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May 2017

Dear Members and Friends of First UCC,

I am sure enjoying the May weather thus far. I am appreciating the warmer temperatures, the sunshine and all the flowers, and even the spring cleaning. We will soon start to plant gardens and hang flower baskets. I'll never forget a day about ten years ago, a May 1, when our neighbor dropped off a basket for the boys. She later referred to it as a May Day basket. It was filled with flowers arranged in pretty paper, matchbox cars, mini-coloring books and sweet treats. The neighbor set it on the porch, rang the doorbell, and left us to find it. The children were delighted with the unexpected surprise.

May Day is also known as a public holiday in many countries around the world. International Workers' Day, also known as Labor Day, is a celebration of laborers and the working classes and is promoted by the international labor movement. In 1955, the Roman Catholic Church even dedicated May 1 to "Saint Joseph the Worker". Saint Joseph is the patron saint of workers and craftsmen, among others. We in the United States observe Labor Day as a holiday in September, but in many parts of the world this day is observed May 1. What a blessing to experience all the beauty of spring and, also, to be stimulated and excited about our work. The book of Ecclesiastes speaks of toiling in our work with joy and savoring the good things of life, "I know that there is nothing better for them than to be happy and enjoy themselves as long as they live; moreover, it is God's gift that all should eat and drink and take pleasure in all their toil."

And yet, in the midst of our May Day observances and flowery baskets, there are many who are not able to celebrate. Instead, they are crying out, "Mayday! Mayday! Mayday!" Countless Americans stand in the unemployment line, wishing they could experience the joy of work. Single parents working a minimum wage job are struggling with the decision to eat or pay the utility bill. Men, women, and children around the Midwest are trying to rebuild their lives after fleeing the rising waters of spring floods. There is a tension in this juxtaposition between "May Day" vs. "Mayday!"

What did it mean for Christ in his day to live in the moment, savoring the good things and yet dealing with overwhelming need around him? What does it mean for First UCC to stop and smell the roses, but also consider ways in which we can meet the needs of those who struggle? We have been blessed in so many wonderful ways. We live in the most beautiful part of the U.S.A. which is just now starting to bloom and burst forth with life. We are fortunate enough to meet the needs of our families thanks to meaningful work. And yet, we are called to not just appreciate the good things, but to also respond to the needs of those around us, whether it be by volunteering in the community, filling sandbags, working at a soup kitchen or by financially supporting the cause of your choice.

With the Greatest of Hope!
Pastor Bill



We will be **Celebrating Mothers** at the 8:00 and 10:30 worship services on May 14th. The youngest and oldest mothers at each service will receive flowers.



Hats Off To Our 2017 Graduates!

CONGRATULATIONS to the following youth from First U.C.C. who will be participating in the 2017 Sauk Prairie High School Graduation Ceremony on June 2nd.

Brooklyn Cruse
Haden Haas
Isaac Pape

"May God continue to be your Guide as you begin this new journey in your life!"

Becoming Welcoming Communities: Immigration in Light of Biblical Faith

Pastor Bill is offering a class in the Fireside Room during the month of May entitled **Becoming Welcoming Communities: Immigration in Light of Biblical Faith**. The Wisconsin Conference will have a vote at the 2017 Annual Meeting whether or not to become an immigrant welcoming conference. They want local churches to study this issue before the meeting. Our study will happen on Sunday's after the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

EXTRA! EXTRA! FIRST U.C.C. NEWS!

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"Blessed is the woman who lets God lead the way."



Sunday School News

By Margaret McFarlane

† We had a great Easter party! Forty people joined us for an afternoon of fun. We enjoyed an egg hunt, face painting, treats, and the Bouncy House. Many thanks to all who helped make it a success!

† The Sunday School choir will sing at the 10:30 service on May 21. The students in Grades 4, 5, 6 will have a special part.

† Our last Sunday School class will be May 21. We will have sundaes as a final treat. Parents are welcome! We will meet in the Education Building basement at 9:45, after we have a short class time and choir.

