

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost THE NEED FOR FOLLOWERSHIP: FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST MAKE SELFLESS SACRIFICES

> Pastor Zietlow's Sermon: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 "SERVE ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE!"

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

We pray that you find comfort, peace, and motivation through God's Word today. In our worship bulletin, you will find an outline of **today's order of worship**. The entire service can be found in the hymnal, up on the screen on Sunday at St. John's and Emmanuel and livestreamed at <u>www.stjohnsmontello.org</u> and also at St. John's in the Lower Level. At St. John's, the **restrooms** are located in the link way, out the church entry way, to the left and down the stairs. At Emmanuel, they are located in the Parish Hall. You may also find a **nursery changing station** in the lower level of St. John's.

ST. JOHN'S & EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCHES-WELS

October 20, 2024 Emmanuel: Sun. 8:00am St. John's: Sun. 10:00am

THE NEED FOR FOLLOWERSHIP

"We need better leadership!" Have you ever said that? Perhaps you were frustrated with the direction being taken by some elected official or by management at your workplace or by the coach of your favorite team. You were frustrated because you know that no matter how many resources an organization has, it will flounder if leaders do not lead well: providing direction, training, motivation, coordination, encouragement, and even grace. Leadership is extremely important. And so, there are times we lament, "We need better leadership!" Jesus Christ is the leader of our congregation, our home, our lives. And his leadership is perfect in every way. Therefore, when things are amiss in any of those arenas, what is needed is not better leadership, but better followership. In this series, we ask Christ to empower us with his Spirit so that we might better follow his lead. May we better reflect the beauty of his life, better make his priorities our own, and better serve our God and neighbor. Our worship follows this path.

FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST MAKE SELFLESS SACRIFICES

"What's in it for me?" It's easy to look at life through the lens of that question, to make decisions based on perceived personal benefit. Perhaps at times we look at Christianity through that lens, wondering what we will gain from following Christ. "What's in it for me?" Jesus first disciples asked that question. They hoped that following Christ would bring prestige and honor. They assumed following Christ would make life easier. But it doesn't work like that. Followers of Christ are called to sacrifice for the well-being of others. "What's in it for me?" Everything! Because of Christ's ultimate sacrifice, followers of Christ have the peace of his forgiveness. Followers of Christ have the joy of meaningful purpose. Followers of Christ look forward to an eternity of glory in Christ's heavenly kingdom. In Spirit-wrought gratitude, followers of Christ make selfless sacrifices with joy

ORDER OF WORSHIP: Setting Two without communion, hymnal pages 172-182,171 **HYMNS:** 854, 540, 930

PSALM: 62 "In God Alone My Soul Can Find Rest and Peace"

SERMON: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 "SERVE ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE!" 1. The Why 2. The Way 3. The Great Reward

OPENING HYMN: 854 "Church of God, Elect and Glorious"



In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CONFESSION

CW 172

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever. But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death. Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

CW 174

In peace let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.



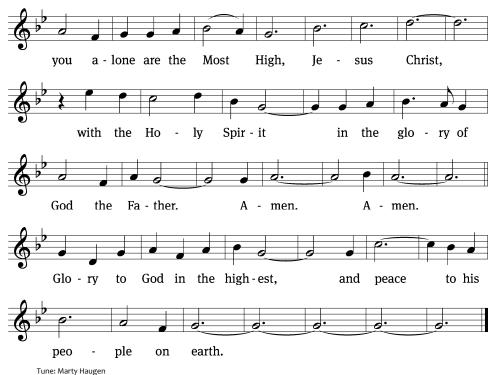
Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



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THE WORD

The Lord be with you.

And also with you. PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

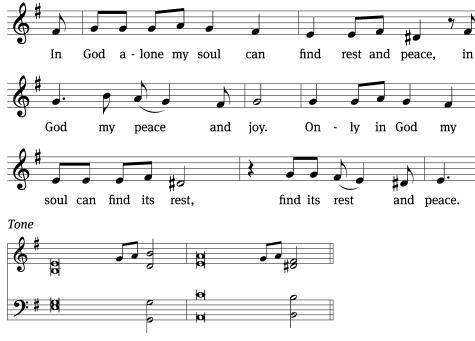
Amen.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 53:10-12

(The prophet Isaiah foretold that the coming Messiah would make the ultimate sacrifice to pay for our sin.)

¹⁰Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life an offering for sin, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand. ¹¹After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. ¹²Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

PSALM: 62 "In God Alone My Soul Can Find Rest and Peace" *Refrain*



Truly my soul finds / rest in God;

my salvation / comes from him.

