



September thru December Worship Service Schedule

****Masks are required at all services****

September 6

9:00 Worship Service

Broadcast: WRPQ AM740 & FM99.7

10:30 Worship Service in the Park

Coffee Fellowship in the Park,
sponsored by Christian Fellowship

O & A Bible Study in the Park
following the Worship Service

Beginning Sunday, September 13

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Sauk Prairie Schools Urgent Needs List

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Sunday School News

Margaret McFarlane & Brigitta Brickl

* Our hearts are filled with sadness over the loss of Chris Logterman. She was a tremendous Sunday School teacher for the last 7 years. We are honored to have been able to have the opportunity to work with her. Her dedication and willingness to serve will not be forgotten!

* Please watch the mail.....we will be sending a letter with Sunday School details very soon. Thank you for your patience as we work everything out.

* Sunday School starts September 13. If your child/children will be joining us for the first time, please call the church office at 643-8387 by September 6. This is helpful in ordering materials and for teacher preparation. We accept children 3 years old through 6th grade into our program.

* If you can help us out by being a substitute, please let Margaret or Brigitta know.

* We will be offering families the option of in person and virtual learning. Presently we have 26 students that might be attending in person and at least 3 online students. Families will not be held to one option, they can use either option or use both.

* All Sunday School classes will be on the third floor of the Education Building. We also are fortunate to have the outdoor spaces in the back lot and Church park.

* MASKS ARE REQUIRED in the Education Building by all students and adults. If you need a mask, we will have some available.

* We will be practicing social distancing and requiring the use of hand sanitizer.

* Whether our students attend class virtually or in person, our Sunday School staff is anticipating a wonderful year of Christian Education.

* Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns:

Margaret: mmcfarlane1219@gmail.com

Brigitta: bbscentbug@gmail.com





Great Job!

A Pat On The Back and ...

Thank you to **Jack Accola** for cleaning off the mildew on the Park shed.



Dear Pastor Bill:

My dream of becoming an electrical engineer is moving forward, thanks to generous educational scholarships like yours. Since being named the recipient of the First United Church of Christ Scholarship, my dream is becoming a reality at UW Platteville.

The \$500 award gives me an opportunity to earn skills that will help me live out my dream of helping create a better world for others.

Thank you personally for your generosity. Without scholarship patrons willing to support kids like me, students such as myself would be unable to

pursue advanced degrees. Your scholarship will help me earn credentials in engineering, which requires special training and coursework.

Once again, thank you for the vote of confidence and the scholarship. I am committed to my education and to the engineering field, and one step closer to becoming an electrical engineer, thanks to your continued generosity and the First United Church of Christ scholarship.

Sincerely, Hudson Haas



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This month's SCOOP is sponsored by Sharal Steuber, in loving memory of her beloved husband, Theron, and their 65th Wedding Anniversary on September 2nd.

- 3 **Open & Affirming Subcommittee:** 5:00 p.m. at Shirlee Lendved's farm
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- 7 **Have a Safe & Happy Labor Day!** Church Office closed
- 13 **Worship Service: 9:00 a.m.**
2020-2021 Sunday School Year begins: 3 years old through 6th grade
- 17 **Consistory:** 6:30 p.m.



Memorial Report

Gifts were received in August in loving memory of:

Karen Ammann
Reverend Herb Feierabend
Lucinda Gruber
Christine Logterman
Susan Pieper
Duane Woerpel



Radio Broadcasts

We thank the August sponsors of our 9:00 a.m. Sunday worship service radio broadcasts:

The Family of Lloyd & Lucinda Gruber, in honor and thanksgiving for the love and good times they have all shared together.

Caroline Steuber, in loving memory of her husband, Edsel Steuber.

The Accola Family, in loving memory of Ruth Accola.

Rod Lysenko, in loving memory of his mother, Reta Lysenko.



September Anniversaries In Our Church Family



Tom & Peggy Alt, 55 years on September 4
Russell & Sherry Pieper, 54 years on September 10
Larry & Kathy Johnson, 52 years on September 21

Greetings to all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in September!



Rev. Bill Kapp
Pastor

Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday: 9:00–Noon;
Saturday: 9:30 -11:00 a.m., and by appointment
Office phone: 643–8387; Home phone: 370–2249
E-mail: bill_kapp@ucc-saukcity.org

Cindy Baker
Church Secretary

Hours: Monday through Friday: 8:00 a.m.–Noon
Office phone: 643–8387; E-mail: office@ucc-saukcity.org

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Web Site

www.ucc-saukcity.org

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE SAUK PRAIRIE COMMUNITY

Your Stewardship Committee offers you these suggestions to support the greater Sauk Prairie community.

