

# First Congregational UCC

## TIDINGS

A weekly newsletter for our church family and friends  
October 30, 2024



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

### This Sunday:

All Saints Sunday  
November 3, 2024  
10:30 am

Brandyn will present the message:

*The Blessing of Hospitality*

Using the text:

Matthew 25:34-40

Worship Leader  
Gina Greene

To watch last Sunday's service you can

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Tuesday, November 5

7:30am - Men's Breakfast

Wednesday, November 6:

5:30pm - Bells Practice

6:15pm - Dinner

6:45pm - *The Gathering*

7:30pm - Choir Practice

## 2024 FALL FEST

Thank you to the Board of Spiritual Growth and Programs for another successful event! A special thank-you to all that prepared Chili, made desserts, set-up for the pumpkin carving and painting, decorated, and cleaned up at the conclusion and to all those in attendance. Congratulations to Kelly Conrad who won the Chili Cook-off! As always, it was a very special gathering for our church and community!

*(More Pictures on the Back Page)*





## ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

This Sunday, November 3rd, First Congregational UCC will observe All Saints' Day during worship. We will read aloud the names of those in our First Congregational UCC family

who have died in the past year. All Saints' is an opportunity for Christians to pause, give thanks, and to look forward to the day when we will be among the company of the faithful in God's eternal realm. If you have a loved one who has died since last All Saints Day (11/1/23) and would like their name read at this service, please email or call Michelle before Friday and we will add their name.

## WINDOW DEDICATION

Join us this Sunday for worship! We will dedicate the east windows to Karla Jorgensen's memory!



## SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERS NEEDED

Wouldn't you love to spend a Sunday morning with our youth? We have an exciting new curriculum that makes it an easy and fun job! Please contact Gina Greene if you'd like some information. Thank you.

## CARING CARDS

Beginning in November we will have a basket of cards available in the library for you to write a note to a church friend.

Included will be pens, cards and a list of current concerns and a reminder of someone to remember. Please fill out a card and drop it in the card basket and we will see that it gets postage in the office. Share some joy. Thank you in advance!

## FILL UP THE PANTRY

Delivery was made and the Pantry needs to be restocked. Think about easy to eat and easy to make foods that can be left out in the pantry. Cereal, granola bars, instant oatmeal, instant meals, crackers and pop top cans to name a few.

## NORTHEAST IOWA ASSOCIATION MEETING

The next NorthEast Iowa Association meeting will be held at **10am on November 2nd** at First Congregational in Hampton, IA (22 1st Ave. SW). The program will be on suicide Awareness. If you would like to carpool, contact Abbie by text - (440) 478-0425 or email - [abbie.chronister@gmail.com](mailto:abbie.chronister@gmail.com).

## ANNUAL CLOTHING GIVEAWAY



The Church Row Fall Clothing Give-away was a Big Success! Over 200 people received items to keep them warm due to your generosity! Thanks to all who contributed, delivered, sorted and helped in any way to allow this ecumenical neighborhood activity to occur each year.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Please plan to stay after service on Sunday, November 24th, to help decorate the sanctuary for Christmas.



# November 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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3 10:30 Worship & Sunday School	4	5 7:30am - Men's Breakfast (Village Inn-W'loo)	6 3:00 - Job Found. 5:30 - Bells 6:15 - Dinner 6:45 - Adult Study 7:30 - Choir	7 6:00 - NAMI Class	8	9 9:00am - Women's Bkfst	
10 10:30 Worship & Sunday School	11 (Veterans Day)	12 7:00 Common Mtg	13 5:30 - Bells 6:15 - Dinner 6:30 - NAMI Pres. 6:45 - Adult Study 7:30 - Choir	14 6:00 - NAMI Class	15	16 6:30 & 8:45pm - Candlelight Concerts	
17 10:30 Worship & Sunday School	18 (Office Closed)	19 7:30am - Men's Breakfast (Village Inn-W'loo)	20 3:00 - Job Found. 5:30 - Bells 6:15 - Dinner 6:45 - Adult Study 7:30 - Choir	21	22 Fill Neighborhood Pantries	23	
24 10:30 Worship & Sunday School Church Christmas Decorating following service	25	26	27 (No Wednesday night activities this week)	28 Thanksgiving (Office Closed)	29 (Office Closed)	30	

## Birthdays

<b>1</b> Laura Kaliban	<b>12</b> Kami Jorgensen Cooper Mejia	<b>23</b> Jessica Conrad
<b>2</b> Kurt Kaliban	<b>17</b> Louisa Corson	<b>24</b> Gina Greene
<b>5</b> Amity Buck	<b>20</b> Margaret Kaliban Megan Vandeventer	<b>26</b> Dan Zellhoefer
<b>8</b> Benjamin McFadden Teri Graham	<b>22</b> Katherine Kaliban Phinleigh Buck	<b>29</b> Kelly (Wells ) Sittig
<b>9</b> Erin Brock-Medhus		<b>30</b> Allison Kaliban

## Anniversaries

<b>1</b> Jim & Cathy Thiele
<b>6</b> Jeff & Gyobanna Driver
<b>7</b> Dave & Shelli Panicucci
<b>15</b> Cliff & Diane Highnam

*Give Thanks*



**(MORE PICTURES FROM FALL FEST...)**



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

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