† Please check the candle lighting schedule ~ students are scheduled through May 21.

† Don't forget to turn in donations for "The Mexican Children's Refuge." Thank you so much for supporting this wonderful project! We want to meet our goal of \$1,000!

† **Summer Fundraiser:** This year our Sunday School is planning on selling food at the July 22nd "McFarnival" event held at McFarlanes' Retail Center. Please watch for further details.



Camp Registration Continues

We are aware of 2 campers who are registered for camp. Church camp is great fun and fellowship. To assist with our camping program, we continue to accept donations to our camp fund until the end of May. If you are planning to go to camp, please let us know by June 1st. Camp website:

ucci.org/pilgrim-center



If your child/children are interested in VBS at First U.C.C., please let us know. This ministry is scheduled for June 12-16, 9:30 a.m.-Noon. A response slip was sent home for families to return to Sunday School or email to: mmcfarlane1219@gmail.com by April 30. We heard from nine out of thirty families. Only four students have committed to attend our VBS program. If you are planning on attending and have not notified us, please contact Margaret as soon as possible.



Summer Music Opportunities!

From Dennis Kahn, Music Director

Please contact Denny Kahn at 370-6000 if you would like to volunteer to provide special music at our worship services this summer.

We have dates available for summer music from Sunday, June 11th, through Sunday, September 3rd.

Following our summer hiatus, First Choir will resume rehearsals on Wednesday, September 6th, at 6:45 p.m. Please consider joining us in the fall, if not before!



As a fundraiser, the Sunday School will continue to sell **Culver's gift cards**. The cards make great gifts". Our Sunday School earns 5% of each sale. There are order forms in the library or e-mail your order to:

mmcfarlane1219@gmail.com



Fifth Annual First Choir Concert!

We are pleased to announce that First Choir will again present a concert on Sunday, May 21st, at 7:00 p.m. in our First United Church of Christ sanctuary. This is a culmination of the choir's work from the entire year.

We hope that everyone in the congregation will come out to attend this celebration of music at First Church. Please extend invitations to friends and family throughout the community.

Refreshments will be served after the concert.

Come one – come all!

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ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST March 5, 2017

- ❖ Call to order by Rose Kleinert, Consistory President
- ❖ Opening Prayer by Pastor Bill
- ❖ Declaration of a quorum – 71 members present
- ❖ Parliamentarian: Tom Litscher
- ❖ Head Teller: Deb Tschudy / Teller: Rita Larsen
- ❖ Approval of minutes from the 2016 Annual Congregational Meeting of March 6, 2016: Motion to approve by Diana Woerpel, second by Kathy Johnson, motion carried.
- ❖ Approval of 2017 Budget as presented by Robin Meier; motion to approve by Mark Pierick, second by Tim Herbrand, motion carried.
- ❖ Approval of Committee Reports as presented in the Annual Report: Brief discussion regarding the Memorial Committee per Robin Meier. The Committee was established a long time ago, however, when its funds became low, the committee disbanded. The Finance committee and Consistory now handle memorials. Motion to approve by Emily Fuchs, second by Peggy Ganser, motion carried.
- ❖ Upcoming Projects and Congregational Issues:

- Mark Pierick discussed Capital Project – dining hall kitchen wall. Project to cost approximately \$9000.00. Motion to move forward with the project made by Amanda Moseman, second by Diana Woerpel, motion carried; replace/cover tile in building-ongoing; working on replacing lights with LED; brick in front of church needing repair; looking at options to move snow blower and supplies from front of building-Mark Pierick to check village ordinances regarding number of outbuildings allowed. Thanked Tim Herbrand for all he does for the church.