***H.E.L.P. – HELP EXCITE LITTLE PEOPLE**

Margaret McFarlane coordinates this toy drive for families in need during the Christmas season. It culminates in a massive toy give away just before Christmas. You can contribute gently used toys, new toys or cash. The cash is used to buy batteries for toys or new toys to supplement the used toys that are donated. Please make out your check to HELP and return it to the church office.

***6:8**

6:8 runs several programs that serve our communities. During this especially challenging time 6:8 is seeking monetary contributions to help those who have been making progress towards financial independence and are in danger of losing that independence. They also have 13 other worthwhile programs you can donate to.

www.makingservicepersonal.org is the 6:8 website. On the main page is a donate button. You can also send a check to:

6:8

**821 Industry Road
Sauk City, WI 53583**

***SAUK PRAIRIE FOOD DISTRICT**

The school district uses monetary donations for the school lunch program, school supplies, and personal items for needy students. If you donate less than \$250, the school board does not need to approve the donation. You can designate how you want your donation used or simply indicate that it be used at the administration's discretion.

Send check to:

**Sauk Prairie School District
440 13th Street
Prairie du Sac, WI 53578
c/o School Superintendent**

***SAUK PRAIRIE FOOD PANTRY**

Donate monetary funds at: www.spfoodpantry.org

Checks to:

**SP Food Pantry
PO Box 652
Sauk City, WI 53583**

***GOOD NEIGHBOR CLINIC**

The GNC provides basic health care services to those in need. Donations may be sent to:

**Good Neighbor Clinic
95 Lincoln Ave
Prairie du Sac, WI 53578**

***ST. VICENT de PAUL SAUK PRAIRIE**

www.stvdsaukprairie.com

Visit their website to learn about all the services provided to the SP community through the items donated to St. Vincent's. Your contributions of used items, shopping, or volunteering greatly support our community.

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Thank-you!



Calling all music lovers, garage band retirees, aspiring DJs and anyone with a serious techie interest, I have an important message for you. Your church has upgraded both our radio broadcast production equipment and Church Park portable sound system. Because of the Covid limitations we have had to pre-record both readings and songs used in the church service and this requires audio equipment operators. We want to make sure our church sounds great both in the pew and over the radio.

In September, I will be hosting some in-church training sessions of two types. The first will be a practical session on the equipment we now have and the basic steps to get our worship service live on the radio at WRPQ and recorded. If there is interest, I would also like to host an expanded series of sessions to cover more in-depth audio equipment knowledge and practical audio recording. This will give us a much larger pool of audio operators and allow our equipment to be used for many more church musical opportunities and other worship productions to come.

Please call the church office and indicate your interest in one or both of these training opportunities, all are welcome. I would like to take schedules into account before setting the trainings.

Dean Dahnert
Consistory

Consistory Minutes

First United Church of Christ

Thursday, August 20th

Attendance: Pastor Bill, Kurt Schultz, Dean Dahnert, Don Larsen, Tammie Huerth, Mark Pierick, Peggy Ganser, Heather Miller, and Tammy Young

 Opening Prayer: Pastor Bill

 Pastor Bill's Report

- See report in the September Scoop
- Bill was to be working at Badger Steam & Gas but received a call from Chris's family to lead the graveside service. The family wanted someone there that Sam & Ella were familiar with.
- Diane Matzke wants to know if she can use the outdoor meditation space in the church park to utilize for some group mindful exercises.
- Peggy and Pastor Bill will be helping at the food stand on Saturday, August 22nd.
- Pastor Bill would like to take vacation on August 24th, back in the office Tuesday, September 1st. Scott Kinnamon will be leading the service. Heather made a motion to grant this request, Peggy seconded, motion passed.

 Committee Reports and Updates:

- Building & Maintenance
- Chris has been doing minor maintenance looking forward to the school year starting. Repairing some concrete areas in the sidewalk, the large SubZero freezer needs repairs.
- Concern for other areas of the concrete sidewalk as there are many uneven areas.
- No bids have been received regarding the front porch of the parsonage.
- Christian Fellowship
- See report in September Scoop
- Met on August 11th sitting outside. Talked about a women's service in October with recorded material.
- Hoping to have the service outside.
- Still looking for a theme.
- Put out donut holes and lemonade at our last outside service. Will try to do this for our next outdoor service on September 6th.
- Finance
- Meeting Held on July 21st.
- Tim has paperwork ready to for the PPP Forgiveness paperwork.

