

HEADWATERS MISSION CENTER NEWSLETTER

November 24, 2024

Coffee in the Swarm Project Zion Podcast with Hunter Bouverette

We celebrated Hunter Bouverette's graduation from Graceland back in our May 2024 mission center worship.

We're so thankful she shared about her life and the Graceland experience in a [recent Project Zion podcast](#), which can be accessed by clicking the link, or wherever you get your podcasts. Below is the introduction:



If the choice of where to go to school came down to Lamoni, IA or Boston, MA, which would you choose? Big city folks might quickly say Boston, but one ought not to rule out Lamoni and the Graceland experience.

In this episode of Coffee in the Swarm, co-hosts Aliyah Farrell and Mike Hoffman sit down with Hunter Bouverette. Listen in as Hunter talks about her journey from Wisconsin to Iowa, and how her experience at Graceland has captured a part of her heart. Hear how students find joy in being a part of campus ministries and all of the other opportunities found in an intimate, small-town community. [Download Transcript](#)

Coffee in the Swarm is just one of MANY podcasts from Project Zion podcasts. Check out <https://www.projectzionpodcast.org/> or wherever you get your podcasts for what's brewing:

Cuppa Joe—[Women of the Restoration | Estella Wight](#)

Extra Shot—[Hospitality as Essential to Mission](#)

Coffee to go—[Proper 28 Year B](#)

Say What? - [World Conference Resolution G-1](#)

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HEADWATERS MISSION CENTER+ EVENTS

Looking ahead:

- Co-pastors Bill Sigfred and Merrie Reed from the Milwaukee-Wauwatosa congregation invite you to their annual **Christmas Cantata December 1, 2024 at 10 AM**. Join in person (cookies afterwards) or online:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81200672184?pwd=TVFJQTM2TVowZ2ZtYVJhUWZZVm40QT09>

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- Northwoods 7th Annual Christmas Party “**Community of Christ, where you can be your best sELF**” —December 7th @ 5 pm
- **Congregational Leaders Retreat**—February 21—23, 2025 in LaCrosse, WI at the Franciscan Spirituality Center

Guest ministry announcement coming soon....

- **Ash Wednesday**—March 5, 2025
- **Easter** — April 20, 2025
- **Earth Day**—April 22, 2025
- **World Conference** — May 30—June 6, 2025—Theme is “Hope is Here”
- **Headwaters Reunion at The ARC with Apostle Bunda Chibwe** —June 18—22, 2025

The Sunday worship from Reunion on June 22, 2025 will be available over Zoom. We will recognize graduates and experience Bunda Chibwe’s morning message.

- October 1, 2025—**Due date to have congregational business meetings** to elect delegates for Headwaters Fall Conference
- **NEXT Fall Conference**, November 1-2, 2025 in Madison, WI

The Sunday worship from Fall Conference will be available over Zoom, as will the business meeting on Saturday.



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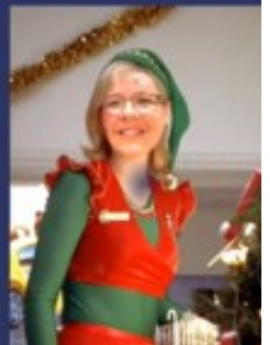
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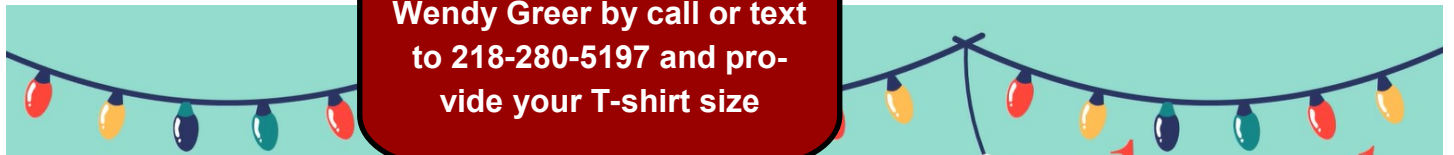


7th Annual Northwoods Christmas Extravaganza

The Community of Christ, where
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sELF!



