

### Mission of the Month: Sandra Kay Raasch

Sandra K. Raasch is a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church serving as Volunteers Coordinator. She formerly worked in mission finance in Honduras. She was commissioned as a missionary in 2005. At the time she said: "God has been grooming me for this call all my life by giving me a heart for people, an ability to receive a finance degree, and to participate in mission trips, and by leading me to a church home, where I found Christ and have been able to deepen my walk through Bible study, meeting brothers and sisters in Christ, and finding my spiritual gifts of administration and hospitality." Sandy was born in Cape Girardeau, Missouri and attended the University of Missouri in Columbia, earning her Bachelor of Science in business administration and finance in 1987. Before beginning her mission service, she owned and managed a business, worked for four different companies in Kansas in supervisory positions, and volunteered for numerous charitable organizations through her church. Sandy is a member of the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas. Her parents, Harold and Becky Raasch, live in Overland Park, Kansas, and also attend the same congregation.

**Missions Cmte** meeting has been rescheduled to Monday, May 13 at 12:30pm.

**U'Nifers/United Women in Faith** meet at 1:00pm tomorrow in the Chapel. All women are invited.

**Chimes & Choir Practice** will be Wednesday, 6:00pm & 7:00pm, respectively. Open to all.

**United Kids After School:** Check out the UKAS bulletin board in the narthex for info and an updated wish list. There are forms that may be filled out if you would like to volunteer as well. Be sure to "like" the United Kids After School Facebook page. Contact information for Kim: 630-699-2328 or [ucs.unitedkids@gmail.com](mailto:ucs.unitedkids@gmail.com)

### Pie of the Month Event



May Pie-Peach  
Order Deadline-May 5  
Pickup Date-May 11

June Pie-Strawberry-Rhubarb  
Order Deadline-June 9  
Pickup Date-June 15

These pies can be purchased baked or frozen (with baking instructions).

All pies will have to be picked up at the Church no shipping or delivery.

Check the Website: [unitedchurchsandwich.org](http://unitedchurchsandwich.org) for more details or call the Church office to place your order



### Rummage & Bake Sale - June 7 & 8 Drop off dates, May 19-31

**Take items to the southeast room.**  
Sign up sheets for sorting, cashiering, baked goods donations, general help and clean-up may be found in the Narthex.

Be sure to check it out!

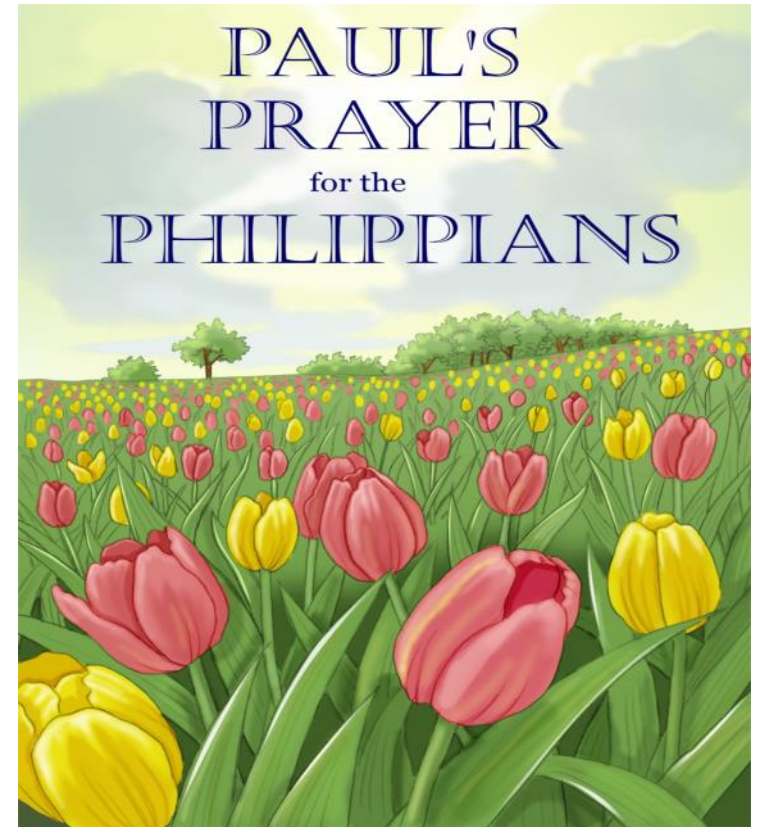
### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