- Bank has just notified Pastor that the portal is open to now receive this forgiveness paperwork.
- Members in Ministry
- Some visits made through windows, phone calls being placed
- Health and safety is a priority
- Pastor Bill has started making porch visits.
- In-person visits will have to stop once the weather gets cold and everyone needs to be inside.
- Sunday School/Church Youth Program
- See report in September Scoop
- Youth Group
 - Youth Exchange postponed until 2021
 - Mission trip postponed until January 16–24, 2021
 - Retreat for next year is to be determined
- Stewardship
- See report in September Scoop
- Consistent communication to the congregation will continue
- Just met this week in the park.
- Had a recorded announcement at church on August 16th.
- Planning a theme for each service in September.
- Stewardship Sunday will be November 15th.
- Open & Affirming
- Met August 13th outside at Shirlee Lendved's home.
- O&A is hosting an hour long bible study after the 10:30 service on September 6th in the church park.
- ✚ Ongoing Business
 - Church Office Business amidst COVID-19
 - Church Office access is limited. Communication encouraged via phone and email for the health of all church and 4K staff.
- ✚ New Business
 - We will need another person on consistory to fill Chris's position.
 - Will need to research by-laws to see if we can replace someone without having an annual meeting.
 - Dean would like to have an electrician come in and place an electrical outlet above the entry way for the bell tower. This is leading to have a big screen on the wall. In this spot, everyone in the sanctuary should be able to see it. The electrical work would eventually be hid by the screen.
 - Balcony has power for a screen that Pastor would be able to see.
 - Mark makes a motion to go ahead and do the electrical work in the church. Don seconded, motion approved.

- Tammy made a motion that starting September 13th we go to one service at 9:00 until the end of 2020 masks will be required. We will still have a 10:30 service in the park the first Sunday in October, weather permitting. Tammie seconded, motion passed.

- Statz wedding in October was discussed and notes given to Pastor Bill.

 Adjourn

- Don moved to adjourn the meeting, Peggy seconded, motion passed.

 Closing Prayer: Pastor Bill

 Next Consistory Meeting: September 17th

Dear Consistory,

Feeling heavy hearted in these days following the passing of our dear friend and beloved consistory colleague, Chris Logterman. She contributed to the life of our church in so many wonderful ways - from Sunday school teacher to heading up the Cow Chip Chicken Dinner, from serving on the O&A subcommittee to being a leader on consistory. Chris will be dearly missed by us all. Please keep Ella, Sam and Jason Logterman in your prayers in these days and weeks to come.

In terms of my report:

- 1.) I sent out a letter to the congregation this week promoting a Bible study hosted by the O&A committee on Sunday September 6 in the church park. It will occur following the 10:30am outdoor service. The study will lift up 7 texts from scripture and explore various translations, contexts and viewpoints that shape our view of homosexuality.
- 2.) I would like to take my third week of vacation August 24-30. It is short notice, but I'm feeling the need for family time before fall starts and a potential uptick in COVID-19 reduces opportunity for family visits. I've been in contact with Scott Kinnamon regarding his leading the worship service on August 30 and he is willing and available.
- 3.) First UCC will be having a food stand at the Badger Steam and gasoline engine club August 21-23. Volunteers can earn up to \$10 an hour for any nonprofit they would like to support. I will be working shifts on Fri and Sat.
- 4.) I plan to call a meeting in mid-September for people interested in participating on our January 17-23, 2021 mission trip to Back Bay Mission in Biloxi, MS. There is considerable uncertainty with COVID-19, but we will make plans and see how things develop over the next couple months.
- 5.) Stewardship themed materials produced by the United Church of Christ have been ordered for 2020. Stewardship Sunday is scheduled for the 3rd Sunday of November, 11/15.

Regards,
Pastor Bill

ONA Meeting
August 13, 2020

Members in attendance: Shirlee Lendved, Pastor Bill, Tammie Huerth, Dean Sprecher, Barb Sprecher, Christy Kinnamon

Members Absent: Dennis Kahn, Chris Logterman

1. Bible Studies:
 - a. Discussion about how and when Pastor Bill will present a bible study on this topic.
 - b. Date determined is September 6th after the 10:30 service in the park. Mask required. Pastor Bill will present two 20 minute bible studies with a short break in between.
 - c. Possibility of having it on Facebook live
 - d. Info for the bible study will be in the Scoop
 - e. Notification of the bible study will be sent out via a letter.
 - f. Pastor to get ok from Consistory to preach once a month on this subject
2. Movie Night:
 - a. Movies to be shown in the park - weather permitting
 - b. Still looking for a couple of movies
3. Common Chord:
 - a. Will postpone this concert until Spring 2021. May have event in the park.
4. ONA Newsletter:
 - a. Will be creating a newsletter with informative articles and links to find information online.
 - b. Newsletter to be sent out twice a year
 - c. Looking to collect articles from the Members of this group at our next meeting
5. ONA Time Frame – Looking at voting late Spring to early Summer
6. Next Meeting – September 3rd – 5:00 at Shirlee’s farm.

