



SWISS UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

NEW GLARUS | WI

# The Spire

August 2024



## *A Message from Our Pastor, Pat Pluss...*

I love the colors and beauty of summer, this summer with all the rain we have had our lawn is

still green and lush, along with many of our flowers. I would not say I have a green thumb, as a matter of fact perhaps the opposite. That doesn't mean I don't try! This year my hydrangeas seem to be exceptionally full and lovely. I would say my plant's blossoms are lavish. The word lavish gives a picture of extravagant abundance.

That is how God's love for us is described in scripture found in **1 John 3:1** "*See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!*" Even if we pay no attention to the blessings from God, He still showers us with His great love.

How do we respond to such love from our Creator? Perhaps the best way is to bloom!

Just as my hydrangea plant burst forth with all it possibly can, we should too. Ask ourselves - am I giving God the very best of my efforts in all that I do? It doesn't matter if we run our own business, are a teacher, nurse, factory worker, retired, stay-at-home parent, mechanic, or volunteer, whatever it is that fills our day, we should work at it as if working for God.



I hope you will join me in worship each Sunday as we celebrate our God who lavishes us with His love!

Blessings,  
Pat

### SUCC Picnic in the Park cancelled

Due to the uncertainty of extreme weather this summer we have decided against a picnic at the park. Please watch the Spire for celebrations within the church coming soon!

### Please Note:

**There are "No Childcare services" available during the summer months at Swiss UCC. Our childcare services will resume on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> and follow the Sunday School schedule throughout the year. Thank you!**



# Swiss Church Blessings -- Weddings and Baptisms





## Message from Consistory: August 2024

### My Thoughts on The Value of Being a Member of Swiss Church --

When coming to church a little early, (which I admit doesn't happen very often) ... I find myself sitting quietly in the pew and feeling the surroundings very comforting.

This beautiful building is over 100 years old and has been standing here through Wars, a depression and several pandemics.

Our church was built in less than a year, at a cost of a mere \$15,000 . . . amazing! The beautiful music resonates off the walls of the sanctuary.

There are many faces who make up the body of the church, who you know would have your back in times of trouble.

People who inspire you with their mission work near and far, as well as take care of the church itself and its function. The many who contribute to worship and fellowship. Being reminded of what's really important through a great sermon and verses from the Bible that help us get back to the right path.

I feel where I sometimes fail though, is not taking all these wonderful things. . . (folding them up and putting them in my pocket) and then take them out to use when I need them. I should share these feelings with others, as Pat reminds us. Yes, being a member of Swiss Church has a great value for me! I hope it does for you, too!

Sincerely,

Ron Legler

### Sunday School starts Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>

Sunday school is starting up for kids 3 years of age through 6th grade. We're looking forward to meeting in our brand-new space in fellowship hall.

Join us on Sundays at 9:15am for Sunday school following our children's moment with Pastor Pat.

We're looking for a couple of volunteers to help teach on Sundays. All materials will be provided for you. Join us and bless the children in our congregation! Contact Nicole Sidwell at [nsidwell@gmail.com](mailto:nsidwell@gmail.com) or 527-4089.

## A Thankful Heart Overflows with *Generosity*

Here are a few different ways to give and support our ministry...

A thankful heart is a happy heart



### CHECK

Make a check payable to either Swiss United Church of Christ, Swiss UCC or Swiss Church.

You may designate a specific fund such as General, Property, OCWM, Cemetery or a different fund on your memo line of the check.

### DIRECT AUTOMATIC FROM BANK ACCOUNT

Please call the church office to complete an authorization form to authorize a monthly donation from your bank account and return to Financial Secretary with a voided check.

### ONLINE

Click the GIVE button on our church website at [swisschurch.org](http://swisschurch.org). Enter the amount you want to give, select a fund and enter your email address. Click GIVE and enter your payment method to Text SWISSCHURCH and the amount to 73256.

Click the link you receive in your text message response. Select a fund, enter your email address and payment information to complete the transaction.

