

Dodgeville United Methodist Church  
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Newsletter  
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*United Methodist Church*



# The Compass

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## Hello Friends!



My Name is Lorri, and I look forward to joining Dodgeville and Ridgeway as your new pastor. I am excited to meet and get to know all of you! Just a bit of background about myself. I am married to my wonderful husband, David. We have 4 adult children, a daughter in law and 2 grandchildren. Three of our four children currently serve in the Army National Guard. We have 2 dogs, Rambo, and Thor.

I have a passion for helping people and bringing people into a relationship with God. Having seen the positive impact firsthand that a relationship with Jesus Christ can have on your life, it is an honor that God would give me the opportunity to share that with others. When we walk by faith, resting in the living word of Christ, it can bring us a peace, love, hope, and joy that surpasses all understanding.

In my free time, I enjoy all things outdoors. For me, there is no place to feel closer to God than in His

own creation. I enjoy walking, hiking, camping, gardening, swimming, plants, and flowers. I also enjoy cooking, and whenever possible, I treasure spending time with my family!

I am excited to get started on this journey with all of you! I look forward to the opportunity to work alongside and get to know the people of our congregations and connecting with the people and the communities of Dodgeville and Ridgeway.

I can be reached by calling my cell @ (608) 482-4088. You can also feel free to contact me via email: [pastorlorrim@gmail.com](mailto:pastorlorrim@gmail.com).

In the hope that Christ offers us,  
Pastor Lorri

### **LOOSE CHANGE FOR CHANGE**

For July, August, September our loose change offering on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday will support Dodgeville Food Locker, which provides food vouchers for school age children.

April, May, June loose change total was \$90 and has been sent to SWCAP – Opportunity House, a place that offers affordable housing for men and women during recovery (sober living environment).

Your generosity is making a difference in our community!



*Let us remember who we are in Christ and continue to present His testimony on the earth! For the glory of His name!*

**Outdoor Worship Service**  
**August 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM**  
***Centennial Park—Dodgeville, WI***



We will be worshipping outdoors along with the congregations of Plymouth Congregational United Church of Christ and Grace Lutheran Church. Alternative plans in case of rain have not been made yet. Please check the church Facebook page for updates. *There will be no Facebook Live stream of church this Sunday.*

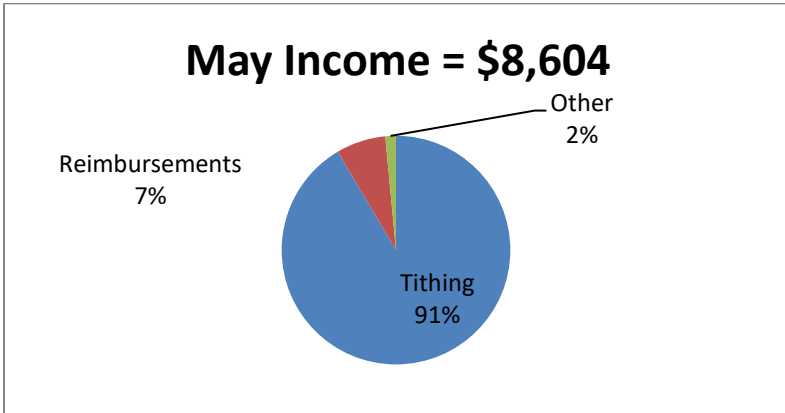


**2023 Vacation Bible School is scheduled for August 7-9 from 5:00-7:00PM.** More info coming soon!

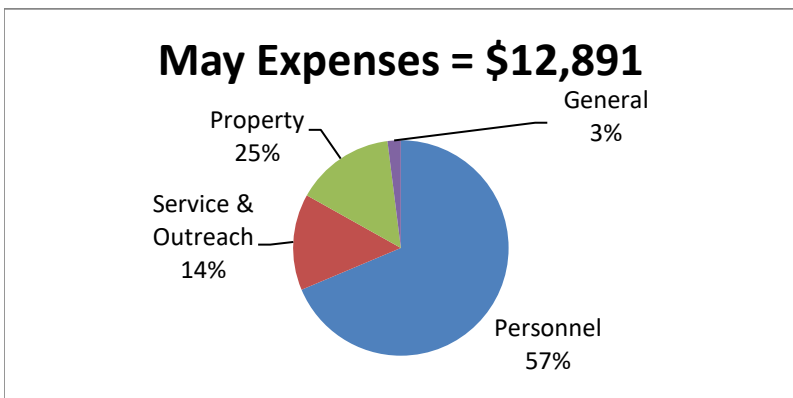
# FINANCIAL

## May

Tithing	\$7,873	91%
Reimbursements	\$602	7%
Other	<u>\$129</u>	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,604</b>	



