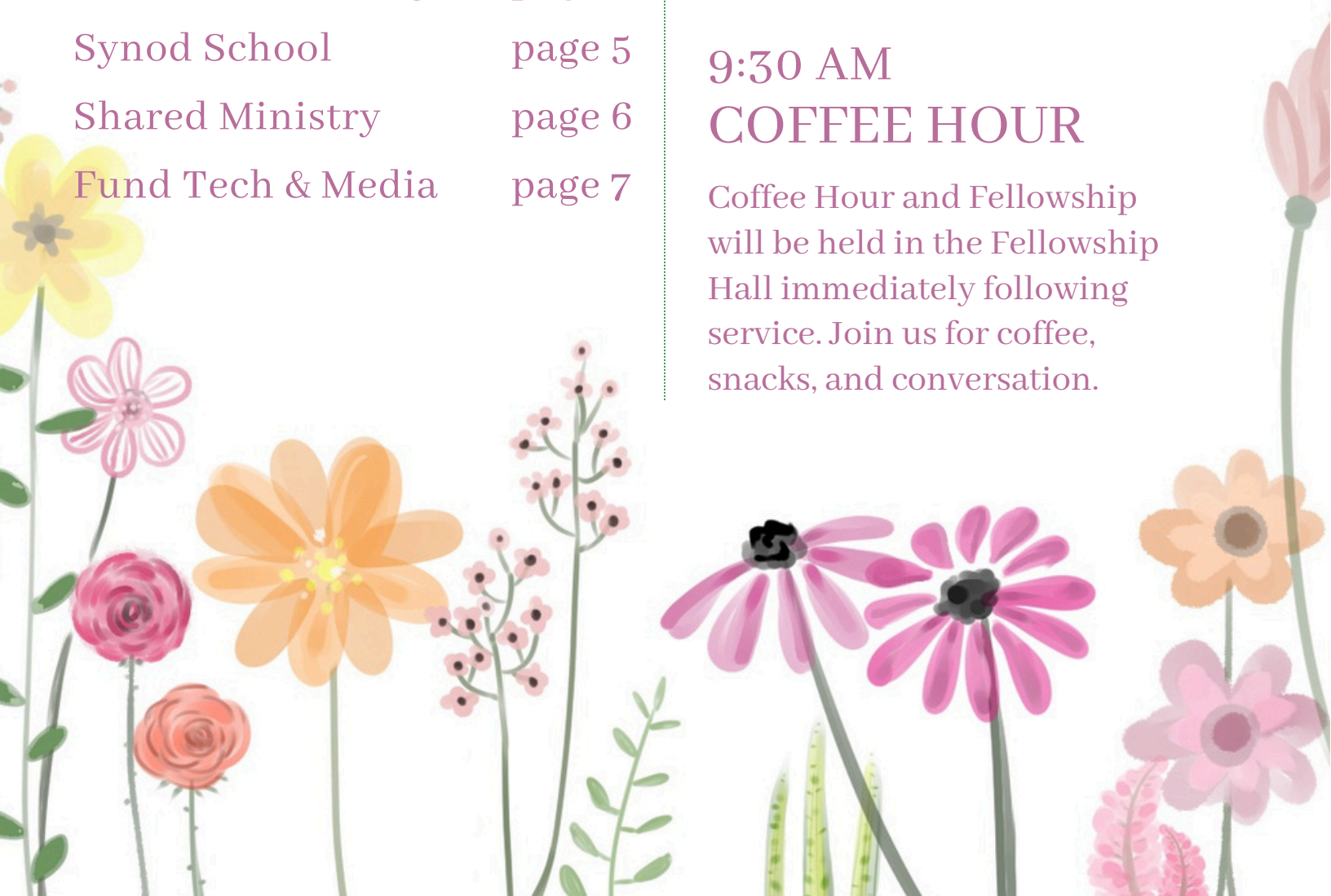
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### 8:30 AM SUNDAY SERVICE

Service is streamed live on Facebook. A recording of the stream will be made available on YouTube following the service.