❖ New Business/Issues From the Congregation:

- Building use agreement/form. Discussed potential of increasing rent for 4K-to be reviewed by Finance Committee.
- Summer Service – Mark Pierick reviewed Article 9, Section 1, of our Constitution which states that Consistory makes the final decision as to number and frequency of services. Members shared pros and cons of one versus two services, one service may affect radio broadcast time, reviewed data from 2014, 2015, and 2016 which revealed overall attendance and offerings decreased with one service. Motion made by Diana Woerpel to move forward with advisory vote from the Congregation, second by Sharal, motion carried. Congregational Written Vote: yes=37; no=29. Herm Tschudy made motion to direct the Consistory to make final and permanent decision regarding Summer services, motion carried.
- Sandy Larsen spoke in favor of creating programs for younger families within the Church to sustain a younger membership.

- ❖ Consistory Elections: Nominations for two positions, Dean Dahnert and Marcy Thurwachter; motion to close and approve nominations by Diana Woerpel, second by Tammie Huerth, motion carried. Theresa Grimes re-elected to a second 3-year term.
- ❖ Introduction of Consistory Members: Rose Kleinert, Deb Tschudy, Theresa Grimes, Don Larsen, Mark Pierick, Chris Logterman, Shirlee Lendved, Kurt Schultz, Tom Litscher
- ❖ Report from Pastor Bill: Year of renewal and strengthening, offered to meet with individual families in the relaxed, casual setting of their homes.
- ❖ Exiting Consistory Members: Rose Kleinert and Deb Tschudy. Thank you for your time, commitment, and service!
- ❖ Motion to adjourn by Tim Herbrand, second by Emily Fuchs, motion carried.
- ❖ Closing Prayer offered by Pastor Bill.

Immediately following the Annual Meeting, the 2017 Consistory members met for a brief meeting to elect officers:

Mark Pierick – President

Theresa Grimes – Vice President

Chris Logterman – Secretary

Don Larsen - Treasurer

Consistory Minutes
First United Church of Christ
Thursday, March 16, 2017

Attendance: Pastor Bill, Shirlee Lendved, Tom Litscher, Don Larson, Kurt Schultz, Mark Pierick, and Chris Logterman

Absent: Theresa Grimes, Dean Dahnert & Marcy Thurwachter

Opening Prayer: Pastor Bill

Pastor Bill's Report

1. Baptism for Shelby Family on Sunday, March 12
2. Conference Budget meeting March 15
3. Annual Conference Meeting June 8-11
4. May 6th in Monroe SW Annual Meeting. Pastor Bill will not likely be able to attend since he has continuing education requirement on May 5. Mark plans to attend.
5. Pastor Bill will not pursue another term on the UCC Board of Directors
6. Ecumenical Community Lenten Service March 15. Next week is in Leland
7. Worship service at Pines next week and at Maplewood next month
8. Easter – Maundy Thursday and Good Friday service at 7:00 each night, Easter Party Saturday @ 1:00, Easter Sunday 6:30 and 10:30 worship with breakfast after 6:30 service
9. The Star has inquired about UCC to run an ad announcing our services
 - a. Kurt motion to approve running ad, Tom 2nd – motion passed
10. Vacation last week of March. Kurt Schultz will lead worship on April 2. Requesting another week of vacation the last week of April.
 - a. Tom motion to approve, Shirlee 2nd – motion passed

Approval financial statements and invoices

1. Clarify lines 6175 and 6200 w/ Robin – Invite Robin Meier to attend around September to touch base with Consistory and answer questions if we have.
2. Radio broadcast is \$80 to sponsor. About half of our Sunday's have sponsorship. If no sponsor, the Church covers the expense.
3. Tom motion to approve financial report for February, Mark 2nd – motioned passed

Annual Meeting

1. Table topics **from Annual Meeting for discussion until a future meeting when all Consistory members are present.**

Committee Reports

Building & Maintenance

1. Fallen tree in Church park cleaned up by Slater Diederich
2. Another tree on the Church property is starting to rot. Slater Diederich will give an estimate on removal.
3. Handicapped parking signs do not meet federal code per Sauk City inspector. New signs will need to be posted.
4. Kitchen bids will be collected. Mark is working on getting the required 3 bids. Target project to begin in the summer.
5. Concerns over electrical wiring along wall for serving food. Using extension cords is not safe for electrical or personal (tripping hazard) safety. Will need to review amount of electrical service to building.