**Thank you for your generous support of the  
work of our church!**

**Swiss United Church of Christ**  
**Sunday School Registration Form**  
Sept. 2024 – May 2025

*Please submit this form to the church office (use mailbox) or drop off on Sept. 8th*

Child Name (First & Last)	Grade (in Sept.)	Birthday (MM-DD-YY)	Allergies?	(please list all food/ medical concerns)

<b>Family Info</b>	<b>Parent/Guardian 1</b>	<b>Parent/Guardian 2</b>
Name (First & Last)		
Cell Phone		
Home Phone		
Email		

## Emergency Contacts

Name & Relationship: _____	Phone: _____
Name & Relationship: _____	Phone: _____

I give the following people permission to pick my child/ren up from Sunday School (*can list more than one*)

I give permission for my child/ren to walk across the street to Village Park with a group of teachers, volunteers and classmates: ☐ Yes ☐ No

I give permission for my child/ren to walk to Coffee Hour unescorted: ☐ Yes ☐ No

I give permission for photographs of my child/ren to be used by Swiss Church in publicity and promotion of activities, both online and in print: ☐ Yes ☐ No

*By signing this form, I grant permission for my child/ren to participate in the Sunday School Program at Swiss Church.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Swiss Church UCC  
ART CAMP 2024 is open to  
the community – Free for all  
kids 3-13 years of age -  
Aug. 12-15 – 6-8 pm in**

**Fellowship Hall**



**ART CAMP**  
2024

**SWISS CHURCH UCC**

Free for all kids 3-13  
August 12-15, 6:00-8:00pm  
in Swiss Church Fellowship Hall  
Pre-registration at:  
<https://swisschurch.org/events/>



**ART IN YOUR WORLD**

Each night is a different topic to explore!

- 8/12 Art and Music
- 8/13 Art and Space
- 8/14 Art and Nature
- 8/15 Art and Engineering



**Pre-registration available at:  
<https://swisschurch.org/events/>**

**Pam Cox shares “Archie”  
and her story with us  
recently --**



**“Many Thanks” goes out to Pam Cox  
for sharing her special friend  
“Archie”, who is presently in-training  
through the local Hospice program.  
He was a “delight” for the children  
during our Children’s Moment  
recently.**

# Confirmation Class Starts in October!

It is time to start thinking about Confirmation Class again! Confirmation Class will be a collaboration of educational teachings, volunteerism, working with a mentor, mission work, and more.

## Our goals are:

- To teach a basic understanding of the Christian Faith – emphasis on loving God and loving others.
- To teach a basic understanding of the Bible
- To teach a basic understanding of the church and its outreach
- Build lasting relationships with each other and mentors

This is a two-year program for students in 7th and 8th grade. Exceptions are made for students who would like to join who are beyond those years in school. We meet the first Wednesday of the month with an adult mentor (the student and family will choose the mentor) and a second time in the month on varying dates, where usually a special meeting takes place.

**\* Second year students are asked to confirm their mentor is able to join them this year.**

Students new to the program should contact Pastor Pat or the church office at (608)527-2119 and registration forms will be mailed.

Our first meeting is Wednesday, October 2nd 6pm-7:30pm. Parents of the students will be asked to provide a simple meal for our Wednesday meetings. The confirmation meeting schedule will be mailed out, along with the schedule of the families in charge of the meals for each month.

Regular church attendance, along with attending the scheduled meetings held during the month for the confirmation class are required.

## Goals for Parents:

- Think about your own relationship with God, your church experiences, and your faith and share these with your child;
- Be open to questions that your child might have during their confirmation journey;

- Treat Confirmation as you would school, sports, music or art activities, and encourage and support your child in the Confirmation process.

A new NIV study Bible will be presented in worship on Sunday, September 29 -9am. Students will use the Bible at their Wednesday meetings. We are grateful for the support of this program by the weekly giving of the confirmation parents and congregation! **If you have any questions or concerns, or have a student who would like to enroll in the program - please contact Pat at [pat@swisschurch.org](mailto:pat@swisschurch.org) or 608/558-6063.**

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## “Thanks” --

My heartfelt “Thanks” to everyone who blessed me with “get-well” cards, visits, texts, and phone calls after my knee replacement surgery. Your thoughtfulness, support and concern are truly appreciated!

Many thanks to my Swiss Church family and friends! ~ Shelby Fritz

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## Mission Committee --

June mission event was collecting for Green Cares Food pantry located in Monticello, WI. \$654.00 was raised to be used to purchase dairy product.

**Thank you for your support!**

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## Green Cares Food Pantry Thank you!

Dear Swiss UCC,

What a nice donation to the pantry recognizing June as Dairy Month! We purchased 198 lbs. of butter from Shullsburg Creamery. We chose butter as we seldom can obtain it from Second Harvest so it will be a nice addition for our clients!

Thank you for supporting our pantry and the dairy industry.

