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Today and Tomorrow

by Rev. John Rodgers

In April I turned 65. I know – he doesn't look a day over 30, or was that 300? Either way, when most of us turn 65, if not before, thoughts of retirement enter our heads. They have mine. But they are not my only thoughts. My other musings center on our wonderful congregation, all that we do as disciples of Jesus, and all we have yet to do.

For the past 40 years - I really can't believe that - I have been a parish minister. Since discovering the uniqueness of parish ministry in seminary, I have always been challenged and enjoyed the many varied tasks involved. Where else can you in one day marry, bury, counsel, visit, plant a flower, teach a class, and enjoy dinner and a play with friends who are members of our church?

The past 17 years have included many challenges, its share of sorrows and countless joys, laughter and tears. But it is time for a change. It is time for me not to worry about what can I possibly say again next Sunday – really there is only so much about which you can preach on Christmas Eve or Memorial Weekend. It is time for me not to agonize over budget shortfalls or worry about what I can do to see that our tremendous staff is appropriately compensated and appreciated. It is time for me to finish leading funerals for far too many members who each – and their families – have become dear friends. I find I lose a bit of myself with each funeral I do.

It is time for other things. Susan & I hope to live in Chicago for a year. We hope to be able to escape more of the Chicago area winter. We plan on being able to volunteer our time and passion for any number of service opportunities both near and far. It is time for new – many yet unknown – pursuits.

In January of this year I asked a group of our past Church Council Presidents to join me in thinking about the future and the inevitable Senior Minister transition. We met three times - talking and listening, discussing articles on leadership transitions and options, and asking a local senior minister to meet with us to discuss his experience. From these meetings this group endorsed and sent to our current Council the recommendation that we explore a "Shared Ministry" approach to my retirement. The specifics of this model can be found in the other article on this page. But basically it would mean that for a short period of time, probably in late 2015 or early 2016, there would be two senior ministers in our church. It will be a time for me to help a new person move into the position of Senior Minister.

My feeling is that if I can help the transition of leadership be a smooth process without the loss of momentum, members, and staff, then I promise to do all I can to make this work. We have a marvelous congregation. I intend to do all I can to keep it so.

I know there are many questions that this note raises. In order to help answer those questions and to begin the process of congregational involvement there will be a Council sponsored discussion of our future after worship (about 10:45) on Sunday, June 15. Susan & I and a Council member or two will try and respond to any questions you may have. I hope you will join us so that together we can continue to "increase our love for God and Neighbor."

Future Leadership

by Lisa Sidor

What happens when Rev. John Rodgers retires? Historically, the UCC has followed an "Interim Ministry" approach for replacing a Senior Minister, in which an ordained minister serves on an interim basis (12-24 months) while a Pastoral Search Committee is formed, identifies and interviews potential candidates, and presents a single candidate for vote by the Congregation. Our church followed this model with the appointments of Rev. Bill Nagy and Rev. John Rodgers.

The Interim Ministry model serves to bring one pastorate to a close, and prepare for a new one. The retiring minister has an enforced period of absence, therefore not influencing the selection of the Senior Minister by the search committee and congregation. Once a Senior Pastor is found, the interim minister goes away, and the new leader can start with a clean slate. This model emphasizes a hard break between pastorates.

While the Interim Ministry model has its advantages, it isn't necessarily the best approach for every congregation. In our case, we want to build on the strong foundation that we have, not start from scratch. We have a dynamic and growing congregation, with strong lay leadership, and want to continue that momentum.

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As Rev. John notes in his article, he met several times with a group of Council Presidents, past and current, to discuss how best to pursue this critical transition. Coming out of these deliberations, this group recommended to Church Council that we consider another, more contemporary, transitional leadership strategy called "Shared Ministry." Council carefully studied the two established alternatives, and agreed that the Shared Ministry model is the right approach for our church at this time.

The Shared Ministry model eliminates the "exile" period of the outgoing minister. The process for choosing a new Senior Minister would be essentially the same, with a Pastoral Search Committee ultimately presenting a candidate to the congregation for a vote, but the Senior Minister (rather than an interim minister) is allowed to continue as leader while the search is conducted.

Once a new Senior Minister is selected, there would be a transitional period of shared leadership, with the Senior Minister and Senior Minister Elect spending 3-6 months working together. The Shared Ministry model utilizes the wisdom of our retiring pastor, who can support and share insights with our newly elected minister.

The Shared Ministry approach is increasingly more common among large, healthy churches, as it can offer many benefits. Momentum of programs and missions is not interrupted by waiting for a new leader. The pastoral continuity and knowledge-sharing make for a smoother, shorter transitional period, with greater stability and less risk. Rev. John has served this congregation for 17 years; with an overlap period, the incoming Senior Minister would gain from John's breadth and depth of experience.

What are the next steps? Below is a rough timeline of key events:

- **Summer 2014** – Small group meetings to educate the Congregation about the Shared Ministry model and plans. *Please join us for one or more of the below sessions:*
 - **Sun., June 15 at 10:45 AM** - Discussion after worship with the Rodgers and Council reps
 - **Wed., July 16 at 7 PM** – Small group informational meeting/discussion at church
 - **Sun, Sept. 14 at 10:45** - Congregational discussion after worship
- **Sept. 21, 2014** – Congregation votes on Shared Ministry model. *If approved, continue with the below.*
- **Fall 2014** – Council appoints Senior Pastor Search Committee
- **Late Spring 2015** – Congregational vote on Senior Pastor elect
- **Fall 2015** – Shared Ministry period with retiring & new ministers
- **Winter 2015** – John officially retires with new Senior Pastor in place

