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July  
2026

# River Glen Shared Ministry

## “United in Christ”

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### **Greetings River Glen Shared Ministry Family,**

*"In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit." - Ephesians 2:21-22*

My name is Pastor Anna (Shinae) Kim, and I am deeply honored to begin serving the River Glen Shared Ministry this July.

Reflecting on Ephesians 2:21-22, I am filled with joy to join the creative harmony of our five churches—Boyceville, Glenwood City, Faith Family, Downing, and Wheeler—as we interweave and are built together into a dwelling place for God. As I pack my boxes here in Augusta, my heart is full of anticipation for the days we will worship, fellowship, and grow together.

My husband, Jinsan (John), and I are a clergy couple. He currently serves the Korean Fellowships in Eau Claire and Menomonie. It has been two years since we left Los Angeles to begin our pastoral journey here in the Wisconsin Annual Conference. Leaving all of our family behind in South Korea to follow God's calling in a foreign land might seem like an unfamiliar path to some. However, when we first moved here, Bishop Hee-soo Jung blessed us with these words: *"Wisconsin will become your home."* We have truly found that to be true. I am so grateful to welcome you all as a vital part of this new home we are building together.

You will notice soon that I am someone who loves stories. And as your pastor, I care deeply about your lives and your journeys. Please share your stories with me, and know that I am always here for you.

I pray that the Lord's abundant grace will be with us always in the days ahead.

**In Christ's Grace,**

**Pastor Anna (Shinae) Kim**

# Notes From the Office

Please note that as of July 1st, the Faith Family UMC in Emerald will be joining the River Glen Shared Ministry group and the Prairie Farm Faith UMC will be part of the Clear Lake-TurtleLake-Prairie Farm group.

Worship times for the River Glen Shared Ministry Churches:

- 8:30 a.m. Faith Family
- 9:15 a.m. Glenwood City
- 10 a.m. Boyceville
- 11 a.m. Downing
- 11:15 a.m. Wheeler Grace



Good luck to everyone who is participating in the St. Croix and Dunn County Fairs this year!

## A CHURCH ON A MISSION

**Both the Boyceville and Glenwood City churches are collecting items for the Operation Back-to-School program at WestCAP. More information about what is needed can be found on their pages.**

### Prevent the Penguin Invasion!



### Ridgeland Farmers Market

Tuesday, July 7, 2026, 4 - 7 pm

Sponsored by Boyceville United Methodist Church

**MENU:**   

- Pulled Pork Sandwiches
- Coleslaw
- Beans
- Chips
- Pickles
- Cookies
- Beverages

- FREE WILL DONATION

### Fundraiser for New Furnace

***Today I will find a way to lift up others.***  
**2-28-26 Upper Room**

# PRAYER list

|                         |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Sister Alegria          | Carol Cherney    |
| Julie Babbit            | Sister Confianza |
| Pastor Sue Oeffler      | Marlene Larson   |
| Jo Smith                | Colton Peskar    |
| Nguyen Ly (Win Lee)     | Judy Schlottman  |
| Vernon Swinson          | Mary Swinson     |
| Pastor Shannon Mattison | Matthew Nelson   |
| Nancy Hill              | LeRoy Salzman    |
| Ed Stine                | Janice Annis     |

Victims of natural disasters  
Our shut-ins & those in nursing homes

## NewsLetter DEADLINE

Gleaner news is due by  
noon on Tuesday, July 21st.  
Please contact Tammy Nelson  
at 715-505-2657 or  
riverglensharedministry@gmail.com  
with your news. Thanks.

## JULY Birthdays & Anniversaries

### July birthdays:

|    |  |
|----|--|
| 4  | Jim Buttles, Rick Nelson                     |
| 7  | Ryan Dummer                                  |
| 11 | Brenda Smith, Rosanne Wurtzler               |
| 12 | Karen Smith, Aubrey Leduc,<br>Carlton DeWitt |
| 14 | Nancy Schlottman                             |
| 15 | Nicole Gabbert                               |
| 16 | Dick Tews                                    |
| 20 | Natalie Gabbert                              |
| 21 | Daren Smith                                  |
| 28 | Jolene Leduc                                 |

Happy Birthday and God bless you!



Thanks to your generosity we were able to donate:

- 315 Empty Pill Bottles to Matthew 25 Ministries
- Food to WestCAP
- 5 Personal Dignity Kits and 8 boxes of Bibles to Ingathering

***I can thrive where God has planted me.  
6-30-26 Upper Room***

## Women's Evening Fellowship Group

The Monday night Bible study will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, July 6th **at the church** in Glenwood City. We will be doing Lesson 9, "Rejoice With Me" in the Contagious Joy book. **Please note the change of meeting location.** Interested in learning more about the Bible and being in fellowship with other "learners"? Come and join us! If interested, please contact Judy Bender at [jbender298@gmail.com](mailto:jbender298@gmail.com) or (715)265-7362

## Men's Group

The Men's Fellowship Group will meet at the Glenwood City Methodist Church at 9 a.m. on Thursday, July 9th. If you are interested, contact Julian Bender at 715 265 7362 or [jbender167@gmail.com](mailto:jbender167@gmail.com).