Christian Fellowship

1. Met on Tuesday, March 13 – Diana Woerpel chair of committee
2. Easter breakfast menu is set.
3. Women's Sunday slated for April 30th and Cecy Haines chair.
4. Plans to update and install diaper changing stations in restrooms

5. Programming – desire to have more programming targeted to young families and discussed options; further discussion to come.

Finance

1. Budget meeting to prepare for Annual Meeting.
2. Discussed scheduling quarterly meetings to track expenses and meet with Robin
3. Request to share expenditures by committee with each committee for tracking

Members in Ministry

1. Actively making visits with communion
2. Grateful for the volunteers who support this ministry

Sunday School/Church Youth Program

1. Collecting money for Mexican Children's Refuge/Mabel's Building Mission until April 30
2. Fun, Float & Fellowship at HS pool is March 25
3. Check out website for Pilgrim's Center and Moon Beach Camp
4. April 9 10:30 Palm Processional
5. April 15 1:00 Easter party
6. No Sunday School on April 16, Easter, and students will not be singing

Ongoing Business

None at this time not listed above.

New Business Issues

1. Request to change the April meeting to the 2nd Thursday rather than the 3rd but it is Maundy Thursday
 - a. Suggested meeting Wednesday, April 12, at 6:30. Mark will check to see if day/time work for absent members.
2. Usher Schedules – Request to have schedules set and distributed. Mark contacting 8:00 AM ushers and Rita Larson contacting 10:30 AM ushers.
 - a. Mark is going to step down from 8:00 AM head usher. Names of volunteers are welcome for consideration.
 - b. April ushers will be set and then a schedule for April 2017-March 2018 will come out soon after
3. Communion Schedule – Request to have communion schedule for the next year, April 2017-March 2018. Mark will check with Rose Kleinert on the status of the schedule. April 2nd there will not be communion.
4. Cindy is recovering well from surgery. She is looking forward to returning to work. She has a few more weeks for recovery to fully heal.
5. Rental for the 4K program was brought up at Annual Meeting. Consistory will need to discuss.
6. Concern over use of parking lot for public parking rather than for church business

Motion to close the meeting by Shirlee, 2nd by Don – motion passed

Closing Prayer: Pastor Bill

Consistory Minutes

First United Church of Christ

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

Attendance: Pastor Bill, Shirlee Lendved, Tom Litscher, Don Larson, Kurt Schultz, Mark Pierick, Dean Dahnert, Marcy Thurwachter, Theresa Grimes, and Chris Logterman

 **Opening Prayer:** Pastor Bill

 **Pastor Bill's Report:**

1. WI Conference Annual Meeting 2016 resolution to be an immigrant welcoming conference. Motion passed to engage in a study to become an immigrant welcoming conference. In June at the 2017 Annual Meeting a formal vote will be held. Vote will be held at the national level to be an immigrant welcoming denomination. Pastor Bill will perform a study in May following each of the 10:30 services with 1 hour conversations in the Fireside Room. Pastor Bill hopes to have a variety of voices and viewpoints to discuss in relation to the Bible.
2. Sauk Prairie Nursery had rent increased in 2015 to \$500/month from \$200/month. They use the space 9 months but pay for 10, set up and take down each academic year. They take care of their maintenance and assist with projects in the education building. The relationship with the Nursery is valuable to the Church.
3. Brat stand April 8-9 for Mission Trip in 2018. Made \$1,066.00 Thank you to all who helped with their time and talents.
4. Alton Accola requested Church host contemporary Christmas Concert featuring The Niskas. Two concerts on December 1 and 2. Tickets would be \$15 in advance and \$18 at door. Alton offered to promote and assist with program.
 - a. Kurt move to host the Niskas concert , Tom 2nd, motion passed
5. Ministerial Discernment Committee formed to assist Carolyn Kennedy with her journey to become a licensed minister. May 11 Conference will interview Carolyn. Pastor Bill and Deb Tschudy will attend the interview with Carolyn.