Marcia Voss and the Green Cares Board

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Dear Swiss Church Friends,

We want to thank you for your generous gifts sent our way after the fire. Your gifts and those of many others are certainly helping us get back on our feet.

The fire destroyed our home and almost all of our belongings. Neither Pansy nor I were injured in the blaze. (Other than a low-grade burn on my left arm which has healed nicely.) Thankfully, some neighbors and firefighters were able to rescue a couple of important file cabinets and some "sentimental" items. The Monticello community (and many persons from the nearby towns including Darlington, New Glarus and Monroe) have been extremely kind, generous and helpful. Our church has offered a great deal of assistance, and since we are searching for a new pastor, the church board has invited us to occupy the church parsonage for a few months. So, we are now back in the home we lived in from 1996 to 2014.

Another positive note: There is a new home being built in Monticello. In its 1300 square feet are three bedrooms and two bathrooms, and it has no steps. Not a large house by means, but certainly adequate to meet our needs. It will not be finished until sometime in August, but this could work out well for us.

Again, we want to thank you and many others for your generous support which has helped to sustain us through this unforeseen turn of events. I have never hesitated to say that "in the end it is NOT the quantity of our possessions that is most important; but rather, what remains most important is the quality of our relationships – with God and each other." We are now experiencing first hand the truth of this statement such that our gratitude outweighs our loss.

We wish you our very best,

Pansy and Larry Balliene

## **JOIN US AT CAMP DO GOOD** **Give Blood!**

Swiss Church is once again in charge of the Kitchen duties and the treats, your best bars and cookies! Bring your goodies to the Bible Church by 10:45am or call Ruth Anderegg, 608 558 0776 or Linda Coughlin 608 444-9587, to pick them up from you.

The Blood Drive is August 16, 2024. 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the New Glarus Bible Church. Corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

For an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS. (1-800-733-2767) or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter Sponsor Code: NewGlarusWI

The Blood Drive is August 16, 2024. 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the New Glarus Bible Church. Corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

All presenting donors will be entered for a chance to win a 2024 Edition of the Wisconsin Reel Craft Pass. This Booklet allows you to receive a "Buy one get one free drink offer at participating locations" One time use at each participating location.

**Donors needed! Come give blood in August for a \$20 Amazon.com Gift card by email. See [rcblood.org/Help](http://rcblood.org/Help)**

**Please make an appointment today!**

Hope to see you there on August 16<sup>th</sup>!

Your coordinators,  
Ruth Anderegg, Sara Kiesz, Bill Kuenzi,  
Linda and Tom Coughlin

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## **SUCC Fellowship Event!**

**Thursday, Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> 6pm – Friends and Fellowship Event @ Tofflers 6pm**

## 2024 YEAR TO DATE FINANCIAL SUMMARY

### General Fund

	2024	2024	2023	2024	2024	2023	2024	BUDGET
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL	NET	NET
	INCOME	INCOME	INCOME	EXPENSES	EXPENSES	EXPENSES	INCOME	INCOME
January	\$19,427	\$20,512	\$14,898	\$18,978	\$20,543	\$18,404	\$449	-\$32
February	\$25,888	\$15,968	\$21,565	\$20,567	\$19,185	\$18,517	\$5,321	-\$3,217
March	\$30,268	\$29,376	\$24,184	\$18,274	\$19,809	\$18,820	\$11,994	\$9,567
April	\$15,460	\$21,929	\$25,832	\$17,664	\$18,656	\$17,617	-\$2,203	\$3,273
May	\$20,305	\$16,020	\$17,245	\$20,223	\$19,822	\$20,052	\$82	-\$3,802
June	\$18,202	\$15,316	\$15,594	\$17,686	\$20,441	\$20,224	\$516	-\$5,125
July			\$20,846			\$15,959		
August			\$16,030			\$17,849		
Sept.			\$15,946			\$20,689		
October			\$16,998			\$17,196		
Nov.			\$15,946			\$18,751		
Dec.			\$41,490			\$22,432		
YTD	\$129,549	\$119,121	\$246,573	\$113,391	\$118,457	\$226,508	\$16,158	\$664

