First Congregational UCC



A weekly newsletter for our church family and friends August 2, 2023



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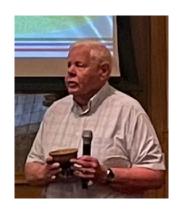
No matter who you are or where you are on Life's journey, you are welcome here!

PULPIT SUPPLY



Thank you to Mike Blankenfeld, who filled the pulpit this last Sunday, assisted by Nancy Mahood as worship leader, and Craig Mahood, who provided the mini message. You can watch Sunday's service by clicking **HERE**.

This Sunday, we welcome back Rev. Dr. Pat Geadelmann to our pulpit. She will be leading us in worship and communion, assisted by Kay Thuesen as worship leader and mini-message giver.



TAKING CARE OF FAMILY...

- ~ Prayers for Diana Paige who had brain surgery AGAIN on Tuesday, Aug. 1--also her 40th birthday. We pray for the best birthday gift she could receive—restored health, and NO MORE surgeries!
- ~ Prayers for Todd Grimm, Joan Grimm's son, who is slowly recovering from a stroke on June 17th which affected his left side. He is still in bed but is working hard and is able to start moving parts of his left side and his mental capacity has not been affected which is great!
- ~ Prayers for Craig Mahood, who was hospitalized in Vinton last week.
- ~ Prayers for Alisha Lennox (Zoe and Eli's Mom) who continues to deal with multiple health problems and a weak immune system.
- ~ Prayers for Connie Jo Peirce, who is facing health concerns.
- ~ Prayers for Todd Ellison, who continues his cancer treatment.
- ~ Prayers for Jane Young, who recently moved into Cedar Stone Assisted Living in Cedar Falls.
- ~ Prayers for Pat Brock's mother, who is experiencing chronic health issues.
- ~ Congratulations to Prince Yarngo, who turned 13 this week!



Saturday, August 12th



8:00am 11:30am

Gather your goods! Spread the word! Share the joy!

First Congregational Church will be holding a Parking Lot Sale August 12 and we would love your help. This is an opportunity to share with the community.

We will have some kids activities, coffee and cookies, and tables of items for sale.

We need YOU to collect items for the sale! Share our Facebook post.

Drop Off items: Friday August 11, between 3:30 and 7:30 at the Church Garage.

(Contact Gina Greene to make arrangements if that time does not work for you.)

We can still use a few people to help with the shifts Friday 3:30-7:30 pm, Saturday 7-8am and/or 8-11:30am. Thank YOU!

Contact Gina Greene, ggreene1124@gmail.com or 319-404-8840 with any questions.

TRUSTEE MEETING

The next scheduled Trustee meeting will be Tuesday, August 15th at 6:00pm.

LUNCH WITH NE IOWA UCC CONFERENCE DEACON

You're Invited to Lunch with Our New NE Iowa UCC Conference Deacon. The Conference Deacon's ministries represent the core tasks of our Conferences - "Connect" and "Support." It's all about networking, and she would like to meet and get to know as many people as possible. Dixie Laube will be at the Screaming Eagle American Bar and Grill, 228 E 4th St, Waterloo, Iowa, USA, at 11:30am on August 10 and hopes to see many of you there! Please call/text 319-504-3212 if you plan to attend so we can make sure we have enough chairs at the table. Thanks for your support.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:

First Congregational Church High School Graduate Scholarship Recipients:

Jessica Conrad

Kaden McConnell



Donna Koweil Grant College Scholarship Recipients:

Abbie Chronister

Laura Kaliban

Jackson McFadden





Love Inc is looking for volunteers to help with their mission of spreading love throughout the Cedar Valley. They accept groups and individuals on an on going or single time volunteer basis.

Here are a few ways you can volunteer:

* Intake Phone Volunteer

* Data Entry

* Receptionist

* Furniture Deliveries

* Moving Assistance

* Minor Household Repairs

* Transportation for Love INC Appointments

* Small Deliveries (food & essentials)

* Yard Work or Snow Removal

* Providing Group Meal for a Love Inc Begin Now Class

If you are interested, please click $\underline{\textbf{HERE}}$ to fill out their volunteer form and get connected.

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MEALS on WHEELS

Look who helped deliver Meals on Wheels! This is such a marvelous way to teach a younger generation about volunteering, AND the clients love seeing kids.

Much appreciation to the grandparents who thought to include these boys.



All THREE Mejia brothers!

Thanks Charlie, Cooper and Teddy **



Rich and Chuck Thuesen and Cliff Highnam. Seems like only yesterday when Chuck's dad was taking off to West Virginia on his confirmation mission trip. Kudos, Chuck on a job well done.



Charlie with a happy recipient.

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

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