 **Approval of financial statements and invoices**

Annual meeting

1. No statements to review.

 **Committee Reports and Updates:**

- Building & Maintenance
 1. Kitchen – Mason cannot start work until sometime in June.
 2. LED light bulbs purchased and starting to replace the bulbs. Working to determine how much light from lights so replacement bulbs maintain levels to meet building code as well as color of lighting.
- Christian Fellowship
 1. Met April 11 and discussed Women's Sunday, April 30. Pastor Bill on vacation April 24-30.
 2. Cleaning days April 8-9 and few members attended to help. Suggested hiring a business to clean. Issue for Consistory to discuss.
 3. Fall picnic in the park and summer worship service in the park were discussed.
 4. Discussed going to a Mallard's game and having a social bonfire.
 5. Working on decorations for Easter
 6. Coffee fellowship upcoming
- Finance
 1. Committee willing to meet regularly under the direction of Consistory.
 2. Discussions on how to determine which expenses are building and which are maintenance. Robin Meier offered to discuss with Consistory. Suggested Finance Committee review some expenses and make recommendations for future budget development.
 3. Clarifications from Robin for the March financial report.
 - a. Discussion of lease of copier and expenses
 - b. Some expenses were paid in January 2017 but we received bills in December 2016.
 - c. No line items for each donation opportunity on financial report
 4. Robin suggested reviewing our system for tracking financials.

- Members in Ministry
 1. Actively making visits. Thank you to our members serving.
- Sunday School/Church Youth Program
 1. April 9 – egg dying and decorating bags for Easter party. Palm processional at 10:30 service.
 2. April 15 – Easter party at 1:00
 3. April 30 – Donations for Mabel's/Mexican Refuge Building Fund due
 4. Collecting donations for camp to assist with expenses.
 5. Culver's gift cards changed profit for cards. Previously, we received 15%. Now we will receive 5%. Discussing how to move forward.
 6. Sunday school brat stand July 14-15. Great fundraiser and opportunity to connect with Sunday School families
 7. Week of June 12th VBS; Margaret McFarlane requesting interest to determine enrollment
 8. Youth having a bake sale Saturday, April 29th at McFarlane's from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM
 9. Confirmation Sunday June 4

Ongoing Business Update:

- Church kitchen bids
- Nothing to review at this time.

New Business Issues

1. Questions about locking doors during Easter Services
 - a. Safety concerns
 - b. Discussion about being more aware of surroundings vs locking doors
 - i. Will first responders be able to get in with locked doors?
 - ii. People inside will be able to get out if doors locked.
 - iii. Additional ushers to greet at the door
 - iv. Doors for Education Building will be locked, no Sunday School Easter Sunday.
2. Summer Service Schedule
 - a. A final decision is needed rather than voting at each annual meeting
 - b. One service vs two services – Discussion of congregation comments received by Consistory members
 - i. Full church with one service
 - ii. Provides more free/family time during summer
 - iii. Not as many opportunities to worship
 - iv. Four years of votes at annual meeting in favor of one service
 1. One year was a sabbatical year for our pastor
 2. One year was a closer vote with much debate
 - v. Radio broadcast moving to 9:00 spot for summer and 8:00 during other months may not be an option in the future
 - vi. Overall attendance down with one service
 - vii. Commitment to keep 10:30 service also desired
 - viii. People want to worship when they come to a service, regardless of time
 - c. Concerns about the divisiveness of this topic
 - d. Theresa move to have one service, Kurt 2nd, Amended to specify June, July, and August 2017, accepted by Theresa and Kurt 2nd
 - i. Discussion
 - ii. Vote – 8 yay, 1 nay; motion passed
 - e. Mark move to have 9:00 AM service in Summer 2017, Shirlee 2nd
 - i. Vote – 8 yay, 1 nay; motion passed
3. Parsonage porch
 - a. structure integrity is good, needs coat of paint
4. Cindy wanting to return to work; recuperation still ongoing
5. Insurance Policy
 - a. Terrorism coverage is an option we can add to our coverage
 - b. Requested information on cost and coverage
6. Adjourn meeting
 - a. Motion to adjourn by Chris, Don 2nd, motion carried

