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# WORSHIP *With* US

## ***Christmas Worship Services*** *Monday, December 24, Christmas Eve*

5:00, 8:00 & 10:30 p.m.

Hymns, Stories and Traditions of the Season

Nursery care at 5:00 & 8:00 p.m.

Church office closed December 25th & 26th and January 1st.

Kim

John

David

Joe

Kristen

Tricia

John

Josh

Carol

***Pray for each other so  
that you may be healed....***

***James 5:16 (NIV)***



## **Please Pray for**

**Mary Emily Anhalt's sister,  
Virginia Curry died Dec. 1st.**

**Bob Beavan**

**Charles & Rosemary Caldwell**

**Larry and Sandi Chidester**

**Marcia Ford**

**Bob Graham**

**Barney & Carolyn Lykins**

**Micah Gray Marschinke was born Oct. 16th  
proud parents are Chris & Allie and  
grandparents are Paul & Sandy**

**Judy Mastalski**

**Bill & Rozella Nagy**

**Cyndee Olsson**

**Tom Rebernak**

**August & Asher Rudolph were born on  
Nov. 7th. Proud parents are Matt & Sara  
Rudolph and grandparents are Tom & Sue  
Palansky**

**Steve Sidor's father died Nov. 29th**

**Larry Ward died Nov. 11th**

**Kathy Westman**

## **Altar Flower Donations**



Get your special Sunday while the date is still available! Sign up on the Worship Board next to the elevator. You will be contacted to make arrangements for your flower donation and what you would like printed in the bulletin. And after church you get to take them home!



## **Food on the 4<sup>th</sup>**

**DECEMBER 23**

**The theme is Protein.** On **DECEMBER 23** please bring canned meats (tuna, chicken, turkey, ham), Spam, corned beef for the St. Charles Salvation Army Food Pantry and the Elburn Food Pantry.

## **Night Ministry Dates for 2019**

**Sat., Jan. 26, 2019 Garfield Park**

**Fri., May 24, 2019 Lakeview**



## **Online Prayer Chain**

Our e-mail prayer chain has proven to be a source of comfort to many. If you have a prayer request for a family member, a friend or for yourself, just send me an e-mail and as soon as it is on its way, over 200 members of our church will be praying for you. It's what we do, right? Or perhaps there's a new baby or other blessed event you'd like us to join you in giving thanks to God for. Maybe you are not presently receiving prayer requests and would like to be included in this ministry. Whatever....just send me an e-mail at [chatwpat@att.net](mailto:chatwpat@att.net) to take advantage of this valued ministry of our church. -Pat Kitner



Think Manna for all your holiday gift card needs. Now in stock \$10 Target, \$10 Walmart, \$10 Amazon, \$10 Red Lobster, \$5 Starbucks, \$5 Barnes & Noble, \$5 Panera.

**SMILE** - Christmas is coming! Time to start your Amazon Shopping! Support our church each time you shop at Amazon. Go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and choose Congregational United Church of Christ St. Charles as your charity. Amazon gives .5% of your purchase to us. You can even get your Amazon gift cards from Manna!!

Thanks for your support.  
The Manna team

## **MEAL MINISTRY**

If you could provide an occasional meal for a church member, please contact Kathy at [kathymizgalski@gmail.com](mailto:kathymizgalski@gmail.com), 630.253.7677.



## **AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR**

is 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. A second AED is located on the lower level across from the drinking fountain.

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# Join us for our Wednesday morning service...

*Wednesday Morning Worship @ 7:00AM*

We will meet for Communion, prayer, reflection, and coffee.

## Give the Easy Way!

**Online giving, and giving by text message**, is now available through Engage. It takes just a couple of minutes to set up a giving account with Engage which will thereafter synch automatically with your giving record at CUCC, or you can give as a "guest" (which will not synch with your giving record at the church.) Just text 630-233-8291 to establish an account and make a gift, or go online to <https://engage.suran.com/cucc>. In either case, when you are asked for an e-mail address, be sure to give the one we use for you at the church.

