

First Congregational UCC

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A weekly newsletter for our church family and friends

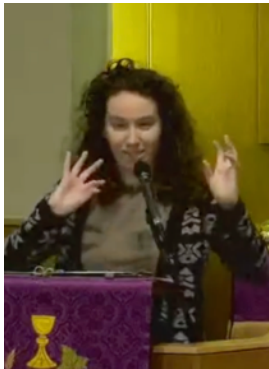
March 20, 2024



FirstCongregationalUCCWaterlooIowa

No matter who you are or where you are on Life's journey, you are welcome here!

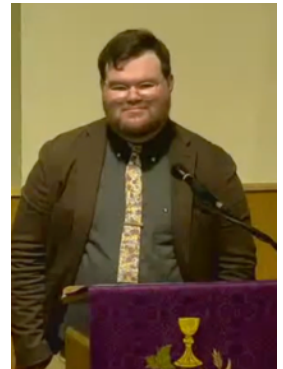
PULPIT SUPPLY



Thank you to Abbie Chronister for her message last Sunday, to Seth Chronister for serving as worship leader and to Nancy Mahood for providing the mini message.

You can watch the service by clicking on the picture of Abbie.

This Sunday we welcome back Rev. Amy Wiles to our pulpit for Palm Sunday. Greg Holt will serve as worship leader and will also provide the mini-message.



Holy Week Schedule

March 24 - ***Palm Sunday*** 10:30am

March 28 - ***Maundy Thursday***

Simple Soup Supper 6:15pm

Service 7:00pm

March 29 - ***Good Friday Service*** 6:00pm

at Waterloo First United Methodist

(Please note this is a change of the original time.)

March 31 - ***Easter Sunday*** (No Sunday School)

Easter Egg Hunt 9:45am

Worship Service 10:30am



TAKING CARE OF FAMILY...

~ Prayers for Teri Graham's friend, Vincent, who has lost his job and home.

~ Prayers for Zoe, Eli, and Sam Lennox who are mourning the death of their great-grandmother, Anna Armstrong.

~ Prayers for Abbie Chronister's grandmother, Beverly, who is recovering from a shoulder replacement surgery on Monday..

~ Kay Leary would like to thank all those who came to help last Saturday!

~ Craig & Sharon Holdiman expresses their appreciation for the prayers and cards they have received at the unexpected loss of their niece, Katie. Continued prayers are appreciated.

~ Continued prayers for Greg Hoekstra as he recovers from knee replacement surgery at home.

~ Continued prayers for Robert Dew who is recovering from hip surgery at home.

WITH DEEPEST Sympathy

Our sincere condolences to the family and friends of **Hildegard Larsen** who passed away on Tuesday, March 19th. Arrangements will be announced once known.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Just a reminder that all men are welcome to join the Men's Breakfast on the first and third Tuesday of each month at Village Inn in Waterloo at 7:30am.

SAVE THE DATES - CHAMBER CONCERTS

First Congregational UCC has been chosen to host two concerts this spring. Josh Graham and Hannah Porter Occeña (percussion/flute duo) will be performing on **Saturday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m.** and Nash Rider and Sean Botkin (violin/piano duo) will be performing **Friday, May 17 at 7:00 p.m.**

Both concerts will be here at FCUCC and are sponsored by Cedar Valley Chamber Music.

MARCH TRUSTEE MEETING

The next Trustee Meeting will be held next Tuesday, March 26th at 6pm.

YOUTH NEWS

The collaborative youth group will meet on Wed., March 27th here at First Congregational at 5:30pm.



The Collaborative Youth Group has been challenged to an envelope fundraiser. Each participating church has an envelope board with 100 envelopes numbered 1 to 100. If we get \$1 from envelope #1 and \$33 from envelope #33 and so on, each church will have raised a little over \$5,000 if all envelopes are filled. Please choose the envelope that feels right for you and fill it with that number of dollars. You can be creative about it too by asking friends to help you fill the envelope and you can choose more than one envelope as well.

There are many activities this summer that the Youth will get to participate in that these funds will be used for - - such as going to The Falls water park, Get Air trampoline park and a trip to Minneapolis visiting the Mall of America.

The envelope board will be in the Library the next few Sundays. Please turn in your envelopes to the office with your check made out to First Congregational or place in the offering plate on Sunday. Thank you in advance for your consideration in participating with this fundraiser!!

ASSOCIATION MEETING

April 27, 2024 at 10:00am

United Church of Christ in Osage, IA

(630 State St., Osage, IA 50461)

The Northeast Association Board in conjunction with the Committee on Ministry is calling our Church bodies together for our Spring Annual meeting and Ecclesiastical Council.

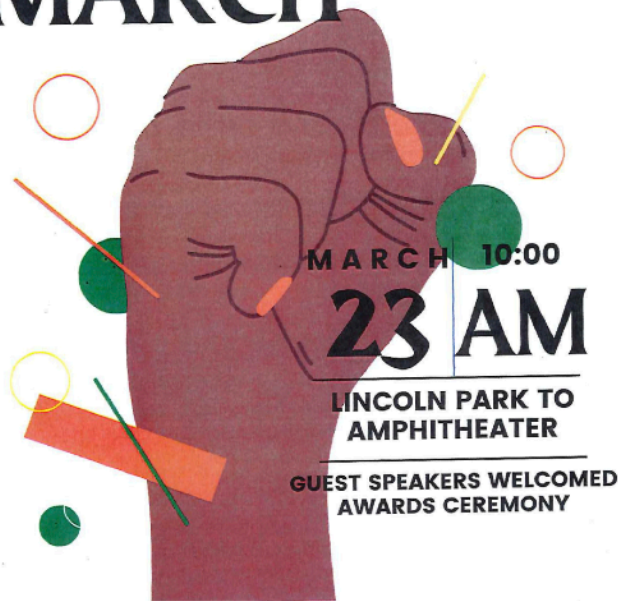
This will be a hybrid event, however, we encourage all to attend as we have a Candidate for Ordination to vote on. A light lunch will be served. Please RSVP to Dixie Laube at 612-812-7942.

WATERLOO HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION EVENTS:



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Every Tuesday in April from 6:00 - 7:30pm

Contact nancy.culpepper@waterloo-ia.org



ANNUAL SPRING CLOTHING GIVE-AWAY

Date/Time

Saturday, April 13, 9 am until 10:30 am

Location

Royal Legacy Christian Academy (formerly Sacred Heart School), 620 W. 5th St, Waterloo. The give-away will be held in the school gymnasium. Enter off of the W. 5th St. parking lot next to the school. Watch for signs.

Free To Those in Need

Spring clothing from child to adult sizes and bedding will be available



Last Chance to order your Easter Lilies...

Please place your orders by **Sunday, March 24th.**

PRICE: \$ **14.00** each

Please make checks payable to First Congregational UCC. You may mail your check and this order form to the church, place them in the offering plate on Sunday or call the church office at 234-8927 or email Michelle at fcuccoffice@gmail.com to place your order(s).
Easter Lilies can be picked up after the Easter worship service on March 31st.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Total number ordered: ____ x \$14.00 = _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Celebration of: _____

Create an endowment of love. Please consider including our church in your estate planning.

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