

# Drive-In Worship

Sundays in September

10:00 a.m.

*Join Us!*



**Wyoming United Methodist Church**

## Drive-In Worship

We have an FM transmitter that can put the worship service on your car radio as you sit in your car and watch the worship through your windshield. We've had 12-17 cars at each service so far and even a couple of visitors! Drive-In Worship will continue every Sunday through the end of September. Come, join us!

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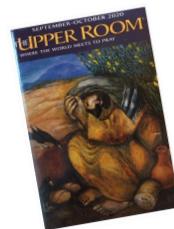
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## DVDs and CDs Available

If you are not able to access worship online and would like a copy of the worship video on a DVD to watch at home or a CD of the sermon to listen to on your car radio or "boom box", please call the church office and make your request.



## Upper Room Devotionals

Upper Room booklets are at church and ready for you to pick up (please call first) or you may request one be mailed to you.

## Mission Giving Opportunity

There will be no annual Turkey Dinner in October. We think it safest not to gather large numbers of people in our Fellowship Hall for the event this year. Because the two charities we support with this fundraiser depend upon our contribution, your Administrative Council has decided to send the cost of this event we normally pay from our church budget (\$2500) to the charities along with whatever else you, the congregation, might choose to include for them as well. Last year we sent them a total of \$4200, so please consider sending a donation to church marked TURKEY DINNER (on the memo line) to make up the difference of \$1700. The two charities are Lakes Center for Youth & Families (of Forest Lake) and The Refuge (women's and children's domestic abuse shelter). We encourage you to donate during September and October. Thank you for your GENEROSITY!

## September Sermons

In September we continue our series on Hope, looking at the different parts of the Bible where we find hope. We began in August with examining hope in the Psalms. This month we'll be looking at hope as found in the prophets, the gospels, the letters (or epistles) and Revelation. Come and find hope as we examine these scriptures together!

### September 6

Hope: Prisoners of Hope  
Isaiah 40:28-31

### September 13

Hope: The Good News  
Matthew 6:31-33

### September 20

Hope: Hope Letters  
2 Corinthians 4:7-9

### September 27

Hope: The Last Page  
Revelation 21:1-4



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## From the Pastor . . .

I am so grateful to be back among you following my three-month Renewal Leave this summer. Thank you for partnering with me last year to write the application that got us the grant from the Lilly Foundation and thank you for embracing our two supply pastors, Melanie Homan and Marty Rath. They have nothing but good things to say about our congregation and its people.

As we enter the fall, your Task Force on Re-Opening is planning to send out a letter to let you know about next steps. As of now we are planning to have Drive In Worship through the end of September. We encourage you to give it a try if you haven't already. Some people really like the Drive In format and are coming every week. Some people have come once and decided they prefer to worship online. You are invited to try it out yourself.

I know it's hard to not be worshipping together in the church building. I really miss seeing all your faces and mourn the loss of communal worship in the building. I know that even when we do finally worship together in person, it will not look anything like what we've done before. With physical distancing and no singing, the service will look and feel much different.

But the good news is that even though we are not gathering in the church building, we can still be church. We can still reach out to one another in Christian love, we can still make a difference in our community (see Mission Giving Opportunity article), we can still worship our God wherever we are!

I encourage you to continue to find worship online at our Wyoming United Methodist Church YouTube channel and join us for fellowship afterwards on YouTube Live. Please also join us on Wednesday evening devotions on YouTube every Wednesday at 8pm. We'd love to see you there!

As the kids go back to school and the weather turns cool, remember that you are a vital part of the Wyoming Church community. Continue to pray for our congregation, our community and our world.

Blessings,  
Pastor Holly

## Cloth Masks

We have members of the congregation who continue to make cloth masks. If you are interested in a cloth mask for personal use, please contact the church office.

## COVID 19 in Chisago County

The 14-day rolling case count per 10,000 residents in Chisago County is 13.7 (updated 9/3). This is the number school districts must consider when making decisions about returning to school. If the number is between 10 and 20, schools can resume in-person classes at the elementary school level and hybrid classes at the secondary school level. The 14-day case rate per 10,000 in Chisago County was 3.47 at the end of June. The 14-day case rate for Anoka and Washington Counties are at 19.08 and 22.7 respectively.

## Census Reminder

Remember to fill out your 2020 U.S. Census. Go online to [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov) or call 844-330-2020. The deadline to be counted is September 30, 2020.

## A Back to School Prayer

Dear Jesus,  
Bless the children and youth of this nation, returning to their schools and colleges. May your Holy Spirit enlighten their minds, purify their vision and strengthen their wills. Protect them as they learn in the classroom and participate in activities outside it. May they learn to follow in your steps, just as you grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God. Amen.



## Celebrations



### Birthdays

- 9-1 Joshua S.
- 9-2 Mary S.
- 9-3 Denny H.
- 9-12 Cyndy J.
- 9-14 Bernie S.  
Lois S.  
Myron Z.
- 9-26 Jeanne L.
- 9-27 Norma S.

### Anniversaries

- 9-10 Rich & Linda R.  
Dave & Cathy W.
- 9-13 Rick & Wendy C.
- 9-16 Trevor & Abigail J.
- 9-17 Don & Joyce M.

\*If you do not see your special date, please let Michelle know!