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1. **Q:** Is there someone in mind for the new Senior Minister?
A: No.
 2. **Q:** Would Rev. John select the new Senior Minister?
A: No, a Pastoral Search Committee will be formed, to identify, interview, and recruit potential candidates. When they have made a decision, a single candidate will be presented to the Congregation for a vote. However, under the Shared Ministry model, Rev. John will provide input, and may offer names of potential candidates to consider, given his network of contacts.
 3. **Q:** What if the Congregation does not approve the Shared Ministry model?
A: Then the alternative is the Interim Ministry approach. Rev. John gives the Council his retirement date, and the Pastoral Search Committee would be tasked with finding an interim minister to fill in while a senior minister is sought. The Rodgers would be required to stay away from our church for a 2 year period of time.
 4. **Q:** Will it be hard to find someone who is willing to accept the Shared Ministry model, vs. coming in and putting his or her own stamp on things?
A: It does take a certain kind of individual, both retiring and incoming, to make this approach work. However, we believe that this position will be very attractive, and that having the retiring minister guide and support the incoming minister could make it even more so. It's very difficult to come into a large congregation cold; and after an interim period, there may have been a loss of vision, leaders, members, or staff. We believe that Rev. John has the character to make this arrangement work: he is a strong leader, yet recognizes and enforces boundaries, allowing others to make decisions or take actions when appropriate. His goal is to facilitate the transition, not overshadow the incoming Senior Minister or unduly influence the selection.
 5. **Q:** What are the costs of the Shared Ministry model vs. the Interim Ministry model?
A: There are certain costs associated with replacing a Senior Minister, including travel expenses, a moving cost allowance, salary, etc.
The Interim Ministry assumes two searches (Interim and new Senior), with direct costs for each, and also the significant indirect costs of disruption to the life of the church.
- Under the Shared Ministry model, there would be a period of overlap in salary and benefits during the transitional leadership period. We believe that this is a lower-risk model for us than the Interim Ministry model.

**Pray for each other so
that you may be healed....**
James 5:16 (NIV)



Please Pray for

Charlie Caldwell

Marc DeSilva

Maurice French

**David Hinderliter
(Barb Fairbairn's son)**

Michelle Jaynes

Margie Johnson

Mike Linder

Connor Speck

Ruth Warren

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to all the people who helped plant flowers, trim, and do some sprucing up of the grounds in Memorial Garden. It looks wonderful and something you can all be proud of. Special thanks to Max Biddle who helps keep all the gardens watered over the summer months.

Thanks again,
Anne Graham

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
What wonderful friends! Your prayers, cards, visits, flowers, food (including chocolate chip cookies for Bill), and the loan of books you have enjoyed are all sincerely appreciated. An update on my health? Presently there is considerable improvement. We are seeing our fifth Dr. who is removing some medication and changing when I take other medications. I continue to have lymphocytic colitis for which there is no cure... Supposedly it can be controlled but the doctors are finding it difficult to find something I can tolerate. Again, thank you for continuing to be the wonderful church family we have always known you to be.

Rozella Nagy

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New Email Addresses

With our recent upgrade to our new website we also made some changes to our email addresses. Please note our new email addresses below - all emails now have @CUCCSTC.ORG (note the added C at the beginning of the domain name). Please make sure you update your contacts to include this change. Presently our old email addresses forward to the new one but we will eventually be discontinuing the old emails.

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Endowment Interest Supports Tower Hill Camp

Thank you to those who have donated to the Endowment Fund of our church. A portion of the Endowment Fund interest earned every year is designated for the Mission Committee to use in support of our mission projects. This year, the designated interest was \$460.86. In May, our Mission Committee contributed this money to the "Save the Woods!" campaign sponsored by Tower Hill Camp. It will help fund a Conservation Easement project which will keep the woods on this acreage as a permanent natural environment.

Susan Rodgers for the Mission Committee

THANK YOU!

A big thank you to all the adults and children who walked in the Memorial Day Parade. What a great way to let the community know that we are a welcoming congregation.

Thank You from Women's Fellowship

Our first try at an "Eat & Earn" fundraiser at Riganato's Restaurant on May 18, 2014 turned out to be good. We thank all of you church members who ate at the restaurant or ordered carry out. We know some of you were unable to get reservations or had a waiting period. The owner did call to apologize about this situation, explaining he did not realize there were graduations the day we were scheduled. We will try again at a future date. Thanks again.

Barb Pankoke/ Women's Fellowship

Congratulations Graduates

WHEATON ACADEMY GRADUATION JUNE 1

Maggie Molloy's summer plans include working, spending as much time as possible with her friends and prepare for her gap year. Next year she will be taking a gap year and traveling to Central America with a program called Carpe Diem. Maggie's hobbies and interests include theater - specializing in roles as "witches", horseback riding, music including singing, violin, guitar, mandolin and ukulele. One of her favorite church memories is performing with her sister, Colleen, during worship services. She wishes Luke would have made it a trio to be extra special.

ST. CHARLES EAST GRADUATION MAY 25

Jonathan Amstadt will be relaxing by swimming and hanging out with friends this summer even though he will get a summer job. In the fall he will attend Carthage College where he has yet to decide what studies he will pursue. Jon's hobbies and interests include basketball and hanging with friends. One of his favorite church memories is going on his first work tour.

Bridget Marie Flesher plans on working as a swim instructor for Goldfish Swim School, and as a swim coach for Fox Mill Swim Team. She is swimming for St. Charles Swim Team and hopes to spend time with friends and family before she leaves. Bridget plans on attending the University of Wisconsin- Stevens Point next year and joining the swim team. She plans to study elementary education and specializing in ELL. Her hobbies and interests include swimming, spending time with friends and family and reading. Bridget's favorite church memories are when GF went on a mission trip to Biloxi, Mississippi and worked on building a house that had been damaged. The GF youth group also grew a lot closer on this trip and made friendships that will last a lifetime.

