

# First Congregational UCC

## TIDINGS

A weekly newsletter for our  
church family and friends  
May 8, 2024



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



## MUSIC SUNDAY

Last Sunday we enjoyed a joint music service with First Baptist and Waterloo First United Methodist Churches. It was wonderful to have a full sanctuary and enjoy the music from the combined handbells and chancel choirs! We enjoyed a lunch after the service as well. Thank you to everyone who made this a wonderful Sunday together!

You can watch the service by clicking on the picture.  
(More Pictures on page 3.)



## Pastoral Candidate Weekend

We look forward to introducing you to our Candidate on the weekend of **May 19th!**

Below is the schedule for the weekend:

- ~ **Saturday May 18 from 7:00 pm – 9:00pm:** This is an opportunity for all to meet the Candidate and his wife at the Snowden House (306 Washington St., W'loo).
- ~ **Sunday, May 19th at 10:30 am:** The Pastoral Candidate has planned the entire worship service.
- ~ **Sunday, May 19th immediately following worship:** We will hold an all-church Meeting to discuss the candidate and take a vote on the formal recommendation from the Search Committee.

Please continue to pray for our Candidate and our church family.  
Thank you for your love, support, and encouragement!

## YOUTH NEWS

The Collaborative Youth Group will meet on May 8 & 15 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm at Kimball Avenue United Methodist Church (KAUMC).

On May 15th we will celebrate the end of year with a cook-out at KAUMC....parents, church members and friends are invited to join!

## PANTRY REMINDER

Don't forget an extra item or two at the grocery store for the pantry this week. Items needed include canned soups and meals, potato flakes and pancake mix, cereal, canned fruits, vegetables, and pasta, peanut butter, and shelf stable milk. A big thank you to everyone for pitching in to fill the shelves.

## GRADUATES



It's that time of year again! Now is the time to let the church office know if you have someone in your family graduating from high school or college. Please submit their names to the church office for publication in Tidings at a later date. Include school they are graduating from and any future plans they may have in mind such as colleges they will be attending.

## UPCOMING CONCERT

Mark your calendars for Friday, May 17, at 7:00 p.m. here at First Congregational!

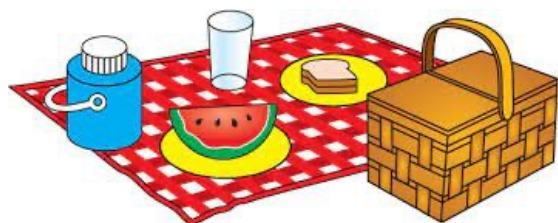
UNI School of Music faculty, violinist Nash Ryder and pianist Sean Botkin present an eclectic auditory experience of music from Europe and the United States in this free community outreach program. Take a journey to Europe with Poulenc and Bacewicz, then travel through the American countryside with Beach, Avery, Davids and Taylor-Perkinson, each of whom represent different backgrounds, cultures and sound worlds.

## LAST CHANCE...



Just a reminder that we have received another scholarship grant from the Donna Koweil Scholarship Fund. The intention of this scholarship is for current college students who have already completed at least one year of schooling. Preference will be given to those students who are pursuing a degree in the health field.

*Deadline to submit an application is May 15th.* Please contact Michelle in the office for more information or an application.



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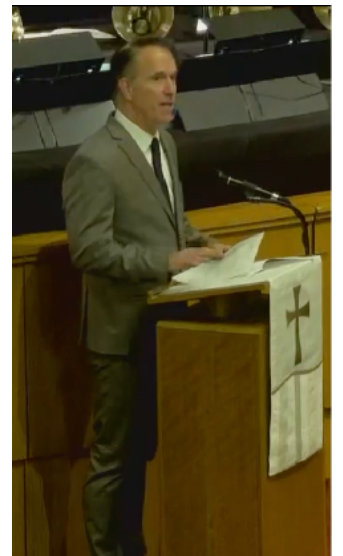
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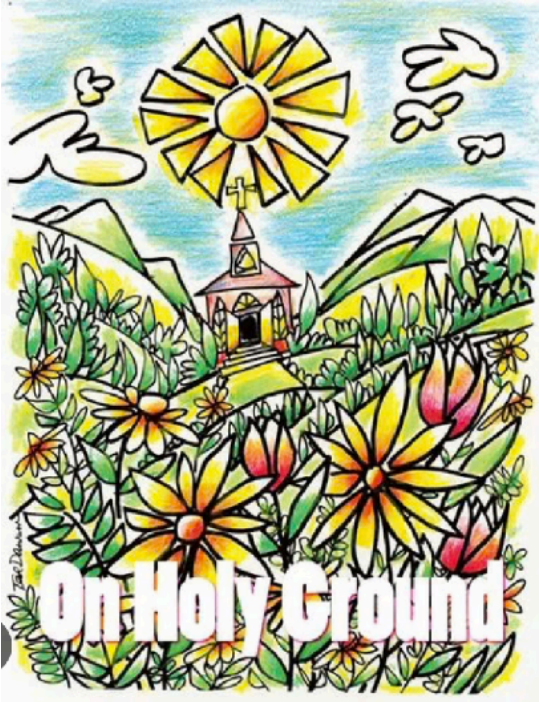
The annual church picnic will be held at Lookout Park in Cedar Falls on Sunday, June 2nd. Worship will begin at 11 am followed by the picnic. More information to come in a future Tidings. Please join us as we always enjoy a wonderful day of worship and fellowship!





# PICTURES FROM MUSIC SUNDAY





Through the Strengthen the Church Offering, people across the United Church of Christ support the formation of new congregations and the renewal of existing ones, fund new programs for youth and young adults and sponsor leadership development for the whole church. This is part of the work we do to become a multicultural/ multi-racial, accessible to all Christian movement...the United Church of Christ.

Your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches and develop the spiritual life in our youth and young adults. *We will receive this offering on Sunday, May 19th.*

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

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