BENEVOLENCE DONATIONS			OTHER FUND FINANCIAL SUMMARY			Balance as of 6/30/2024		
	OCWM	Non-OCWM	Net Income					
	Restricted	Restricted	Cemetery	Property	Endow	General		
January	\$1,152	\$1,373	\$72	\$900	1st Qtr	Property		\$46,502
February	\$1,002	\$5,601	\$91	-\$6,850	Income 4,242	Restricted		\$103,124
March	\$777	\$2,689	\$701	\$9,940	Sales 11,513	Cash Reserve		\$65,976
April	\$752	\$268	\$111	\$1,020	2nd Qtr	Cash Reserve CD		\$105,680
May	\$1,407	\$1,410	-\$1,354	\$5,925		Cemetery Checking		\$50,902
June	\$887	\$4,104	-\$665	\$1,495	\$3,467	Cem. Savings		\$7,171
July						Cem. Perpetual Care		\$11,620
August						Endowment Fund		\$58,147
Sept.						Debt Obligation		\$616,097
October						Current Liabilities		\$0
Nov.								\$1,300
Dec.								
YTD	\$5,977	\$15,444	-\$1,045	\$12,430	-\$3,804			
Pledge	\$10,000						12:53 PM	7/8/24



## **Swiss UCC Consistory Meeting Minutes**

### **June 26, 2024**

Present: Kim Bright, Chris Kiesz, Rachel Baker, Jon Ziltner, Gary Krahenbuhl, Steve Rossing

Attending via Zoom: Heidi Mondloch, Jessica Swan, Pat Pluss

Absent: Nicole Sidwell, Ron Legler

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The meeting was called to order by Kim Bright at 6:35. Pat Pluss led us in an opening prayer.

Items added to the agenda

- Cemetery maintenance
- Receipt for Ben Bedward
- Receipt for Ryan Zimmerman for removing downed tree in cemetery
- Village offer to purchase of our strip of land based on most recent town offer
- Cemetery meeting scheduled by the Village
- Carol Holmes memorial money

Chris Kiesz moved to approve the amended agenda; Rachel Baker seconded. Motion carried.

#### Consent Agenda

With the deletion of one paragraph in the May minutes, the consent agenda to approve the May minutes, Treasurer's Report, and checks written was made by Jon Ziltner; seconded by Rachel Baker. Motion carried.

#### Treasurer's Report for Financial Statements ending May 31, 2024

Income for May was \$20,305 and expenses were \$20,223 for a net gain of \$82. Year to date income is \$111,348 and expenses are \$95,705 leaving a net profit of \$15,643.

Income for 2024 is \$7,543 over budget and expenses are \$2,311 under budget resulting in net income \$9,854 above budgeted projections.

The only expense in May that was significantly over budget was the account for computer fees for \$1,518. The annual renewal fee for QB was \$949, annual payroll fee of \$474 plus the normal check deposit fees were paid in May.

Cemetery had income of \$181 and expenses of \$1535 for a cash decrease of \$1354. Cemetery savings and checking account balances are now at \$19,456. Market value of the Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund is \$119,578. as of May 31, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted, Jon Ziltner

A donor to the Carol Holmes memorial fund suggested something be purchased for the Sunday School. Heidi Mondloch and Nicole Sidwell will discuss possibilities and report back in July.

#### Pastoral Report

- New Glarus Home Service 7/7 & Glarner Lodge 7/11
- Book Club meeting 7/2 & 7/9
- Meet with the UCC Conference Board 7/11
- Two Baptisms, 7/14 & 7/21
- Friends and Fellowship Event planned for 7/18 at Dirty Dog Taphaus -6pm
- Required clergy meeting 7/25
- Serving communion 7/28
- Healthy Cooking Class offered in Fellowship Hall 7/31 6pm -7:30pm

### Property Committee Report by Heidi Mondloch

- Another water leak and massive mess in Fellowship Hall. Dave Jones quoted \$2200 to replace 21 feet of pipe and conduct a water test for \$1375. The big dehumidifier was repaired by Monroe Heating and Sheetmetal.
- New fire extinguishers will be purchased for Zwingli House.
- Choice Elevator will begin their inspection in September.
- Property Committee is asked to resolve heating issue in proposed nursery.

### Old Business

- Kim Bright moved to allow Art Camp organizers to spend up to \$1200 with the first \$500 coming from Planned Giving and the remainder funded by Christian Education Youth Account; Jon Ziltner seconded. Motion carried.
- Jon Ziltner evaluated Marlis' job performance. Her summer project is to update an emergency handbook for use should she become incapacitated for a lengthy period of time.
- Pat Pluss will review Diane Elmer's job performance in July.
- Zwingli House discussions will continue in July.

