



Highlight

THE CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Increasing Our Love for God & Neighbor

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UNITED FALL FEST COUNT DOWN! ARE YOU IN?

www.unitedfallfest.com

Saturday, Sept. 7, 3 to 10pm

UNITED FALL FEST is an event that provides the members and friends of our church the opportunity to come together in the spirit of fellowship. It is an event that helps strengthen community ties with our neighbors in Fox Mill Subdivision and Campton Hills Village. It is an event that provides the resources for our church mission ministry within the community.

To make this all happen, many volunteers are needed.

Please take a look at the UNITED FALL FEST sign up board and fill in one of the many blanks for the event that interests you. You will have the time of your life! Just ask anyone who has volunteered in the past. If you have questions, someone will be near the sign up board to answer them.

Check out some of the opportunities for fun, food and fellowship!

KID'S CORNER will feature the magician and illusionist, Chezaday, who will float some lucky person in thin air. Tae Kwon Do demonstrations, our very own puppets and Campton's Got Talent round out the Kid's Stage. Bouncies, dunk tank, ice cream eating contest and other surprises will be in Kid's Corner for kids from young to teens.

MUSIC will be provided by *Disbarred* in the afternoon and *Billy Croft* and the *5 Alarm* will take the stage for the evening's entertainment. Listen or dance in front of the stage if you wish!

Old cars your passion? You will find the **CLASSIC CARS** area a fun place to look around. And don't forget to visit with our participating sponsors and charities.

FOOD In addition to the wonderful pulled pork sandwiches, a very special United Fall Fest brat will be offered. Don't want pulled pork or brats? Hamburgers, hot dogs and PIZZA will be on the menu as well. The ever popular beverage tent will also be up and running.

The **BAGS TOURNEY** is a huge draw so get your team together and get registered early. You can find registration information on the website.

Our website, www.unitedfallfest.com is chock full of pictures and information. Check it out!

New this year and only available through United Fall Fest

FALL FEST BRATS

A recipe especially made for the United Fall Fest by Reams Meat Market in Elburn

Tasting on Sunday, Aug. 26 Pre orders taken that day \$6 per pound.

Don't miss this opportunity! It will only come around once a year!



PLEASE **PRAY** FOR:

Ted Hardison
Ron Koepl
Bill Ludemann, Sr.
Frank Lagowski
Rozella Nagy
Hannah Nieman
Denise Pollack
Morgan Rerko
Ann Richards
Ruth Warren
Jamice Webster

Dear Friends,

Words do not adequately express my sincere appreciation for your personal support during my recent "rehab" following hip surgery. Ron and I thank you very much for our delicious meals, your prayers, cards, emails, phone calls and visits. I truly believe this congregation resides in first place when it comes to expressing its love and concern for others. We are truly blessed!

Thank you, Ann Richards

Guide Book and Membership Directory

The 2013-14 Guide Book and Membership Directory was mailed directly to members from Guide Book publishing. It costs the church nothing to publish this book once a year, including direct mail. It is paid for with advertising included in the book.

THANK YOU *very much for advertising in the Guide Book Directory*

- *Nissan of St. Charles (Fred & Kay Vargason)*
- *Yurs Funeral Homes of St. Charles & Geneva (Jim & Joanne Diorio)*
- *Medical Alert Systems*
- *Wasco Nursery & Garden Center*
- *Master Drapery Service (Glenn & Judy Mastalski)*

Guide Book Corrections

Corrections will be published throughout the year in the Highlight. Contact the office if you need an up-to-date directory later in the year.

Mike Harland's cell phone number should be 312-518-9064

THE GARDENS AT BALL

Many thanks to Susan & Mike Klopmeier for the great walking tour of The Gardens at Ball. Approximately 30 of us gathered there on Sunday evening, August 11, and were treated to a beautiful variety of annuals, perennials, vegetables, shrubs and trees. I was particularly fascinated by the new "fairy gardens" as well as the vibrancy of color in all the new test gardens. It did rain a bit but did not daunt anyone as bright red & white striped umbrellas (supplied by Ball) could be seen as we meandered all along the pathways. An anonymous comment that I chanced to hear gave me a giggle: "So that's what a healthy plant looks like!" All in all, a very enjoyable summer Sunday evening. And – can we do it again next year, Klopmeiers? Thanks again! -Pat Kitner

