

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks to Betty Buchholz for sponsoring the bulletin this month:  
“In memory of Eugene”

Elizabeth Circle Meeting – The Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm at the church. Please wear masks and practice social distancing. The theme for this meeting is “March Music”.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

- Angie Federer
- Delores Duer
- Ryan Giese
- David Schrader, son of Susan
- Mason, grandson of Susan Schrader
- Those impacted by the coronavirus
- Friends and family of Steve Wendt

### Remember our homebound

At Home: Doris Laurain (in Indiana), Viola McRobert

Christian Home: Louise Miescke

Prairie Place, Ripon: Elaine Stanton

Prairie Ridge: June Witowich, Phyllis McDowell, Alice Chase

Today's Worship Ministers:	<b>All of us – wherever we are</b>
Tech Team:	Gary Schulz & Val Dolgner
Pianist:	Sue Rens Guell
Pastor/Worship Leader:	Steve Miller
Counters:	Deb White & Jeanne Ludjack

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## WAUPUN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Waupun, WI



# Judge NOT

March 14, 2021

Sunday worship – 9:00 a.m.

**Welcome to worship.  
May you know the presence of God in this time.**

In this worship service for Week 4 of Lent, we recognize that we live in a very judgmental world, so Jesus' advice not to judge may sound radical to our modern ears. When we leave all judgement up to God, we free ourselves to look at one another through fresh and forgiving eyes.

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Musical Call to Worship

### Call to Worship

Judge not, that you be not judged.

#### **Speak the truth in love.**

Take the log out of your own eye, then take the speck out of your friend's.

#### **Speak the truth in love.**

With the judgment you pronounce, you will be judged.

#### **Speak the truth in love.**

Look at others through the lens of forgiveness.

#### **Speak the truth in love.**

**Opening Hymn                      on supplement                      "We Are Called"**

### Confession and Absolution

Because of our sinful and holier-than-thou judgment of others, we ourselves deserve to be judged by our Heavenly Father.

**Most merciful God, our eyes are wide open to the sins and shortcomings of others. We see the smallest details of the faults of our neighbors, but fail to see the large-scale sin in our own life. On the other hand, our eyes are too often closed to your commands. We see only our self-righteousness and think we have no need for any kind of help or forgiveness. Though we deserve your present and eternal punishment, we plead for your mercy and beg for your grace.**

In his mercy and grace God's eyes are blinded to our sin by the death of Jesus on the cross. Though we deserve his complete and total judgment, our punishment was placed on his Son. Though we are unjust in our judgment of others, God's judgment is righteous and perfect. In his mercy he forgives totally and completely. It is

my joy to declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**Music of Forgiveness                      "Grace Greater Than Our Sin"**  
**on supplement**

Children's Message                      "Guilty – Not Guilty"

Bible Reading                      Matthew 7:1-5  
Judge not, that you be not judged. For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and with the measure you use it will be measured to you. Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, "Let me take the speck out of your eye," when there is the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye.

Pastor's Message                      "The First Stone"

### Tithes and Offerings

**Song of Thanksgiving                      Refrain                      "Give Thanks"**  
**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,**  
**give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son.**  
**Repeat**

**And now let the weak say, "I am strong;  
let the poor say, "I am rich  
because of what the Lord has done for us."**

**Repeat**

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### Prayer of Dedication

**The Prayers of the People                      on supplement**  
**The Lord's Prayer**

**Closing Music                      on supplement                      "I Stand Amazed"**

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Blessing