

Congregational Tidings

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



A weekly newsletter



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June 29, 2022

PULPIT SUPPLY

We welcome to our pulpit this Sunday, July 3, our former Director of Youth, Kathleen Marsh, who moved back to Iowa the end of December. She is living and working in the Cedar Rapids area as a Culture Coordinator and a Field Music Therapist. She will be preaching on the topic "Who is Our Neighbor?".

We welcome Paul Greene next week, July 10, who will be preaching "From the Book of Tyler". Paul Prescott will be at our pulpit on July 17, John Mardis on July 24, and Rev. Clark Kilgard returns on July 31. We are truly blessed by the wisdom of our own congregation, and our special guests.

"POTLUCK WITH A PURPOSE"

Please join your FCUCC friends for a potluck following worship on Sunday, July 10th downstairs. The Board of Social Causes and Justice are assisting LoveINC by collecting box fans for their dispersal. This is an opportunity to donate to those in need in our community, either with a fan or money, to those less fortunate. Donations are welcome but not obligatory. Bring your family and friends, and a dish to share. There's nothing better than a First C potluck! So come--for food, fellowship, fun, and mission.

CONGRATULATIONS...

- ~ We joyfully welcome Quinn Elaine Soldwisch born June 10th to Kyle and Emily (Jensen) Soldwisch. Proud grandparents are Bruce and Jill Jensen.
- ~ Congratulations to Emily Highnam and Tony Vorwald who were married on June 24.
- ~ Congratulations to Ben Own and Paul Rich who were married on June 25th.



PRAYERS FOR...

- ~ Prayers for Collene Peirce who moved to New Aldaya in Cedar Falls last Friday.
- ~ Prayers for Cindy Thompson's niece's husband, Dave, who was recently diagnosed with cancer behind his eye.





Youth Director Office Hours: Through the summer, Abbie will host office hours Mondays and Tuesdays from 1pm-5pm. Come stop by! She has treats!

Wednesday Night Youth Group is on pause through the summer. **Stay tuned for July and August events!**

PETER MIYAMOTO PIANO CONCERT - JULY 19TH AT 7PM

Pianist Peter Miyamoto will be performing a piano concert on Tuesday, July 19 at 7:00 p.m. here at First C. As part of Cedar Valley Chamber Music's Community Series, this free public piano "Recital of Black Voices in American Music" is hosted in partnership with the Waterloo Center for the Arts. It features works by Margaret Bonds, William Grant Still, and Florence Price. The public is invited and this event is free.



A MESSAGE FROM JILL MEJIA ...

Habitat for Humanity is in need of volunteers, specifically in the Church Row and Walnut neighborhoods, and has a strong/aggressive schedule for new builds and rehabs. Is this something we, as a congregation and Church Row residents, might like to consider?

Habitat provides all tools and materials as well as training on what needs to be done. Experience is not required, just a desire to help and participate. Let's get a group together!

<https://www.webuildhabitat.org/volunteer/opportunities>

ANNUAL UCC CONFERENCE MEETING

Early bird registration has launched! We are so excited to be gathering again for Joint Annual Meeting (JAM) on October 9th-11th in Sioux City, IA. The discounted rate of \$195 per person is available until July 10th, at which point the regular registration will open at \$250 a person. Visit our registration page to learn more and see if you qualify for an extra discount! Have questions about the event or need help registering? Contact Aidan Spencer via email or phone at 515.421.0296.



View the registration form here -
[JAM 2022 In-Person Registration Form](#)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 12:00 Girl Scouts (Downstairs)
3 10:30 Worship	4 (Offices Closed) 	5 7:30am - Men's Breakfast (Village Inn-W'loo)	6	7	8	9
10 10:30 Worship Potluck following Worship					15	16 12:00 Girl Scouts (Downstairs)
17 10:30 Worship	18	19 7:30am - Men's Breakfast (Village Inn-W'loo) 7:00pm Peter Miyamoto Concert (Sanctuary)	20	21	22	23
24 10:30 Worship	25 5:30pm NAMI Support Group (Downstairs)	26	27	28 Meals on Wheels	29	30 12:00 Girl Scouts (Downstairs)

Birthdays

Anniversaries

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Henry Doepke

3
Joan Grimm

5
Brad Casteel
Ross Jensen

6
Jim Johnston

7
Rich Akin

9
Kay Leary
Malcolm Lauterbach
Clausen

10
Lynne Ensworth
Prince Yarngo
Jack Conrad

11
Karen Jensen

13
Lynne Longseth
Hayden Corson

14
Eileen Dams

17
Charley Corson

17
Cindy Thompson

19
Leah Reisinger

20
Bruce Jensen

22
Ashley Blankenfeld

23
Laurie Allbaugh

25
Jill (Morris) Jensen
Ada Brock-Medhus
Ila Daniels (Slaughter)

26
Paul Prescott

28
Lee Jensen

30
Ariel Driver

31
Zoe Lennox

2
Christine (Ellison) & Ryan Gallagher

5
Dan & Sue Hummel

12
Sarah & Joe Pavelski

28
Jesse & Amity Buck

30
Roger & Joanne Lane

31
Stan & Sara (Rickert) Faust



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School and Church Space

Usage: Just a reminder that we have VBS coming up July 11-14 in the evenings! For the safety of the children and youth, as well as for programmatic needs, **we ask that no other groups are utilizing**

the church building July 11, 12, 13, or 14 from 3pm-8:30pm. If you are planning to have a meeting in the church prior to 3:30pm, please be aware that most, if not all, of the meeting spaces will have decorations and/or other programmatic supplies. Please do not move these items. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Contact abbie.youthdirector@gmail.com with any questions.

VBS Donations: We are in need of donations for Vacation Bible School! If you would like to contribute disposable cutlery, cups, and/or napkins, please bring those to the church (either during Sunday Service or Monday-Friday between 9am and 4pm. Contact Abbie (abbie.youthdirector@gmail.com) with any questions. Thanks in advance! 😊

VBS Registration is LIVE! Click [HERE](#) to register your student and click [HERE](#) to sign up to volunteer! If you would like a paper copy, please email abbie.youthdirector@gmail.com. Thanks!

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