It's this easy... Text 630-233-8291 with a message that says "contribution" and the amount you want to give "\$\_\_\_\_\_". In reply, you'll receive a link at which you can "create an account," or elect to "continue as a guest." Choosing "create an account," enter a user name. You will be sent a code by e-mail to use in establishing a unique password. Once you have a giver account and profile, go to the menu and select "gift." Once established, you can just text the number 630-233-8291 with the message "Contribution \$\_\_\_\_\_" skipping all the other steps. Your gift will automatically show up in your record with CUCC.

## A GRAND RE-OPENING



On Sunday, January 6, 2019, Zee Zee Zebra will welcome all in the church to our new Children's Library. Sunday School classes will get the first tour, then everyone is welcome after the church service. In addition to children's books, we have a section of Parent and Teacher Resources. Come one, Come all! "Zee" you on January 6 for a New Year's gift for all.



## Swing Set Preschool Registration



Priority registration for the 2019-2020 school year will begin Monday, January 14, 2019 at 8:30 A.M. for church members, currently enrolled students and Swing Set alumni families. Open registration for the general public will begin on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 8:30 A.M. to fill any remaining openings. Forms will be available in Miss Kim's Office. If you would like to set up a tour, please feel free to email Miss Kim or call the office!

Registration forms accompanied by a nonrefundable registration fee (\$80.00 for new students and \$55.00 for returning students) may be dropped off at the school or left in the church office.

Any questions, please call Miss Kim at 630 443 8570 or email her at [Kim@swingsetpreschool.com](mailto:Kim@swingsetpreschool.com).



Sign up to be a scripture reader. The sign up sheet is posted on the Worship Bulletin Board next to the elevator. Please sign up today.



Please pray  
for them  
on their  
birthdays.

Barb Biddle	2	Abigail Freedlund	18
Emma Juby	2	Cyndi Peterik	18
Stephanie Kiesel	2	Ally Piper	18
Hailey Warner	2	Tegan Reyes	18
Henry McGray	3	Bill Channon	19
Georgia Miller	3	Natalia Fernandez	19
Scott Butikofer	4	Jordan Hayes	19
Scott Gregory	4	Quinn Sidor	21
Dave Beckman	5	Jacob Dieckman	22
Mary Lou Bracken	6	Chip Flesher	22
Sheila Albano	7	Gianna Schroeder	22
Michelle Tams	7	Lisa Sidor	22
James Vial	7	Jen Sykora	22
Mark Bishop	8	Graham Altergott	23
Sue Hamer	8	Connor Collins	23
Connie Rohman	8	Mackenzie Fairchild	23
Gerry Thiele	8	Michael Mastalski	23
Andrea Williams	8	Brynn Moore	23
Megan Banwart	9	Jack Amstadt	24
Denise Beiermann	9	Kyle McKittrick	24
Nicole Black	9	Mary Jane Timm	24
Kelly Cameron	10	Caroline Kuipers	25
Cheryl Gaydos	10	Sam McHugh	25
Bob Bendeich	11	Mark Molloy	25
Molly McCullough	11	LG Black	26
Charles Peterson	11	Marcia Ford	26
Kay Vargason	11	Rachael Freedlund	26
Lauren Biddle	13	Brady Horan	26
Adam Diorio	13	Amanda Stinton	26
Bradley Hemmingsen	13	Jim Diorio	27
Steve Wascher	13	Erin Milhousen	27
Amy Dombroski	14	Patti Molloy	27
Mary Ann Gochenaur	14	Amy Leach	28
Carol Hundley	14	Knox Pendexter	28
Carolyn Werneke	14	Lee Biddle	29
Joanne Olson	15	Luke Goucher	29
Sam Provencher	15	Justin McElderry	29
Makenna Collins	16	Natalie Morgan	29
Jude Ciesielski	17	Adam Vial	29
Susan Cira	17	Olivia Rohlman	30
Terry Morton	17	Roland Sargent	30
Alyssa Nore	17	Sue Beckman	31
Lori Tschetter	17	Donna Giamberdino	31
Carol Vial	17	Jane Ritchie	31
Karen Balzanto	18	Stephanie Salb	31
Katie Burke	18		

**Highlight Newsletter Copy Deadline**

**Monday, December 31st**

**BEFORE NOON**





**Lazarus House**  
Wed., Dec. 19, 6:30 pm  
214 Walnut Street, St. Charles

Here is an easy way you and your family can help the hungry. The third Wednesday of every month our congregation provides a meal for Lazarus House. Sign up in Rodgers Hall to bring a part of the meal to Lazarus House. On the date, deliver all hot items to Lazarus House between 6:15-6:45. Cold dishes, breakfast, and lunches can be dropped off at any time.

