



# Congregational Connections

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## SEPTEMBER START UP

“On your mark. Get set. Go!” A new program year is off and running! It’s exciting to start up the activities, events, and ministries of our church!

Look inside to see all the wonderful opportunities our church offers for spiritual and personal growth. We return to two worship services each Sunday morning beginning September 10 as we celebrate a “Season of Creation”. Church School also begins a new program year of classes for the children.

There is an article about our Confirmation program with an outline of the subjects and experiences. You can read more about the start of rehearsals for our Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir, and Children’s Choir. The Thrive Team has continued its work as part of the Marquette University Examen(ed) Church program and is beginning a new phase. See the note about our Wednesday Noon Study Group that begins on September 13.

There are so many meaningful ways to participate, and there is so much important work that needs to be done - but none of it happens without you! We can’t have a choir without people to sing or ring handbells! We can’t have a group Bible study if no one attends. We won’t be able to have Fellowship Hour if no one wants to help provide refreshments or stay after worship long enough to meet someone new. Jesus assured us that he would be present whenever two or three gathered in his name, but it’s a much more meaningful and uplifting experience when we have dozens to hundreds of participants worshipping together!

So, “On your mark. Get set. Go!” We have already started this exciting journey together!

See you soon!  
Pastor Scott