Thank You to our June Worship Leaders:

Earl Blodgett      Howard Hintzman

Bruce Drinkman    Bonnie Walters

Dick & Marlys Tews

We couldn't do this without you!

## Weekly Audio or Video Sermons Available

Sermon by Phone is an audio version of the weekly service - call 715-309-5114. This is a Menomoneie number. The service is update each Sunday afternoon and is usually available by 4 pm. A video of each week's service is available on the United Methodist Church of Boyceville Facebook page, Glen Hills Parish Facebook page, and at : [boycevilleumc.org](http://boycevilleumc.org).



Thanks to Faith Family United Methodist Church, we now have a zoom worship option available!

Please use the following information to join us on Sundays for worship at 8:30 a.m.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88613652777?pwd=UlpaSVhGN0g1Qnc3VDV5T0Jhci83UT09>

Meeting ID: 886 1365 2777

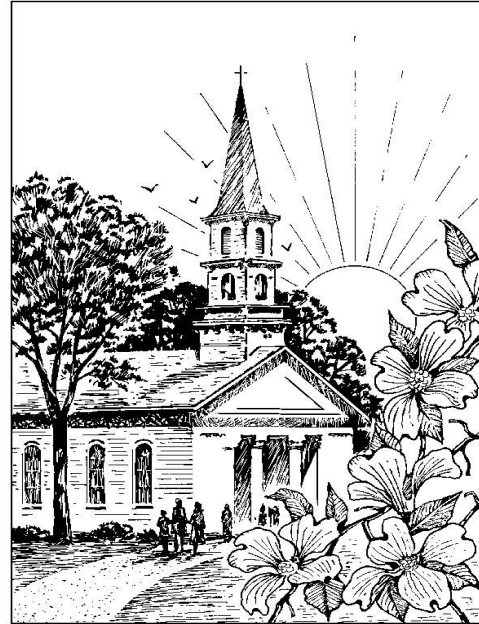
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***With God's help, I can always choose to focus on what matters.***

***6-15-26 Upper Room***



**Grace  
United Methodist Church  
Wheeler  
Worship Service at 11:15 a.m.**



Thank you to everyone who helped make our grilled chicken dinner a success. We couldn't do it without you. Thank you!

*I will be thankful, today, and every day.  
6-24-26 Upper Room*

# United Methodist Church of Boyceville

**Worship Time: 10 a.m.**

## Scripture Readers for Boyceville

|         | <b>Reader</b>              |
|---------|----------------------------|
| June 28 | 10 am Joint Svc at Wheeler |
| July 5  | Marguerite Blodgett        |
| July 12 | Earl Blodgett              |
| July 19 | Marguerite Blodgett        |
| July 26 | Jim Harvey                 |

**Coffee Time:** Coffee time will be after the worship service on Sunday, July 26th. Sheila Hegeman will serve.



## Back to School Mission Project

During the months of July and August we will be collecting school supplies for West-Cap. All sorts of school supplies are needed. Notebooks, 3 ring binders, pencils, scissors, markers, glue sticks, loose leaf paper, rulers, crayons, colored pencils, backpacks, etc. Cash is always welcome if you don't care to shop. West-Cap puts cash donations to the area of greatest need. Please have all school supplies to the church by Sunday, August 9th. Thank you!

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You may, or may not, have heard that the Boyceville heating boilers died right before Easter. There were quite a few cold Sundays where we sat in our coats for the service. Both boilers will be replaced this summer. We are going to have to raise \$20,000 to pay for them. We have a fundraiser coming up Tuesday, July 7 at the Ridgeland Farmer's Market. There are lots of ways to be involved, help with the July fundraiser, help with future fundraisers, send a cash donation. Your support in any way to help with the fundraising would be greatly appreciated. We will be grateful for the heat next fall and winter.

***God is good even when life is not.***

***6-14-26 Upper Room***

# Faith Family United Methodist Church

## Worship Service at 8:30 a.m.



Congratulations to our confirmands:  
Jordyn Millermon, Baylie Millermon,  
Michael Clarke and Gracie Perkins  
Greene. Thank you to their mentors for  
your continue support.

### Times of Old/New beginnings:

As we start our new beginning, we remember where we came from and cherish the moments of the past that bring us to where we are today!

### Worship Ministry Leaders

- July 5: Paul Webster
- July 12: Heather Greene
- July 19: Terri Wilson
- July 26: Michael Clarke
- August 2: Paul Webster

### Noisy Can—Autism & Multiple Sclerosis

Send offering to:

Terri Wilson

3127—200th Ave.

