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United Fall Fest

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

The 9th annual United Fall Fest is fast approaching! This epic and eagerly anticipated community event requires everyone's help. United Fall Fest needs you!!! Whether you are a new or long-time member, you do not want to miss the chance to be a part of this fabulous event on September 7th. Volunteer sign-up sheets can be found in Rodgers Hall or online at Signup Genius at the following link:

http://bit.ly/UFFsu

If you sign up in Rodgers Hall we will transfer you to the online signup.

*** FALL FEST SPONSORS***

As we continue to grow the Fall Fest and with expenses increasing, we are appealing to you, our congregation, to consider sponsorship. Three of our corporate sponsors, who have supported us for many years, are now unable to participate. We are appealing to our very knowledgeable and interconnected congregation to see if anyone has any contacts they may know for local businesses that would consider being a sponsor for our Fall Fest at one of three different levels of sponsorship – \$200, \$500 and \$1000. Also, if you own your own business and would consider being a sponsor, we would love to hear from you! Please contact Mark Molloy: molloym@comcast.net or 630-253-5659

FALL FEST T-SHIRTS – Please remember we are not ordering new T-shirts this year for volunteers. You will need to "recycle" your pumpkin-colored shirt from last year. We will order a small quantity only for NEW volunteers. Thank you for your help! If you have never volunteered before and need a T-shirt and have signed up for a shift, please reach out to Trish Thompson at tthomp61@gmail.com

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



Please Pray for

Bob Beavan Charles & Rosemary Caldwell Jon Devermann Barb Fairbairn Marcia Ford passed away on July 10th Nancy French (Nancy's brother Larry Ford passed away) Margie Johnson Rozella Nagy Henry Plamondon **Aaron Tschetter** Taye Wiegel passed away on July 14th

Highlight Newsletter Copy Deadline : Monday, August 26th

BEFORE NOON

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!

Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House



Keep bringing those tabs you get off pop cans, soup cans, veggie cans, fruit cans, etc. Please put them in the red bag that you'll find in the hutch outside the church office. These are used to help fund the Ronald McDonald House located near CDH in Winfield. If your donation is too large for the red bag, put it in my mailbox in the office.

Many thanks from me, and from the StC Golden K Kiwanis Club. -Pat Kitner

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 to take advantage of this valued ministry of our church. -Pat Kitner

Support our church each time you shop at Amazon. Go to 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!!



Joy of Sharing **Cookbook**



Such a deal! Originally \$15 each - now on sale for only \$10 each! Cash or check made payable to Women's Fellowship. Available in the church office. Wonderful for gifts for every occasion-showers, birthdays, hostess, Easter, Christmas, or a "Just Because" gift. Questions? Call Pat Kitner, 630.584.1205

MEAL MINISTRY







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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. July 29, 2019 • The Congregational United Church of Christ, St. Charles IL • Page 2

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". 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.

Hearing Aids

I recently became aware of a program sponsored by the NIU Audiology Department. They can use hearing aids that you no longer use. There are many children in the surrounding counties that need hearing aids but simply cannot afford them, some as young as 4 or 5 years old. And these appliances are not "adult" or "children" size – they're all the same size. There is a cost of \$200 to fit the kids with a form for their ears, and this has to be done every six months or so as the child grows. If you have unused hearing aids that you can donate or if you would like to donate \$200 to have a kid fitted with ear forms, please see me or give me a call – 630.584.1205. I'll be glad to give you further details.

Thank you so, so much. -Pat Kitner

Women's Fall Getaway **Better Together**

Our 20th annual fall getaway is scheduled for Fri-Sun, October 25-27, at Pilgrim Park. More details soon, but put this on your calendar now.



Lazarus House Wed., Aug. 21, 6:30 pm 214 Walnut Street, St. Charles

We will be providing our monthly meal to Lazarus House. We will be serving meat loaf, mashed potatoes, green veggies, jello salad, rolls and gravy, along with the monthly breakfast and lunch items. The meat for the main entree will be provided. Please check the Lazarus House bulletin board in Rodgers Hall to sign up for this important ministry. Thank you, in advance, for your assistance in reaching out to our neighbors in need.

Please feel free to contact Donna Giamberdino at 630-513-7941 or Liz Holding at lizholding@comcast.net with any questions.

Thank you so much!



