

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer List: Meredith Eliot (Church-Davison), Vicki Biggs-Anderson, Paulette Anholm, Mike Carlson, Gwen Dornfeld, Sally Dunn, Arlene Cleberg, Bob Carter; The Families of Richard Swanson, Jim Beaster, and EvaLyn Carlson, Tom Heinz (father of Carol Bennet)

Shut-ins and Care Center: Nona Smith, Lou Goodell, Bev Denyes, Nancy Cihlar

MEASURE OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

The First Congregational UCC Budget adopted in January 2022 shows a need for a yearly income of \$151,756.

After 51 weeks, the Budget Donations and Income should be \$148,837.46

The Actual Donations so far this year have been \$136,812.64

Thank You for all your support!

Kevin R LeVoir, Treasurer

THIS WEEK:

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29

10:00 AM - Tai Chi

12:00 AM- Women's AA

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30

7:00 AM - AA (FS)

8:00 AM - Harbor Watch

(Pastor Enno will be on vacation until January 2nd, 2023)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

No Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship Service - *Inside* AND ON [ZOOM](#)

Guest speaker: Pastor William Strand

MONDAY, JANUARY 2

3:00PM-5:00PM - Food Shelf Open to the Public (LL)

7:00PM - ALANON

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3

2:00-6:00PM – Piano Lessons

7:00PM - Zen Meditation (LL)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4

2:00-6:00PM – Piano Lessons

2:00PM- Ministerial Lectionary Study

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

10:00AM - Tai Chi

11:00AM - Building & Grounds Mtg

12:00AM- Women's AA

2:00-6:00PM – Piano Lessons

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6

7:00AM - AA (FS)

8:00AM - Harbor Watch

2:00-6:00PM – Piano Lessons

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

9:30AM-2:30PM – Piano Lessons

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

9:00AM - Sunday School

10:30 AM - Worship Service - *Inside* AND ON [ZOOM](#)

11:15 AM - Mission Statement Review

4:00 PM - Journey Disciples Group

Mission Statement work progressing

The Mission Statement Task force thanks everyone who attended the Listening Session on Nov.20, 2022 and offers the revisions mentioned below for your consideration. We plan to have a short—45 minute—Listening Session on Sunday, January 8, following worship. It will follow the same format.

Please consider these questions: What do you like, not like, or what is missing?

We look forward to hearing your ideas to help us present a version to consider voting on at the winter Annual Meeting on January 29.

Revision 11.28.22

At First Congregational United Church of Christ:

- We welcome all
- We celebrate and honor Creation
- We explore the mysteries of our faith
- We work for justice and peace

ROOTED AND RISING CLIMATE ACTION GROUP NEWS

The Rooted and Rising Climate Action Group welcomes guest speaker, the Rev. Sheri Nelson, Director of Outdoor Ministry and Eco-Justice team coordinator, MN Conference UCC, to our next meeting on **Wednesday, January 11, 2023, at 3 p.m. on Zoom**. Rev. Nelson is eager to hear of our work in bringing eco-awareness to our community. We expect she will challenge us with questions and offer suggestions as we move forward in 2023. All who are able are welcome to join us for this meeting and in this work.

Winter Book Study The group is continuing the search for a suitable book to spur us onward. We hope to have a recommendation by late January so we can begin to read and discuss it soon, while the weather is conducive to reading in a cozy corner. Among the candidates are, “Cathedral on Fire”, by Berndt Brooks; “Church of the Wild: How Nature Invites Us into the Sacred”, by Victoria Loorz; and “Climate Church, Climate World: How people of faith must work for change” by Jim Antal.

If you know of another book that addresses the climate crisis and how to work constructively to mitigate its effects, please speak to Pastor Enno or Bruce Tyler.