RSVP for the Christmas
Party by November 15 to
Wendy Greer by call or text
to 218-280-5197 and pro-
vide your T-shirt size



December 7th
5 pm

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During the September Climate Webinar online meeting where Stassi Cramm shared, she referenced a book often called “*What if We Get it Right? Visions of Climate Futures*” by Ayana Elizabeth Johnson. There are 5 to 6 spots left for this Book Study.



Join our Book Study of *What if We Get it Right?* By Ayana Elizabeth Johnson

“Our climate future is not yet written. What if we act as if we love the future?”

Sometimes the bravest thing we can do while facing an existential crisis is imagine life on the other side. This provocative and joyous book maps an inspiring landscape of possible climate futures.

With a thoughtfully curated series of essays, poetry and conversations, the brilliant scientist and climate expert Ayana Elizabeth Johnson has assembled a group of dynamic people who are willing to imagine what seems impossible, and articulate those visions with enthusiastic clarity.”

“If you haven’t yet been able to picture a transformed and replenished world...this book is for you. If you haven’t yet found your role in shaping this new world or you’re not sure how we can actually get there, this book is for you.”

Quotes from Amazon description of the book.

If you would like to join us in this Book Study please contact Murray Barentine at murrayb@barentine.com or 608-235-9298.

The book Study will be limited to 15 people if more are interested we will run additional sessions.

October 20, 2024 at 5 to 6:30pm

Week 1: Contents

- Dedication
- Author’s Note
- Epigraph
- Prelude: An Ocean Love Story

October 27, 2024 at 5 to 6:30pm

Week 2: Possibility

- Introduction
- Reality Check
- **Earth Is the Best Planet Interview with Kate Marvel**
- On Another Panel About Climate, They Ask Me to Sell the Future and All I’ve Got Is a Love Poem Poem by Ayisha Siddiq

November 03, 2024 at 5 to 6:30pm

Week 3: Replenish and Re-Green

- First, Nature, Interview with Judith D. Schwartz
- A Vision, Poem by Wendell Berry
- Go Farm, Young People, Interview with Brian Donahue
- Give Us Back Our Bones, Art by Erica Deeman
- Seeds and Sovereignty, Interview with Leah Penniman

November 10, 2024 at 5 to 6:30pm

Week 4: If We Build It...

- Neighborhoods and Landscapes, Interview with Bryan C. Lee Jr. and Kate Orff
- A Note from Dad, Words by Archibald Frederick Johnson
- Design for a Changing World, Interview with Paola Antonelli
- The AI Deluge, Interview with Mustafa Suleyman

See next page for rest of schedule



November 17, 2024 at 5 to 6:30pm

Week 5: Follow the Money

- Divest and Protest, Interview with Bill McKibben
- Corporations, Do Better, With K. Corley Kenna
- Since Billionaires Exist, Interview with Régine Clément
- Your Tax Dollars at Work, Interview with Jigar Shah

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Week 6: Culture Is the Context

- I Dream of Climate Rom-coms, Interview with Franklin Leonard and Adam McKay
- The Planet Is the Headline, Interview with Kendra Pierre-Louis
- Dear Future Ones, Poem by Jacqueline Woodson
- Kids These Days, Interview with Xiye Bastida and Ayisha Siddiqa
- There Is Nothing Naive About Moral Clarity

December 01, 2024 at 5 to 6:30pm

Week 7: Changing the Rules

- Negotiating and Leapfrogging, Interview with Kelly Sims Gallagher
- A Green New Deal, Interview with Rhiana Gunn-Wright
- A Blue New Deal, With contributions from Jean Flemma
- See You in Court, Interview with Abigail Dillen

December 08, 2024 at 5 to 6:30pm

Week 8: Community Foremost

- Disasterology, Interview with Samantha Montano
- Diasporas and Home, Interview with Colette Pichon Battle
- This Living Earth, Poem by Steve Connell
- Building Indigenous Power, Interview with Jade Begay
- Proto-Farm Communities

