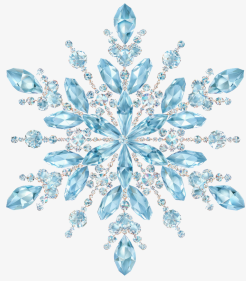


FIRST CONGREGATIONAL



TIDINGS



"You are welcome here!"

THIS SUNDAY:

January 4, 2026

10:30 AM - Worship Service

Scripture Text:

Nehemiah 1:1-11

Sermon:

Noticing the Broken Places

Reflection Question from our Worship Around the Breakfast Tables last Sunday:

- What is one hope or prayer you want to carry into the new year?

UPCOMING EVENTS:

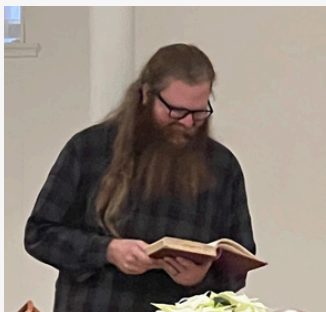
Tuesday, January 6

7:30am - Men's Breakfast @ Village Inn (W'loo)

Saturday, January 10

9:00am - Women's Breakfast @ Perkins

PICTURES FROM THE DECEMBER 28TH WORSHIP AROUND BREAKFAST TABLES SERVICE:



ANNUAL MEETING & LUNCH

The First Congregational Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 25. Please stay after worship for lunch followed by the meeting. More details to come.

If you are a chair of a board or committee, please turn in your report to Michelle no later than Friday, January 9. Thank you in advance!

THREEHOUSE NEWS

A SUPER big thank you to all of y'all who helped make Finals Week Breakfasts a success!!! We served over 242 meals during the whole week, which included a healthy mix of returning students and students who were brand new to ThreeHouse. We seriously could never have done it without you.



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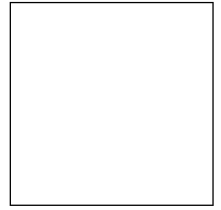
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
				Office Closed <i>HAPPY New Year</i>	1	2	3
4 10:30 Worship	5	6 7:30am (Village Inn) Men's Breakfast	7 3pm Job Found.	8	9	10 9:00am Women's Breakfast	
11 10:30 Worship	12	13 5:30pm Food Bank Volunteering	14 3pm Job Found. 5:30pm Bells 6:15pm Dinner 6:45pm Adult Study 7:30pm Choir	15	16	17	
18 10:30 Worship	19	20 7:30am (Village Inn) Men's Breakfast TBD - Trustee Mtg	21 3pm Job Found. 5:30pm Bells 6:15pm Dinner 6:45pm Adult Study 7:30pm Choir	22	23 Fill Neighborhood Pantries	24	
25 10:30 Worship 12:00pm Annual Meeting & lunch	26	27	28 5:30pm Bells 6:15pm Dinner 6:45pm Adult Study 7:30pm Choir	29	30	31	

Birthdays:

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| 1 - Joanne Lane | 15 - Charles (Charlie) Mejia |
| Jim Thiele | 23 - Jayne Slaughter |
| 6 - Barb Mardis | 28 - Dan Hummel |
| Julie Thoreen | Craig Mahood |
| 10 - David Young | 29 - Connie Stevens |
| 12 - Brad Highnam | Zack Steva |
| 13 - Ted Martens | 30 - Luke Overton |
| 14 - Megan Panicucci | 31 - Craig Holdiman |

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TRUSTEE MEETING

The January trustee meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 20. If you are a board or committee chair or trustee at large, please make every effort to attend this meeting. Time to be announced.

JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST

Would you like to join us for breakfast in the New Year? The Men's Breakfast group meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at 7:30am at the Waterloo Village Inn. Women's Breakfast is at 9am on the second Saturday of the month at Perkins in Waterloo. Come join in on great fellowship!

DEACON FUND

We collected over \$400 toward this fund. Donations can still be given if you haven't had a chance to do so.

THE CHRISTMAS FUND

We have received \$225 for the UCC Christmas Fund to date. If you would like to still give to this offering, please turn it in to Michelle before the 31st.

THE GATHERING RESUMES

We will be starting Wednesday nights back up on January 14th. Come join us!

