



Wisconsin Gospellers February 2019 Newsletter

GOSPELLERS AS FAMILY

Family is a blessing. Each of us is a blessing in our family unit.
The Gospellers for many of us is like a family.

- F** Faith is shared though
 - Devotions
 - Songs
 - Supportive notes when we are apart
 - Notes to our partners in ministry
- A**
 - Accapella singing is challenging and done to the glory of God
 - Age does not divide us, but helps us learn new things and grow closer
- M**
 - Meal times build community
 - Music helps us grow and those to whom we sing
 - Ministry happens within the group and through sharing the gift of music
 - Mutual respect blossoms as each person shares their God-given gifts
- I**
 - Inclusiveness happens within the group as differences are respected (No matter who you are or where you are in life's journey you are welcome)
- L**
 - Love is shared with each other through acts of caring, support and kindness
 - Love is shared through music in hope that it will make a difference in the life of the group and to those whom we sing
 - Love is shared through prayer and words of caring and concern when we are apart or together
- Y**
 - You are always encouraged by people in times of trouble (Support is beautiful)
 - You never walk alone (Connections are not only at rehearsals. People reach out to others through support notes, calls and social media and in prayer).



How is the Gospellers like a family for you? You are invited to ponder this question. Think, meditate, reflect and give thanks how the Gospellers are a family in your life. Written by David Werneke





Mission Statement: To bridge cultural divides and touch souls through the transformative power of gospel music

Vision Statement: A world where God's love triumphs over that which divides us.



<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Lunch by</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Sat Mar 9th	10am-2:30pm Rehearsal 3pm- Concert	Congregational UCC 1511 Nicolet Blvd Neenah, WI 54956	Sopranos Or maybe Congregational UCC (stay tuned)	Rehearsal and Concert
Sat Apr 13	10am-3pm	Olivet UCC 313 W Prairie St, Columbus, WI 53925	Altos	Rehearsal
Sat May 11	10am-3pm	Olivet UCC ?	men	Rehearsal
Sat Jun 9	10am-3pm	Olivet UCC ?	?	Rehearsal
June 24-July 12, 2019	Updates via email	Germany	N/A	Updates via email
Sun Aug 18	9am warmup 10am Worship Service 11:30am Picnic	Folk Song Farm (Faith UCC picnic) 4811 Pioneer Rd., Richfield, WI	Faith UCC	Worship service & family day = invite your family!

? = still tentative and could change. Stay tuned! Will be updated via email.

Is there somewhere you'd like the Wisconsin Gossellers to sing?

As the Wisconsin Gossellers group continues to grow and evolve, we continually look for opportunities to sing at different churches or different venues throughout the state. If you or your church family has any suggestions for a location, let the leadership team know. The leadership team would like to extend its ministry to many other congregations and reach out to different people to share God's good news through music!

Cedar Ridge Workshop and Concert Notes

Thanks to everyone who was able to sing in our Cedar Ridge workshop and concert annual event. Thanks also to all those who came to listen and support the Wisconsin Gossellers in their ministry! The Wisconsin Gossellers ministry collected \$625 in free will offering at this event. This money will be used to help pay for music costs, music professionals and any other things that will help the Wisconsin Gossellers accomplish its mission of building bridges across cultural divides.