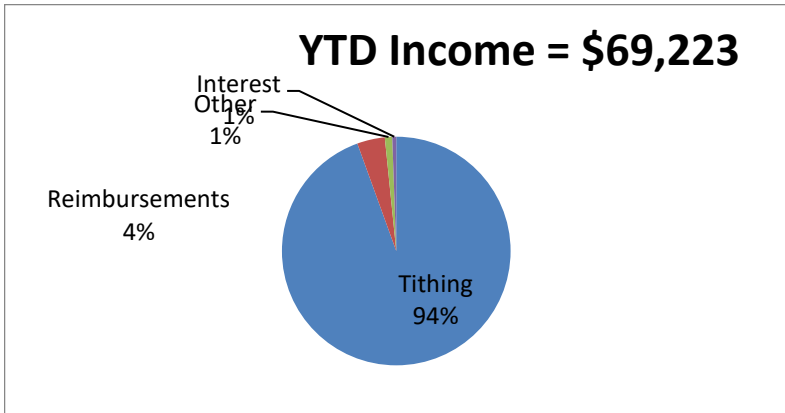
Personnel	\$8,851	57%
Service & Outreach	\$1,864	14%
Property	\$1,920	15%
General	<u>\$256</u>	3%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$12,891</b>	



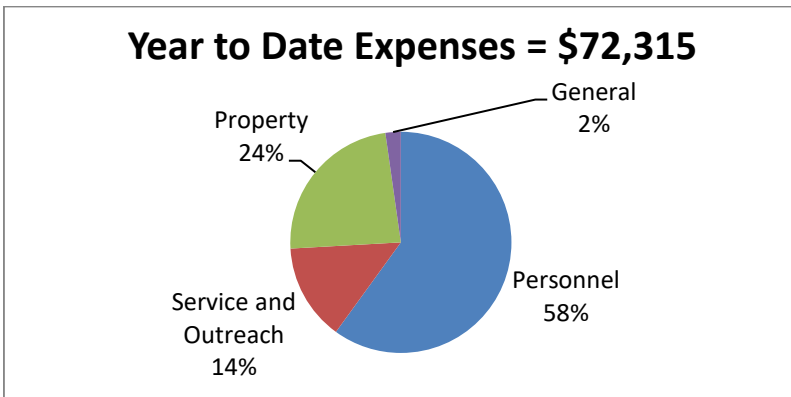
# REPORT

## YTD

Tithing	\$65,395	95%
Reimbursements	\$2,719	4%
Other	\$722	1%
Interest	\$387	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$69,223</b>	



Personnel	\$43,379	58%
Service and Outreach	\$10,211	14%
Property	\$17,103	25%
General	\$1,621	2%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$72,315</b>	



## Perspective

Some things are simply a matter of perspective. We can be reminded often how words can be used to skew the truth. For instance, an interoffice softball game was held every year between the marketing department and support staff of one company. The day of the game, as hard as the marketers tried, the support staff whipped the marketing department soundly.

In its best tradition, the marketing department decided to find the best “spin” they could on the dismal result. They showed how they earn their keep by posting this memo on the bulletin board after the game: “The marketing department is pleased to announce that for the recently completed softball season, we came in second place, having lost but one game all year. The support department, however, had a rather dismal season, as they won only one game all year.”

On the other hand, hidden beauty can also be found by looking at a situation in a different way. A little girl named Lauren (age 5) reports, “I know my older sister loves me because she gives me all her old clothes and has to go out and buy new ones.”

I think Lauren is on to something. Our entire lives can be shaped by perspective. How would I approach money, “stuff,” and giving if I knew that God had already given me everything I need, rather than seeing all the things I “need” in the store windows? How would I treat others if I focused on the ways I could serve rather than making sure everyone respected my rights? How would my marriage change if it were based on being one another’s servant rather than a struggle for power? What would my attitude be toward work be if I saw it as my God-given vocation rather than someplace I had to go to earn a paycheck? What if I saw Sunday as a true Sabbath . . . a time for connecting with God and family and rest . . . rather than a day to run the kids to more activities the day I must get things done at home before I go to work?

Sometimes we need God to help us see the world differently before we can live differently in it.