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

"The Challenge of Jesus"

A Video Based Discussion

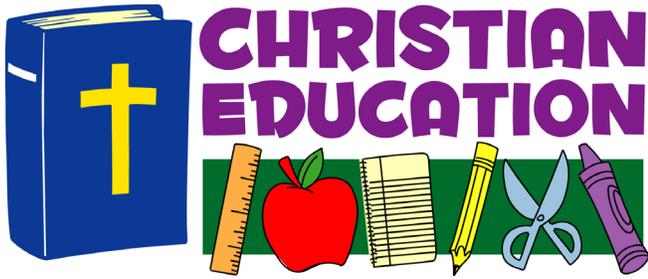
Featuring John Dominic Crossan

Begins Tuesday, September 17

1:00 - 2:30 pm

Cost for Year - \$20 (Pay at the first class)

Sign up to attend on CE board.



Tassie Brautigam, Children's Ministry Coordinator
flower160921@gmail.com

As we look forward to the beginning of the Sunday school year, it is my joy and pleasure to be stepping into the role of Children's Ministries Coordinator. Sue Peterson has done a fantastic job of bringing me up to speed and helping prepare for the coming year that starts on September 8th when the Sunday school will be sharing their beginnings with the congregation at the close of the worship service.

My heartfelt thanks to all who volunteer to work with the children of our church in so many different ways. You have a real impact on their faith growth.

This year's Sunday school themes (in order) for preschool through 5th grade will be: God's Call, Exodus, Mary and Elizabeth's First Christmas, Go and Make Disciples, Jesus the Good Shepherd, and Meals of Blessing. For the 6th and 7th grades the topics will be: Jacob and Esau, Joseph and His Brothers, Joseph in Egypt, Christmas Around the World, Samaritan Woman at the Well, Zacchaeus and Mary Magdalene, Paul- Who Can Be Christian?, and Easter Around the World. As always, the last day of Sunday school on May 18 will be a fun and games party. There is so much to grow and climb on!!!

Children are also invited and encouraged to participate in the 9:30 service as either an acolyte (lighting the altar candles 5 minutes prior to the service) and/or Psalm reading during the worship service. Please contact me at the information listed below if you would like to sign up for Psalm reading. If you would like to sign up or get information about being an acolyte, please contact CE member Donna Giamberdino: donnagiam@comcast.net

I know I join the entire congregation in wishing Sue Peterson a happy and relaxing retirement and thank her for her 14 years of dedication to the children of our church.

Blessings to All for a Wonderful Year!!!!

Tassie Brautigam

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September 22 **Pay it Forward Sunday** **Acts of Kindness** **Many Hands** **Creating Hope**

WHO Every One of All Ages

WHAT **Pay It Forward Sunday** meansWe as the receivers of good deeds will experience what our church has to offer so we may make a repayment in time, talent, etc., back to others within our church, community, country, and world.

WHERE Fellowship Hall

WHEN September 22 after the 9:30 Service

*(Previously known as
Rally Day and Ministry Festival)*

Things to bring to the event:

I can of food per person to be donated to the local food bank

Adult or child's book for a book swap

Sponsored by the Christian Education Committee

"What day is it?" asked Pooh.
"It's today," squeaked Piglet.
"My favorite day," said Pooh.



Signups and permission slips for all youth activities are on the bulletin board outside the youth room #119, lower level. Contact Rev. Suzy Daly with questions. suzyqdaly@sbcglobal.net

GF YOUTH GROUP RESUMES
 Every Wednesday beginning
 August 21, Room 119
 6:30 - 7:00 Socialize time
 7:00-8:00 Activity/discussion
 8:00-8:15 GF Circle



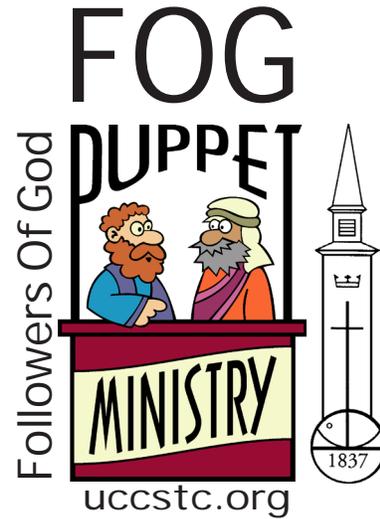
Confirmation is for 8th graders and above who wish to become members of the church. It is a class program that begins Friday, Sept. 13, with an evening on Community from 6-11pm and ends on Sunday, May 4, 2014 with Confirmation. Cost is \$100 (covers retreats and materials). Registration forms and calendar can be picked up in the office if you have not received information in the mail. Contact Rev. Suzy Daly with questions at suzyqdaly@sbcglobal.net



