

Greetings,

Thursday, May 21, 2026

We had a wonderful Sunday this past week. Worship was beautiful. There was a marvelous spirit in worship, and, 8 young people were confirmed. I've been pretty reflective since Sunday.

I don't know how many of you have seen my office wall with the painting of "The Last Supper" by Salvador Dali (one of my favorite paintings), but surrounding it are all of the medallions designed by all of the Confirmation classes I have taught over the years – all 22 of them. I have been waxing nostalgic over the past few weeks thinking about all of those youth, wondering where many of them are and what they are up to. A verse from an old Paul Simon tune goes through my head, "Some have died, some have fled from themselves, or struggled from here to get there. Sonny wanders beyond his interior walls, runs his hands through his thinning brown hair."

It is my hope that I have impacted these young lives in ways that are positive, and that maybe, just maybe, some of what I have taught will stick. There is a line in the poem I shared with them on Sunday which reads, "We all end up in the soil eventually, so may you carry such goodness that it nourishes for centuries." That really is the crux of it all, isn't it.

Here's what's coming up in the life of the church...

Construction and Parking *The construction and parking situation changes daily. Please check the church Facebook page on Saturday, after NOON, for information pertaining to Sunday morning.*
www.facebook.com/greendalecommunitychurch

Fifth Sunday Potluck *will take place on Sunday, May 31, following the service of worship. Ham and Rolls will be provided. Folks are kindly asked to sign up on the sign-up sheet beside Pastor Dave's office door, and to bring a dish to pass.*

Memorial Day Weekend Hymn Sing Selection *During the summer months, there are a number of Sundays when Tom Reifenberg is coaching his son's baseball team and pre-records the service. However, this does not impede us from our tradition of the congregation choosing the Hymns for worship during the Sundays of summer. On Sunday, May 24 (and only on Sunday May 24) folks in the congregation will have the opportunity to submit the names of their favorite hymns. These will be pulled randomly throughout the summer Sundays. So, if you would like your favorite hymn to be sung on a Sunday morning between May 24 and September 6, Memorial Day Weekend is your shining opportunity.*

Milwaukee Pride Parade *is coming up on Sunday, June 7 at 2 p.m. This year, The Wisconsin Conference of The United Church of Christ is a proud sponsor of the event. We will again be assembling a group to walk in solidarity with all of the other Open and Affirming Churches. Last year, when we walked, it poured rain for the whole parade, but when we got to the announcers booth, and they announced, "The United Church of Christ" the rain stopped, the sun shone down on us, and the crowd erupted into massive ovation. It was truly magical. I hope that you will be a part of our contingent that walks in the parade this year. Sign Up on the sheet to the left of Pastor Dave's office door, or e-mail him at dgaeth@greendalecommunitychurch.org.*

Please see newsletter below for all other volunteer opportunities, activities, events, and classes.

Peace, Pastor Dave

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VALUES & VISIONS

Monthly Meeting

Come join us for our monthly meeting where we will have a meet and greet with Trevor Jung. Trevor is running for Wisconsin's Senate District 21. He is a proud graduate of Racine Unified Schools and UWM. After college, Trevor ran for local office and became Racine's youngest elected alderperson since 1862. He now serves as Director of RYDE Racine, Racine's public transit system.

Tues 5/26/26 • 6:30PM

Greendale Community Church
6015 Clover Lane • Greendale

Register at:

www.greendalecommunitychurch.org/events



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