Bradley Barker Shurts graduated in January and is off to cook at Lake Lodge in Yellowstone National Park. His plans this summer are to prep, chop, sautee, bake, serve and eat fantastic food so Guy Fieri comes to Yellowstone looking for him. At the end of the season Brad plans to pursue his pooper scooper business before heading back to his apprenticeship at Joseph A Banks as a tailor. When he gets to college Brad plans on studying to be a one man band so he will have a music major and a business minor. Brad's hobbies include music, volunteering, eating, cooking, acting, bowling and garage sale/rummage sale/ resale shopping. Brad's favorite memory is how much he grew through GF work tours and how many great friends he made at church.

Megan Murtaugh will continue working at Pottawatomie Community Center and Swanson Pool this summer. She will try to spend time with her friends before everyone leaves. Megan will also be a CIT for junior high Sports Camp at Pilgrim Park as well as take advantage of her final chance to go on the GF Canoe trip to Boundary Waters. Next year Meg will begin her nursing studies to become an R.N. at Marquette University. Hobbies and interests include running, reading and storm chasing. One of Megan's favorite church memories is work tour to the Duvall Home junior year and also meeting some of her best friends at Sports Camp.

Katie Marie Dieckman will be working this summer and having fun with her friends. This fall she will attend ECC and then transfer to a 4 year school yet to be decided. In school Katie is planning on studying special education and nursing. Her hobbies and interests are playing softball and hanging out with friends. One of Katie's favorite church memories is helping with VBS and working in the nursery with the one and only Tricia Steele!

Alex Eichler will be headed off to Arizona State University to study computer science in the fall. Alex's hobbies and interests include rugby, swimming and diving as well as Boy Scouts. Alex's favorite church memories include all four of his work tours and pancake breakfasts!

SOUTH ELGIN MAY 24

Nick Odman has a busy summer planned as he will run his landscaping business, record new CD's and hang out with his friends. Nick plans on going to Elgin Community College where he will get his basics done. Nick's hobbies and interests include music, golf, landscaping and law enforcement. One of his favorite church memories was going to welcome home the Chicago Honor Flight. He says "it was a really cool thing to see and is something I won't forget."

ST. CHARLES NORTH GRADUATION MAY 25

John Pokorski will work this summer before heading out to Colorado State University in Fort Collins, CO where he plans on studying computer science. His hobbies and interests include computer programming, games and pottery.

Kaylee Wessel plans on working this summer while continuing her training for cross country in college. She plans on studying marketing and having a minor in sports management. Next year she will run both cross country and track at University of South Carolina. Kaylee's hobbies and interests include running, music and spending time with friends. Her favorite church memories include all work tours as she loves to help other people by volunteer work, bonding with GF as it helps her put her life in perspective.

Daniel Marten Beckman plans to work a lot at Jamba Juice as well as be a CIT at Sports Camp. Danny also is planning on going to the GF Boundary Waters Canoe trip. He also wants to hang with friends, go on long training runs with his dad and play tennis. In the fall Danny will attend Ohio State University where he will major in Environmental Engineering with a potential minor in music, yet he is really worried about missing his mother. Hobbies and interests of Danny's include tennis, playing bass, riding horses with his sister and hanging with friends. Danny's favorite church memory is his final year as a camper at Sports Camp.

GENEVA COMMUNITY GRADUATION MAY 25

Mackenzie Fairchild will work at her two jobs this summer while packing in as much time with her friends and family before college starts up. Next year she will attend Marist Lorenzo 'diMedici College in Florence, Italy to study for a bachelors degree in Art Restoration and Conservation. Mackenzie's hobbies and interests include art, guitar and friendships. Her favorite church memory is going to family camp as child and having such a strong bond with her church family at such a young age.

Congratulations Graduates continued

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION COLLEGE PREP GRADUATION MAY 17

Connor Daly will work as a lifeguard this summer in Oakbrook pending a sucessful life guard training. He is going to Alaska with family in June to celebrate his grandparents 50th anniversary. In July he looks forward to his final Boundary Waters trip. Next year he will be a Flyer at the University of Dayton and hopes to study business (sales and marketing). He also has an interest in being a firefighter but wants to go to college first. Connor's hobbies and interests include all sports (especially water ballet) volunteering, roller coasters and roller skating. Connor's favorite church memories include his GF work tours where he had such quality time with Brendan and Suzy.

KANELAND GRADUATION JUNE 1

Joey Mendoza will be headed to Florida this summer, but will also be around to work at McDonald's and attend some concerts. Next year Joey will go to college and become an electrician. Joey is deciding between Waubonsee Community College and College of DuPage where he will study business and electrical. Joey's interests include bowling and R/C Racing. His favorite church memories are work tours and getting close with GF. A special shout out to Colin Turner for introducing him to GF!

BE PREPARED. BE TRAINED. HAVE A PLAN.



JOIN US FOR CAMPTON HILLS FIRST SAFETY FAIR!

Saturday, June 21 from 2pm – 5pm

Bell Graham Elementary School

4N505 Fox Mill Road, Campton Hills, IL

Children can explore a squad car, fire truck, or ambulance! The American Red Cross will be in attendance. CPR and bike safety demonstrations will also be conducted. Volunteers can attend a Safety Training Session at 2:15pm, 3:15pm, or 4:15pm focusing on household safety and what to do during a natural disaster. At the same time, children 3 years and older can participate in a safety class hosted by Vicki Vandiver and LaFox Martial Arts.

For more information call Village Hall at 630-584-5700, or email Jessica at jessica.spencer@villageofcamptonhills.org.

