

"For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope." – Jeremiah 29:11, NRSVUE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I want to first thank you all for the warm reception Elvin, Hazel, and I have received at First Presbyterian Church of Winneconne! I am grateful and humbled that you have entrusted me with the care of your congregation. I am also incredibly excited for the work that we will accomplish together as one community of faith.

In embarking on this new journey with you all, I have been thinking a lot about the future. This is, in part, my own future with a new job and a new home in a new state. But this is also, in part, our shared future. I look so forward to joining together in worship from week to week, as well as coming together for fun, food, and fellowship. We will spend holidays together and celebrate the births and marriages of children and grandchildren together. We will also be together in difficult seasons, in seasons of illness and seasons of loss and grief. But, through all of it, we will be together, and I look forward to these moments of connection.

At the same time, I admit that I am apprehensive. The future is always unknown, and change of any kind can be scary. I myself have to resist the urge to try and control the future or stop it from happening. Indeed, Scripture reminds me that these things are not for me to do. As a child of God, I am only to surrender, to put my trust in the One who already has my future prepared. He has plans to give me not only a future, but a future with hope. That is a reminder that the prophet Jeremiah first gave to the Jews when their lives were upended during the Babylonian exile, and that is a reminder for you and me, too. I, therefore, look to our shared future most of all with hope.

In the weeks ahead, I look forward to getting to know you all more and more. I am curious to hear about your time here at Winneconne and the things that have been most meaningful to you. I am also eager to hear about your hopes and dreams for Winneconne's future. It is my prayer that God might work through us and our work together to achieve His ultimate plan for us.

In the meantime, please feel free to reach out to me. I will be in the church office on Wednesdays and Thursdays should you wish to visit in person. You can also reach me at (920) 706-0047 or pastoremily@winnchurch.org. For urgent matters, please also feel free to call or text me at (219) 669-4797.

Thank you once again for welcoming me into your church family! I look forward to seeing what the Lord has in store for all of us.

Sincerely, Rev. Emily Lueder



SESSION MEMBERS &
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MELISSA HARMON

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SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

The Winneconne Session did not meet in June. The next Session Meeting will be July 9th.

Mission and Outreach

Thanks to your generosity, our 2024 Pentecost offering was a big success! FPC Winneconne raised \$825! \$495 was sent to the ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency to support youth and young adults. Then we were able to give \$330 to Winneconne Elementary School for their Back to School Fair, which helps children in need become back to school ready with school supplies, clothing, shoes and haircut vouchers. Thank you!!

In other news, you are once again invited to join the community for a Sunset Service in the Park during Sovereign State Days. It will be on Sunday, July 21st at 7pm at the gazebo in Lake Winneconne Park, with an alternate location at the barn if there is bad weather. Bring a friend and a lawn chair for a lovely time!



SYNOD SCHOOL

The 70th year of Synod School at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, lowa is from July 21–26.

Anyone interested in learning more or attending can visit THIS LINK to register, apply for scholarships, or just get more information.

It's a great mid-summer getaway!



SHARED MINISTRY FUND

MAY 2024

MAY TOTAL INCOME (w/o pass thru)
MAY TOTAL EXPENSES (w/o pass thru)
LOSS FOR MAY

\$ 6,615.35

\$ 7,951.24

\$ 1,335.89

YTD INCOME (w/o pass thru)
YTD EXPENSES (w/o pass thru)
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\$ 35,711.58

\$ 37,585.61

\$ 1,874.03



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FPC WEBSITE

ONLINE GIVING



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.