### New Business

- Kim move to reimburse Ben Bedward \$308 for two pieces of equipment with funding to be decided by Jon Ziltner and Marlis Silver; Heidi Mondloch seconded. Motion carried.
- Chris Kiesz moved to pay Ryan Zimmerman \$850 from the cemetery fund for cleanup of a tree that had fallen on gravestones during a recent storm; Jessica Swan seconded. Motion carried.
- Jessica Swan has begun the process of Safe Sanctuary protocols and will report back in July.
- Kim Bright will contact Wirth Landscaping regarding trimming of the cemetery.

The Executive Committee will confirm checks written in July by email during week 2. A combined Executive/Consistory meeting will be on July 24.

A meeting with the Village on the cemetery transfer is being scheduled. Members include Kim Bright, Gof Thompson, Larry Stuessy, and Kristina Schneider.

Rachel Baker moved to adjourn; Gary Krahenbuhl seconded. Motion carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

## **2024 Consistory Members**

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# AUGUST

# Calendar of Events 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Worship services are in-person &amp; live streamed – Sundays – 9 am.</b> <b>The Church Office is located above the Bank of New Glarus, across the street from our Church Sanctuary.</b>				<b>Please call the church office if you would like to sign up as a <u>NEW Volunteer</u> – We will add your name to our list of Volunteers – to greet or to host for Coffee Hour – (608)527-2119. THANK YOU!</b>		
<u><b>Church Office Hours</b></u> <b>Monday-Thursday – 10:00 am – 2 pm</b> <b>Friday: Closed</b>						
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9:00 am Worship* In-person & live-streamed Worship at NG Home 10:30 am -- Alphorns/Maennerchor will perform @ NG Home Worship service 10:30 am				Glarner Lodge church service – 10 am		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9:00 am Worship* In-person & live-streamed	<b>Art Camp – 6-8 pm in fellowship hall</b>	<b>Art Camp – 6-8 pm in fellowship hall</b>	<b>Art Camp – 6-8 pm in fellowship hall</b> <i>Executive Consistory mtg. 6:30pm</i>	<b>Art Camp – 6-8 pm in fellowship hall</b>		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9:00 am Worship* In-person & live-streamed			6:30 pm Consistory Meeting	Friends and Fellowship Event at Tofflers 6pm		
<b>Communion 25</b>	26	27	28	29	30	31

## Memorial Donation --

❖ *In memory of Marian Hustad designated to the Undesignated Memorial Fund*





## Joyful Celebrations

### Anniversaries

3	Terry & Peg Roth	18	David & Betty Owen; Brody & Dana MacLean
5	Rome & Josie Wieser	21	Andrew & Christine Craven
6	Duane & Lynne Hustad	21	Frank & Mary Jo Kilpatrick
6	Madeline & Randy Zuber	28	Kris & Penny Kubly
7	Roumaine & Kathy Holland	31	Michael & Bonnie Klassy
12	Eric & Jesse Fink		
16	Marc & Tabatha Barnaby		

## BIRTHDAYS

3	Bonnie Roberts	19	Milo Parker, Ron Legler, Ken Zimmerman, Jr.
4	Terry Marty	20	Alice Foster, Sue Lockard
5	Jaiden Sidwell	22	Peri Erickson, Madi Perkins
7	Jenna Anderson	23	Gregg Erickson, Karen Gmur
9	Sally Jeglum, Jack Roberts, Claire Mondloch	24	Sara Hendrickson
12	Chuck Phillipson	27	Dennis Baker
14	Lynne Hustad	28	Beth Buesser
15	Macy Rear, Sue Zimmerman	29	Louann Bodenmann, Bob Roth
16	Nathaniel Sidwell, Dana Truttmann, Sloan Goldthorpe		
17	Bill Hustad		
18	Larry Hauge		

*We are truly very sorry if we missed your anniversary or birthday. The information is taken from Realm, the church database. Please contact the office if we missed your special day, and we will be sure to include your name to our schedule in Realm.*



## Support & Prayers



The Swiss Church Prayer Team supports our church family, friends, and neighbors during difficult times. If you are experiencing illness, anxiety, grief, difficult relationships, financial issues, or are worried about other concerns, our prayer team is ready to pray for you. Information is kept confidential, unless you request it to be shared with the congregation. To begin a chain of prayers for yourself or your loved ones, you may contact our prayer chain leader: Ruth Anderegg at (608)558-0776 or Pat Pluss at (608)558-6063, (email)pat@swisschurch.org

### Swiss Church Worship Services

**In-person Worship:** Every Sunday at 9:00 am.

**Online Worship:** Swiss Church sermons and the Children's Moment are recorded weekly and are available on Facebook/Swiss Church or go to the Swiss UCC website at [www.swisschurch.org](http://www.swisschurch.org) to view.