Stewardship Committee

The Stewardship Committee held a meeting on July 28 in the church park. All members were present; Pastor Bill, Barb Brock, Linda Lehan, Tom Litscher, Sherri Roberts, and Marcy Thurwachter. Linda was welcomed and thanked as a new member of the committee.

Pastor Bill reported that during the pandemic the church offerings have been steady and that we are on course for meeting the set budget for 2020. This is very encouraging. Pastor Bill also shared that the church received funding from the federal PPP.

The committee discussed the status of the church's chicken dinner which had traditionally been held at the Cow Chip Throw Festival. Pastor Bill reported that the consistory has been in discussion about the chicken dinner. The Stewardship Committee would have 2-3 members willing to help with the dinner.

The committee focused much of the remaining meeting on the fall stewardship campaign. Sherri offered to develop a message which she would read during the August 16 Sunday service targeting giving opportunities within the Sauk Prairie community. Marcy will work with Sherri on the list and also publicize the list (contact information) in the Scoop and on Facebook. Linda will be responsible for the September message. The actual date of Stewardship Sunday is November 15. There will be messages from the Stewardship Committee on all Sundays in October and November leading up to the 17. The Wisconsin UCC conference has not announced the theme for this fall's campaign but Pastor Bill has himself been focusing on "gratitude". Sherri came up with a possible theme of "An Attitude of Gratitude" which the committee agreed would be an excellent theme for this fall's stewardship campaign.

The meeting adjourned with a flexible date for the August meeting.

Minutes from Stewardship Committee Meeting #2

The Stewardship Committee met on August 18 in the church park. Those attending included Pastor Bill, Linda Lehan, Sherri Roberts, and Marcy Thurwachter. Barb Brock and Tom Litscher were unable to attend.

The committee began by reviewing their July meeting and thanked Sherri Roberts for writing and reading the committee's message during the August 16 services. Marcy reported that a detailed list of giving opportunities that benefit those in need in our communities will be included in the September Scoop, the church's Facebook page and the First UCC's website.

Marcy asked about the status of the church's annual "harvest table". Pastor Bill explained that the food drive usually occurred in November and had been organized by the Sunday School. Marcy will contact Margaret to see what the status is of the food drive. The committee also discussed H.E.L.P., and Marcy will also ask Margaret about the toy drive. Marcy will also check in giving options for the SP Food Pantry.

In discussing possible causes to support in the month of September, it was decided to focus efforts on the needs of the SP School District. Marcy will contact the social worker from the district to determine their most urgent needs.

Linda will develop and read a message focusing on stewardship on Sunday, September 6.

Pastor Bill provided the committee members with packets from the UCC conference for this fall's stewardship campaign for their review. At the next meeting the committee will develop their plan for the fall drive. The theme will be "Our attitude is Gratitude".

Christian Fellowship meeting minutes - 8/11/2020

Meeting in the park - 6:00pm

Attending: Pastor Bill, Deb Tschudy, Sherry Pieper, Dianna Woerpel; Carol Hehenberger, Peggy Ganser and Rose Kleinert.




What happened to our summer? With Covid 19 still dictating our normal routines; it would seem Christian fellowship has taken hiatus 😊 a long hiatus...

- ✓ On August 2nd at the 10:30 church park service, Christian fellowship set up a small batch of lemonade and donut holes, cups prefilled, and donuts already placed on napkins to take and go. Some participated, while others remained cautious.



- ✓ The 1st Sunday in September and October (at the outside Services), Christian fellowship will provide some type of coffee fellowship. As the weather turns cooler and we are unable to have service outdoors, we will return to a monthly Zoom meeting. Until a "new normal" is presented, in person coffee fellowship will be on hold; this is for the health and safety of our congregation.
- ✓ In place of our typical Women's Sunday, all things considered with Covid 19, we are hoping for a Sunday in October. We will continue discussion and decide in September.

Please know we are thinking about all of you and praying you  are safe and healthy during this time of uncertainty.

Our next Christian Fellowship meeting is scheduled for
Tuesday, October 13th @ 6:30 pm
(via Zoom, unless the weather provides a nice autumn evening)