Announcements



<u>Prayer List:</u> Paul Leintz, Rhonda Silence, Meredith Eliot (Church-Davison), Vicki Biggs-Anderson, Paulette Anholm, Mike Carlson, Sally Dunn, The Carter Family, All Victims of Gun Violence, Immigrants and Refugees, Countries of Ukraine, Sudan, Israel/Palestine, and Planet Earth.

<u>At home and Care Center:</u> Jean Ljungkull, Nona Smith, Lou Goodell, Bev Denyes, Nancy Cihlar, and Tom Hedstrom.

Measure of our Faithfulness:

The First Congregational UCC adopted a 2023 Budget at the Annual Meeting on 28 January 2023, showing a need for a yearly income of \$164,110.00.

After fifty weeks, the Budget Donations and Income should be \$154,358.26. The Actual Donations so far this year have been \$147,554.94.

-Kevin LeVoir, Treasurer

This Week at the Church

Sunday, December 17

9:00 AM - Christmas Pageant Practice

10:30 AM – Worship Service – Inside AND ON ZOOM, 3rd Sunday of Advent: Joy. On this Sunday, we gather together to walk through, stumble through, and live out the story of our the Messiah's birth. We will once again gather at 9:00 am this Sunday for all who wish to share in a part of our Christmas Pageant. As we continue the Advent journey, don't just listen to it again, but re-imagine it for our day.

11:45 AM – Christmas Cookie Sale by Pizza and Social Justice

5:00 PM – Blue Christmas Service - As the nights get longer and longer, and for some the holiday season is not of joy but of sorrow when loved ones are no longer with us, or of depression as the suns hides and we feel all alone. This service is to acknowledge that for some, this season is full of mixed emotions and darkness. God's love is present, even in the darkness.

Monday, December 18

11:00 AM - Spring Forest Qi Gong 2:00 - 6:00 PM - Piano Lessons 3:00 - 5:00 PM - Food Shelf 7:00 PM - Al Anon

Tuesday, December 19

2:00 - 6:00 PM - Piano Lessons 5:00 PM - Pastoral Relations

Wednesday, December 20

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

Thursday, December 21

10:00 AM - Tai Chi 12:00 AM - Women's AA 2:00 - 6:00 PM - Piano Lessons

Friday, December 22

7:00 AM - AA 8:00 AM - Harbor Watch 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM - Piano Lessons 7:30 PM - AA

Saturday, December 23

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM - Piano Lessons

Sunday, December 24

No Morning Service 9:30 - 11:30 Loaves and Brunch at the Limvere's

5:00 PM – Worship Service – Inside AND ON <u>ZOOM</u>, 4th Sunday of Advent: Love and Christmas Eve. As Christmas Eve falls upon a Sunday, the church leadership decided to just have one worship service this day, which will be in the evening starting at 5:00. Our Christmas Eve service will be centered around the story as told by the Gospel of Luke, carol singing, and lighting of the candles. We welcome all to join us for this very special service.