### Scripture Reading and Listening:

For those who want to spend quality time reading the Bible daily or maybe you want to listen to a Christian radio station go to 102.5 FM or 88.3 FM. A good website for scripture readings go to [www.biblegateway.com](http://www.biblegateway.com)



## Welcome to the 2024 **Kilby Homecoming Celebration Event!**

We are excited to be hosting a modified version of traditional Kilby that we are calling 'Kilby Express'. Here are our plans.

### **A Taste of Kilby – Walking Swiss Meatballs & Food Stand - Saturday, September 28th and Sunday, September 29th**

- ➔ In tandem with the New Glarus Oktoberfest Celebration, we will be hosting a food stand at the church's south side lawn, offering 'A Taste of Kilby' to locals and visitors throughout the afternoon and into the evening.
- ➔ Serving will start at noon on Saturday, and we will conclude around 8 pm.
- ➔ Serving will start at noon on Sunday, and we will conclude around 4 pm (or whenever we run out of meatballs).

### **Kilby Express – Take Out Dinners on Saturday, September 28th**

- ➔ We are offering "Kilby Express" take out dinners again this year. This will include Swiss Meatballs, Swiss Mashed Potatoes, Swiss Green Beans, and some of our traditional Swiss Specialty goodies as well.
- ➔ The Take-Out / Pick Up location will be at our 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue church entrance (at the north / park side of the church). Pick up times will begin at 4:30 pm that afternoon.
- ➔ Deliveries will also be available upon request.
- ➔ All take-out and delivery dinner orders need to be arranged for / reserved and prepaid by or before Wednesday, September 25th.
- ➔ Ways to reserve your Take-Out or Delivery Dinner:
  - Go online to the church website – Click the 'Give' Tab, then select Kilby Dinner from the dropdown tab.
  - Fill out the attached form - Kilby Express Take-Out / Delivery, and return it to the church office along with your check payment for the dinners.

## **Attention -- Kilby Pie Makers**

**Please feel free to make the apple pies in a square pan or a round pan. Thank you!**



**HAPPY BAKING!**

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## **Your Support of Kilby in 2024**

While we are once again not hosting a traditional supper in Fellowship Hall this year, our goal is to serve as many or more people than we have in the past - between the Take-Out Express Dinner and the Taste of Kilby Food Stand. We ask you to consider helping with the event and consider monetary support as well. Attached you will find the sign-up sheet.

**The proceeds from the Kilby fundraising this year will be directed to the purchase of video and sound equipment to support our online service and ministry. As our online presence continues to grow, we need to make investments to share our ministry with those who are unable to attend services in-person.**

You can make your check payable to Swiss Church and mail or deliver that to the church office. Please note "Kilby Donation" on your check.

### **Kilby Roll Call 2024**

The Kilby Roll Call is a long-standing tradition for our church family as we celebrate this Homecoming event. Traditionally, at the in person Kilby Sunday worship service as your Confirmation Class year is called, persons attending stand up to be counted. We also document persons attending who were confirmed in a different church, in a different country, or joined the family of faith in some other manner.

This year, and as we look to the future – we are embracing the opportunity to leverage our Online Worship presence, and our Kilby Roll Call will be hosted both in person at the Kilby Sunday worship, as well as virtually! If you will **not** be attending worship service in-person that day, enclosed you will find a Kilby Roll Call sheet to please complete and send back to the church office. We will tally the replies received from our online attendees and will share our response numbers as well on Kilby Sunday, September 29th.

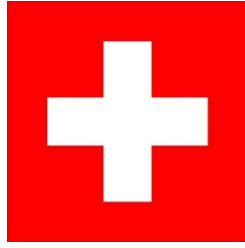
We look forward to a successful Kilby Celebration!

