First Congregational UCC



A weekly newsletter for our church family and friends August 9, 2023



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

This Saturday, August 12th!



8:00am to 11:30am

The Big Sale is almost here. Share the fun!

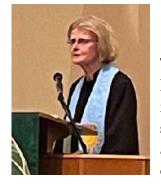
Drop Off: Friday, August 11 between 3:30 and 7:30 PM

Church Sale: **Saturday, August 12 from 8:00-11:30 AM** (set up at 7:00 AM)

Thank you for being a supportive, sharing church community.

There will be kids activities, coffee and cookies, and tables of items for sale.





PULPIT SUPPLY

Thank you, Rev. Pat Geadelmann, for serving as pulpit supply last Sunday. Her sermon about Jesus multiplying loaves and fishes inspires us to find ways to use the resources we have to share with others. Thank you, Kay Thuesen, for leading worship and providing the mini-message. You can watch the service online **HERE**.



This week, we welcome back Rev. James Altenbaumer to our pulpit. Anita Altenbaumer will be serving as worship leader, and Gina Greene will be presenting the mini message. Thank you to all you assist us by sharing your time and talents! If you would be willing to serve as worship leader, mini-lesson giver, or preacher, let Anne Hoekstra or Michelle Wolfe know.

TAKING CARE OF FAMILY...



- ~ Prayers for Beth Lauterbach, who was recently diagnosed with early stages of wet macular degeneration and is beginning treatment. We pray for healing and comfort.
- ~ Prayers for Karen Dew's sister, Debby, who is in a care facility in Washington. COVID has hit the facility We pray that her sister is spared and those who have contracted the illness are restored to health.
- ~ Prayers of continued healing for Todd Grimm, Joan's son, who is in rehab following a stroke.
- ~ Prayers for Connie Jo Peirce, who has health concerns.
- ~ Prayers of healing for Diana Paige following her 10th surgery for a brain tumor.



FAMILY FUN DAY AT THE ROTARY SHELTER, GEORGE WYTH STATE PARK SUN. AUGUST 13TH ~ 12 NOON

Kayaking, Face Painting, Bouncy House, Minnow Racing, Kid's Archery, BB gun range, 250 fishing poles and tackle giveaway (kids 12 and under), Walleye samples, Hot Dogs and refreshments.

Sponsored By The Cedar Valley Walleye Club & Impact Outdoors
Hope to see you there!



CAN YOU HELP WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL?

Would you love the opportunity to know our amazing youth? YOU can be part of the rotating teacher team on Sunday mornings. You

would be teaching our youth following the mini message on Sunday mornings about once a month. Please let the office know if you are interested or want more information.

TRUSTEE MEETING



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



NEIGHBORHOOD NIGHT OUT

National Night Out was the best in decades with lovely weather, lots of neighbors, music, food, games, bubbles and even our mayor! Thanks to Gina Greene for providing cookies and Kyle Lindaman for organizing tables and chairs.



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~ Youth Group Kickoff is set for Wednesday, August 16th from 5pm to 7:30pm at Waterloo First United Methodist. Parents are requested and encouraged to attend this first meeting for a short presentation starting at 5pm. FCUCC, WFUMC, KAUM,

and First Baptist are the collaborative participants.

Our church will host the November and March Wednesday evening gatherings.

~ A Youth Benefit/fundraiser carwash will be next Friday, August 18th from 4:00pm to 8:00pm at Waterloo First United Methodist (kiddy corner across the street from FCUCC). This benefits our youth and the three other churches involved with this year's Wednesday evenings collaborative youth activities. Thanks for supporting this event!!

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

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