

**WESTBY UMC**  
**May 3, 2026**

*\* Please stand in body or spirit*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* GATHERING SONGS    *Come, Now is the Time to Worship*  
                                  *Come Just as You Are*

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: We gather today as those who have been accepted — not because of who we are, but because of who Christ is.

**P: We come as we are — imperfect, and in need of grace.**

L: In Christ, there is no outsider. No one is too far gone to be welcomed home.

**P: Like Onesimus, we were once separated — but in Christ, we are received as beloved.**

L: This is the miracle of the Church: People who are accepted by Jesus gathered here to worship God.

**P: Let us worship God who has welcomed us home!**

**\* OPENING PRAYER**

**Lord, we open this time of worship to You. We bring our whole selves — our joys, our burdens, our questions — and we lay them at Your feet. Speak to us today. Open our hearts to receive what You have for us, and open our eyes to see one another as You see us — accepted, beloved, and called. We are Yours. This hour is Yours.**

**God, give us courage to dream Your dreams for our church. Please open our minds and hearts and ears, so we can hear Your voice to know what Your purpose is for our church. We pray in Christ's name, Amen.**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE

COMMUNITY PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

Philemon 1:8–16

MESSAGE

*"Disciple – Onesimus: One Who is Accepted by the Church"*

\* COMMUNION HYMN        *Come, Share the Lord*        #2269 TFWS

THE LORD'S TABLE

\* DOXOLOGY

OFFERING OUR GIFTS, LIVES AND SERVICE

*\*\* Please place your offering in the offering plate on the table in the narthex by the sanctuary entrance. \*\**

\* OFFERING PRAYER

\* CLOSING HYMN        *The Servant Song*        #2222 TFWS

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

Music: Jane Gaskell  
Pastor: Paul Lee

## WELCOME TO ALL WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!

### Coming Events:

May 3 10:00 AM – Fellowship, Sunday School & Flowers for Norseland  
May 4 6:30 PM – Website Review Meeting  
May 7 9:00 AM – Prayer Group  
May 10 Feedback for Pastor's Review Due

\* Please pray the Visioning Prayer at 3:20 PM each day so we can be united in asking God what He wants our church to do for serving Him and others.

### PRAYERS

*Our country, Ann, Ilene (Donna's daughter), Mike (Julie's brother), Ardith, Sunday School students & families, God's Vision for our church, Pastor Paul, Norseland residents, our church family, unnamed concerns, our church in ministry*

Sign-up sheets for the May and June study programs are in the narthex.

### Mission of the Month – Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP)

The moto for this group is “No kid sleeps on the floor in our town.” The Vernon County chapter of SHP needs to raise funds to purchase bed building materials, mattresses and bedding for the beds they build.

### Personal Hygiene Items for Bethel Butikk

Please continue to donate personal hygiene items for Bethel Butikk. The items needed are toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner, hand soap, hand lotion, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, brushes & combs. They also need packages of feminine hygiene products.

### Senior Strength Training

This class is open to everyone of all ages and meets on Tuesday and Thursday, 12:30-1:15 PM.

### Westby Senior Meal Site

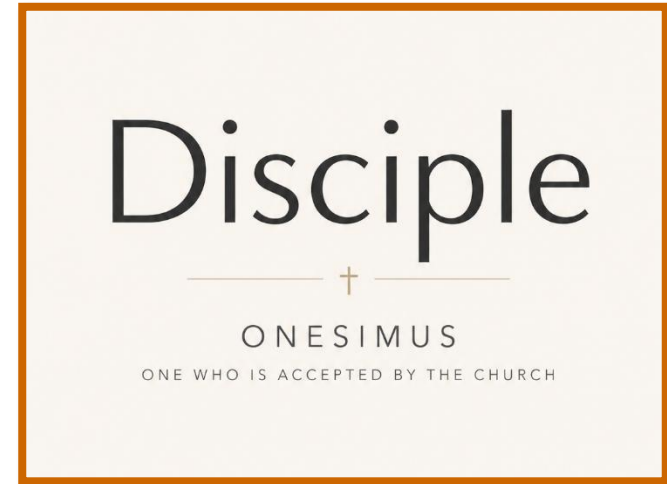
Meals will be served Monday-Thursday, at 11:30 AM. Please call 608-637-5201 by 8:00 AM to reserve and order a meal for that day.

### Prayer Request Box

Please write your prayer request on the note card and put it in the box. Our Thursday Morning Prayer Group will then pray for these requests when they meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month.



**WESTBY**  
**United Methodist Church**  
**May 3, 2026**



**9:00 AM Worship**  
**10:00 AM Fellowship & Sunday School after**  
**Worship**

**Westby United Methodist Church**  
**202 East State St., Westby, WI 54667**

*Our calling is to reach all people with the  
life-changing power of God's Love and  
Grace available to all through Jesus  
Christ, our Lord.*