### 9:30 AM COFFEE HOUR

Coffee Hour and Fellowship will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately following service. Join us for coffee, snacks, and conversation.





**SESSION MEMBERS  
&  
MINISTRY TEAMS**

**SESSION  
N HALL**

**PERSONNEL AND  
MISSION/OUTREACH**

**MELISSA HARMON**

**MISSION/OUTREACH  
AND LIAISON TO  
DEACONS/MEMBER CARE TEAM**

**BETTE HOYTINK  
CLERK**

**KRISTINA MOSLEY  
WORSHIP/PERSONNEL**

**MARILYN PAULSON  
WORSHIP/FAITH FORMATION**

**ROGER HOYTINK  
BUILDING,  
GROUNDS AND  
INFRASTRUCTURE**

**DAVID STRUENSEE  
BUILDING,  
GROUNDS AND  
INFRASTRUCTURE**

**JESSICA HARRISON  
TREASURER**

**DEACONS/MEMBER CARE**  
**KAREN ANGELL**  
**DEB BARTELT**  
**PEGGY BALFANZ**  
**LONNA NORTON**  
**SANDRA BUSER**

## **SESSION HIGHLIGHTS**

The Session met on April 9th and took the following action:

- Agreed to renew the Zoom account for the church.
- Received a Thank You letter from COTS of Oshkosh for the financial contribution to the Help for the Homeless campaign.
- Voted to provide partial financial support for Treasurer, Jessica Harrison, to attend the Stewardship Kaleidoscope event in September.
- Reviewed a revised 2024 budget which includes salary and benefits for a new pastor, beginning June 15th. A final vote will be done at the May meeting.
- Moved the May Session meeting date to Wednesday, May 15th when the sessions from both Winneconne and Weyauwega will first meet separately and then have a joint meeting to draft an agreement on the details of sharing a pastor.



## May Worship Leadership

Date	Pulpit Supply	Liturgist
May 5*	Rev. Emily Lueder	Marilyn Paulson
May 12	Gina Struensee, RE	TBD
May 19**	Jessica Harrison, CRE	TBD
May 26	Rev. Andy Sonneborn	TBD

**\*IMPORTANT NOTICE: Beginning May 5, 2024 worship will move to a new time. It will begin at 8:30 am each week going forward to accommodate our new pastor, Rev. Emily Lueder.**

**\*\*Sunday, May 19 is the Day of Pentecost in our church year.**

**This occurs 50 days after Easter and celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit to the disciples following Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension.**

**It marks the beginning of the Christian church's mission to the world.**

**HELP US CELEBRATE BY WEARING RED to church that day.**

### **COMMUNION STEWARDS NEEDED**

Two or three more deacons or ruling elders (currently serving or previously ordained) are still needed to serve as communion stewards. Each person would serve 2-3 times per year. Responsibilities include finding two people to serve communion, purchase, set up, and clean-up of the elements for communion services (first Sunday of the month). We'd like to have teams in place when Pastor Emily starts with us. A schedule and training will be provided. Please let Marilyn Paulson know if you will lend a hand (marilyn.paulson1@gmail.com or 920-215-3973).



# "I am coming to you."

Christ shared these simple but powerful words to assure us that He will always be at our side. This is the hope and inspiration that carries us forward, and is fundamental to our faith.

Instilling this understanding is a gift we pass to our children. The Pentecost Offering helps our youth begin life with a strong start in the years from childhood through young adulthood that will last a lifetime.

**40%**  
STAYS WITH YOUR  
CONGREGATION  
to support ministries  
with children, youth,  
and young adults.

**25%**  
SUPPORTS YOUNG  
ADULT VOLUNTEERS  
(YAV), serving in communities  
around the world, and growing  
as leaders through transformative  
Christian service.

**25%**  
SUPPORTS MINISTRIES  
WITH YOUTH  
including the  
Presbyterian Youth  
Triennium.

**10%**  
IS DEVOTED TO  
CHILDREN AT-RISK  
and supports to improve  
education and provide  
safe havens.

**Won't you join us?**

Please give generously... for if we all do a little, it adds up to a lot.

