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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 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 have ordered a small quantity for first-time volunteers. Thank you for your help! If you have never volunteered before and need a T-shirt, please reach out to Trish Thompson at tthomp61@gmail.com

*** OUTDOOR SERVICE***

We will be holding an outdoor service under the Fall Fest tent on Sunday morning, September 8, at 9:30am. Following the service hot dogs and hamburgers will be served. Pets are welcome!

**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
Margie Johnson
Ginny Minard
Rozella Nagy
Henry Plamondon
Aaron Tschetter**

**Highlight Newsletter Copy Deadline
Monday, September 30
BEFORE NOON**



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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.

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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

If you could provide an occasional meal for a church member, please contact Kathy at kathymizgalski@gmail.com, 630.253.7677.



Join us for our Wednesday morning service...

Wednesday Morning Worship @ 7:00AM

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

Women's Fellowship

consists of women from our church who are dedicated to service combined with having fun! We work hard all year on various projects, which help any area of our church and wider mission. Mostly we are known as being wonderful cooks. Women's Fellowship meets monthly on the first Wednesday and we would like to invite all ladies of the church to our first meeting, beginning September 4, 2019.

We gather around 9 am for coffee/treats and fellowship and then begin our meeting at 9:30. If you enjoy being with friendly, energetic ladies, this is the group for you! Please join us each month! You will be glad you did!!

Call Edy Findlay (630-777-9059) with any questions you might have! Hope to see you on September 4!

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



Lazarus House
Wed., Sept. 18, 6:30 pm
214 Walnut Street, St. Charles

We will be providing our monthly meal to Lazarus House. We will be serving Pasta/Hamburger Casserole (recipe on board), Green Salad, Rolls, and Cookies, 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. Call with any questions - Donna Giamberdino 630-513-7941 or email Liz Holding - lizholding@comcast.net.



**Please pray
for them
on their
birthdays.**

Scott Behrendt	1	Ann Stewart	20
Emma Sidor	1	Beau Blakeley	21
Alycia O'Connor	2	Bridget Flesher	21
Phyllis Parkinson	2	Doug Gagne	21
Melissa Pazen	2	Elizabeth Melton	21
Eric Pfothauer	2	Allainna Siwy	21
Charles Caldwell	3	Rich Borst	22
Ken Graham	3	Mike Harland	22
Mallory Speck	3	Laurie Heise	22
Ryan Cameron	5	Paige Mandat	22
Rachel Neville	5	Connor Tidler	22
Mark Stoner	5	Clayton Dombroski	23
Jackie Suits	5	Piper Bagnasco	25
Cara Cameron	6	Denice Koulback	25
Chloe Weidl	6	Pam McInnis	25
Dalton Geni	7	Kelly Vernon	25
Kristina Laurie	7	George Churchill	26
Edward Kurtz III	8	Calder Gagne	26
Ava Lilke	8	Eric Saxton	26
Rachel Mastalski	8	Ashley Swanson	26
Bailey Cross	9	Jacob Carlson	27
Steve Gamble	9	Wayne DeMaar	27
Teresa Melton	9	Cassidy Lancor	27
Amy Munz	10	Denise Pollack	27
Carin Smith	10	Andrew Stewart	27
Russ Lorenz	11	Gale Mack	28
Libby Reyes	11	Spencer Mohr	28
Larry Rossi	11	Wayne Roland	28
Jake Schultz	11	Owen Behrendt	29
Kathy Westman	11	Collin Boltz	29
Chris Ciesielski	12	Bob Brautigam	29
Lexi Leifel	12	Cyndee Olsson	29
Steve Koulback	13	Darren Tidler	29
Drew Occhipinti	13	Alison Wessel	29
Brad Foley	14	Amanda Nagy	30
Steve Grimes	14		
Sabrina Keck	14		
Matt O'Brien	14		
Nicholas Warner	14		
Mia Bradley	15		
Tom Burke	15		
Daniel Mateja	15		
Mike Schif	15		
Joe Giamberdino	16		
Sam Scorby	16		
Kegan Haeseli	17		
Mickey Lee	17		
Rob Ritchie	18		
Julian Siebold	18		
Rich Vernon	18		
Bruce Morton	20		
Meredith Reber	20		



Food on the 4th SEPTEMBER 22

The theme is Lunch. On **SEPTEMBER 22** please bring items of your choosing for the St. Charles Salvation Army Food Pantry and the Elburn Food Pantry.



Circle Of Friends

You won't want to miss our meeting on September 18. We gather in the parlor from 9:30 -11:30am. This month we will meet one of the comfort dogs from the Lutheran Church Charities K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry.

Launched in August 2008, the Lutheran Church Charities K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry is a national human-care ministry embracing the unique, calming nature and skills of purebred Golden Retrievers. The LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs are a bridge for compassionate ministry, opening doors for conversation about faith and creating opportunities to share the mercy, compassion, presence and proclamation of Jesus Christ.

LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs are working animals, trained to interact with people of all ages and circumstances who are suffering and in need. The dogs participate in scheduled and special events. Dogs are permanently placed with churches, schools and other ministries involved in Christian human care by LCC. Permanent placement includes full training for handlers and caregivers along with ongoing support, coaching and training. LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs live in the homes of assigned caregivers. The LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs serve every day in the community in which they are placed and are dispatched in times of disaster and crisis to bring comfort to all those affected, including first responders and the volunteers who serve them. LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs were in New York and New Jersey visiting victims of Superstorm Sandy, and in Connecticut after the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School. Lutheran Church Charities currently has over 130 LCC K-9 Comfort Dogs serving in more than 20 states. LCC operates two training facilities in Illinois and Nebraska.

Come on the 18th and meet this amazing dog and learn more about a very remarkable ministry.

**Church Office Closed
Sept. 2 for Labor Day**

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

Autumn Adult Bible Study



We think autumn is the perfect time to start something new! Something interesting! Something thought-provoking! Something fierce! So get out your calendar and join us for the Sept. 16 or 18 launch of "Fierce Women of the Bible," - this is not your grandma's Bible study! From author, Alice Connor, "these women's stories are messy, challenging, and beautiful." Each week we will read one to two chapters, the relevant Biblical passage(s), with the goal of having a meaningful discussion. Join us for one, any or all sessions. Choose between Monday afternoons 1-2:30 pm at the church, or Wednesday evenings 7-8:30 pm in a private home. To register, email Janet Zohorsky at zohorj@aol.com for daytime session, or Kathy McCullough at Kathy.McCullough@d303.org for evening session. (Book is available on Amazon; 10-week study Sept. 16 - Nov. 20.)

BETTER TOGETHER -

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!



SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:30am Worship Service with Sunday School

Sunday School for children through 5th 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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