Intentional Travel

“Treasures of Northern Italy”
September 20 - October 3, 2015

More information will be on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall soon.

Lazarus House June 18, 6:45pm

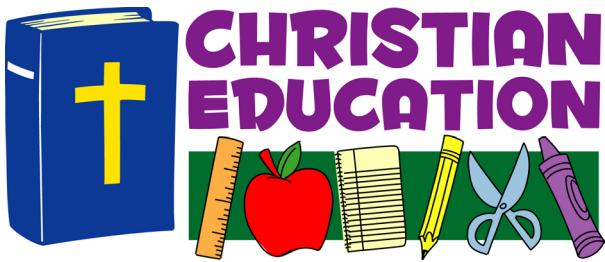
You're invited to prepare and deliver a portion of the meal we provide.
Signup is on the Mission Board. Questions? Contact Diane Brown at
630-443-8956 or dianegreg@sbcglobal.net



Please pray
for them
on their
birthdays.

Brooks Bohner	1	Ginger Krichbaum	14
Kristina McAuliff	1	Melanie Mateja	14
Kris McAuliff	1	Rachel Dorrington	15
Natalie Salb	1	Diane Chapman	16
Scott Burgholzer	2	Aleah Molitor	16
James Hegland	2	Ryan Algrim	17
Jim Porter	2	Larry Chidester	17
Caitlin Schneider	2	Sandy Marschinke	17
Jeanene Sipos	2	Alaina Valsa	18
Billy Valsa	2	Gavin Doster	19
Cobi Webster	2	Michelle Vervynck	19
Constance Wedel	2	Amanda Beckman	20
Alissa DePue	3	Ted Heise Jr.	21
Samantha Fank	3	Jocelyn Klotz	21
Hunter McInnis	3	Michael Linder	21
Jonathan Amstadt	4	Alex Tidler	21
Joy Barker	4	Sarah Vitali	21
Karen Brinkmeier	4	Dane Wainwright	21
Diane Brown	4	Andrew Hahn	22
Diane Hemmingsen	4	Rosemary Kagel	22
Caitlin Prentiss	4	Tillie Padgett	22
Ben Ritchie	4	Jane Murtaugh	23
Mike Zielezinski	4	Roy Pollack	23
Kyle Burg	5	Polly Rerko	23
Rick Fulk	5	Tricia Steele	23
Michael Tams	5	Sally Harvey	24
Joseph Vitali	5	Vicky Metzger	24
Joe Bart	7	Jackie O'Brien	24
Michael Rerko	7	Tassie Brautigam	25
Bob Thiele	7	Amy Burgholzer	25
Nathan Campana	8	Elyse Williamson	25
Hayden Leifel	8	Sara Bihner	26
Eden Corcoran	9	Maurice French	26
Barb DeMien	9	Lesa McAuliff	26
Danna Baer	10	Laura Milhouse	26
Debby Graham	10	Alexander Urban	26
Jane Harland	10	Lily Beal	27
Morgan Miller	10	Jim Kagel	27
Glenn Mastalski	11	Matthew Oeltgen	27
Duncan Padgett	11	Elmer Passow	27
Reid Rosborough	11	Ella Livermore	28
Megan Trembley	11	Katie Noonan	28
Alyssa Fortcamp	12	Robert Rickard	28
Caitlin Gregory	12	Grace Breseman	29
Jake Rosborough	12	Steve Collins	29
Amy Tidler	12	Lynne Hardison	29
Annika Jones	13	Barney Lykins	29
Carmen Claps	14	Nash Nagy	29
Lisa Collins	14	Bill DePue	30
Bob Cook	14	Gabriella Gonzales	30
Gene Kiesel	14	Joseph Masinick	30

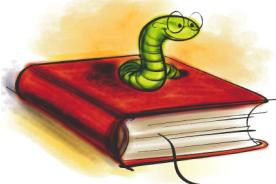
- **Highlight Newsletter Copy Deadline**
- **Monday, July 7 BEFORE NOON**



Tassie Brautigam
Christian Education Coordinator
christianed@cuccstc.org

CHURCH CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

Take a look at the church camps available this summer at Pilgrim Park or Tower Hill! Available are a scholarship of \$100 for any week-long camp or \$25 for any 3 day camp given by the Linder/Colson Camp scholarship fund and sponsored by the Christian Education Committee.



ENJOY NEW BOOKS IN THE ADULT LIBRARY

The new books this month have been donated by members of the congregation.

The Challenge of Jesus by N. T. Wright. The publisher states, "Wright compels us to rethink our standard images of Jesus so that we will never read the Gospels in the same way again. For those who don't know much about Jesus, this book launches the discovery of a lifetime. For those who do know Jesus, this book unveils exciting new perspectives that clearly echo Jesus' challenge to follow him."

Grown Up Digital by Don Tapscott. "Demonstrates the world-changing power of the Net Generation. If you want to understand their impact, read this book." --Eric Schmidt, Chair and CEO, Google.

Labyrinths Ancient Paths of Wisdom and Peace by Virginia Westbury. The author provides a guide to the location of the world's finest labyrinths. The reader will learn the history of labyrinths and "an intriguing look" at the recent interest in the labyrinth.

Leaving Church, A Memoir of Faith by Barbara Brown Taylor. "This is one of the author's best; coming from one of the best-loved preachers, her words about ministry and faith will carry great weight, and they should." —CHRISTIAN CENTURY.

A Nature Company Guide The Walker's Companion. The editor recommends this book is for the "amateur naturalist explaining what to look and listen for, what to touch and what to smell on your walk depending upon location, time of day and the season."



