



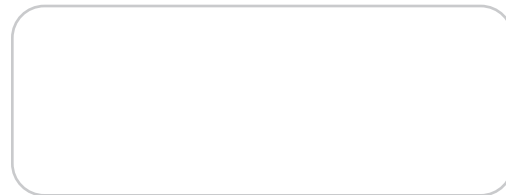
## Roof Financing Update (as of May 28, 2026)

On April 28, the Finance Team asked for your financial support to complete the funding needed to reroof the church building. The need was for \$27,000 by May 15 and the balance by mid-June. As of May 24, you generously provided \$34,600! Any funds left after the roof bills are paid will be added to the Maintenance Fund along with additional donations received after May 24.

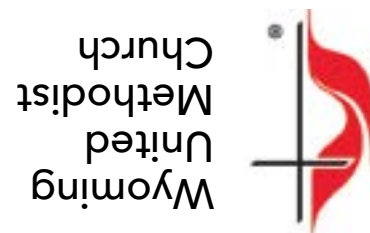


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*Messenger*

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## June Lectionary Readings

### June 7

Psalm 33:1-12  
Hosea 5:15-6:6  
Romans 4:13-25  
Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

### June 14

Exodus 19:2-8  
Psalm 100  
Romans 5:1-8  
Matthew 9:35-10:8

### June 21

Jeremiah 20:7-13  
Psalm 69:7-10, 16-18  
Romans 6:1-11  
Matthew 10:24-39

### June 28

Jeremiah 28:5-9  
Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18  
Romans 6:12-23  
Matthew 10:40-42

## June Mission Focus: MN Adult & Teen Challenge

Our mission focus for June is supporting Minnesota Adult and Teen Challenge, a wonderful organization offering effective, affordable treatment for people overcoming chemical dependencies and life-controlling problems.

On Sunday, June 21, we are blessed to welcome the MN Adult and Teen Challenge Choir to Wyoming UMC. They will lead our worship service, sing, and share inspiring personal testimonies of hope and recovery. Please plan to attend this special program and prayerfully consider how you can support their work:

- **Financial Match:** A generous congregation member will match all donations raised by our church up to \$5,000!
- **High Impact:** 85% of all funds raised go directly to client programming
- **Proven Success:** They have helped 3,475 recent clients, with 80% abstaining from substance use. They also reached 43,000 students with school prevention programs in 2022.
- **Broad Reach:** They operate 12 Minnesota locations, including a women's facility, legal aid clinic, veteran's outreach, and child protective services.
- **Celebration Potluck:** They love a good meal! We are hosting a potluck immediately following the service. Please start planning early so we can serve them our very best dishes.

Let's pack the pews, open our hearts, and show them the overwhelming warmth and generosity of Wyoming UMC!



## New Member Sunday

We will be welcoming new members into our Wyoming United Methodist Family during worship on Sunday, June 7th. Make sure you come to worship to celebrate the work of God in this congregation! Are you interested in becoming a member but were unable to attend the New Member Orientation on May 17th? Let Pastor Jeff know!

## From the Pastor...

My friends,

The start of June marks the beginning of my 12th month in ministry with Wyoming United Methodist. I am shocked that it's been nearly a year since my first Sunday with all of you – how the time flies! I continue to be astounded at the love and hospitality of this community and am deeply thankful to God for bringing you all into my life.

There have been so many gifts over this time as well as challenges. It has been hard to say goodbye to so many long-standing pillars of the community, including most recently Marti Gustafson and Myron Zaruba. Yet when I look at the people joining our church this month and at the youth we have confirmed and baptized, I am hopeful for this church and its future. The Holy Spirit is alive and active in this community, forming us and shaping us into the Body of Christ. It is a joyful thing to witness. I cannot wait to see what this next year has in store for us!