Contact Brian Reber: [brbrianreber@gmail.com](mailto:brbrianreber@gmail.com) for more information. Check out all the ways Lazarus House helps the community by visiting their website <https://lazarushouse.net>



The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the second Monday of each month in the church parlor from 10am until noon. Our next meeting is Dec. 10th. Knitters and crocheters can be part of this group even if they are unable to attend meetings.

Questions? Mary Anne Rebernak at 630 377 9336 or email her at [mrebernak@outlook.com](mailto:mrebernak@outlook.com).

### Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House



Many, many thanks for all those tabs that keep appearing in my mailbox or in that little green bag on the hutch outside the church office. I even found a huge bag of them on the little table outside my front door. Such a simple way to help out families who have an ill child at Central DuPage Hospital. Families can stay at the RMH for a small fee or gratis while their child is hospitalized. What a blessing! Again, this project continues on until infinity, and beyond. Truthfully, gathering these little tabs is addicting. I find myself picking them up off the sidewalk or anywhere else I find them. I just can't let them be thrown in the garbage when they can be of so much help. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

-Pat Kitner, St. Charles Golden K Kiwanis Club



### Novel Approaches

Sign up on the CE bulletin board.

**January 25th: DOUBLE INDEMNITY by James M. Cain;** discussion at the home of Janet Zohorsky

James M. Cain, virtuoso of the roman noir, gives us a tautly narrated and excruciatingly suspenseful story in *Double Indemnity*, an X-ray view of guilt, of duplicity, and of the kind of obsessive, loveless love that devastates everything it touches. Walter Huff was an insurance salesman with an unfailing instinct for clients who might be in trouble, and his instinct led him to Phyllis Nirdlinger. Phyllis wanted to buy an accident policy on her husband. Then she wanted her husband to have an accident. Walter wanted Phyllis. To get her, he would arrange the perfect murder and betray everything he had ever lived for. Adapted into the 1944 classic film noir directed by Billy Wilder, starring Fred MacMurray and Barbara Stanwick.



### Carols and Cookies

Christmas Carol Sing-A-Long  
Sunday, December 9th at 4pm

Wear your favorite Christmas sweater, bring your children, family & friends to enjoy an evening of singing Christmas carols.

Hot Cocoa, coffee and cookies will follow.



Women's Fellowship will be holding our next meeting on Jan. 2 in the parlor at Church. We gather at 9am for coffee and conversation and then start our meeting at 9:30. We welcome all women of the church to join us.



**Circle of Friends**  
Wednesday, Dec. 12, 9:30am

Christmas gathering and carol sing-along at Bob Broeker's home, 8N662 Edgewood Rd., Elgin. Come join in the Christmas spirit for a sing-a-long of favorite carols.

Questions or need for directions? Contact Wyonne Hegland at [bluegolflady@gmail.com](mailto:bluegolflady@gmail.com) or call 630 397-9391

### Mark Your Calendars Blood Drive

Sunday, January 13, 2019

8:00 a.m. – Noon

Support the Heartland Blood Centers

Sign up sheet on the  
Mission Bulletin Board in Rodgers Hall.



### Joy of Sharing Cookbook



You don't have a copy of our church cookbook yet? Never fear! Stop in the church office and pick up one. Still only \$15 cash, or check made payable to Women's Fellowship. They make great Christmas presents!!!



