

**The white rose this week commemorates the lives of: Marilyn Wilgocki, wife of (visitor) Allan Hins.**

**New this week:**

**Covenant members:** Perry family; Linda Daly; Karen Kennedy; Fern Lawrence.

**Covenant friends & extended family:** Jake, grand-nephew of Bob & Nan Schaefer; Jane Middents, cousin of Nan Schaefer; Erik Wilker, son of Pat Wilker; Iris Wilson, toddler daughter of Will Wilson and Abigail Bruxvoort; Cori Olson, friend of Karen Julian; Karen Daughtery, sister of Gail Hunt; Emma Belle Bognanno, daughter of Sara Bognanno & granddaughter of Mike and Gail Hunt; Ursula Schmaltz, granddaughter of Covenant member Beth Schmaltz; Callie Craig Pearson, daughter of Ben and Britt Pearson, granddaughter of Covenant members Bob and Jane Pearson, great-granddaughter of Mary King; Mary Ross, Covenant member; Roxy Riessen, mother of Carrie Riessen.

**Covenant family & friends mourning the death of:** Dorothy Kau, mother of Susan Kau; Joe Weaver, father of Ann Perry; Ann Miller, aunt of Janice Walden; Deb Girard, step mom of Eric Girard; Marilyn Chell, friend of CC Girard; Elaine Hettrick, aunt of Laurie Jones; Erand, son of Rev Kathy and Michael Weigand; Mike Whitley, father of Michael Whitley; Ruthele Jean Bailey, mother of Val Bailey-Rihn; Derek Schwarting, nephew of Cheryl & Tom Wise; Ron Gomez, father of Chris Gomez Schmidt; Jack Russell, friend of Jenn Sauer; Ed Popp, cousin of Tom Popp; Eugene Swanson, father of Paula Swansonrasanen; Robert Berry, friend of Cara Cavin; Carolyn Holveck, sister of Randy Holveck; Barbara Morgan, aunt of Bret Larget; Kenny Blewett, nephew of Tom & Cindy Blewett; Abram Ahola, relative of Melissa Schmidt; Susan Larson, Covenant member.

**Your continuing prayers are appreciated for:** All people affected by the war in the Middle East; Marilyn Butz; James, father of James McGregor; Don Weinberg, brother-in-law of Debbie Konkol; Paula Swansonrasanen; Alice Kirby, daughter-in-law of Peter & Jane Kolakowski; Dennis Eft, brother of Lori Voss; Robert N. Mayer, friend of Marcy Carlson & Tim Smeeding; Noel Pearson; Joann Pivotto; Lee Narans; Cindy Blewett; Stephen Resan; Helen Madsen; Jack & Joannie Carter; Jan & Tom Schuster; Sandi Thompson-Royer, Covenant friend; Troy Griswold, nephew of Lori Voss; Mark Middleton; Sally Nesser; Bill & Susan Wood; John Wedberg; Nancy McCulley; Larry & Barb Larsen; Russ & Evelyn McMillan; Virgil Landry; Joseph Hack; Eve Casta; Dick & Jan Schaefer, family of Bob & Nan Schaefer; Tim Wade, father of Janna Doney; Jorge Asencion, Covenant friend; Gary Van Ess & John Van Ess, brothers of Vicki Alexander.

**World Mission:** People of Guatemala and congregations of Monte Hebron Presbyterian Church in Santo Domingo and Monte Horeb Presbyterian Church in Coyolate. Jed and Jenny Koball PC(USA) in Peru; Medical Benevolence Foundation in Haiti; Eric Miller in Kenya.

**Our elected local leaders:** Gov. Evers and Mayor Rhodes-Conway.

**Pray for our country, and if you feel inspired, contact your elected officials:**

<p><b>Senator Tammy Baldwin</b> 30 West Mifflin Street, Suite 700 Madison, WI 53703 (608) 264-5338</p>	<p><b>Senator Ron Johnson</b> 5315 Wall Street, Suite 110 Madison, WI 53718 (608) 240-9629</p>
<p><b>President Donald Trump</b> 1600 Pennsylvania Ave Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500 (202) 456-1111</p>	<p><b>Rep. Mark Pocan</b> 10 E Doty St #405 Madison, WI 53703 (608) 258-9800</p>

**Birthdays**

**Matthew Berthoud, David Fields, Tom Wise (4/21); Brooke Von Bergen (4/22); Mason Sommers (4/23); Rachel Aune, Ann Hutchison (4/24).**

*Names will stay on the prayer list for five weeks. If you would like to remain on the list longer, please contact the church office at 608-233-6297 or info@covenantmadison.org, Pastor Charlie Berthoud, Pastor Megan Berry, Pastor Jess Scholten, or Melissa Hinz.*

**“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.”  
Philippians 4:4**

God of Resurrection, who brings new life from death, who makes a way where there is no way and carves rivers into the desert, we ask for your power of renewal to be at work in us for joy.

Help us to rejoice in simple things and share our joy with others. Let our laughter and smiles be contagious, spreading delight wherever we go. May we find joy even during challenges.

Thank you for moments of joy that brighten our days. Help us to cherish them and to seek out more opportunities for delight. May we find joy in our relationships, celebrating the connections we have with family and friends.

Keep our eyes open to beauty and wonder in the world around us, finding joy in nature and the everyday miracles of life.

Guide us to be sources of joy for others, bringing light through care, compassion, and creativity. Let us approach each day with a joyful heart, grateful for the opportunities and experiences that come our way.

Thank you for the gift of joy. Help us to embrace it fully and share it with others.

We lift to you those for whom joy seems impossible, those who ache with grief, those who suffer in body and mind, those who lack freedom of agency, those who are in need of shelter and basic human needs. Help us to be compassionate, kind, gentle, and generous so that they too may experience your goodness and abundance.

We lift these prayers to you with grateful and longing hearts. Amen.