Glenwood City, WI 54013

**Funday school will be donating their funds from the bake sale to Ronald McDonald House**



**Next Ad Board meeting to be determined. Stay tuned for more info!**

### Faith Family Facebook Page:

Faith Family Church on Facebook- Please send info to be posted to Heather Greene at

*God invites me to release the past and embrace the present.*

**2-18-26 Upper Room**

# Downing United Methodist Church

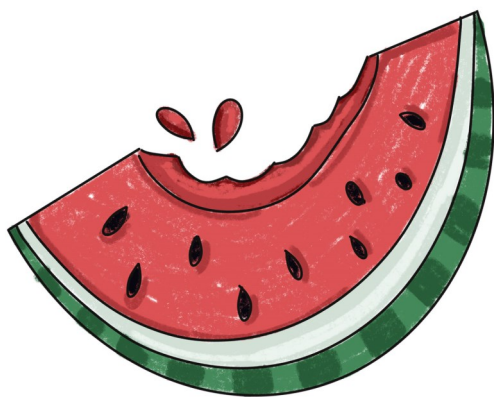
Worship time: 11:00 a.m.



We are accepting gently used garage sale donations for our sale in September.



The next Downing Ad Council meeting will be at 2 p.m. on Thursday, August 6th.



*I have a unique part to play in the life of Christ's church.  
6-12-26 Upper Room*

## Glenwood City United Methodist Church

**Worship time: 9:15 a.m.**

The Glenwood City United Women in Faith is currently collecting the following items for Terracycle:

Bread Clips (plastic)  
 Coffee Bags (bulk) & K-pods  
 Coffee Creamers (individual)  
 Candy & Granola wrappers  
 Drink Pouches (Capri or any brand)  
 Treat Bags (chip bags, etc)  
 Toothbrushes  
 Toothpaste tubes  
 Flosses  
 Electric toothbrush heads  
 Deodorant Containers  
 Eye Glasses & Cases  
 Make up Containers  
 Pumps & Triggers from plastic bottles  
 Socks (mismatched or holey) Gold Toe  
 Ribbons & Bows  
 Cancelled Stamps (NOT Christmas or flags)  
 Glue Sticks  
 Expired Gift Cards  
 Tape Dispensers  
 Pens, Pencils, Markers or Crayons  
 Styrofoam Meat Trays  
 Cereal, Cracker and Bread Bags

## United Women In Faith

The Glenwood City United Women in Faith will not meet in July!

The Glenwood City UWF will be attending a concert at the Menomonie Public Library on August 13. We will carpool, so please let Patti or Judy know if you would like to attend. More details in the August newsletter.



We are collecting school supplies for the West CAP Back to School Program

- Donations of school supplies, crayons, markers, dry-erase markers, headphones, pencils, notebooks, etc.
- Monetary donations to buy supplies – checks can be made payable to West Cap – Operation Back to School, and mailed to PO Box 308, Glenwood City, WI 54013
- Donations toward the Angel Fund. Angel Funds help pay off lunch balances, so no students go hungry. Checks can be made payable to West Cap – Angel Fund, and mailed to PO Box 308, Glenwood City, WI 54013.

**\*\*Please note which school district(s) you would like the donation to go to.**

***Nothing will stop me from living out God's purpose for me.  
6-26-26 Upper Room***



## Seeing God in the Ordinary July 2026

One of the challenges of faith is learning where to look for God.

Many of us grew up hearing stories of burning bushes, parted seas, miraculous healings, and dramatic conversions. We read about manna falling from heaven and prophets calling down fire. If that's our expectation, we may assume that God's presence always arrives with flashing lights and unmistakable signs.

But most of life isn't lived in the extraordinary. Most of life happens in ordinary moments. It happens in the exhausted joy of holding a newborn child for the first time.

It happens in the quiet conversation shared over coffee with a friend who asks how you're really doing. It happens when a neighbor shovels a driveway, a teacher stays late to help a struggling student, or someone sends a card simply because they sensed another person needed encouragement.

It happens when we sit on the porch at the end of the day and watch the sun sink below the horizon. It happens around dinner tables, hospital bedsides, baseball fields, church potlucks, and family reunions.

These moments may not seem miraculous, but perhaps they are holy, nonetheless.

The Book of Esther offers an intriguing reminder of this truth. It tells the story of a young Jewish woman who becomes queen and, through courage and wisdom, helps save her people from destruction. Yet there is something unusual about Esther. God is never mentioned by name. Not once.

No booming voice from heaven. No angelic messenger. No spectacular miracle.

Instead, God seems to work quietly through ordinary people making courageous choices at precisely the right moments. Through faithfulness. Through relationships. Through wisdom. Through risk.

Mordecai says to Esther, "Who knows? Perhaps you have come to royal dignity for just such a time as this" (Esther 4:14).

Perhaps that is how God often works.

Not only in grand displays of power, but through everyday people who choose kindness over indifference, courage over fear, generosity over selfishness, hope over despair.

Maybe the invitation of faith is not simply to ask, "Where are the miracles?" but to train our eyes to notice God's fingerprints already present in our daily lives.

This summer, slow down enough to pay attention. Watch the sunset. Celebrate milestones. Notice unexpected kindness. Give thanks for ordinary blessings. You just might discover that God has been closer than you realized all along.

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Glenwood City, and  
Wheeler Grace United Methodist Churches  
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Parsonage: 715-749-6351  
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Glenwood City Worship Service: 9:15 a.m.  
Boyceville Worship Service 10 a.m.  
Downing Worship Service 11 a.m.  
Wheeler: Grace Worship Service 11:15 a.m.  
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