

First Congregational UCC

TIDINGS

A weekly newsletter for our church family and friends
February 7, 2024



No matter who you are or where you are on Life's journey, you are welcome here!

PULPIT SUPPLY



Thank you to Rev. Pat Geadelmann for providing the message last Sunday, to Seth Chronister for serving as worship leader and to Diane Highnam for giving the mini message.

You can watch the service by clicking on the picture of Rev. Geadelmann.



This coming Sunday we will not have worship here at FCUCC. Please see below for more details of our joint service at First United Methodist Church.
(Please note the time of service is 9:30 a.m.)

IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE
WITH
THE SOULS OF DIXIELAND JAZZ BAND

JAZZ SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 11, 2024
AT
WATERLOO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
WITH
FIRST BAPTIST & FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UCC
614 RANDOLPH, WATERLOO, IA 50702

JAZZ SUNDAY

This Sunday, **February 11th** is Jazz Sunday where we will be joining worship at First United Methodist Church (614 Randolph Street, Waterloo) **at 9:30 a.m.**

There will be no services at First Congregational UCC that Sunday. Our choir, plus the choirs from First Baptist and First United Methodist will be part of this festive pre Lenten service.

All are welcome.

TAKING CARE OF FAMILY...

~ Our condolences to the Brock family. Bob's sister, Barbara passed away on Monday.

~ Please remember Erin Brock-Medhus and family in your prayers as she had a double mastectomy on January 18th. She is recovering at home and appreciates all those who have signed up to help with meals. If you would like to select a date to help, you can find more information by clicking [HERE](#).

YOUTH NEWS

~ Youth will meet at First Baptist (434 Baltimore, Waterloo) this Wednesday night from 5:30-7:30pm.



Join us at 9:00am this Saturday, February 10th at Perkins in Waterloo for a good breakfast and a time to catch up with each other and share prayer requests. We would love to see you there.

FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD

What would it be like to not know if you were going to be able to eat tomorrow?

People living in poverty have an annual income insufficient to meet their basic needs. Please bring items for the pantry. Thank you for all the great donations!

IMMERSE CLASS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 9:30-12:30

Answering the question - *How might we love God and love our neighbor in a way that helps us all heal and grow together as a community?*

This session will focus on three principles of church-based, holistic neighborhood development reconciliation - redistribution - and relocation

Ready to register? \$10/person - Contact Jenna at jpetersen@webuildhabitat.org or 319-235-9946.

COMMON MEETING

The February Common Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 13th at 7:00pm. Please check with the chair of your committee or board to see if you are meeting.



Please join us for our annual Ash Wednesday service on **February 14, at 6:00 p.m.** Rev. James Altenbaumer will lead the service with the Chancel Choir leading the congregation in Holden Evening Prayer. Imposition of ashes will be offered for those who would like to participate. This is always a meaningful and solemn introduction to the Lenten Season, a season for reflection and spiritual renewal.



The Cedar Valley Hospitality House has opened a new warming center to support the homeless population during the winter months. The warming center will be open January through March nightly from 8pm - 7am, providing a overnight warm and secure place to stay with snacks, clothing, shower facility, and housing assessment for placement.

To raise money in support of this new facility, the Hospitality House is hosting a fundraising 5k walk. This walk will start and end at the warming center, allowing participants to see what they are supporting and to experience the frigid elements that are a daily reality for guests at the warming center. Coffee, hot chocolate, and donuts will be provided prior to the walk and warm soup will be provided following the walk.

-- Time: Registration at 9-10 am, Walk at 10am
 Registration/Sponsorship Fee: \$30 per walker.
 Individual Registration, Pay at the door: \$35
 ***Walkers may individually pay to walk or be sponsored by individuals from the community.

Thank you to
 Abbie Chronister for
 representing the UCC at the
 Cedar Valley Interfaith
 Council program on mental
 health last Sunday.



FEBRUARY 7-13, 2024

February 7 - 5:30pm Youth Group at First Baptist

February 10 - 9:00am Women's Breakfast at Perkins

February 10 - 9:30am - 12:30pm Immerse Class

February 11 - 9:30am Jazz Sunday Worship at First United Methodist (No service at FCUCC)

February 12 - Job Foundation Class 5:30pm

February 13 - 10:00am Church Row Coffee & Prayer Walk

February 13 - 7:00pm Common Meeting



Create an endowment of love. Please consider including our church in your estate planning.

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