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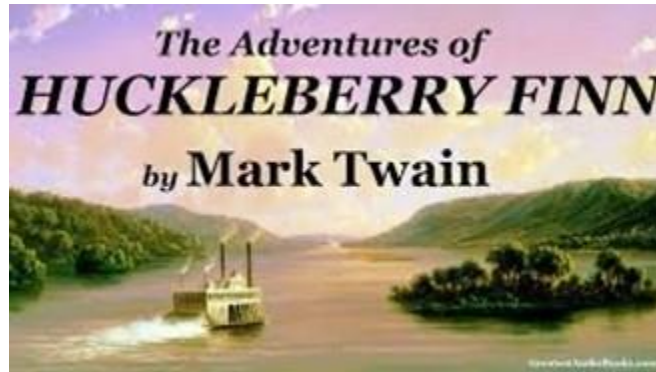
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**A Matthew 25 Congregation  
“Lord, When Did We See You...?”**



**“In the beginning, there was the Word;  
the Word was in God’s presence,  
and the Word was God.”**



## “The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn”

By Mark Twain

"The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" is the only one of Mark Twain's various books which can be called a masterpiece. I do not suggest that it is his only book of permanent interest; but it is the only one in which his genius is completely realized, and the only one which creates its own category." T. S. Eliot

Huckleberry Finn, rebel against school and church, casual inheritor of gold treasure, rafter of the Mississippi, and savior of Jim the runaway slave, is the archetypical American maverick.

Fleeing the respectable society that wants to "sivilize" him, Huck Finn shoves off with Jim on a rhapsodic raft journey down the Mississippi River. The two bind themselves to one another, becoming intimate friends and agreeing "there warn't no home like a raft, after all. Other places do seem so cramped up and smothery, but a raft don't. You feel mighty free and easy and comfortable on a raft."

As Huck learns about love, responsibility, and morality, the trip becomes a metaphoric voyage through his own soul, culminating in the glorious moment when he decides to "go to hell" rather than return Jim to slavery.

Mark Twain defined classic as "a book which people praise and don't read;" Huckleberry Finn is a happy exception to his own rule. Twain's mastery of dialect, coupled with his famous wit, has The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn one of the most loved and distinctly American classics ever written." (Amazon Book Review)

### **Why Was 'The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn' banned?**

This novel, written by Samuel Clemens (1835–1910) under the pen name Mark Twain, chronicles the adventures of two young white boys and an escaped black slave who sail the Mississippi River on a raft.

Huck Finn, a rebellious teenager, fakes his own death to escape an alcoholic father and throughout the book challenges the mores of his society. Some Americans did not view Huck as a positive role model for young readers. Immediately after publication, the book was banned on the recommendation of public commissioners in Concord, Massachusetts, who described it as racist, coarse, trashy, inelegant, irreligious, obsolete,

inaccurate, and mindless.” It has been banned every year since. <https://www.mtsu.edu/first-amendment/article/789/adventures-of-huckleberry-finn#:~:text=Huckleberry%20Finn%20banned%20immediately%20after%20publication&text=Immediately%20after%20publication%2C%20the%20book,obsolete%2C%20inaccurate%2C%20and%20mindless.>



**THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 7**, we conclude our “Banned Books and the Bible” sermon series with “The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn.” We will also be celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper.

Our accompanist is Marian Korth. The service will be live-streamed on our church Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/OCPCambridgeWI> To be notified of when we go “Live”, go to the church Facebook page, click on the “Follow” button and you will be notified when we go “live.”





**ON SATURDAY, JULY 30,** OCPC members volunteered for the Lake Ripley Ride for Juvenile Diabetes. We provided hospitality at the London Community Rest Stop, greeting the riders who were doing the 60-mile ride. It was a wonderful time welcoming each of them, who shared their gratitude with us. Thank you to the organizers of this great community event! We look forward to helping out again next summer!



## The New Scatter Garden at Lake Ripley Cemetery



**CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS:** The Session has called for two meetings of the congregation. The purpose of these meetings is to consider changes to the By-laws. The Session is recommending that the date of the annual meeting be changed to occur in June. **The first meeting was held Sunday, July 31 following worship.** That meeting was to hear their recommendation and ask questions. **The second meeting is scheduled for Sunday, August 7 following worship.** This meeting will be to vote on the recommendation.

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE IN AUGUST

**August 7** – Communion

**August 14** – Guest Minister – Hugh Drennan

**August 21** – Worship

**August 28** – Worship at Lake Ripley Park with Baptism

### WORSHIP AT LAKE RIPLEY PARK SUNDAY, AUGUST 28 10 AM

We will be worshipping at Lake Ripley Park on Sunday, August 28 as we celebrate the baptism of Jacob Wagner. Jacob has met with Pastor Scott to discuss his baptism. For this service, we will gather on the shore for liturgy, Scripture and a brief reflection, then form a circle around Jacob. If you wish to join Pastor Scott and Jacob in the lake, you are invited to wear swimwear or something that you feel comfortable in getting wet, and bring a towel! Following the service, we will gather at the shelter for some light refreshments.