December 15, 2024 at 5 to 6:30pm

Week 9: Transformation

- A Note on Hope
- An Ocean of Answers, Interview with Bren Smith
- To Be of Use, Poem by Marge Piercy
- Climate Oath, With Oana Stănescu
- The Joyous Work
- Away from the Brink

Additional Information

- Behind the Scenes
- Book Team
- Contributor Bios
- Acknowledgments
- Credits
- Index
- About the Author
- Endpapers

At the conclusion of the book club, we will hold monthly conversations on climate change the 3rd Sunday of each month beginning the 3rd Sunday of January. (January 19, 2025 at 5 to 6:30pm).

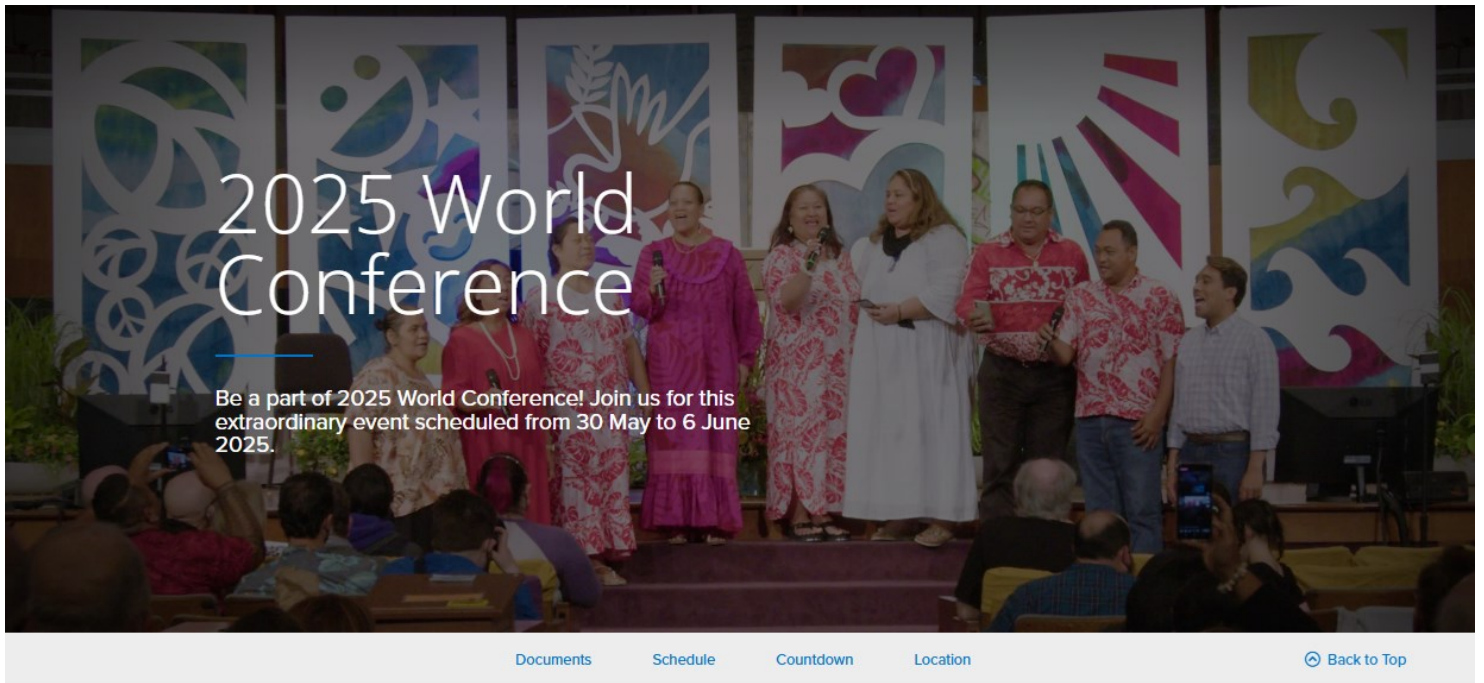
Current Participants

Murray Barentine	Rosie Borgen
Charlie Curry	Pen Curry
Barb Duke	Faye Elder
Judy Harrington	Sue Sheets
Liz Trinkle	Becky Turner

There are 5 to 6 spots left for this Book Study, so contact Murray Barentine to join by October 13 (one week before the first session).