- 05/05 Macie Chrestman
- 05/06 Renee Eipers  
Andrew Salisbury
- 05/07 Shirley Basler
- 05/09 Jim Bernhardt  
Betty Reiners
- 05/11 Tom Nehring

### WE PRAY FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING FOR:

- Robert Beck — Joyce Dell — Lilli Jaeger
- Carol Larson — Christine McMahon — Lynn Reeder

### Sixth Sunday of Easter May 05, 2024 — 10:00 am Order of Worship~ Holy Communion



### The United Church of Sandwich

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**We are passionately united to feed all people —  
body, mind, and spirit — to the glory of God!**

§ *Welcome in Christ's name to all visitors and guests. Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We hope you will experience God's presence with us and will come again soon. We welcome your inquiries about the Christian faith and about membership in the United Church of Sandwich congregation.*

- *Please sign the **attendance pad** as it is passed to you, to let us know you were with us today.*
  - *Please turn off cell phones and all electronic devices.*
  - *Scripture quotations are from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, © 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA. Used by permission. All rights reserved.*
  - (†) *This sign indicates to stand if you wish.*
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**PRELUDE**

**CHOIR** *Give Me Jesus*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

† **HYMN** No. 89 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

† **OPENING DIALOGUE**

*Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song, a song of hope and rejoicing!*

*Congregation: **Praise God for wonderful acts of mercy and kindness!***

*Leader: God has remembered God's faithful ones.*

*Congregation: **God has poured blessing upon blessing upon us!***

*Leader: Praise the Lord, all the earth, shout your praise!*

*Congregation: **Rejoice, for God is truly with us. Amen.***

† **OPENING PRAYER**

○ Lord, we come before you this morning with praise and thanksgiving. Open our minds to what you have to teach us. Open our hearts to your love, and enable us to

love you in a new and more profound way. Open our souls to the joy that can only be found in you. In Christ's holy name we pray. **Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE** Philippians 1:3-11

*Paul's Prayer for the Philippians*

<sup>3</sup> I thank my God every time I remember you, <sup>4</sup>constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, <sup>5</sup>because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. <sup>6</sup>I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. <sup>8</sup>For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup>And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight <sup>10</sup>to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, <sup>11</sup>having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

This is the word of God. **Thanks be to God.**

**PASSING THE PEACE**

**HYMN** No. 572 *Pass It On*

**SERMON** *Living in Partnership: Growing Up Together*  
(This Is Living!)

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we**

**forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever. Amen.**

**CHOIR** ○ *Taste and See*

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

† **DOXOLOGY** No. 95

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

**HOLY COMMUNION**

*Holy Communion in this church is open to all who wish to receive the grace of God through his Son Jesus Christ. Please notify an usher if you would like to receive Communion where you are seated.*

† **HYMN** No. 620 *One Bread, One Body*

**BLESSING**

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**SERVING IN WORSHIP**

*Liturgist:* Chris Bagwill

*Greeter & Usher:* Angie Miller & Pam Nehring

*Communion Minister:*

*Music Director:* Kevin Duy     *Pianist:* Abi Mogge

**OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY- FRIDAY 9:00 AM TO 1:00 PM**

*Donna:* Tues — Fri     *Pastor Tom:* Mon — Thurs

**The 4th Weekend Drive:** Thank you for your continued support of the 4th Weekend Drives. The request will continue to be "Dessert Mixes" May 25 & 26. If you are able, please bring cakes, cookies, brownies, etc. Items may be placed in the blue bin located in the Narthex. The Missions Committee