

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL

# TIDINGS

*"You are welcome here!"*

## THIS SUNDAY:

**November 9, 2025 10:30 AM**

Worship Service

**Scripture Text:**

Luke 4:16-21

**Sermon:**

Sent: for justice

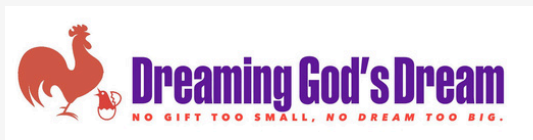
Click [Here](#) to watch last Sunday's service

### November 2 Sermon Recap:

This week we continued our Sent series by looking at what it means to be sent to serve. Jesus redefines greatness not as power or position but as humility expressed through service. In Mark 10, He tells His followers, "The Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve." True service begins when we set aside status and choose to love people up close. When we serve with humility, we make the love of Christ visible in our world.

### Reflection Question:

How can you serve someone this week in a way that points to Jesus, not yourself?



Stewardship Sunday is November 16th. Please prayerfully consider your 2026 pledge. Then...

- 1) Fill out a 2026 pledge card and put it in the box that will be in the church library starting this Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, or
- 2) Call or email Michelle in the church office and give her your 2026 pledge information.

May we continue to have the resources -- passion and people and money -- to serve each other and the mission to which God calls us!

## NAMI PRESENTATION

As we enter Thanksgiving season, we are busy gathering our recipes and supplies to make Thanksgiving special. There are key "ingredients" we need in varying proportions, and we will follow our recipe to get the best Thanksgiving outcome. Good outcomes for our wellness and mental health also rely on key ingredients in varying proportions. Learn more about building your individualized recipe for a good outcome with your mental health.

Jennifer Schneiderman, LISW, is the Team Lead for the Allen Employee Assistance Program and provides therapy services for the Allen Counseling Center. Jennifer has been a therapist for 29 years and has served in various leadership roles at the Waverly Health Center, the University of Northern Iowa, and Unity Point.

**Join us here at First Congregational on Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm for a presentation on "Building a Recipe for Mental Health."**

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# Winter Clothing Drive

SWEATERS, HATS, GLOVES,  
SCARVES, BLANKETS, LONG  
SLEEVED SHIRTS, BALACLAVAS,  
AND ANY OTHER WARM  
WINTER LAYERS!

DONATE AND PICK-UP @ THREEHOUSE  
COLLABORATIVE CAMPUS MINISTRIES  
2422 COLLEGE ST, CEDAR FALLS, IA 50613

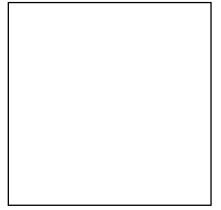


**THREEHOUSE**  
Collaborative Campus Ministries



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UCC  
608 WEST FOURTH STREET  
WATERLOO, IOWA 50702

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CREATE AN ENDOWMENT OF LOVE. PLEASE CONSIDER INCLUDING OUR CHURCH IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING.

## HUNGRY?

As grocery prices continue to rise, more and more people may not know where the next meal is coming from. Please help your neighbors by bringing food for the pantry. Item ideas include peanut butter, rice, oatmeal packets, granola bars, crackers, snacks, nuts, baby formula, drink mixes, dried fruit and canned goods such as soups, meats, fruits, vegetables and meals. These can help fill the gap...Drop your items off in the Crossroads. Thank you!

## FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERING

Join us next Tuesday (November 11th) to help volunteer at the Food Bank from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Contact Diane Highnam to sign up or with any questions.

## DECORATE THE SANCTUARY

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, November 23 as we prepare for Advent by decorating our beautiful sanctuary.

We will be decorating right after church with pizza available to tide you over. Celebrate time together as we prepare for the coming of Christmas.