If cost of the book would keep you from experiencing this study, please contact our CFO, Linda Bendorf at lbendorf@headwatersmc.org.





Hope is Here

The 2025 World Conference Theme: **Hope is Here**

- Inspired by Acts 2:1-21, guiding our journey through the conference
- Embracing new leadership and the prophetic spirit to which we are called

Historic Leadership Transition

- Celebrating President Veazey's 20 years of visionary leadership
- Considering Stassi D. Cramm as next prophet-president

Conference Details

Visit the website: CofChrist.org/2025-world-conference and find legislation and schedule

- Online registration opening in early 2025
- Each mission center is being invited to prioritize the 14 pieces of legislation

Exploration Sessions

- Online Zoom gatherings to discuss resolutions (February-April 2025)
- Special session on Nonviolence Statement (November 11-16, 2024)
- Free participation via Zoom

We hope you will be part of this exciting time in the life of the church!

Love this save the date video on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/siEuGRJyd5Y>



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Center for Innovation in Ministry and Mission

The Center for Innovation in Ministry and Mission (CIMM) presents live classes exploring theology, culture, and Community of Christ Identity, Mission, Message, and Beliefs in “bite-sized” sessions. These no-cost live sessions will take place most Wednesdays at 7 p.m. CST.

These classes can be used as discussion starters in adult classes or for personal spiritual/educational development.

December

- 04 – **Star Trek Community** – Star Trek Community
- 09 – **Worship in a Changing Culture (part 2)** – Tyler Marz and Karin Peter
- 11 – **Becoming a Prophetic People** – Linda Stanbridge
- 18 – **Worship in a Changing Culture (part 2)** – Tyler Marz and Karin Peter

January

08 – **Listening with the Lectionary (Feb/March)** – Tony and Charmaine Chvala-Smith

Go to <https://www.graceland.edu/academics/community-of-christ-seminary/center-for-innovation-in-ministry-and-mission/cimm-sessions/> for more information, and to register for these free classes.



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October 21 – December 15, 2024

- **CIMM0450 – Children and Youth Worker Core Training**

January 6 – March 2, 2025

- **CIMM0301 – Ministry of the Disciple** – Instructor: Apostle Robin Linkhart
- **CIMM0100 – Introduction to Pastors Ministry** – Instructor: David Lloyd

March 3 – April 27, 2025

- **CIMM0300 – Introduction to Priesthood Ministry** – Instructor: (TBA)
- **CIMM0306 – Ministry of the Seventy** – Instructor: Bethany Lloyd
- **CIMM0303 – Ministry of the Teacher** – Instructor: (TBA)
- **CIMM0309 – Ministry of the Bishop** – Instructor: Carla Long

May 5 – June 29, 2025

- **CIMM0400 – Introduction to Scripture** – Instructor: Dave Shaal
- **CIMM0450 – Children and Youth Worker Core Training** – Instructor: (TBA)

June 30 – August 24, 2025

- **CIMM0307 – Ministry of the High Priest** – Instructor: (TBA)
- **CIMM0308 – Ministry of the Evangelist** – Instructor: (TBA)
- **CYW Core Training (cont)** – Instructor: (TBA)



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August 21, 2024

To Community of Christ in the U.S.A.,

Greetings in the peace of Jesus Christ. As we move toward national elections in November, we hold our nation and each of you in prayer. We carry on our hearts the hope of healing widening divisions, restoring civility to our public discourse, and renewing our commitment to compassionately find common ground as we actively participate in God's unfolding future.