Truly he is my rock and my sal- / vation; he is my fortress, I will never be / shaken. Yes, my soul, find / rest in God; my hope / comes from him. *Refrain*

Though your rich- / es increase, do not set your / heart on them.
My salvation and my honor de- / pend on God; he is my mighty rock, my / refuge.
Trust in him at all times, you / people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our / refuge.
Glory be to the Father and / to the Son and to the Holy / Spirit, as it was in the be- / ginning, is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain*

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SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 9:7-23 (Sermon Text Underlined)

(St. Paul shares his willingness to make great sacrifices in his effort to share the gospel of Christ.)

⁷Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat its grapes? Who tends a flock and does not drink the milk? ⁸Do I say this merely on human authority? Doesn't the Law say the same thing? ⁹For it is written in the Law of Moses: "Do not muzzle an ox while it is treading out the grain." Is it about oxen that God is concerned? ¹⁰Surely he says this for us, doesn't he? Yes, this was written for us, because whoever plows and threshes should be able to do so in the hope of sharing in the harvest. ¹¹If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you? ¹²If others have this right of support from you, shouldn't we have it all the more? But we did not use this right. On the contrary, we put up with anything rather than hinder the gospel of Christ. ¹³Don't you know that those who serve in the temple get their food from the temple, and that those who serve at the altar share in what is offered on the altar? ¹⁴In the same way, the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should receive their living from the gospel. ¹⁵But I have not used any of these rights. And I am not writing this in the hope that you will do such things for me, for I would rather die than allow anyone to deprive me of this boast. ¹⁶For when I preach the gospel, I cannot boast, since I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! ¹⁷If I preach voluntarily, I have a reward; if not voluntarily, I am simply discharging the trust committed to me. ¹⁸What then is my reward? Just this: that in

preaching the gospel I may offer it free of charge, and so not make full use of my rights as a preacher of the gospel. ¹⁹Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. ²⁰To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. ²¹To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. ²²To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. ²³I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.



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and to give his life as a ransom for

GOSPEL: Mark 10:32-45

(To disciples who sought glory and honor, Jesus taught that his followers would make selfless sacrifices for others just as he would be sacrificed for our sins.)

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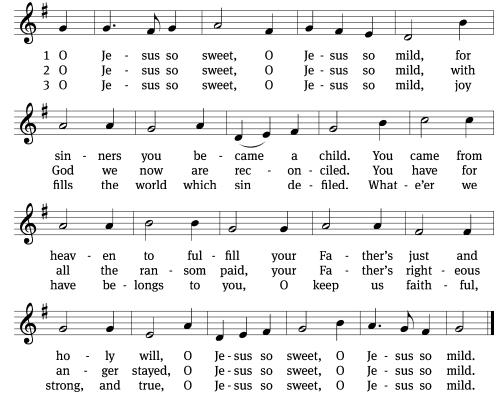
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³²They were on their way up to Jerusalem, with Jesus leading the way, and the disciples were astonished, while those who followed were afraid. Again he took the Twelve aside and told them what was going to happen to him. ³³"We are going up to Jerusalem," he said, "and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death and will hand him over to the Gentiles, ³⁴who will mock him and spit on him, flog him and kill him. Three days later he will rise." ³⁵Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to

do for us whatever we ask." ³⁶"What do you want me to do for you?" he asked. ³⁷They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory." ³⁸"You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said. "Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?" ³⁹"We can," they answered. Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, ⁴⁰but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared." ⁴¹When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. ⁴²Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

HYMN OF THE DAY: 540 "O Jesus So Sweet, O Jesus So Mild"



SERMON: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 "SERVE ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE!" 1. The Why (16-17) 2. The Way (19-22) 3. The Great Reward (18,23) **APOSLTES' CREED:** Hymnal page 181

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING, FRIENDSHIP REGISTERS, ALTAR PRAYER

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Hymnal page 182

Eternal Lord, give us peace as we ponder the good news that you forgive our sins in Christ. Lead us to see clearly the path you have laid out for us.

Work in us so that we believe and live the Word we have heard today.

Provide courage and compassion to all who preach and teach your Word. Fill them with a love like yours as they proclaim your grace to us and all people.

Move us to love all ministers of the Word wherever they serve.

Guard and guide the families of our congregation. Lead husbands and wives to love each other with commitment, respect, and patience. Help parents to grasp the eternal value of keeping their children close to Jesus all their lives. Grant joy to those who are single, and make them a blessing to others.

Protect us from the temptations that surround us; give us pure hearts and minds.

Provide wisdom and insight to those who make laws and set policies. Give us respect for those who protect us from crime. Lead us to value the rights of our fellow citizens and to defend those who cannot defend themselves.

Bless our land with peace and prosperity so that the gospel may be proclaimed to all.

Give us passion to share the story of your love with our family and friends. Overcome unbelief, and open the hearts of people everywhere to believe the good news that Jesus has forgiven their sins and opened the gates of heaven.