With the celebration of Pentecost last month behind us, the Church now enters into the period called Ordinary Time. Ordinary Time is the period in between the great seasons of the Christian year (Christmas and Easter). This period begins with the close of Eastertide at the Feast of Pentecost and will last until Advent this coming winter (a similar period exists in the time between Christmas and Lent as well). Appropriate to the coming of summer, the color of ordinary time is green – suggesting the idea of growth, nurturing, and cultivation. It is a wonderful season to contemplate how we grow in our discipleship, in how we become better and more faithful followers of Jesus Christ. To aid this, our lectionary dives deep into the ministry and teaching of Jesus in the Gospel According to St. Matthew. As we prepare our gardens and our flower beds to flourish with the coming of the summer months, let us commit to tending to our spiritual lives so that God's holy love can flourish in our hearts, as lush and green as the trees that surround us.

Grace and Peace,  
- Pastor Jeff



## June Celebrations

### Birthdays

6-3	Lisa R.
6-9	Kiara B. Pierce B.
6-10	Ervin L.
6-11	Kristin I.
6-13	Diane D. Russ J. David W.
6-14	Jasmine B.
6-19	Barb B.

### Anniversaries

6-21	Denny & Nancy H.
6-27	Jeff & Kelsey S.

\* If we don't have your special date listed, please contact the church office!

## Pastor Vacation

Pastor Jeff will be on vacation from June 24th – July 6th, enjoying some much-needed rest and relaxation with his family. Worship on Sunday June 28th will be led by Wyoming UMC's own Denny Hebrink. On July 5th, we will be welcoming Rev. Chris Wehrman to lead worship. She and her husband Dave are so excited about coming to spend a Sunday with all of you.



## Annual

### Conference

The 172nd Session of the Minnesota Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church will take place June 16-18 at the River's Edge Convention Center in St. Cloud, MN. Annual Conference is a time in which clergy and laity throughout the

state gather together for a time of worship, learning, fellowship, and to attend to the business of the church. Wyoming UMC will be represented by our lay delegate to Annual Conference, Denny Hebrink, and by Pastor Jeff Speaks. The conference's theme this year is "Created to Serve Joyfully," and its scripture focus will be Philippians 4.

During the Celebration of Life in Ministry service on Wednesday, June 17th, Pastor Jeff will be commissioned as Provisional Elder in the United Methodist Church. In the words of the United Methodist Book of Discipline:

Commissioning is the act of the church that publicly acknowledges God's call and the response, talents, gifts, and training of the candidate. The church invokes the Holy Spirit as the candidate is commissioned to be a faithful servant leader among the people, to lead the church in service, to proclaim the Word of God and to equip others for ministry. Through commissioning, the church sends persons in leadership and service in the name of Jesus Christ and marks their entrance into a time of provisional membership as they prepare for ordination. (BOD, ¶ 325)

Pastor Jeff is grateful and humbled for this affirmation of his call to the ministry and excited for the next step forward in his clergy relationship with the United Methodist Church.

During the time of the Annual Conference Meeting, Pastor Jeff will be out of the office but available via phone or email as needed.

## 2026 Love Offering

Each year, churches in the Minnesota Annual Conference take a Love Offering for missions in conjunction with our Annual Conference Session. Our Love Offering is not simply charity, but a shared ministry, a way of joining God's work in the world. Bishop Lanette Plambeck invites congregations to pray about and participate in the Love Offering. She shares, "This offering is more than a tradition. It is a tangible expression of our connective life and our shared commitment to Christ's mission. When we give, we participate in ministry that reaches far beyond what any one congregation could do alone."

This year's Love offering will go to:

- Midwest Mission (30%)
- Love Boldly Mental Health Ministries Grant for Minnesota Conference Churches (20%)
- Endowment for Ministerial Education (20%)
- Minnesota Conference's Emergency Response Fund (20%)
- Volunteers in Mission (VIM) Scholarships (10%)

For more information, go to <https://www.minnesotaumc.org/loveoffering>



**Left:** Ralph Magnusson presents \$1,346 to Family Pathways Food Shelf (February Mission Focus). **Right:** Ralph presents \$1,063 to Feed My Starving Children (April Mission Focus). Thank you! Your continued generosity makes these impactful gifts possible!