Please pray for them on their birthdays

Amy Bishop Sarah Hill	1	Heather Veldhuizen	1
		Ted Heise Sr.	1
Kevin Kiesel	1	Hank Hoepfner	1
Peggy Lorenz	1	Miya Megliola	1
Cynthia Schif	1	Henry Provencher	1
Katherine Altergott	2	Avary Zabler	1
Stephanie Gregory	2	Cecelia Burke	1
Nicholas Lancor	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 3 3 3 4 4	Mila Englert	1
Natalie Michels	2	Flora Lipke	1
Diana Sandberg	2	Megan Mackowiak	1
Tyler Stewart	2	Meredith Mateja	1
Chloe Sykora	2	Joey Alderson [*]	2
Isabel Sykora	2	Bob Broeker	2
Megan Baer	3	Joe Innis	2
Jack Bils	3	Bode McGrath	2
Bryan Fank	3	Grace Algrim	2
Taylor Hecht	3	Doug Shuman	2
Anthony Rickard	4	Rebecca Reber	2
Chelsey Trembley	4	Kathy Roland	2
Kate Nickols	5	Dawn Turner	2
Ryan Bata	5	Bill Chapman	2
Bob Keck	6	Michael Murtaugh	4
Colleen Hofmeister	7	Annie Stoner	2
Sue Prigge	7	Laurel Innis	2
Carrie Miller	8	Susan Rodgers	2
Maggie Hoepfner	9	Faith Siwy	2
Hannah Chapman	10	Eliese Miller	2
Sarah Klemm	10	Helena Miller	2
Steve Munz	10	Colin Turner	2
Bob Beavan	11	Cathy Flesher	2
Jake Borst	11	Madeline Heise	2
Andrea Plamondon	11	Matthew Munz	2
Tinsley Schroeder	11	Nicholas Rickard	2
MacKenzie Smith	11	Lyla Bagnasco	2
Laine Balzanto	12	Tony Giamberdino	2
Lauren Gaydos	12	Baylor McGrath	2
Becky Hale	12	Josie Ball	12222222242222222222222233333
Emma Horan	12	Katelynn Cameron	2
Matt Ritchie	12	Jake Mroz	2
Tom Scorby	12	Linda McCullagh	3
Joshua Turyna	12	Lexie Rosborough	3
Fonda DeMaar	13	Audrey Bowie	ર
Kevin Morton	13	Larry Weber	3
Cindy Hardy	14	Larry Weber	J
Melynda Litchfield	14		
Violet McCann	14		
Samantha Kiesel	16		
Casey Klotz	16		
Aubrey Mandat	16		
Jax Moran	16		



Amelia Larson

Food on the 4th **AUGUST 25**

The theme is Your Choice. On AUGUST 25 please bring items of your choosing for the St. Charles Salvation Army Food Pantry and the Elburn Food Pantry.

Did You Know?

Over the last year our History/Archiving committee has found some interesting things while sorting, organizing, tossing and preserving church history for the future. Two of the most fascination are scrapbooks, both mission related.

One scrapbook is a collection of correspondence to and from us by those serving in the military from 1942-1945, thanking us for corresponding with them or for sending them care packages during WWII. We put the letters into a new binder and organized them by date.

The other is a large collection of drawings, photographs and translations from a school in Japan. There are drawings and letters, some of them with translations from mostly 2nd graders thanking us for sending them candy, soap and other small items around 1948. The school in Japan was possibly sponsored by what would have been a predecessor of the United Church of Christ. It's beautiful and fascinating.

If anyone is interested in looking at these scrapbooks, stop in the church office on Sundays after church in August. Or contact Carleen Bart cnbart@sbcglobal.net



BETTER TOGETHER -

The 2019 Women's Fall Retreat is scheduled for Friday-Sunday, October 25-27, at Pilgrim Park, our UCC church camp located near Princeton. Brochures with registration forms can be found on the hutch just outside the office. The completed forms with attached payment may be dropped in the offering plate, dropped off at the office or given to any committee member - Lindsey Huddleston, Karen Masus, Marilyn Schave, Ginny Minard or Pat Kitner. This will be our 20th Annual Fall Gathering and some special events are being planned. This is for all women - all ages - of our church. Please come!

Looking for an easy way to get involved with our church? Every Sunday we need coffee prep people for our fellowship time after church. It's easy, takes just a little time, and it's greatly appreciated by all!

Sign up on the Fellowship bulletin board and instructions are provided. Make sure we have your email so that we can send a reminder to you.

Rather just bring a treat? You are welcome to drop off treats any Sunday!

Thank you, The Fellowship Team

Summer Sunday School

Beginning on June 9th, Summer Sunday School began. Nursery care will be available for children 0-3 from the start of the service. Each Sunday after Moments with Children, Pre-K through 1st grade can head down to our Pre-K Sunday School room. We do ask that children 2nd grade and up remain in the Sanctuary for the duration of the service.

If you have any questions, please email Kim Arneson at Christianed@cuccstc.org.

Kim Arneson Director of Children's Ministries christianed@cuccstc.org

Peaceful Heart Yoga



with Donna Burg

Yoga is held in the sanctuary Mondays 9:15-10:30am and Thursdays 2-3:15pm. All are welcome to attend one or both of the sessions!!! Namaste...

New session began on June 10

9 weeks, Mondays from 9:15-10:30am. June 10th - Aug. 12th No class June 17th \$90 for 9 weeks, \$12 per week (drop in rate)

New session began on June 13

8 weeks, Thursdays from 2-3:15pm. June 13th - Aug. 15th No class June 20th, July 4th \$80 for 8 weeks, \$12 per week (drop in rate)

Pay at class. Donna Burg 630-309-0614 donnaburg.db@gmail.com



The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the second Monday of each month in the church parlor from 10am until noon. Our next meeting is August 12th. Knitters and crocheters can be part of this group even if they are unable to attend meetings.