TGIJ MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH FELLOWSHIP
 Meets once a month for various activities.
 Aug. 25, Pool Party, Kathy Bren's
 Sept. 15, Bowling, Funway
 Oct. 14 Great America Trip with GF



HELPING HANDS
 for 4-5th Graders
 Schedule to be published soon.



Followers Of God Puppeteers to begin!

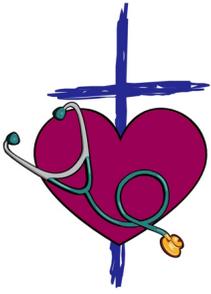
We are excited about our new puppet troupe season and want to invite all 5th graders and older to join us:

- Monday nights 5 – 7pm
- Beginning Sept. 23. Parents come at 6:30 that night for a short meeting.
- Church Fellowship Hall. (Except Sept 23. Due to the rummage sale we will meet in the Parlor).
- Schedules will be discussed and passed out on the 23rd Looking forward to seeing all of you!

Jeanne Humke and Belinda Gross

Any questions call, email or text Jeanne at 630-229-3494 ~ humkegrp@aol.com





Patti Molloy, RN
Parish Nurse
nurse@uccstc.org

PUT YOUR HAPPY FACE ON

Always Look on the Bright Side of Life[®] is more than a song that elicits memories of Friday afternoons on WGN radio with John Williams—it's medical advice worth heeding. Is your glass half-empty or half-full? How you answer this age-old question about positive thinking may reflect your outlook on life and your attitude toward yourself. Positive thinking helps with stress management and can even improve your health.

According to researchers at the Mayo Clinic, personality traits like optimism and pessimism can affect many areas of your health and well-being. The positive thinking that typically comes with optimism is a key part of effective stress management.

Positive thinking means that you approach the unpleasantness in life in a more positive and productive way. It often starts with self-talk. Self-talk is the endless stream of unspoken thoughts that run through your head every day. These automatic thoughts can be positive or negative.

The possible health benefits of positive thinking and optimism include increased life span, lower depression rates, lower levels of distress, greater resistance to the common cold, better psychological and physical well-being, reduced risk of death from cardiovascular disease, and better coping skills during times of hardship and stress.

If positive thinking is not automatic for you, have no fear. You can learn to turn negative thinking into positive thinking. The process is simple, but it does take time and practice—you're creating a new habit, after all. Here are some ways to think and behave in a more positive and optimistic way.

- Identify areas of your life that you typically think negatively about, whether it's work, your daily commute or a relationship, for example. Start small by focusing on one area to approach in a more positive way.
- Periodically during the day, stop and evaluate what you're thinking. If you find that your thoughts are mainly negative, try to find a way to put a positive spin on them. Look for the good!
- Seek humor in everyday happenings. When you can laugh at life, you feel less stressed.
- Exercise at least three times a week to positively affect mood and reduce stress. Follow a healthy diet to fuel your mind, body and spirit. (If you are now thinking, "Does she put diet and exercise in every Highlight article?" you are letting yourself think negative thoughts!)
- Surround yourself with positive people and try to avoid negative people. Are there toxic relationships in your life from which you need to distance yourself? For those Facebook users, are there some people you need to "remove from your news feed"? I did this recently when I found myself feeling dragged down by negative posts. It was actually quite empowering.
- Practice positive self-talk. Start by following one simple rule: Don't say anything to yourself that you wouldn't say to anyone else. Be gentle and encouraging with yourself. For me, this may be the most difficult but something I am determined to work on.
- Look happy. It sounds silly but putting a positive expression on your face can actually make you feel happier and more optimistic about the future. I also find that when I concentrate on my posture (shoulders down and back, back straight, head tall), I just feel happier. A dear yoga teacher many of you know once told me, "My dear, your shoulders are not earrings!"
- Pass a blessing on to a friend or stranger; let somebody else have that parking space, let somebody in front of you at the grocery store. Doing nice things for others is an instant positive pick-me-up!
- Count your blessings, each and every little one. Focusing on the good things in your life, no matter how small or seemingly insignificant will help frame a better attitude and help take your mind off the negatives.