Fill us with joy over every sinner who repents and comes to trust in you.

Extend your healing power to those who are sick and suffering in body or mind. [Pour out your special blessing on . . . *here name the person and the cause of the petition*.] Give patience and compassion to all who care for the sick and dying.

Lift the eyes of the distressed to your love in Christ.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence. Silent prayer

Gracious God, you govern and direct all things and you love all people. Hear our prayers, spoken and silent, and answer them in your wisdom and grace.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS (bulletin p. 15)

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: 930 "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" my chil-dren, with my bless - ing. a - lone. 1 Go. nev er mv chil - dren. for - giv - en, 2 Go, sins at peace and pure. my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos 3 Go, - er to me; 4 the Lord will bless and keep you T and give you peace; Wak ing, sleep - ing, Ι am with you: vou are my own. vou learned how much I love vou, what Here Ι can cure. in love and love by serv - ing, ful and free. grow iov -Lord will smile Ι the give up - on you and you peace: my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er In Ι have made you mine for -Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry; here you touched him, saw his Here my Spir-it's pow - er filled you; here his ten - der com - fort the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - fort - er, Ι and Go, my chil-dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own. ev - er. glo - ry. my chil-dren, sins for - giv - en, Go. at peace and pure. Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, joy - ful and free. stilled you. Go, my chil-dren; I will keep you and give you peace. Broth - er.

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INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

- For the sick and others facing trials, including Allie Andres (Bonnie Chapman's relative), Janice Arvidson, Gale "Blackie" Boyd, Sandy Buchholz, Bob Buehrens, Gene Crook, Agnes Dassow, Edith Duesterhoeft, Don Ebert, Kaye Edwards (Mark Emond's friend), Ken Elmer (Sally's husband), Earl Ewert, Judy Fandrey, John Gaedke (Dan Finger's uncle), Donna Gatzke, Dennis Gray (Mary Dahlke's brother), Kelleen Grucza, Kim Hanko (Judy Fandrey's daughter), Del & Jean Henke, LuAnn Hoffman-Reber (Barb Hoffman's step-daughter), Jerry & Darlene Hunter (Bonnie Chapman's parents), Xzander Jahr, Kris Kemp (Diane Hintz' daughter), Dale Kozlowski, Emily Krueger, Jeff Krueger (Diane Hintz's son), Jacob Kwit (Suzie Weber's son), Mary Luck, Darren Marceau, Julie Moran, Debbie & Steve Parrish, Milo & Barbara Petrick, Sharon Priewe, Melissa Prater, Sharon Priewe, Karen Radke, Shelley Rene (Mary Isberner's niece), Roxanne Schmanke, Ashley Schroeder, Eloise Schultz, Lynn Sellnow, Bob Sluga (Sherry's husband), Heather Smith (Diane Hintz' step-daughter), DuWayne Sommerfeld, Amanda Stalker, Tom Stempniak (Carol's husband), Billy & Gloria Tucker, James & Suzanne Weber, Paul Weldon (added this week: Mary Luck)

- For George & Jennifer Kellermann who were called by the Lord at our 10/15 Call meetings to serve as CALA principal and Little Lambs director/teacher next school year

St. John's	Usher's Schedule
Sunday, October 20	Sunday, October 27
Jerre Duerr	Ben Jaster
Gordon Krause	Jacob Jaster
Kevin Kaul	Jeff Reimer
Joe Zauner	Mark Emond

PIGGLY WIGGLY ROUND-UP— For the month of October, Piggly Wiggly in Princeton is doing the round–up of your purchases to benefit the CALA Playground Fund.

Emmanuel will hold a congregation meeting on 3 Nov following our worship service. Christ Alone Lutheran Academy (CALA) financial support will be discussed at the meeting.

WLA "100" COLLECTION FOR SECOND IMPRESSIONS THRIFT STORE Ends Today! Thank you for all your donations. We collected close to 500 items.

Thank you for your donations of winter coats and accessories for Care and Share Food Bank. Collection ends today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week: October 20-28, 2024			
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir SJ	
	7:30 p.m.	Adult Bible Study SJ	
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting SJ	
	6:30 p.m.	Worship Meeting SJ	
Wednesday	9:45 a.m.	The Residences Devotion	
	10:00 a.m.	Montello Care Center Devotion	
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Bible Study SJ	
	4:00 p.m.	Trunk-or-Treat SJ	
	5:00 p.m.	NO Public School Catechism SJ	
Thursday	6:00 p.m.	GriefShare SJ	

Next Sunday: October 27, 2024		
8:00 a.m. Emmanuel Worship		
8:30 a.m.	Sunday School St. John's	
8:45 a.m.	Adult Bible Study St. John's	
9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study Emmanuel	
10:00 a.m.	St. John's Worship	

	Budget	Offerings	All Income	Expenses
September	\$40,014.98	\$26,561.22	\$34,325.22	\$16,164.57
Year to Date	\$120,044.94	\$78,309.17	\$98,427.21	\$88,387.36

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. **2** Corinthians 9:7

Attendance			
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	10/13/24	48	-

LL, CALA and Sunday School Singing Schedule			
CALA 3-8 at PRINCETON			
LL & CALA K-2 at MONTELLO			
Sunday School at MONTELLO			
LL & CALA K-8 & Chimes in PRINCETON			
Sunday School in MONTELLO			



Trunk or Treat is Wednesday, October 23!