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

Save the Date! All 4 year olds through those going into 5th grade in the fall are invited to join us for VBS June 23 - 26 from 9:00-11:30am and Thursday evening from 5:00-6:30 for a family celebration. The theme will be *Workshop of Wonder* where we will imagine and build with God. Registration forms are available on our website cuccstc.org under Vacation Bible School. Click on VBS Registration 2014. Or registration forms can be found in this highlight and on the CE bulletin board located across the hall from the office.

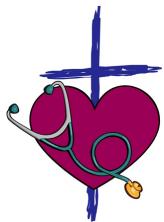
Help With VBS If you would like to volunteer to help with Vacation Bible School from June 23 - 26, please email Tassie Brautigam at christianed@cucc.org or call the church office. We will need people to help bring snacks, help in the mornings with crafts, help with storytelling and whatever else is needed.

Check out the food donation list for Vacation Bible School located on the CE bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up to bring whatever you can. All donations are greatly appreciated and enjoyed!!!

SAVE - SAVE - SAVE

Our VBS program is in need of the following items. Please drop them off in the office on Tassie Brautigam's desk. Thanks!

- 20 oz plastic bottles (from water or pop)
- 1 Liter plastic bottles
- Baby food jars
- Skewers/chop sticks
- Paint brushes - the bigger the better - used ones will work
- Orange traffic cones (to borrow - please put your name on them)
- Large food containers (like the ones you get for cheese balls at Target)
- Pringles containers (empty)



Patti Molloy, RN
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Beginning this past February, I started to change the way I eat. It began with The Daniel Plan 10 Detox which consisted of eliminating anything that could potentially trigger health issues. For 10 days I completely gave up caffeine, alcohol, processed or fast foods, gluten, sugar, dairy, and artificial sweeteners. What does one eat then? Real, fresh, whole food!

Much of the meal planning in The Daniel Plan calls for organic foods. I have purchased some of this but I must say, it's pretty darn expensive! Is it really worth it? I did a little research and here's the "skinny" on buying and eating organic.

Fruits and vegetables that are labeled and sold as organic are grown without using most pesticides or fertilizers with synthetic ingredients; there is no irradiation treatment; seeds are chemical-free; the fertilizer is natural.

Organic produce tends to cost more than its conventional equivalent because organic farming is more labor-intensive. Additionally, it's expensive for farmers to maintain their organic status and organic producers tend to have smaller supplies because they don't use preservatives and so their products have a shorter shelf life.

Environmental groups agree that it is best to eat organic produce that is the most susceptible to pesticide residue. This would include peaches, apples, sweet bell peppers, celery, spinach, lettuce, cucumbers, carrots, potatoes, nectarines, strawberries, cherries, and grapes. If you can't buy all of these organic, non-organic peaches, apples, and spinach typically have the highest concentration of pesticide. Non-organic produce that is imported is not required to meet U.S. pesticide standards, whereas all imported organic produce has to meet the same federal standards as U.S. grown organic produce. If you're buying produce that is imported, it's a good choice to take the organic option.

Foods least likely to be contaminated with pesticide residue include papayas, mangos, broccoli, cabbage, bananas, kiwi, pineapple, asparagus, corn, avocados, cantaloupe, cauliflower, sweet potatoes, and onions. If the food is going to be peeled, it is recommended that

you scrub the skin under running water (no soap) before peeling. There are some commercial cleaning solutions specifically designed for fresh fruits and vegetables which may help remove additional dirt and bacteria; however the effectiveness of these washes is not currently standardized. The FDA recommends washing all produce (including produce you plan to peel) under running water and drying it with a clean cloth or paper towel. Be sure to even wash produce that has a tough skin such as cantaloupe, avocado and cucumbers as the bacteria on the outside can transfer via your knife to the flesh. The FDA suggests you scrub these and other firm fruits and vegetables with a clean produce brush.

There is a pretty big debate about whether organic milk is worth the price. The surge in the purchase of organic milk began a few years ago when the use of antibiotics and growth hormone in the dairy cattle industry was publicized. Since then, very few dairy farmers use either of them. I have a gallon of Market Pantry (Target's brand) milk in my refrigerator. The label states "Our farmers pledge not to treat their cows with BST" (BST or Bovine Somatotrophin is a growth hormone used to increase milk production in dairy cows). When buying organic milk, in addition to being assured that no antibiotics or growth hormones were given to the cows, you also know the cows were fed all organic feed with no meat or poultry by-products added.

What came first, the chicken or the egg? I'm not sure but I am choosing organic in both of these whenever the budget will allow. This assures that the chickens were fed only organic feed, were given access to the outdoors, and were not given any growth hormones or antibiotics.

Just an FYI I thought I'd pass on. Did you know Panera has something they call a Hidden Menu which offers "nourishing options that are rich with protein and contain only limited amounts of processed carbs." They use roasted, all natural, antibiotic free turkey and chicken. I like the Power Mediterranean Chicken Salad (hold the bacon!) which comes with half a fresh lemon and a packet of olive oil so you can add your own dressing. If you like a little kick try the Power Chicken Hummus Bowl with jalapeno hummus. Yum! Search Panera Hidden Menu to see all the items offered.

Whatever you decide is best for you and your family, try to make half your plate fruits and vegetables. To your health!

MEAL MINISTRY

If you could provide an occasional meal for a church member, please contact Patti Molloy at nurse@uccstc.org or Mary Lou Bracken at marylou1206@att.net or sign up on the Parish Nurse bulletin board.



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.

THE NIGHT MINISTRY

On Tuesday, July 22, we will serve our friends in Lakeview beginning with an orientation at The Night Ministry Ravenswood office.



Men's Fellowship Walking Group
3rd Saturday of each month, 7am
Contact George Mohn for information and location. 847-488-9179,
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New Members Received September 21, 2014

An orientation evening will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 16 at 7:30pm. Mark your calendars. Contact the church office.