Yours in Christ,

Kilby Coordination Team – Tabatha Barnaby, Shelly Johnson, & Diane Elmer

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# **SWISS CHURCH 2024 KILBY EXPRESS TAKE-OUT DINNER MENU**

**The updated menu for the Kilby Express Take-out Dinner includes:**

**Swiss Meatballs   -   Swiss Mashed Potatoes**

**Swiss Style Green Beans   -   Bread & Butter   -   Braetzi**

**Zueribierter   -   Pear Bread   -   Pie**

- ➔ The Kilby Express Dinner is being hosted on Saturday, September 28th. Dinners are \$15 each.
- ➔ The take-out/pick-up location will be at our 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue church entrance (at the north/park side of the church). Pick up times will begin at 4:30 pm that afternoon. Deliveries will also be available upon request.
- ➔ All take-out and delivery dinner orders need to be reserved and prepaid by or before Wednesday, September 25th.
- ➔ Ways to reserve your take-out or delivery dinner:
  - Go online to the church website (<https://www.swisschurch.org>)
    - Click the 'Give' Tab.
    - Click the drop-down arrow next to 'Fund'.
    - Then select Kilby Supper – Take out Meal \$15 each.
  - OR - Fill out the attached form - Kilby Express Take-out/Delivery and return it to the church office along with your check payment for the dinners.
- ➔ All proceeds from this year's Kilby Event will be directed to the purchase of video and sound equipment to support our online services and ministry.

**Thank you for your Support!**

Swiss United Church of Christ  
**2024 Kilby Supper Sign-up Sheet**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Jobs and shift preferences**

*Please mark the box next to the shift and job with which you are able to help. Thank you!*

**Kilby Saturday (9/28):**

**Set-up**

☐ 9 am

**Meatball Preparation at the High School**

☐ 9 am

**Potato Making Crews**

☐ 11am

☐ 3 pm

**"Taste of Kilby" Food Stand**

☐ 11 am to 2 pm

☐ 2 pm to 5 pm

☐ 5 pm to close (~8 pm)

**Deliveries**

☐ 4 pm

**Carryout Team**

☐ 4 pm to 7 pm

**Saturday Evening Clean-up** ☐ 7:30 pm

**Kilby Sunday (9/29):**

**Potato Making Crew**

☐ 11am

**"Taste of Kilby" Food Stand**

☐ 11 am to 2 pm

☐ 2 pm to 5 pm

*Please reply with responses to Diane Elmer  
by or before **Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>***

*Email: [diane@swisschurch.org](mailto:diane@swisschurch.org)*

*phone: 608-527-2119*

*or mail to Swiss Church,  
PO Box 97, New Glarus, WI 53574*

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Donations**

*Please deliver or arrange for your food donation to be at Fellowship Hall by **9 am on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>**.*

☐ **Braetzli** (a batch - ~100)

☐ **Pies (2)**

☐ **Monetary donation**, enclosed:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Tax deductible)

*Or – make your Donation at our church website at: <https://swisschurch.org>. Click "Give" in the upper right corner of the home page; then select "Kilby Fund - Donation" with the dropdown arrow; enter the amount of your donation and your payment method.*

**Take Out Reservations**

☐ # of Dinners: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment for Kilby Express Take Out Dinners enclosed. Cost per meal \$15 or pay via the church website!

*\*\* All Dinner orders must be prepaid in advance. Sorry, there will be no on- site tickets available this year. \*\**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Not tax deductible)

*\*\* Pick up at the North side entry will be available beginning at 4:30 pm. \*\**

☐ I'd like \_\_\_\_\_ meals DELIVERED:

TO (address): \_\_\_\_\_

☐ before 5:15

☐ before 6:15

We will work to target these times to the best of our ability on a first reservation basis.

*Please make check payable to:  
**Swiss Church** - note "Kilby Dinner"  
or "Kilby Donation" in the memo line*

## 2024 Kilby Roll Call

**(Please complete this for all Confirmed members in your household – if you will NOT be in church on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup> – Thank you!)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one of the following:

- ☐ I was Confirmed at Swiss Church
- ☐ I was Confirmed in another Church: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ I was Confirmed in another Country
- ☐ I joined the church in a manner other than Confirmation

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Members of our Household who will be Confirmed in the future. (Name, and current grade in school)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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**Please return this to the church office (mail, drop off, or email) by or before Thursday, September 19th, if you are unable to attend church on September 29th. Thank you for participating in the 2024 Kilby Roll Call!**



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*Mission...Our faith leads us to affirm all persons. We celebrate and share our common communion with all, regardless of race, gender, ethnicity or national origin, physical and developmental abilities, age, educational background, economic or social status, faith background, family structure or marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.*

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