As we are challenged in Doctrine and Covenants 163:3a and c:

"You are called to create pathways in the world for peace in Christ to be relationally and culturally incarnate. The hope of Zion is realized when the vision of Christ is embodied in communities of generosity, justice, and peacefulness. ...That which seeks to harden one human heart against another by constructing walls of fear and prejudice is not of God. Be especially alert to these influences, lest they divide you or divert you from the mission to which you are called."

As followers of Jesus, the peaceful One, we are called to see beyond our differences and embrace that which connects one human heart to another. Our shared brokenness and desire for healing transcends age, class, ethnicity, race, religion, sexual orientation, and political ideology. Our Enduring Principles ground us in the Worth of All Persons, reveal divine possibility in our diversity, and instill authentic hope in our vision of God's Shalom.

As citizens of a nation founded on the principle of "*We the People*," we must work tirelessly to bridge our differences while we work together for the common good. We must stand against violence towards candidates and others working in the political process. May we trust in the Spirit to empower us with courage to listen, patience to understand, and love to heal and forgive in the weeks ahead.

In the peace of Christ,

Apostles serving U.S.A. Fields,

Janné Grover

Robin Linkhart

Lach Mackay

Shandra Newcom

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Mareva Arnaud Tchong (Hawaii)

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Outreach International (OI) - News

New service: Did you know that OI has a new portal on its website where you can draft your will for free? August has been National Make a Will month.

OI's new, free tool -- **Legacy Planner** -- allows you to write a last will and testament online. Check it out on their website. outreach-international.org.

Inside scoop: **Advent Stable materials will be available in early October!** These fun lessons give children activities about love, joy, peace, and hope. These materials are easy to use and do the prep for you. Use at home, in church or other appropriate gatherings. Just jump into the stories from Wally the Water Buffalo, and let the photos, videos, and activity booklets guide you and the children through an enriching experience of joy and generosity. Watch the website or contact Casey Main, OI Development & Project Mgmt Specialist for information. phone: (816-768-8627).



ONLINE CONGREGATIONAL INFO:

You are warmly invited to join the following congregations for worship.

Apple Valley—Hybrid worship

Sundays—Fellowship begins at 10:00 a.m. with worship at 10:30.

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81325903089?pwd=L290OEM2VGtVdFVTa2E5RUphY3JGQT09>

Meeting ID: 813 2590 3089 Password: AVWorship1

Madison—Hybrid Worship

Zoom worship and Gathering: Sundays 9:30 a.m. for summer; returning to 10:30 am starting Sept 8, 2024

You can join them online using this Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82865581378?pwd=MHZoN21EamVKRi9ETTZTUXFzajZEQT09>

Dial in: +1 312 626 6799 Meeting ID: 828 6558 1378 Passcode: 666111

Milwaukee/Wauwatosa—Hybrid Worship

Zoom worship and Gathering: Sundays 10 a.m. Social Time: 9:30 a.m.

You can join them online using this Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81200672184?pwd=TVFJQTM2TVowZ2ZtYVJhUWZZVm40QT09>

Dial in: +1 312 626 6799 Meeting ID: 812 0067 2184 Passcode: 737761

Northwoods—Wednesday evening devotions

You are invited to participate in the weekly Northwoods **Wednesday evening devotions**. We gather via Zoom each Wednesday at 7 p.m. CST for approximately an hour. Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87983150140?pwd=YTNhblcvTThmQW10bXkvQTFZQldTUT09>

Dial in: +1 312 626 6799 US Meeting ID: 879 8315 0140 Passcode: 057329

Red Wing—Hybrid Worship

All are welcome to join the Red Wing Coalition at 10:00 AM each Sunday morning for Fellowship Chats followed by our prayer list and worship service at 10:25. Please call or text 651-206-3410 if you have any questions about the link, or for more information. Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85704678238?pwd=Y24zOUFzeEVWeU1zaU1UUXJwU1Vidz09>

Dial in: +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 857 0467 8238 ; Passcode: 594835

St. Paul—Hybrid Worship

You are warmly invited to join the St. Paul congregation for worship on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Join Zoom

Meeting—<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83761982678>

Meeting ID: 837 6198 2678 Dial in: +1 312 626 6799

