

## **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); and The People of Ukraine, People of Iran, and places of mass shootings: Colorado Springs, Chesapeake, and University of Virginia.

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

### **MEASURE OF OUR FAITHFULNESS:**

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

After 48 weeks, the Budget Donations and Income should be \$140,082.32

The Actual Donations so far this year have been \$128,724.37

Thank you for your support.

Kevin LeVoir, Treasurer

### **THIS WEEK:**

#### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8**

9:15 AM - CC Chaplains

10:00 AM - Tai Chi

12:00 AM- Women's AA

5:30 AM - Care Partners Light Up A Life at Johnson's Heritage Post

#### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9**

7:00 AM - AA (FS)

8:00 AM - Harbor Watch

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

#### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10**

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

10:30 AM Surely Disciple Group

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11**

9:00 AM – Sunday School on ZOOM

10:00 AM – Hymn Sing

10:30 AM – ***Inside*** AND ON ZOOM **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent - Love**, love is patient and kind, but it also seeks the best for our neighbors and even our enemies, which is why justice cannot be separated out from God's kingdom or loving our neighbors. The Gospel of Matthew tells the story of John the Baptist sending disciples to Jesus in order to find out if Jesus is truly the Christ, the Messiah. Jesus responds in a surprising way.

4:00 PM – ***Inside*** AND ON ZOOM **Blue Christmas Service**, Many people struggle through the holidays for a variety of reasons. They can't find peace, love, or joy and have little hope that it's going to get better. Come and join us to remember that all don't have a Merry Christmas and that it is alright to have feelings of anxiety, depression, grief, and even anger. During this service we will also be honoring and remembering EvaLyn Carlson.

7:00 PM- Borealis Chorale Concert at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

(also Monday, December 12th) at 7:00pm too!

#### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 12**

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

7:00PM - ALANON

Pastor Enno's Day off

## **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13**

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

5:00 PM - Board of Directors

7:00 PM - Zen Meditation (LL)

## **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14**

12:00PM - The Midterms and Beyond: A Path for Climate Justice

2:00 PM - Ministerial Lectionary Study

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

## **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15**

10:00 AM - Tai Chi

12:00 AM- Women's AA

## **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16**

7:00 AM - AA (FS)

8:00 AM - Harbor Watch

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

## **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17**

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

## **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH**

**9:00 AM** – NO Sunday School

**9:30 AM** - Christmas Program Practice

**10:00 AM** – Hymn Sing

**10:30 AM** – Inside AND ON ZOOM 4th Sunday of Advent- Joy, on this Sunday, it is time to get together and have some fun. We will be inviting everyone and anyone to show up at 9:30 to practice for our Christmas Pageant 2022. We will need narrators, Mary and Joseph, Shepherds, Angels, Wise Ones, and an Inn Keeper. We also need townspeople to keep us going.

**OUR CHURCH OFFICE IS OPEN:** Office Manager, Nancy Backlund is in the building at Thursdays from 9:00-Noon. For pastoral emergencies, please contact our new Designated Pastor, Rev. Enno Limvere at (605) 460-0330.

**FOLLOW US ON:** Facebook – First Congregational UCC Grand Marais.

Instagram - Grandmaraisucc

Website - [grandmaraisucc.org](http://grandmaraisucc.org)

**FOOD SHELF:** The Food Shelf is distributing food each Monday, from 3:00-5:00 pm, also on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month, 4:30-6:30 pm, downstairs in our church building. You can support their work by sending your checks to Food Shelf, P.O. Box 51, Grand Marais, MN 55604.

**GIVING DURING THIS TIME OF SUSPENDED SERVICES AND PROGRAMS:** It is tremendously heartening, for both your church staff and church lay leaders, to see such generous giving continuing during this time. Your on-going support of our ministries are especially important now. We encourage each of you to find ways to continue to support our ministries. Please consider continuing to give to our church by:

1. Download the VANCO Mobile app on your smartphone, to give with your credit card on-line. Enter our church name or 55604 zip code, then choose our church account. This is a program of VANCO, with whom we already have a contract for such transactions.

3. Send a check in the US mail! P.O. Box 95, Grand Marais, MN 55604.

You can also join the live worship service via Zoom.

Meeting ID: 865 0120 9458 Passcode: 770706