Carol's Family Story about Stigma and Mental Illness

This is a story many grandparents we know can relate to in some way. George and I have 2 wonderful grandsons and are fortunate that they live nearby and we are included in their family life, not daily but often. Both boys live with mental illness and Asperger's syndrome. Their parents are employed full time outside the home. All working parents have challenges getting their children to and from school, church and all their activities. We see our daughter and son-in-law very overwhelmed at times with the additional challenges of medical and therapy visits, along with the costs of these visits and medication. We have experienced some wonderful times with these very loving and intelligent boys. We have also experienced their withdrawal, rapid mood swings, crying, anger and pain. We see their embarrassment or shame after a meltdown in public.

I am sharing this personal information because I am sure there are persons in this congregation who have experienced knowing or living with someone who has a brain disorder. My daughter and her family noticed a change in their social life as the boys' behavior affected their family friendships. They became more isolated. Fortunately they have support from family, a few friends, and work associates.

For myself, I needed to educate myself on mental illness (brain disorders). I have become an active volunteer with National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). This has led me in the last 2 years to be involved in a faith driven organization, Interfaith Mental Health Coalition covering the greater metropolitan Chicago area. At present this Coalition is trying to develop "cluster" groups of faith communities to coordinate resources, educate our congregations and help remove the stigma of mental illness that isolates families. Our cluster is Elgin/St. Charles, Geneva, & Batavia.

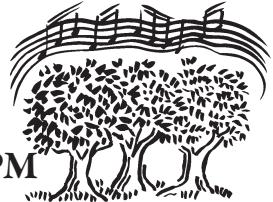
If we cannot be comfortable discussing our depression, mood disorder, anxiety with our church family, where can we go? The first cluster meeting will be held June 25 at 7:00pm at Bethlehem Lutheran in St. Charles. This first program will be presented by Greg Parker of NAMI Kane North. His presentation includes the NAMI power point presentation of Bridges of Hope. The purpose of Bridges of Hope is to educate clergy and congregations about mental illness so that they can create stronger safety nets and welcoming communities of faith for people living with serious mental illness. I hope you can attend and learn how we as a congregation can learn more about how to support our members and friends with God's love.

Carol Klopp

Men's Fellowship

Thursday, June 19, Fellowship Hall

5:30 to 6:30pm Sausage making with member, Steve Oberle
6:30 to 7:30 – Outdoor Grilled Italian Sausage Dinner
(\$20/attendee with each getting 2 lbs to take home)
7:30 on – Bag Toss, Snake Eyes, Cards and other games.



A SUMMER NIGHT

ON THE RED CARPET

Thursday, June 26 at 7:30 PM

at Morton Arboretum

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra proudly partners with The Morton Arboretum to present an evening of favorite Hollywood movie classics for the whole family on the concert lawn.

Pack a picnic supper, your lawn chairs and join a group from CUCC for a lovely evening amid the magnificent trees in the lovely landscape of the Arboretum. Please note that liquor may not be brought in but is available for sale at concessions.

For more information about the program and to purchase tickets can be found please see their website:
<http://cso.org/TicketsAndEvents/EventDetails.aspx?eid=6676>



Food on the 4th

Your Choice throughout the summer.
On JUNE 22 please bring non-perishable food of your choice for the St. Charles Salvation Army Food Pantry and the Elburn Food Pantry (and JULY 27, AUGUST 24).



Pottawatomie Partnership

Volunteers are needed each Saturday at 8:30am.
#13, 1620 S. 13th Ave, St. Charles.



Peaceful Heart Yoga

with Donna Burg

New session beginning 6/16

9 weeks, Mondays from 9-10:15am.

June 16 – Aug 18, no class July 7.

\$90 for 9 weeks, \$12 per week (drop in)

Pay at class. Sign up on Congregational Life Bulletin Board.

United Fall Fest

HELP WANTED ON SEPTEMBER 6!

Lots of help is needed to make the United Fall Fest a huge success. Sign up on the volunteer bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. You will have lots of fun too!



Jesus Has Left the Building July 13

Mark your calendar for July 13! This is the Sunday we will again have the opportunity to follow Jesus' example and serve others within our church family and in the community. As we have done in the past, we will gather at 9:30 for a hymn and prayer and then leave for our chosen work sites.

The list of projects for this year include the Marklund baseball game, Garfield Farm, Campton Open Space, Anderson Animal Shelter, a CASA home, St. Charles Heritage Center, Primrose Park, our Church Gardens and a couple of homes within our church family. Several of these sites are *Family Friendly* meaning that children can share the activity with their parents.

Please check out the Jesus Has Left the Building bulletin board and sign up for the one of the many opportunities to serve others on July 13. Not only will you be providing a service to others but you will have fun too!

There is a limited number of Jesus Has Left the Building t shirts still available in adult sizes small and large and many shirts for children. If you wish to purchase one for only \$5, leave a message with the office or see Wyonne Hegland or Suzy Daly.

Mission Committee: Susan Rodgers, Barney Lykins, Cindy Kathe, Barb Arloff, Nick Hoepfner, Ann Keck, Jim Diorio and Wyonne Hegland.

Adult Work Camp 2014

Sign up for this year's Back Bay Mission adult work camp. The dates are November 8 - 15. As usual some will be flying and some driving. Mark your preference when you sign up on the Mission Board. We have a limit of 25 so sign up soon.

Sound of Music Raffle Winner

Congratulations to Josie Ball, winner of the two tickets to **Sound of Music**. Thanks to all who bought tickets and supported the fund for the sound system and organ.

BOOKS FOR SALE

We have 3 new copies of the book *Christianity After Religion: The End of Church and the Birth of a New Spiritual Awakening* by Diana Butler Bass available for sale in the office for \$10 each.