We are in need of donations of apples, candy & snacks to give out, hot chocolate mix and apple cider. If you can donate these please drop them off at the Church office Mon-Fri 8-3. Thanks!!!

Just as September is LWMS Befriend A Mission month, when we are reminded to pray for our missionaries, so October has been designated national Clergy Appreciation month. This is a reminder that our pastor needs our prayers and support, not just in October, but year round.

Here's a prayer you can use:

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the blessing of pastors to shepherd us. Grant that Pastor Zietlow remains faithful in prayer and study of the Scriptures and continues preaching your Word in its truth and purity. Give us grace to support him in prayer and enable us to encourage him that his service may be filled with joy and his ministry yield much fruit. And, Lord, give this congregation receptiveness to his ministry so that we will be strengthened and renewed in our faith. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen



STORE HOURS Tuesday thru Friday 9 AM - 6 PM Monday and Saturday 9 AM - 3 PM

DONATION ACCEPTED TIMES Monday 10 AM - 3 PM Tuesday thru Friday 10 AM - 4 PM Saturday 10 AM - 3 PM

HELPING THOSE IN NEED

Second Impressions Thrift Store along with many volunteers, families of volunteers, and customers donated items for Hurricane Helene relief. A big thank you to our volunteer, Jackie Kollmann (and friends), for delivering these items to North Carolina!

More volunteers are needed! Sales continue to climb and extra helping hands are greatly appreciated! Please contact us for more information on how you might be able to help. Even once a month can make a BIG difference!

Thank you to Jim Livieri, who has completed his service at Second Impressions Thrift Store as Board of Directors President. Jim has held various positions on the board and has been with Second Impressions since our beginning, which was November 2016. Thank you, Jim! Welcome to new board member, Russ Schwalbe. Desirae Pausma is our new President of the Board; Chad Muche, Vice President; Andy Seibel, Treasurer; and Louis Freund, Secretary. Other board members are Alissa Ambroso, Barb Binnebose, Kevin Bublitz, and Brian Jenquine. Thank you for all that you do!!

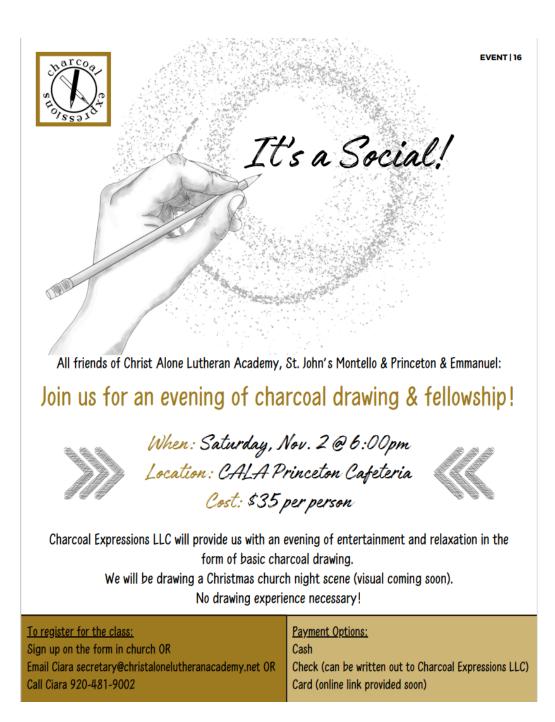
Mark your calendars! Black Friday, November 29, 9 am to 6 pm, everything in the store excluding furniture will be **50% OFF!**

<u>New Items Arrive Daily</u>...<u>Come Over And Check Them Out! Be sure to check</u> out our HUGE selection in our Christmas Department!

Donations: Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated to our store! We can always use any type of donation. Higher priority items this month include: Tools, towels, boys and girls fall and winter clothing size infant thru youth size 20; all sizes of men's jeans, pots and pans; small appliances, and 100 to 300 piece puzzles. Please note that if you are donating items that have manuals (i.e. small appliances, etc.), it is very helpful if you could include the manual whenever possible. Thank you!

Call or stop by the store to volunteer, donate, or do some shopping! 325 Winnebago Drive, Fond du Lac Phone: (920) 907-9900

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