



What is all this talk about “Wall Dogs” and “Murals in Menomonie”?

Murals in Menomonie is a one-of-a-kind mural festival coming to Menomonie June 24-28, 2026. This 5-day event will transform the community with large-scale murals that tell the rich history of our area through art.

The Walldogs are an international group of artists who get together once a year to tell the story of a community

and create beautiful murals. They donate their time and expertise in exchange for housing, meals, and supplies, and we can't wait to show them our Menomonie hospitality. Do you love the murals we already have in Menomonie? Most of them were painted by local artists who are Walldogs!

Interested in hosting an artist, donating supplies, or providing a meal? Get in touch with [Explore Menomonie's webpage](#).

Interested in how First Congregational UCC in Menomonie will be involved?

First Congregational UCC Involvement in Mural in Menomonie: Our church was asked by Wade Lambrigtsen (local Wall Dogs artist/organizer) to be the hub for meals during the Wall Dogs Mural Event schedule for June 24-28, 2026. Presentations were made to Exec Comm and Council (January, 2025), discussions and Q/A followed. We offered our building space and South lawn and parking lot to Mural in Menomonie as the food hub for the event.

First Congregational UCC is providing: Fellowship Hall, restrooms, outdoor space (southside) for the artists and volunteers. Attention to our congregation's needs (Thursday's Table) has been part of the discussion.

Watch for E-News for how you can volunteer your time as a UCC host as we share our building with the Wall Dogs artist volunteers. While most meals will be brought in be served, two meals will be made and shared by us: Thursday evening cookout outside, and Sunday morning breakfast. Volunteers are welcome to team up to help with that, too!

EXTRAS: Watch these videos from Past Wall Dogs Festival Communities to get a feel for the experience we can expect June 24-28!

<https://youtu.be/XqQdz89hh0U?si=rMiJ01Ajn8utzW-n> (2022, The Dalles OR)

https://youtu.be/8V89vPKjWP4?si=vCeOw_3Q8_gCS5sw (2020, Keane NH)

This message is brought to you by the UCC Murals in Menomonie Organizing Team: Andrew Mercil, Nita Fitzgerald, and Pastor René Mehlberg. Ask us your questions!