

WESTBY UMC
August 16, 2026

** Please stand in body or spirit*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* GATHERING SONGS

How Majestic is Your Name #2023 TFWS
In His Presence

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: The Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them."

P: We gather here, ready to listen for the Spirit's voice.

L: Not by our own plans, but by the leading of the Spirit, the church sends and the church is sent.

P: Fill us with your presence, O Spirit, as we worship together this day.

L: Let us worship the One who calls, who sends, and who fills us with the Holy Spirit.

P: We come with open hearts, ready to follow where the Spirit leads.

* **OPENING PRAYER**

Holy Spirit, just as you set apart Barnabas and Saul and sent them out from Antioch, call us together this morning. Guide us not by our own feelings or plans, but by your leading. Fill us, as you filled them, so that whatever challenges we carry this week, we may face them together with you.

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

COMMUNITY PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

#895 UMH

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 13:1-12

MESSAGE *"The Spirit Sent Barnabas and Saul from Antioch"*

* HYMN OF INSPIRATION

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve #2241 TFWS

* 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 *May You Run and Not Be Weary #2281 TFWS*

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Music: Jane Gaskell
Pastor: Paul Lee

WELCOME TO ALL WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!

Coming Events:

Aug. 16 10:00 AM – Fellowship
 4:00-7:00 PM – Vacation Bible School

Aug. 24 Newsletter Articles 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

SooHo, Jean, family of Donna Karasek, VBS, Sunday School students & families, God's Vision for our church, Pastor Paul, Norseland residents, our church family, unnamed concerns, our country, our church in ministry

Mission of the Month – Habitat for Humanity

The Habitat for Humanity of the Greater La Crosse Region serves local communities—including Vernon County—by building affordable housing, repairing existing homes, and operating a discount home improvement store. We can help through financial donations or donating gently used furniture to the ReStore. Please indicate Habitat for Humanity in the memo line for check donations.

Personal Hygiene Items for Bethel Butikk

Please continue to donate personal hygiene items for Bethel Butikk.

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

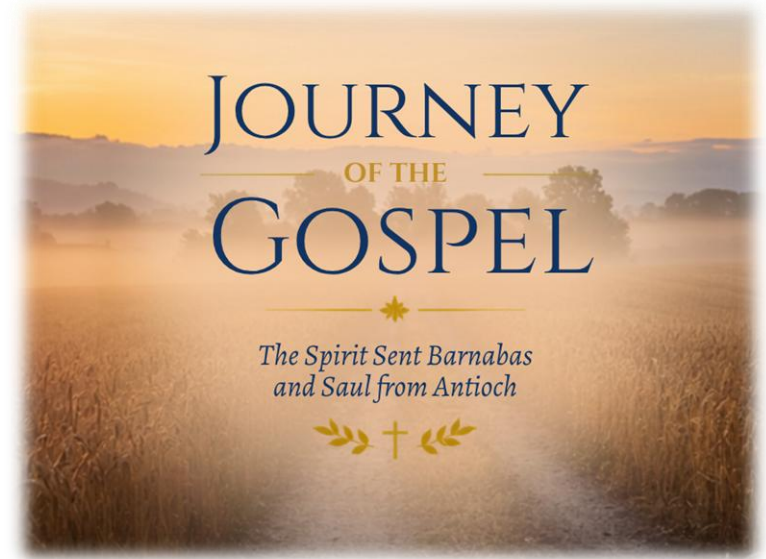
Meals will be served Monday-Thursday, at 11:30 AM. Please call 608-637-5201 by 8:00 AM to reserve and order a meal for that day.

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 1st Thursday of the month.



WESTBY United Methodist Church August 16, 2026



9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Fellowship

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202 East State St., Westby, WI 54667

*Love God by loving others.
Serve God by serving others.*