Questions? Contact Mary Anne Rebernak at 630 377 9336 or email her at mrebernak@outlook.com.

Novel Approaches 2019-2020 Season



September 20th: PRETTY BIRDS (2006) by Scott Simon; discussion at the home of Jen & Dan Sykora

NPR journalist and bestselling memoirist Scott Simon makes a dazzling fiction debut. In Pretty Birds, Simon creates an intense, startling, and tragicomic portrait of a classic character–a young woman in the besieged city of Sarajevo in the early 1990s. In the spring of 1992, Irena Zaric is a star on her Sarajevo high school basketball team, a tough, funny teenager who has taught her parrot, Pretty Bird, to do a decent imitation of a ball hitting a hoop. But while Irena rocks out and shoots baskets with her friends, her beloved city has become a battleground. When the violence and terror of "ethnic cleansing" against Muslims begins, Irena and her family, brutalized by Serb soldiers, flee for safety across the river that divides the city. As a journalist, Scott Simon covered the siege of Sarajevo. Here, in a novel as suspenseful as a John le Carré thriller, he re-creates the atmosphere of that place and time and the pain and dark humor of its people.

November 15th: A GENTLEMAN IN MOSCOW (2016) by Amor Towles;

discussion at the home of Nancy & Rich Doerr

The mega-bestseller with more than 1.5 million readers that is soon to be a major television series. From the New York Times bestselling author of Rules of Civility—a transporting novel about a man who is ordered to spend the rest of his life inside a luxury hotel. In 1922, Count Alexander Rostov is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal, and is sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel across the street from the Kremlin. Rostov, an indomitable man of erudition and wit, has never worked a day in his life, and must now live in an attic room while some of the most tumultuous decades in Russian history are unfolding outside the hotel's doors. Brimming with humor, a glittering cast of characters, and one beautifully rendered scene after another, this singular novel casts a spell as it relates the count's endeavor to gain a deeper understanding of what it means to be a man of purpose.

January 17th: WHERE THE CRAWDADS SING (2018) by Delia Owens; discussion at the home of Patti and Mark Mollov

#1 New York Times Bestseller. For years, rumors of the "Marsh Girl" have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. So in late 1969, when handsome Chase Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark, the so-called Marsh Girl. But Kya is not what they say. Sensitive and intelligent, she has survived for years alone in the marsh that she calls home, finding friends in the gulls and lessons in the sand. Then the time comes when she yearns to be touched and loved. When two young men from town become intrigued by her wild beauty, Kya opens herself to a new life--until the unthinkable happens. Perfect for fans of Barbara Kingsolver and Karen Russell, Where the Crawdads Sing is at once an exquisite ode to the natural world, a heartbreaking coming-of-age story, and a surprising tale of possible murder. Owens reminds us that we are forever shaped by the children we once were, and that we are all subject to the beautiful and violent secrets that nature keeps.

March 20th: THE HUMAN STAIN (2000) by Philip Roth; discussion at the home of Donna and Tony Giamberdino

It is 1998, the year in which America is whipped into a frenzy of prurience by the impeachment of a president, and in a small New England town, an aging classics professor, Coleman Silk, is forced to retire when his colleagues decree that he is a racist. The charge is a lie, but the real truth about Silk would have astonished his most virulent accuser. Coleman Silk has a secret. Coleman's secret has been kept for fifty years: from his wife, his four children, his colleagues, and his friends.... Set in 1990s America, where conflicting moralities and ideological divisions are made manifest through public denunciation and rituals of purification, The Human Stain concludes Philip Roth's eloquent trilogy of postwar American lives that are as tragically determined by the nation's fate as by the "human stain" that so ineradicably marks human nature.

May 15th: NORMAL PEOPLE (2019) by Sally Rooney; discussion at the home of Janet Zohorsky; (voting for 2020-2021 Novel Approaches selections)

At school Connell and Marianne pretend not to know each other. He's popular and well-adjusted, star of the school football team, while she is lonely, proud, and intensely private. But when Connell comes to pick his mother up from her job at Marianne's house, a strange and indelible connection grows between the two teenagers—one they are determined to conceal. A year later, they're both studying at Trinity College in Dublin. Marianne has found her feet in a new social world while Connell hangs at the sidelines, shy and uncertain. Throughout their years at university, Marianne and Connell circle one another, straying toward other people and possibilities but always magnetically, irresistibly drawn back together. And as she veers into self-destruction and he begins to search for meaning elsewhere, each must confront how far they are willing to go to save the other.

Sign up on the CE bulletin board.

The Congregational United Church of Christ



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 1st 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.

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

Called by the love of God and neighbor through the gift of Jesus Christ, we strive to be a community of worship, welcome and justice.

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