While we typically gather around the baptismal font in the sanctuary for a baptism, Jacob has requested baptism by immersion. *“While pouring or sprinkling water upon the head is*

most common, Presbyterians also allow for baptism by immersion. Whatever the method, the deep significance of baptism demands a visible and generous use of water, conveying the lavish outpouring of God’s grace, filling believers with the gifts of the Spirit, and overflowing in lives of faithfulness, service, and love.” (Presbyterian Mission webpage - <https://www.presbyterianmission.org/story/what-presbyterians-believe-the-sacrament-of-baptism/>)

# FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT FAMILIES



**WHEN & WHERE: DRIVE-UP ONLY**  
**MONDAY AUGUST 15TH . 4:00PM-7:00PM**  
**NIKOLAY MIDDLE SCHOOL (NMS). 211 SOUTH STREET CAMBRIDGE**  
**PULL INTO CIRCLE AND WE WILL BRING SUPPLIES OUT TO YOU BASED ON GRADE**  
**CALL/TEXT/EMAIL KRISTIN GOWAN FOR MORE INFO: 608.213.5819. KGOWAN@CAMBRIDGE.K12.WI.US**

**TO DONATE:**  
**CASH OR CHECK ARE MOST HELPFUL THIS YEAR:**  
PAYABLE TO CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
  
BRING TO SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE 403 BLUE JAY WAY

**DONATIONS DUE WEDNESDAY AUGUST 10TH**  
DROP OFF AT THESE CAMBRIDGE LOCATIONS:  
  
(BINS OUTSIDE IF OFFICE CLOSED)  
SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE  
NIKOLAY MIDDLE SCHOOL  
CAMBRIDGE ELEMENTARY

**MOST NEEDED SUPPLIES:**  
BACKPACKS,  
SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS (TI 30x),  
GRAPH COMPOSITION NOTEBOOKS,  
MECHANICAL PENCILS, BINDERS,  
SHARPIES MARKERS,  
EXPO MARKERS, POST-IT NOTES,  
JUMBO GLUE STICKS, SCISSORS,  
EARBUDS. HEADPHONES



**THANK YOU!**

**HELPING OUR CAMBRIDGE STUDENTS START THE YEAR EQUIPPED TO SUCCEED!**

**CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT LOOKING FOR HELPERS!** On the day of the school supply give away, August 15, volunteers are needed that morning to get supplies ready in shifts between 9-1. They are also needed from 3-8 for the give away and clean up. If interested, contact Kristin Aasen-Gowan, school social worker at 608-423-8008 (office) / 608-213-5919 (cell/text) / [kgowan@cambridge.k12.wi.us](mailto:kgowan@cambridge.k12.wi.us).



**MISSION FUNDS!** The Session voted to donate \$100 of our mission funds to support the work of the Trevor Project. The Trevor Project is the world’s largest suicide prevention and crisis intervention organization for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning (LGBTQ) young people. Pastor Scott also made a personal donation which was matched by his other employer, Gunderson Funeral Home. If you would like to learn more about the Trevor Project, click on this link: <https://www.thetrevorproject.org/explore/> If you have a Mission or non-Profit that fits into the ministry and mission of OCPC, please speak with Pastor Scott.



**FOOD PANTRY WISH LIST:** Cereal, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Granola Bars, Crackers/Saltines, Cookies, Body Wash, Laundry Soap. Donation bin is located outside of the lower level middle school/food pantry entrance and monetary donations are gladly accepted via the Food Pantry website <https://cambridgecap.net/programs/nutrition/food-pantry/> or by mail to P.O. Box 54, Cambridge WI 53523. Thank you!

**AGING AND SENIOR CARE RESOURCES** [Caring.com](https://www.caring.com) is a leading senior care resource for family caregivers seeking information and support as they care for aging parents, spouses and other loved ones. They have been featured by AARP, The Administration for Community Living, The National Legal Resource Center, and Forbes, as well as referenced by many governmental agencies and organizations across the Internet. The following is a link to their Senior Care and Assisted Living Guide for communities in Wisconsin: (<https://www.caring.com/senior-living/assisted-living/wisconsin>)

**DONATE ONLINE TO OUR CHURCH**, Presbyterian Church of Oakland-Cambridge, using the app, **Vanco Mobile**. Search for “Vanco Mobile” in your app store (Vanco Payment Solutions). Once it’s installed, find us using our zip code (53523), and set up one-time or recurring payments, OR go directly to our donor page by using the QR Code below, or the link on our webpage, [www.ocpchurch.com](http://www.ocpchurch.com) . Thank you! (You may also mail in your offering and pledge: **OCPC 313 E. Main Street, Cambridge, WI 53523.**)



**MILESTONES**

**Birthdays**

- Mim Jacobson ..... August 5
- Pat Kruger ..... August 11
- Joe Kelter ..... August 12
- Evelyn Reiner ..... August 15
- James Wurtz ..... August 15
- Dylan Homann ..... August 18
- Jenna Fieser ..... August 22
- Tara Bettenhausen ..... August 28

Lance Bettenhausen ..... August 30

**Anniversaries**

- Jan & Nancy Kristiansen ..... August 10
- Bud & Bobbi Rumpf ..... August 16
- Phillip Yeadon & Rose Ann West.. Aug 17
- Matt & Megan Meier..... August 17
- Trent & Kari Bettenhausen..... August 28



**PLEASE HOLD THESE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN PRAYER THIS WEEK —**

Lorin Fulton

Margaret Hawkins

Jan & Nancy Kristiansen

Jenine Spack

Caleb Wipperfurth, CHS graduate who is battling cancer

The family of Donald Hawkins and families who are grieving the loss of loved ones.

If you would like to be added to our weekly prayer list, please leave word in the church office or contact the pastor. Permission to be included in this publicly posted list has been obtained from those listed or their families.

**STANDING DATES – These are regularly scheduled events**

- Pastoral Office Hours – Generally 9:00 a.m. to Noon Wednesdays
- Business Office Hours – 8:00 a.m. to Noon Monday through Thursday
- Sundays – 10:00 a.m. Worship;  
Communion first Sunday of each month
- Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. – AA

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