Don't expect to become an optimist overnight. But with practice, eventually your self-talk will contain less self-criticism and more self-acceptance. You may also become less critical of the world around you. Plus, when you share your positive mood and positive experience, both you and those around you enjoy an emotional boost.

Practicing positive self-talk will improve your outlook. When your state of mind is generally optimistic, you're able to handle everyday stress in a more constructive way. That ability may contribute to the widely observed health benefits of positive thinking. Cheers to that...with a glass that's half full!

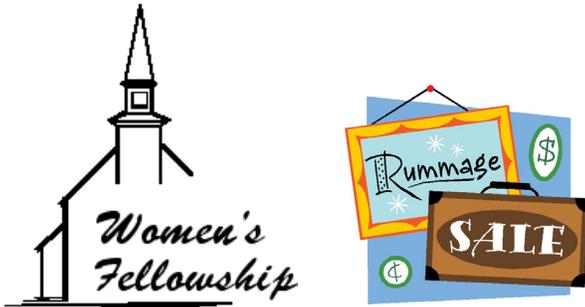
"Keep your face always toward the sunshine-and shadows will fall behind you." (Walt Whitman)

AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR
located near office door. Look for overhead AED sign.
Phone is on the adjacent wall.
To call for help, press an outside line and dial 911.



Women's Fellowship Wed. Sept. 4

Join us on Wednesday, September 4 for the first meeting of the year. All women of our church are invited and encouraged to participate as we plan our activities for the year and renew our friendships put on hold over the summer. We all join in Christian fellowship to make friends, learn new things and raise funds to help our church and others around the world. We meet at 9am in the parlor for socializing and start our meeting at 9:30am. We hope to see you! *Barb Pankoke*



**Women's Fellowship
Rummage Sale
Week of September 23**
Please sign up to help work.

DROP OFF DONATIONS

- Monday-Wednesday
Sept. 23-25, 8:30-4:30
- Thursday, Sept. 26, 8:30-NOON
- Baked goods drop-off
starting Thurs. Sept. 26

For donation pickups please
call Barb Pankoke 630-365-5449

SALE DATES

**Thurs, Sept. 26 • 4-7pm
Fri, Sept. 27 • 9am-6pm
Sat, Sept. 28 • 9am-Noon**

• **DO BRING** Small household appliances, dishes, pans, lamps, pictures, shelves, toys, books, baby items and baby clothes, seasonal decorations, records, tapes, clothing, shoes, smaller furniture, such as chairs, dinette sets, etc. If something is electrical, please mark that it works.

• PLEASE DO NOT BRING

Large appliances, large pieces of furniture, couches, curtain rods, TV's, adult bikes, encyclopedias, large pieces of exercise equipment, computers, or soiled clothing.



We will serve our friends in the Pilsen neighborhood on Thursday, Nov. 7. Thank you for your continued support. Questions? Contact Ann Richards, arich4@sbcglobal.net.



Brunch Bunch

After a few months' time off, we will meet again on Sunday, September 8 after Church at Papa G's in Elburn.

Please let me know by
Wednesday, September 4,
whether or not you can come. Thanks!!
And feel free to invite others to join us.
-Pat Kitner chatwpat@att.net



Circle of Friends

Formerly known as Senior Set

Wed., Sept. 18, 9:30am

Back By Popular Demand!!

No age requirement so everyone is invited! Signup sheet can be found on the Congregational Life bulletin board. At this fall's first gathering of Circle of Friends, or "CF" for short, we will meet in the Parlor to enjoy a continental breakfast and fellowship. Ken Cooper (Jane Murtaugh's dad) has graciously agreed to join us and share his heartwarming experience as a World War II Veteran and 2013 Honor Flight participant. If you have questions or program suggestions, call Mary Anne Rebernak at 630-377-9336.



