



# WHITE CREEK CHURCH

Independent Congregational  
2948 14<sup>TH</sup> Lane Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin 53965  
Village of White Creek, Rural Adams County  
Find us at: [whitecreekchurch.org](http://whitecreekchurch.org)

October 27, 2024

Welcome to Worship

## NOTE

We will begin the service at 10:30. Meet and greet will be at 10:20 and after the service. Thank you.

Announcements

Hymn #127 "To God Be The Glory"

Devotion

Hymn #445 "Jesus Saves"

Offering

Doxology - Inside front cover of hymnbook

Special Music

Testimonies/Prayer Requests

Memory Verses

Message

Hymn #469 "Grace Greater Than Our Sin"

Prayer

## CALENDAR

Sundays: Adult Sunday School - 9:15 A.M.  
Morning Service - 10:30 A.M.

Tuesdays: Ladies' Bible Study - 10:00 A.M.  
Senior Housing Clubhouse, Adams

Thursdays: Men's Bible Study @ Church - 5:30 PM  
Sunday, Oct 27 - Hymn Sing at Friendship Bible - 6 P.M.

### LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

The Ladies Bible Study meets on Tuesdays at 10 A.M. at the Senior Housing clubhouse behind the Adams Community Center. For more information, please speak to Beverly Downey.

### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Each Thursday from 5:30 to about 7:00 P.M. the men meet for Bible Study. We are studying in the Gospel of Matthew. We encourage all men of the Church to join us for the fellowship, as we grow in faith and the knowledge of the Lord.

### LADIES' GATHERINGS

Please contact Lily Nelson for information about the next Ladies' Gathering.

## THANK YOU

Thank you for praying for the Pastor while he was in the hospital in La Crosse. He lost a lot of blood at the site of a previous surgery, but he is no longer bleeding. It will take some time for him to get his strength back.

## CHURCH BOARD MEMBERS 2024

Pastor: Sam Downey - 608-547-8198 - leave msg  
 Clerk: Pam Morse  
 Treasurer: Meryl Lanphear  
 Deacons: Martin Sytsma  
 Stuart Burdick Moderator  
 Trustees: Larry Smith  
 Skip Collins  
 David Seelenbinder  
 Missions Director:  
 Beverly Downey  
 Other Officers :  
 Custodian - Meryl Lanphear  
 Sunshine Person - Anna Sytsma

### CONSIDER THIS

Some may be wondering what the big deal is about being a disciple. The prevalent thought among most church people is that when one exercises his will to “believe” in God, and chooses his religious preference as a “Christian” that everything automatically falls into place, and stays that way forever, no matter what. That is a very interesting concept, and according to Scripture, it is a very misleading religious idea. For one thing, Jesus said, on more than one occasion, that no one could follow Him, or even believe in Him, unless he were allowed to do so, or “drawn” by the Father. When the disciples were so proud of themselves for being “disciples”, Jesus told them, “You have not chosen me, but I have chosen you!” Can you imagine their puzzlement? They were sure that they had made the decision to follow Him as he came by and called out to them.

So sure were those who called themselves disciples that they really were, that they disbelieved the Master at the great judgment hall when He began to send them to their rightful reward in a fiery, burning Hell. “But Lord, didn’t we do many good things in your name, see mighty miracles in our lives, preach great sermons, and all that other religious stuff we were supposed to do?” Jesus answered that He had never known them, much less recognized them as disciples. They, like so many today, were never true followers of Jesus. They had called themselves, decided themselves, worked themselves, “saved” themselves, and deceived themselves.

Discipleship is NOT something that one does when he has nothing else to do. Indeed it is what one does when there is nothing else he CAN do. It is not an “ADD-ON” accessory like an air conditioner in your car, something you choose, or not, in order to have a more pleasant ride! Discipleship is a LIFE - a lifestyle - that emanates from the Lord Jesus Christ. This is NOT an OPTION for the true believer, this is a necessity! If you have truly responded to HIS choosing of you, you have NO choice about the matter of discipleship. We only become Disciples by coming to the cross of Jesus and dying with Him there. There is no salvation, forgiveness, cleansing, or growth in the Christian life without coming under the blood of Christ and reckoning that blood, shed for us, as also shed upon us. We are now children of the blood - distasteful to the world - necessary to discipleship, which is necessary to our very life!

*Pastor Sam*

## October Birthdays and Anniversaries

Hayden Clausen 1  
 Skylar Downey 9  
 Dale Clausen 16  
 Ken Schultz 18  
 John Kujawa 19 David and Nancy Seelenbinder 17  
 Elizabeth Sytsma 22  
 Evangeline Sytsma 22 John and Patti Kujawa 24  
 Kathy Colburn 31 Hans and Dorothy Menck 27  
 Please notify us of additions or changes. Thank You!

### THE PUZZLE PLACE

R Q M D A J X N S C  
 D A O T O N W C I O  
 I E E M W O D A H M  
 S T H B H O F N E E  
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REFERENCE : \_\_\_\_\_

### CHURCH ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

To be held on November 17th, after Morning Service. All members are needed. This yearly meeting of the congregation will review the previous year reports, and elect officers for the coming year.

### PRAYER LIST

Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)