This book is about the movement that is remaking the faith. Diana Butler Bass offers a fresh interpretation of the "spiritual but not religious" trend and shares a hope-filled vision for a renewed faith that stays true to the real message of Jesus.

**June 8th has officially
been changed to Carleen Bart Day!
Please plan to come honor and
celebrate Carleen's 18 years
of service to our church after
the 9:30 service**

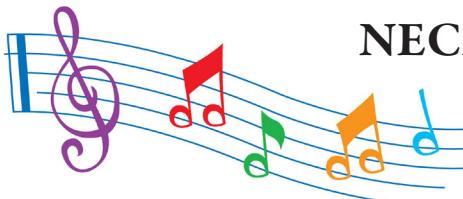


*Please continue to save pop tabs. Bring them to the church office. This is an ongoing project, reaching to infinity and beyond....
Thank you, Pat Kitner*

The *Highlight* Needs You!

We are currently sending out the *Highlight* via email to 541 people, WOW! Now that we are emailing our Highlight mailings we have a project for the congregation. We have 96 people left who currently receive the *Highlight* by mail that we do not have email addresses for. We would like to get this number down to zero so we can save the postage. We have a list in Fellowship Hall and the office of the missing addresses. If everyone could stop by and look over the list maybe you know an address or two. Just write their email address right on the list and we will take it from there. Let's make our goal of 637! Thanks in advance for helping us Go Green.

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NECESSARY AND IMPORTANT REPAIRS

Do you remember what your cell phone was like in 1998? What about your computer? Did you own a laptop? Those old cell phones and computers are certainly considered obsolete today. 1998 was when our current

organ and sound system were designed and installed. They too have become sorely outdated in the last 16 years. There are a variety of stops on the organ that will not play and the internal computer is no longer repairable – parts are no longer made. Our wireless microphones are on an illegal frequency and, as a result, there are a variety of sounds heard on a Sunday morning that are certainly unintended!

The Church Council reviewed bids from three different sound companies. In addition it reviewed the list of organ needs suggested by George Buck, who built and installed the present organ and has provided service over the past 16 years. At their April meeting they voted to proceed with the solicitation of funds for the necessary repairs.

In mid May, the *Sound of Music* campaign began with a goal of raising \$45,000. This is the amount necessary to bring the sound system and the organ up to date. Following the theme of *Sound of Music*, musical notes will be used to indicate the progress of the campaign which you will be able to follow on the musical display. You will find this on the window in the hallway by the parlor. A tear off contribution form with the levels of giving is below. Paper copies will also be available.

Thanks to the Organ Donor Concert held in March and sponsored by Dennis and Denise Beiermann, the fund has a \$1000 start.

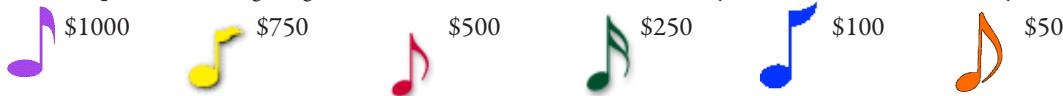
After completion the organ will be back at full strength with some new pipes and instrumentation. The sound system should have no dead spots and the wireless microphones will work without a hum. A new leveling system will raise the volume of quiet speakers and dampen loud ones and the overall control of our system will be much easier. With your help in reaching our goal, our worship services will be enhanced because of a better sound system and updated organ.

So that work can be done during this summer you are encouraged to respond as soon as possible. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous contribution. If you have questions, please see Ted Hardison, Wyonne Hegland or John Rodgers.

SOUND OF MUSIC CAMPAIGN

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED TO BRING THE SANCTUARY SOUND SYSTEM
AND OUR BEAUTIFUL ORGAN UP TO DATE!**

Each note depicts a level of giving. Choose one note or combine notes of your favorite colors! Thank you for your support.



I/we wish to contribute the following amount to the *Sound of Music* Campaign

\$ _____ Name _____ Please tear off and
return to the office or place in the offering plate. Write "Sound of Music Campaign" on the memo line of your check.



Who's in the Pews? (Who's NOT in the Office?)

Carleen Bart

by Sue Peterson

After 18 years as office manager, Carleen retired on May 31, so you won't see her in the office. But you will still see her in the pews.

In 1996 (in the downtown church building at 3rd and Walnut Streets), Carleen was hired by our interim minister Bob Meissner (before John Rodgers). Carleen replaced Sue Mahood and worked as an office assistant with Cozy Clegg for about a year before Cozy moved. Carleen then took over the office manager position and Margie Johnson was her assistant. Yes, that means Carleen helped pack up the office when we moved to our current building in 1997. For a few weeks the church office was at her home – dining room table, computer room, spare bedroom – wherever it fit. Then she remembers all the boxes from the entire downtown church piled up in fellowship hall. What would overwhelm most people gave Carleen joy. She was actually excited to be the one to decide how to organize the office file cabinets and the workroom storage. What a great job she did, too. Things are well organized and easy to find.

Carleen and Joe with sons Eric and Justin joined the church in 1981 when Eric was in the 4 year old class at Swing Set Preschool taught by Rozella Nagy, the founder and director. As a 2 year old, Justin was in the nursery on Sunday morning with Rozella.

As one who likes to keep busy, it didn't take long for Carleen to get involved in church activities. She taught Sunday school for several years and was Sunday school superintendent for two years. Her creativity and artistic talent were evident in the bulletin boards she put together. She has fond memories of helping Fran Gustafson with the Sunday school mission bulletin boards. She was also on the Membership Committee for several years keeping the attendance, sending welcome letters, making phone calls and more. She applied for the office job and the rest is history!

