

# First Congregational UCC

## TIDINGS

A weekly newsletter for our church family and friends  
August 7, 2024



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

### LET US SERVE

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink". Please remember your items for the food pantry. Thank you.



### MICHELLE'S OFFICE NEWS

- ~ The church office will be closed from August 8 - 14 while I am on vacation. **There will be no Tidings the week of August 14th.**
- ~ For the months of August and September, the church office will be closed on Fridays.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER OPPORTUNITY



What fun to spend time and get to know our youth. With fall just around the corner - our most precious cargo needs teachers for Sunday mornings. This is a rotation that happens during church after the mini message. Could you give one Sunday a month or be a substitute when needed? Please text 319-404-8840 or email [ggreene1124@gmail.com](mailto:ggreene1124@gmail.com) if you are interested in helping or have questions. Thanks for considering this great opportunity.

### FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERS

Join us next **Thursday, August 15th from 5:00 - 7:00pm** for our volunteer opportunity at the Food Bank! Contact Diane Highnam or Michelle to sign up.



### LOVE INC DONATIONS

Love Inc of the Cedar Valley is requesting linen donations for the month of August. Specific needs are towels, wash cloths, sheets, and comforters. You can place your donations in the marked box in the Crossroads.

### This Sunday:

Twelfth Sunday  
after Pentecost

August 11, 2024  
10:30 am

Brandyn will present  
the message:

*A Fragrant Offering*

Using the text:

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Worship Leader  
Barb Mardis

Mini-Message  
Gina Greene

Deacon-In-Charge  
Gina Greene

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To watch last Sunday's  
service you can

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# Join Us JAM 2024

Friday/Saturday – September 27-28, 2024

Every year the Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota Conferences of the United Church of Christ (UCC) gather to make important decisions regarding their ministry, business, and future. It is also an important time for us to learn, grow, and celebrate! Depending on the year the three Conferences gather separately or all together.

In 2024, the Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota Conferences will meet at a Joint Annual Meeting (JAM). JAM 2024 will be held September 27-28, 2024 at Countryside Community Church located at 13130 Faith Plaza, Omaha, NE.

Come participate in business meetings, workshops, and worship.

## UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 2024 JOINT ANNUAL MEETING



# LIVING *connected*

*I am the vine, you are the branches - John 15:4-5*

You can click on the picture above  
to register or go to  
<https://ucctcm.org/jam2024/>

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