PERMANENT RECORD

Name: Peterson, Sue

A.K.A. Fabulous

Position: Children's Ministry Coordinator

Employer: Congregational UCC, St. Charles

Years Employed: 1999-2013

Children's Lives Touched: Too many to count

Hours of Dedication to Position: Immeasurable

Status: Retiring August 1, 2013

Comments: After 14 years of hard work and dedication, Sue is retiring as the Children's Ministry Coordinator. Please celebrate Sue's endless hours of devotion to the children of our church at an all church brunch in Fellowship Hall following the service on September 15, 2013.



Friends,

If we were to try and name all the ministries in which Sue Peterson has been involved over the past 14 years we could name dozens but we're sure we would miss many more. Sue has been involved with all ages throughout the years. She is often at church organizing or leading programs far beyond her job description. In short, Sue has been a wonderful, creative and, extremely, hardworking Children's Ministry Coordinator.

Sue is now retired and we say "go forth in peace thy good and faithful servant." We also hope you will be able to participate in Sue's farewell – from the position not the church – celebration as described above. I also hope you would consider a monetary gift to Sue that will be presented at her celebration. Checks should be made out to church with Sue Peterson celebration noted on the check or attached note and received in the church office by September 10.

Please join us in thanking Sue for her ministry among us – both seen and unseen. Thank you.

Terry Morton, Christian Education Chair

Wynne Hegland, Church Council President

Rev. John Rodgers, Senior Minister



Prayer Shawl Ministry

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Our next meeting for Prayer Shawl Ministry will be Monday, September 9 at 10am in the Parlor. Please know that you are welcome to be part of our group whether you are an experienced knitter, a beginner or would like to learn how to knit or crochet. Our supply of prayer shawls and baby blankets

is getting low, so if you would like to contribute to this meaningful project it would be greatly appreciated. You don't even need to attend the meetings to participate.



Novel Approaches

A Fine Balance by Rohinton Mistry

Sign up on the Congregational Life board to attend.

September 20, 7:30pm at Peter & Josie Ball's

With a compassionate realism and narrative sweep that recall the work of Charles Dickens, this magnificent novel captures all the cruelty and corruption, dignity and heroism, of India. The time is 1975. The place is an unnamed city by the sea. The government has just declared a State of Emergency, in whose upheavals four strangers--a spirited widow, a young student uprooted from his idyllic hill station, and two tailors who have fled the caste violence of their native village--will be thrust together, forced to share one cramped apartment and an uncertain future. As the characters move from distrust to friendship and from friendship to love, *A Fine Balance* creates an enduring panorama of the human spirit in an inhuman state.



New Members will be welcomed on *Sunday, October 6* during the 9:30 worship service. An orientation evening will be held on *Monday, September 30* at 7:30pm (tentative date). Contact the church office if you have questions for the ministers, staff or office. Make sure the church office has your correct address, phone number and email to receive information about the class. Childcare will be provided for the orientation if you let us know the names and ages of your children ahead of time.

office@uccstc.org or 630-584-0929

NEW CHILDREN'S LIBRARY BOOKS, AUGUST, 2013

All For One by Jill Murphy Marlon attempts to have play adventures with friends.

Bear Snores On by Karma Wilson Bear sleeps in winter while others cook and eat in his cave.

Bear Wants More by Karma Wilson Bear wakes in the spring and eats with all his friends.

Bringing Down the Moon by Jonathan Emmett Mole tries to knock down the moon.

Cat and Mouse in the Rain by Tomek Bogacki Cat and mouse have fun on a rainy day with a frog.

Miss Smith's Incredible Storybook by Michael Garland A teacher helps stories come to life.

Nicky and the Rainy Day by Valeri Gorbachev Nicky and siblings escape the gloom of a rainy day.

Pancakes for Supper by Anne Isaacs Toby fools animals with clothing. They end up being syrup.

Sam Vole and His Brothers by Martin Waddell Sam learns about the importance of his brothers.

Stranger in the Woods by Carl R. Sams II & Jean Stoick A snowman appears mysteriously.

Big Book of What? by Time For Kids Answers 801 interesting questions.

Yes We Can by Sam McBratney Everyone can be good at something.

From Head to Toe by Eric Carle We can make movements with body parts.

The Grouchy Ladybug by Eric Carle The grouchy ladybug learns a lesson about sharing.

A House for Hermit Crab by Eric Carle Hermit Crab decorates his home with sea creatures.

The Mixed Up Chameleon by Eric Carle A chameleon learns it is best to be yourself.

