

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL



# TIDINGS



*"You are welcome here!"*

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## THIS SUNDAY:

May 11, 2025 10:30 AM  
Three House Sunday

**Deacon in charge:**  
Cliff Highnam

[Click Here to watch last Sunday's service](#)

## YOU'RE INVITED!

### Shaping the future of our church

As we prayerfully look toward the future of our church, we're inviting everyone to join us for a special series of gatherings designed to reflect on where we have been, where we are, and where God might be leading us next.

**Our first event, "Looking at the Past," will be held on Sunday, May 18, immediately following worship.**

Lunch is provided and we invite everyone to bring a dessert to share if able. Childcare will be available. This will take the place of our usual youth group time to ensure it is a multi-generational space.

**Who is someone from our church's past whose faith has inspired you?**



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Wednesday, May 7

5:30pm - Choir Practice

6:15pm - Dinner

6:45pm - The Gathering

### Saturday, May 10

9:00am - Women's Breakfast  
at Perkins

### Tuesday, May 13

5:30pm - Food Bank

Volunteer opportunity

## COMMON & TRUSTEE MEETING

Just a reminder that the next common meeting and trustee meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**.

**Common - 6:00pm / Trustee - 7:00pm**



## PANTRY NEEDS

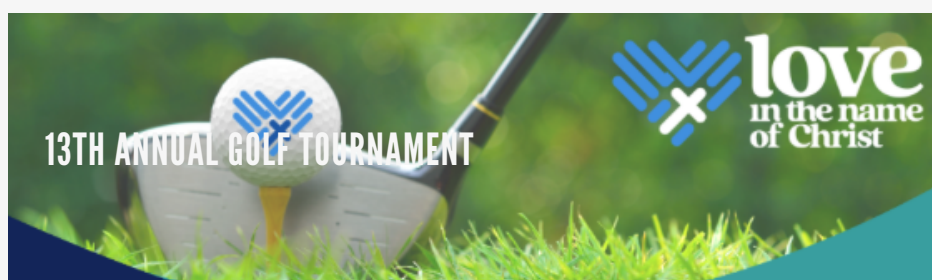
What can I bring to help support my neighbors?

The pantry needs restocking. Please bring peanut butter, nuts, rice, beans, cereal, oatmeal packets, granola bars (with no chocolate that can melt), crackers, snacks for kids, canned soups/fruits (pop-top cans preferred), new/unopened baby formula, sealed/unopened drink mixes, dried fruit, etc.

Your generous gifts are appreciated.

## GOLD STAR WINNER!

Congratulations to our very own music director, Luke Overton, who was awarded with the 2025 Gold Star Award for outstanding teaching in Black Hawk County! The program honoring this year's Gold Star teachers will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center on the University of Northern Iowa campus. This event is free and open to the public.



**JUNE 30, 2025 - REGISTRATION AT 10:00AM**  
**\$120/Golfer includes Golf, Cart & Lunch**

Gather your squad and shine as a sponsor in front of over 5,000 people. Enjoy an afternoon of barbecue, golf, and amazing prizes. With 30 teams and three flights, there's a level for everyone. No team? No problem! Register solo and we'll pair you up. Click above to Register.

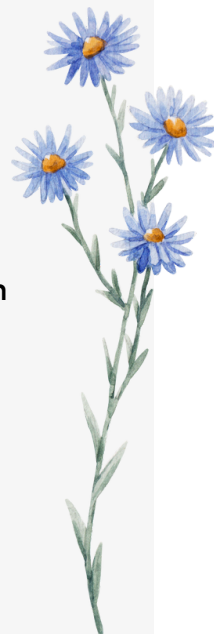
## LOVE INC - MONTH OF MAY

For the month of May, Love Inc is collecting gas cards to assist individuals in need. If you would like to donate a gas card or money to purchase them, please mark "Love Inc" on your check memo and place in the offering or bring your donations to the office during the week. Thank you in advance!

## KOWEIL SCHOLARSHIP

Once again, we have been given a grant from the Koweil family to support current college students with their tuition. If you are interested in applying, contact Michelle.

**Deadline to apply is May 20!**



**\$400**

# SUMMER CHURCH CAMP

A Fun - Filled Week of Faith, Fun + Friendship

WORSHIP - FUN GAMES - NATURE - CRAFTS

**YOUNG EXPLORERS** (Grades K-5)  
Sunday, July 13th - Saturday, July 19th

**ADVENTURE SEEKERS** (Grades 6-12)  
Sunday, July 20th - Saturday, July 26th

**Register!**

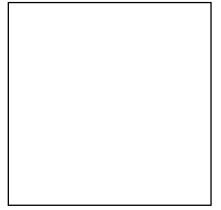
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## MUSIC SUNDAY!

Thank you to our musicians,  
section leads, and all who  
have participated and  
helped with our music  
ministry over the years.  
You are appreciated!