*Wise Men and Women Still Seek Him*



Kim Arneson  
Director of Children's Ministries  
[christianed@cuccstc.org](mailto:christianed@cuccstc.org)



## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR A CHRISTMAS PAGEANT**

**Date: December 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: Directly After Church**

**On December 16<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the 9:30 worship service, the Sunday School kids will be involved in a Christmas Pageant. There will be songs, costumes, narrators and more!**

**We ask that all children be here on December 16<sup>th</sup> who would like to participate in singing, collecting tickets, mentoring the younger kids, dressing up or narrating part of the play. For additional practice, please consider attending December 9<sup>th</sup>, as we will rehearse following the 9:30 worship service.**

**You do not have to be a church member to participate. All children are welcome!**

**All are invited to this production including church members and additional family members. The more the merrier!**

**Following the Christmas Pageant, cookies with Santa will be held in Rodgers' Hall. We are so looking forward to getting in the Christmas spirit as a church family!**

**If your child might be interested in a narrator role or speaking role, please reach out to Miss Kim at [Christianed@cuccstc.org](mailto:Christianed@cuccstc.org) by November 14<sup>th</sup>!**



# The Congregational United Church of Christ Calendar

December 2018

Visit [cuccstc.org](http://cuccstc.org) for current calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>25</b> Food on the 4th 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Worship (S) 10:30 AM CE Mtg. (115,117) 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship (RH) 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Basketball (RH)	<b>26</b> 9:15 AM - 10:30 AM Yoga (S) 4:10 PM - 5:40 PM Spanish Class (113) 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Puppets (RH)	<b>27</b> 4:10 PM - 5:40 PM Spanish Class (113) 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 56 (RH)	<b>28</b> 7:00 AM - 7:30 AM Morning Worship (S) 7:00 PM - 8:15 PM GF (119, RH)	<b>29</b> 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM Yoga (S) 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Bell Choir Practice (S)	<b>30</b> 6:00 PM - 10:30 PM Puppet Lock-in	<b>1</b> 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Drop-in Hours
<b>2</b> Communion 9:00 AM Puppets Christmas Musical (RH) 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Worship (S) 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship (RH) 10:45 AM Brass practice (S) 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Confirmation Class (114) 1:15 PM - 2:30 PM Puppets at Autumn Leaves 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Basketball (RH)	<b>3</b> 9:15 AM - 10:30 AM Yoga (S) 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Puppets at Marklund	<b>4</b> 1:00 PM Women's Retreat mtg (P) 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 56 (RH) 7:00 PM Mission Committee (O)	<b>5</b> 7:00 AM - 7:30 AM Morning Worship (S) 7:00 PM - 8:15 PM GF (S, RH) 7:00 PM Swing Set BD Mtg (114) 7:00 PM Women's Fellowship Christmas Party	<b>6</b> 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM Yoga (S) 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Bell Choir Practice (S)	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Drop-in Hours
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<b>16</b> Cookies with Santa (RH) 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Worship (S) 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Coffee Fellowship (RH) 10:45 AM - 11:30 AM Christmas Pageant (S) 1:30 PM - 8:00 PM Beiermann Recitals (S,P) 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Basketball (RH)	<b>17</b> 8:30 AM Building Maintenance 9:15 AM - 10:30 AM Yoga (S) 7:00 PM Church Council (P)	<b>18</b> 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 56 (RH)	<b>19</b> 7:00 AM - 7:30 AM Morning Worship (S) 6:30 PM Lazarus House 7:00 PM A Service of Healing (S) 7:00 PM - 8:15 PM GF (119, RH) 8:00 PM Brass practice (S)	<b>20</b> 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM Swingset Christmas Parties (RH) 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM Yoga (S) 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Bell Choir Practice (S)	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Drop-in Hours
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# The Congregational United Church of Christ

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

## SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### **9:30am Worship Service with Sunday School**

Sunday School for children through 7th grade and nursery care.  
Communion offered the first Sunday of each month.

### **7:00am Wednesday Morning Worship**

We meet for Communion, prayer, reflection, and coffee.

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Congregational UCC St. Charles

## 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 and ministry.

## MISSION STATEMENT

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

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Joe Blomquist—Interim Chancel Choir Director

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