The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle The caterpillar eats and eats and becomes a butterfly.



Carol Borrelli



Chancel Choir

Join the **choir** this fall as we blend our voices to sing praise to God! All are welcome! The choir sings for the first time on Sept. 8 at the 9:30am worship service. First rehearsal is Thursday, August 29 at 7:30pm. Contact Jim McCullough if you are interested in joining the choir or if you have doubts about your voice. mccfamily.4@gmail.com CELL 630-715-0417.



Bellissimo Bell Choir

If you are interested in joining the **bell choir** contact Denise Beiermann at denise@beiermannmusic.com



Happy Hearts Children's Choir

The children's choir practices will begin on Sunday, September 29 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 115. Children from 2nd grade on are welcome to join us. Come see us at our booth on September 22 (Pay it Forward Sunday) to sign up and join! Contact Miki Powell at 630-513-8730



Men's Fellowship Walking Group
3rd Saturday of each month, 7am
Saturday, Sept. 21
Contact George Mohn
for information and location.
847-488-9179
sangeomohn@att.net

Intentional Travel 2014

"Treasures of Northern Italy"

Our sixth Intentional Travel adventure returns to Italy and the beautiful lakes, mountains and coast of Northern Italy. We will visit the Lake District of Lake Como, Cinque Terre on the coast and enjoy the unique city of Venice. The dates are October 5 - 18, 2014. Travel itinerary and registration forms are on the bulletin board near the office. An informational meeting will be held in the early fall. Join us.



The next time you find yourself alone in a dark alley facing the undeniables of life, don't cover them with a blanket or ignore them with a nervous grin. Instead, stand still, whisper His name, and listen. He is nearer than you think.

Max Lucado

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Highlight Newsletter
Copy Deadline
Monday, Sept. 16 BEFORE NOON

2013-14 Food on the 4th DONATION SUGGESTIONS

Please bring healthy non-perishable food for the St. Charles Salvation Army & Elburn Food Pantries on the fourth Sunday of the month. Tape this article to the inside of your pantry as a reminder throughout the coming year.



SEPTEMBER 22–Lunch

peanut butter, jelly, canned tuna, mayo, mustard, ketchup, sandwich bags, cookies

OCTOBER 27–Breakfast

pancake syrup, oatmeal, cereal, mixes (pancake-waffle-biscuit)

NOVEMBER 24 – Pasta

Ramen noodles, macaroni & cheese, dried pasta, rice, spaghetti sauce

DECEMBER 22 – Protein

canned meats (tuna, chicken, turkey, ham), Spam, corned beef

JANUARY 26 – Bowl Time

canned soups, dry soups, chili, sloppy joe, hash, Ramen noodles

FEBRUARY 23 – Mixes

cake mixes, baking mixes, muffin mixes, Jello, pudding mixes

MARCH 23 – Household

dish soap, cleaning products, toilet paper, paper towels

APRIL 27 – Fruits & Veggies

canned fruit, canned vegetables, dry potatoes, raisins

MAY 25 – Baby Supplies & Toiletries

baby wipes, diapers, shampoo, toothpaste, lotion

JUNE 22– Your Choice

JULY 27 – Your Choice

AUGUST 24 – Your Choice



Peaceful Heart Yoga

with Donna Burg

New session beginning

September 9 - December 16

No Class Oct, 14, Nov 11, & Nov 25

9–10:15am, 10 weeks, \$80

Are you one of the many people who have wanted to try our Peaceful Heart Yoga, but were hesitant to sign up? Peaceful Heart Yoga is intimate without being intimidating, and the gentle classes will leave you feeling long, strong and de-stressed! We welcome and encourage you to try Peaceful Heart Yoga! Sign up on the Congregational Life board.



*Mark Your Calendars for a
Heartland Center Blood Drive*

Sunday, October 27

Fellowship Hall

Sponsored by the

Mission Committee

2013 PROGRESSIVE DINNER SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF "FAMILY FAVORITES"

It's a great night of fellowship and delicious dining with the added bonus of traveling to various host home locations which makes it fun to see who you'll meet next.