Rev. Jason Mahnke,  
Wisconsin United Methodist Foundation



# Attendance Report

## ATTENDANCE/GIVING FOR JUNE:

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Offering</b>
<b>June 4</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>\$3,829</b>
<b>June 11</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>\$1,600</b>
<b>June 18</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>\$3,268</b>
<b>June 25</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>\$1,600</b>

### **Please Pray**

Pam Fingerson, Edna Dunham, Jeff & Jackie Dux, Ivy Wilson, Zach Hickman, Pastor Kristen Lowe, John Gevelinger and family, Patti Kersten, Theresa Stewart

### **JULY Anniversaries**

1 - Merlin & Virginia Gorsline  
12 - Jeff & Juanita Starr  
25 – Rick & Kerry Beerkircher

### **July Birthdays**

1 - Rich Strutt  
7 - Judy Halverson  
7 – Lesley Houck  
8 – Dona Ray  
12 – James Gevelinger  
13 - Juanita Starr  
14 - Wanda McCutchin  
20 – Zena Weber  
22 – John Gevelinger  
24 - Tina Smith  
27 – Kim Roble

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
25	LOOSE CHANGE 9:00am Dodgeville UMC Worship Service 10:15am Farewell to Pastor Jim & Christina 6:30pm Ridgeway Grace Worship Service	26		27	10:00am Prayer Ministry 5:30pm Wesley Fellowship Group	28	9:00am Cleaning Parsonage 5:00pm Feeding Friends Community Meal	29		30		1	6:30pm DTC Support Group
2	Communion 9:00am Dodgeville UMC Worship Service 6:30pm Ridgeway Grace Worship Service	3	6:30pm Trustee Meeting	4	10:00am Prayer Ministry 5:30pm Wesley Fellowship Group	5	5:00pm Feeding Friends Community Meal	6		7		8	6:30pm DTC Support Group
9	9:00am Dodgeville UMC Worship Service 6:30pm Ridgeway Grace Worship Service	10		11	10:00am Prayer Ministry 5:30pm Wesley Fellowship Group	12	5:00pm Feeding Friends Community Meal	13		14		15	6:30pm DTC Support Group
16	9:00am Dodgeville UMC Worship Service 6:30pm Ridgeway Grace Worship Service	17	7:30pm Farm Bureau	18	10:00am Prayer Ministry 5:30pm Wesley Fellowship Group	19	5:00pm Feeding Friends Community Meal	20	6:30pm Feeding Friends Steering Committee	21		22	6:30pm DTC Support Group
23	LOOSE CHANGE 9:00am Dodgeville UMC Worship Service 6:30pm Ridgeway Grace Worship Service	24		25	10:00am Prayer Ministry 5:30pm Wesley Fellowship Group	26	Newsletter Deadline 5:00pm Feeding Friends Community Meal	27		28		29	6:30pm DTC Support Group
30	9:00am Dodgeville UMC Worship Service 6:30pm Ridgeway Grace Worship Service	31		1	10:00am Prayer Ministry 5:30pm Wesley Fellowship Group	2	5:00pm Feeding Friends Community Meal	3	9:30am UW in Faith Brunch at the Barn	4		5	6:30pm DTC Support Group

## 2023 SUNDAY SERVANTS

Week	DATE	Communion	Media	Liturgist	Greeters	Child Moment	Cafe	Accompanist
4	6-25-23	Dee	Juanita	Jan	Steve & Sandy Alexander	Pastor Jim	potluck	Ginny
1	7-2-23	Dee	Juanita	Terry	John Aschliman Sarah & Caleb Buroker	Terry	Peggy Forrest Nancy Mortimer	Ginny
2	7-9-23		Juanita	Jan	John Aschliman Sarah & Caleb Buroker	Carla	Dawn Van Epps Deb Short	Carla
3	7-16-23		?	Peggy	John Aschliman Sarah & Caleb Buroker	Peggy	Kerry Beerkircher Julie James	Ginny
4	7-30-23		Juanita	Dawn	John Aschliman Sarah & Caleb Buroker	Dawn	McCracken & Starr Families	Praise Band
1	8-6-23		Juanita	Terry	Chip & Peggy Forrest	Terry	Jody Vanderloo Penny Edwards	Ginny
2	8-13-23		Juanita	Jan	Chip & Peggy Forrest	Pastor Lorri	Mary & Rich James	Praise Band
3	8-20-23		Juanita	Peggy	Chip & Peggy Forrest	Peggy	Sarah & Caleb Buroker, John Aschliman	Ginny
4	8-27-23		Juanita	Dawn	Chip & Peggy Forrest	Dawn	Jan Aschliman Charlene Mingst Ginny Gorsline	Praise Band

# July