*"I am coming to you"*  
- John 14:18b



## PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERINGS

APRIL 1-MAY 19, 2024

CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS



MATTHEW 25

**A FOUNDATION  
OF FAITH**  
established during  
childhood through  
young adulthood  
helps ensure lifelong  
faith and service.  
When you give to the  
Pentecost Offering,  
you are helping to  
provide opportunities  
for young people to  
grow and share in  
their faith in Christ.

### WAYS TO GIVE —

 Through your congregation

 Text PENTECOST  
to 91999 to support  
these vital ministries

 Give online at  
[pcusa.org/give/Pentecost](https://pcusa.org/give/Pentecost)



You can help sustain the important ministries and programs that are supported by the Pentecost Offering by making an online gift at any time throughout the year. Checks may be sent Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.); P.O. Box 643700; Pittsburgh, PA, 15264-3700.



# SYNOD SCHOOL

**SYNOD SCHOOL – July 21-26, 2024 – Buena Vista University, Storm Lake, IA**  
**2024 Synod School celebrates 70 years.**

**This year's theme: More Than We Can Imagine**

**The group that gathered to plan for the first Synod School event seventy years ago could not have imagined what brings us to Synod School in 2024. It has become more than they could have imagined! Multi-generation families, tie dye, more classes proposed than we have room for, “the best week of the entire year”...**

**As we look to the future of the Church, what will it look like? What innovations are already happening? What is yet to come? As we think about the lives of the young people in our lives, what will their futures be? What innovations will renew their lives and ministries? God is already doing things we cannot even imagine. What difference can that make in our lives and ministries?”**

## **What is Synod School?**

**Synod School is a learning and personal enrichment experience for people of all ages. It seeks to create an environment of hospitality, healing, and hope. The week is designed for laity, clergy, individuals, and families with classes and activities for adults, youth, and children. People come from all over the country with their friends and families to share in this week of worship, study, play, and life together. It is an opportunity to learn something new, to continue conversations begun by keynote speakers with others over meals or a board game, to share talents of creativity and music, to worship without being in charge, to be energized for service, and to enjoy not having to cook for a week.**

**There are catalogues at the church or for more information and to view the online catalogue visit: [www.lakesandprairies.org/SynodSchool](http://www.lakesandprairies.org/SynodSchool)**



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WINNCHURCH.ORG

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THEN CLICK "GIVE NOW"



# SHARED MINISTRY FUND

## MARCH 2024

MARCH TOTAL INCOME (w/o pass thru)	\$ 8,758.97
MARCH TOTAL EXPENSES (w/o pass thru)	\$ 10,629.90
<b>LOSS FOR MARCH</b>	<b>\$ 1,870.93</b>

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YTD INCOME (w/o pass thru)	\$ 20,710.43
YTD EXPENSES (w/o pass thru)	\$ 24,883.72
<b>YTD LOSS</b>	<b>\$ 4,173.29</b>

PREMIER BANK RECONCILIATION BALANCE 3/31/24	\$69,713.10
NEW COVENANT MUTUA FUND BALANCE 3/28/24	\$81,287.45



Visit our website often to get access to past sermons, musical selections from the Harmons, and stay up to date with our church calendar. Click the button below to be taken to our website. Click the "Online Giving" button to be automatically directed to the Online Giving page.

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If you don't want to worship in person, please join us in live worship every Sunday, streamed from our Facebook page at 9:00am. FPC of Winneconne regularly posts pictures, videos, church information, and events on our page. Please "like" our Facebook page for updates.

[FPC FACEBOOK](#)



YouTube gives you access to all of the videos we have produced. Here you can find past worship services and musical selections from the Harmons. Missed our live Sunday Service? Recordings are posted for viewing following the service on our YouTube Channel.

[FPC YOUTUBE](#)



Various church-related meetings, special gatherings, and Bible Study will be held via Zoom. Links will be provided in our weekly email as scheduled.