5:30 p.m. Appetizers, 7:00 p.m. Dinner, 9:00 p.m. Dessert

Cost: \$20 per person



Make your reservations now by returning the below form and payment by Sunday, September 15. Questions? Contact Susan Klopmeier at 630.253.8251

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2013 Progressive Dinner-- -- Saturday, September 28th

Diners Names _____

Address _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Number of People attending _____ X \$20 per person = \$ _____ Enclosed

Please choose one of the following:

_____ We would like to help get the fun started by hosting appetizers

_____ Count us in for being a dinner host (number of guests you can seat including yourselves _____)

_____ We can bring an appetizer or dessert

Highlight Newsletter
Go Green!

Please consider receiving the e-mailed version of the Highlight newsletter. It's in color, the pictures are clearer, you'll get it faster. You will save the church staff time and volunteer time, postage, paper, etc. Try a sample. *Highlights* are posted on our web site, uccstc.org under documents online.

Thanks! Contact Carleen & Tricia in the church office. office@uccstc.org or 630-584-0929



Luke 16:19-31

Lazarus House

September 18 6:45pm

You're invited to prepare and deliver a portion of the meal we provide. Signup is on the Mission board. Questions? Contact Brian & Rebecca Reber at 847-717-5439 or tigowner@comcast.net

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 (Highlight PDF's,
 sermon recordings
 and email staff members)



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YOU ARE WELCOME

Striving to increase our love for God and neighbor, we welcome persons of every age, health condition, race, marital status, economic status, sexual orientation and religious background. We encourage you to become an active member of our church, sharing your God-given gifts in all areas of church life: worship, education, mission & ministry.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30am Brief Worship Service (1/2 hour)

A hymn, prayers, scripture and reflections on the scripture. Communion offered the first Sunday of each month. Nursery care. No Sunday school.

9:30am Worship Service with Sunday School

Summner Sunday School for children through 3rd grade ends Sept. 1. Beginning Sept. 8 our "regular" worship service with Sunday school for children through 7th grade, with nursery care. Communion offered the first Sunday of each month.



Our denomination
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MISSION STATEMENT

We, as a community in Christ, shall provide and administer a continuum of opportunities for worship, education, fellowship & outreach. It is our mission to serve individual, local, national & world needs.

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Swing Set Preschool

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 Bob Brautigam—Mission Chair, Facilities
 Ginny Minard—Worship Chair
 Barb Pankoke—Women's Fellowship President
 Jeff Graham—Youth Director
 Rev. William L. Nagy—Pastor Emeritus
 All Members—Ministers

Please pray for them on their September birthdays.

Rae Andrews 1	Cara Cameron 6	Russ Lorenz 11	Sam Scorby 16	Connor Tidler 22	Wayne Roland 28
Brian Hauk 1	Alex Eichler 6	Libby Reyes 11	Jody Field 17	Molly Livermore 23	Michelle Santucci 28
James Reed 1	Chloe Weidl 6	Jake Schultz 11	Hilda Gloege 17	Ralph Minard 24	Owen Behrendt 29
Emma Sidor 1	Beth Bondi 7	Kathy Westman 11	Kegan Haeseli 17	Bryan Holing 25	Collin Boltz 29
Alycia O'Connor 2	Brian Caprini 7	Lexi Leifel 12	Mickey Lee 17	Laurel Innis 25	Bob Brautigam 29
Eric Pfothenhauer 2	Dalton Geni 7	Shannon Lukaszuk 12	Richard Romke 17	Denice Koulback 25	Debi Greaux 29
Chris Polloway 2	Kristina Laurie 7	Nick Campana 13	Rob Ritchie 18	Pam McInnis 25	Jack Ridgway 29
Erika Boltz 3	Abigail Oeltgen 7	Steve Koulback 13	Rich Vernon 18	Kelly Vernon 25	Darren Tidler 29
Charles Caldwell 3	Edward Kurtz III 8	Drew Occhipinti 13	Tim O'Brien 19	George Churchill 26	Alison Wessel 29
Bob Graham 3	Ava Lilke 8	Steve Grimes 14	Bruce Morton 20	Ashley Swanson 26	Emily Branca 30
Ken Graham 3	Rachel Mastalski 8	Sabrina Keck 14	Meredith Reber 20	Julie Butikofer 27	Amanda Nagy 30
William Russell 3	Bev Piper 8	Matt O'Brien 14	Ann Stewart 20	Jacob Carlson 27	
Mallory Speck 3	Jon Cain 9	Nicholas Warner 14	Beau Blakeley 21	Caden Colomb 27	
Joyce Rhodes 4	Stephen Cain 9	Tom Burke 15	Bridget Fleisher 21	Wayne DeMaar 27	
Glen Ballantyne 5	Bailey Cross 9	Bennett Gust 15	Elizabeth Melton 21	Cassidy Lancor 27	
Ryan Cameron 5	Teresa Melton 9	Daniel Mateja 15	Alex VenHorst 21	Denise Pollack 27	
Jackie Koulback 5	Amy Munz 10	Mike Schif 15	Rich Borst 22	Andrew Stewart 27	
Rachel Neville 5	Carin Smith 10	Joe Giamberdino 16	Mike Harland 22	Gale Mack 28	
Mark Stoner 5	Kristina Juszczyk 11	Julia Lennon 16	Laurie Heise 22	Spencer Mohr 28	

