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**PRAYER LIST:** Meredith Eliot (Church-Davison), Vicki Biggs-Anderson, Paulette Anholm, Mike Carlson, Gwen Dornfeld, Sally Dunn, Arlene Cleberg, Bob Carter; The Families of Jim Ford and EvaLyn Carlson.

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

### MEASURE OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

The First Congregational UCC has not yet adopted a 2023 Budget. Budget numbers are based on an estimate of \$155,000.

After 1 week, the Budget Donations and Income should be \$2980.77 The Actual Donations so far this year have been \$1721.05

Thank You for all your support! Kevin R LeVoir, Treasurer

THIS WEEK
THURSDAY, JANUARY 5
10:00 AM - Tai Chi
12:00 AM- Women's AA

11:00 AM - Building and Grounds

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6

7:00 AM - AA (FS)

8:00 AM - Harbor Watch

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 7** 

9:30AM-2:30PM - Piano Lessons

# **SUNDAY, JANUARY 8**

9:00 AM - Sunday School on Zoom

9:30 AM – Choir Practice

10:30 AM – Worship Service - *Inside* AND ON ZOOM we begin Jesus' ministry as an adult with his baptism in the river Jordan. The Gospel of Matthew tells the story of how John the Baptist tries to defer and asks to be baptized by Jesus. Jesus humbles himself and announces that he must be baptized and it is John who will perform this necessary step As we continue to work on our new Mission Statement afterwards, what steps must we take to humble ourselves so that our mission may be whole and holy.

4:00 PM – Journey Discipleship Group

# **MONDAY, JANUARY 9**

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

**7:00PM** - ALANON

**7:00PM - Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light Zoom Mtg** 

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 10**

2:00-6:00PM - Piano Lessons

5:00PM - Board of Directors

**7:00PM** - Zen Meditation (LL)

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11**

2:00-6:00PM - Piano Lessons

2:00PM- Ministerial Lectionary Study

3:00PM - Rooted and Rising

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 12**

9:15AM - Chaplain's Meeting

10:00AM - Tai Chi

11:00AM - Building & Grounds

**12:00AM**- Women's AA

2:00-6:00PM - Piano Lessons

7:00AM- Land Stewardship Project

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 13

**7:00AM** - AA (FS)

8:00AM - Harbor Watch

**2:00-6:00PM** - Piano Lessons

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 14**

9:30AM-2:30PM - Piano Lessons

### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 15**

9:00 AM - Sunday School on Zoom

**9:30 AM** – Choir Practice

**10:30 AM**- Worship Service - *Inside* AND ON <u>ZOOM</u> **2**<sup>nd</sup> **Sunday after Epiphany**, as Jesus begins his ministry, he calls his first two disciples, Simon and Andrew, by inviting them to 'come and see.' What are the things our church is doing that we may invite others, not just to 'come and see,' but 'come and join.'

## **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.