You have probably noticed Carleen's artistic talent on several occasions at church. If you get a chance, take a look at the parlor art for this month – all watercolors painted by Carleen. She has also had several watercolor paintings in each of our church auctions, and she has designed many Sunday morning bulletins and funeral bulletins. The most recent funeral bulletin was the painting of the Iris on the cover for Betsy Jenkins. She has paintings of our downtown St. Charles church and our current Campton Hills church building. She also painted the Memorial Garden in the back of our church. A print is given as a gift to each family of a loved one who is buried in our garden. And the list goes on.

Her artistic talents aren't only in painting. She taught Jr. High Home Economics for four years and worked at Cooking Craft in St. Charles. She also worked at Community Hospital in Geneva for four years supervising the food service. Carleen is a marvelous chef – e.g. evident in her plans for the volunteer luncheons each year. She also is a seamstress. When the puppet troupe started in 2004, Carleen made our very first large (Sesame Street type) puppet. With a group of other ladies they put together 14 big puppets to get the puppet troupe started. A few years later, Carleen made the clam puppets, the dove puppet, the stole for the minister puppet, and more. A huge thank you!!

Carleen has fond memories of working with the church staff and meeting many people who would stop in or call. What she liked best is that everyone tries to be kind and do good. People in a church want to help others. It's the best place to work. It was a joy and pleasure working with her assistant, Tricia Steele, who will take over being the office manager. Carleen said Tricia has done a wonderful job and wants everything to go well for her. Carleen also wants to thank everyone for the support and prayers after her recent fall cracking her head on the ice. Prayers work. She is grateful for the kindness of everyone and thankful it wasn't more severe than it was.

So what's next for Carleen? She will continue helping with the Prayer Shawl Ministry. She loves making the prayer shawls, the baby blankets and the prayer squares. She also hopes to travel, especially to see her son Justin in Idaho which is close to the Tetons and Yellowstone National Park as well as Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Of course, the babysitting for her grandson every Monday and Friday will continue. Little Colin is a joy in her life. And if that's not enough, she will also continue painting. She hopes to get more time to do her watercolors. In September, she's looking forward to attending her 50th high school class reunion!

We wish you well in all you do, Carleen. After 936 bulletins and an unknown amount of behind the scenes activities - thanks for a job well done! We will miss you in the office.



Parlor Art

Carleen Bart ~ Artist

Carleen Bart is an accomplished artist. Her watercolors reflect images of our church, reflections of nature with an abundance of rich, bright and warm colors. Just as Carleen's office work has impacted our church, her art work has given for many of us joy, beauty and pleasure in the Parlor Art Gallery

Carleen was asked what can we learn from her art; what is the mission of her art? Her responses are:

1. Children would learn that art is fun and that you can paint your feelings and thoughts - not just exactly what you see.
2. Paint for a while, walk away, let it dry, look at it, think about it, go back and paint some more!
3. Be fearless! The beauty of watercolors is not to be afraid. It's only a piece of paper - throw it out and start over.

Thank you Carleen Bart for the years of beauty!!

Parlor Art Gallery
Kathy Westman

Bart Art originals are not for sale. Archival quality prints of some of the originals are available for sale. Please contact Carleen after July 1 (She'll be on vacation until then.)



2014 Vacation Bible School Registration 4 years old through 5th grade

June 23-26, 9-11:30am & Thurs. Night June 26, 5-6:30pm

The Congregational United Church of Christ, St. Charles

Workshop of Wonders: Imagine and Build with God

You are the God who works wonders. Psalm 77:14

Name _____
Last _____ First _____ (Preferred) _____ Male/Female _____

Address _____ City _____ ZIP _____

Home phone _____ Birthdate _____ Age _____ Grade Entering _____

Parent(s) Guardian _____ Email _____

Are you available to help? Yes _____ No _____ Nursery available for children of volunteers—check if needed _____

Cell Phone _____ Circle One: Church Member or Friend

Allergies or other conditions which may limit activity _____

In case of emergency, contact _____

One form per child \$15 ATTACHED \$ _____ (You can write one check for more than one child.)

Check if you need a scholarship for registration. _____

Make check payable to: Congregational UCC, 40W451 Fox Mill Blvd. St. Charles IL 60175. Mark VBS on Memo Line of Check.
Questions? Call Tassie Brautigam—church office (630)584-0929

(Office—Credit Account # 3112 Cash _____ Check Number _____ Initial _____)

The Congregational United Church of Christ Calendar

JUNE 2014

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
8 Parishioner Summer Sunday School Through 3rd Grade 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Brief Worship (F) 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM Baptism (S) 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM Worship (S) 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship (F) 9:00 PM - 9:30 PM Family Camp Gathering (F)	9 H2 Yoga 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM - 11:30 PM Swing Set; Language Story-Mandarin (F) (112) 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Swing Set; Summer Camp (F) 10:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry (F) 10:30 PM - 3:00 PM Swing Set; Summer Camp (F)	10 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Swing Set; Summer Camp (F) 10:30 PM - 10:45 PM Swing Set; Summer Camp (F)	11 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Swing Set; Summer Camp (F) 10:30 PM - 10:45 PM Swing Set; Summer Camp (F)	12 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Swing Set; Summer Camp (F) 10:30 PM - 3:00 PM Swing Set Summer Camp (F) 10:30 PM - 10:45 PM Swing Set Summer Camp (F)	13 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Swing Set; Summer Camp (F) 10:30 PM - 3:00 PM Swing Set Summer Camp (F) 10:30 PM - 10:45 PM Swing Set Summer Camp (F)	14 Men's Fellowship Breakfast (F)	
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The Congregational United Church of Christ



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

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

Sunday school for children through 3rd grade. Nursery care. Communion offered the first Sunday of each month.

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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.



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