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Sunday August Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

<p>25 Food on the 4th TGIJ Pool Party 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Brief Worship (S) 9:30 AM Summer Sunday School (through 3rd Grade) 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Worship (S) 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship (FH)</p>	<p>26 8:30 AM - 5:45 PM Language Stars-Mandarin (112) 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S)</p>	<p>27 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S) 7:00 PM Welcome Meeting (FH)</p>	<p>28 6:30 AM - 8:15 PM GF Youth Group (119) 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S) 7:00 PM Preschool-7th Grade Sunday School teachers meeting (114/116)</p>	<p>29 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S) 6:00 PM Bellissimo Bell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30 PM Chancel Choir (S)</p>	<p>30 8:30 AM - 5:45 PM Language Stars-Spanish (112) 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S)</p>	<p>31 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115)</p>
<p>1 September <i>Communion</i> 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Brief Worship (S) 9:30 AM Baptism Banwart 9:30 AM Summer Sunday School (through 3rd Grade) 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Worship (S) 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship (FH)</p>	<p>2 Labor Day OFFICE CLOSED 8:30 AM - 5:45 PM Language Stars- Mandarin (112) 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S)</p>	<p>3 7:00 AM Men's Fellowship (Arcadium) 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S) 6:30 PM Mission Cm (O)</p>	<p>4 6:30 AM - 8:15 PM GF Youth Group (119) 9:00 AM Women's Fellowship (P) 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S) 7:00 PM Swing Set BD Mtg (111)</p>	<p>5 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Clergy Cluster Meeting (P) 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 2:30 PM - 4:30 PM Fox Valley Justice and Witness Mtg 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S) 6:00 PM Bellissimo Bell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM NAMI (114) 7:30 PM Chancel Choir (S)</p>	<p>6 8:30 AM - 5:45 PM Language Stars- Spanish (112) 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S)</p>	<p>7 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM UNITED FALL FESTIVAL (all church and grounds)</p>
<p>8 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Brief Worship (S) 9:30 AM Sunday School through 7th Grade Begins 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Worship (S) 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship (FH) 11:00 AM Brunch Bunch (Papa G's)</p>	<p>9 8:30 AM - 5:45 PM Language Stars- Mandarin (112) 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry (P) 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S)</p>	<p>10 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S)</p>	<p>11 6:30 AM - 8:15 PM GF Youth Group (119) 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S) 6:30 PM Worship Committee (O) 7:00 PM Christian Education Committee (114) 7:00 PM Congregational Life Cm (P)</p>	<p>12 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S) 3:00 PM Bellissimo Bell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30 PM Chancel Choir (S)</p>	<p>13 Steel Beam Theater 8:30 AM - 5:45 PM Language Stars- Spanish (112) 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115) 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (S) 5:00 PM Templeman/DeMuro Rehearsal (S) 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM Confirmation (P)</p>	<p>14 Graham Rental (FH) Templeman/MeMuro Wedding (S, P) 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Beiermann Lessons (115)</p>



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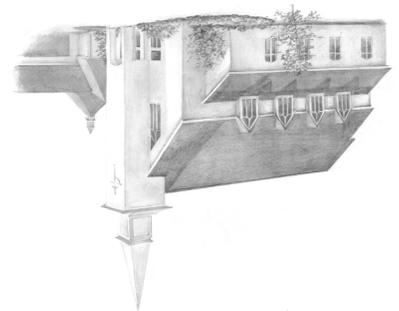
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