Closing Prayer: Pastor Bill

Next Consistory Meeting: May 18, 2017

Christian Fellowship

Minutes of April 11th

From Dianna Woerpel

OPENING PRAYER

OLD BUSINESS:

1. DECORATING FOR EASTER: Kathy Johnson and Tammie Huerth planning. Plants can be brought to church on Thursday, Friday or early Saturday morning and left on table in entryway. Set up for Maundy Thursday service on Thursday noon. They would also like help in making a new banner for Easter next year. Will check with members in Congregation who quilt.
2. Easter Sunday Breakfast at 7:30 following Sunrise Service at 6:30. Preparation will be done at Wyttenbach's Meat Market on Saturday morning. Funeral in church on Sat afternoon so decorations and setting up tables will need to be done after that. Free Will Offering. Will need help for breakfast. Fritz is organizing. Bless his heart!!!!
3. Women's Sunday, April 30th, when Pastor Bill gone. Denny Kahn, Fritz Wyttenbach, Sharal Steuber and Charmaine Carter will each honor a woman in their lives who has made a difference. Deb Tschudy, Sandy Larsen and Dianna Woerpel will find women to do readings. Cecy Haines organizing service. Flowers needed to honor women who have passed away this past year. Deb will get flowers.
4. KOALA changing tables purchased for men and women's bathrooms on second floor. (near office). On sale so total cost \$423.34. Chris Garcia has already installed them.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. MOTHER CHILD BANQUET: MAY 16th. Sandy Larson suggested planting some flower pots and taking them to shut-ins and members in Assisted Living and Nursing Homes. Everything could be set up in ED BLDG basement so any mess confined to there. Will check with McFarlanes for potting soil, flowers and other supplies.

Someone will need to do decorations for tables. Fritz said men will serve "million dollar spaghetti" and "dirt cake" with gummy worms. Need RSVP sheet for banquet. Didn't discuss price.

2. Church Cleaning on April 7th and 8th. Very small turnout. Thanks to Dennis and grandson, Noah, for helping, Kathy Johnson and Vera, Adam Baier and Dianna Woerpel. Discussed ideas for how to handle cleaning. Suggestion to take this to Consistory and see if consideration of hiring professional cleaners once a year and to do windows. Past few cleaning days have had poor turn out and discussion indicated this is not necessarily an issue for Christian Fellowship. Years ago it included a pot luck and large volunteer group but everyone is busier with family, etc.
3. Coffee Fellowship on Mother's Day, May 14th. Fritz will ask men to bring their Mom's favorite "store bought" cookie for treats.
4. Fellowship suggestions: Bus for group to go to Mallards game. Lenz bus service has offered a bus. Pastor Bill will check with Mallard's organization re: group tickets. Suggestion to use Church Park more often, outdoor grill after Service in Park this summer, Sunday School Picnic in September. Possibility of inflatable outdoor movie screen for movie this summer. Charmaine Carter to check with Rec Dept. Possibility of having Christian Fellowship meet at Blue Spoon. Possibility of scheduled lunch outings. Possibility of outdoor bonfire – maybe at Larsen's this summer.

Meeting ended with Lord's Prayer. Next meeting May 9th at 6:30 p.m.



***A Mother's Love Is Our First
Glimpse Of Heaven!***



Dedication of
“Our Living Memorials”
May 2016 – May 2017

On Sunday, May 28, we will observe the annual dedication of “Our Living Memorials.” The Memorial Committee is very grateful for each of the monetary remembrances given to the Memorial Fund during this past year in **loving memory** of the following individuals:

Bonnie Dahnert	Reta Lysenko
Doug Steuber	Dave Litscher
Doris Steuber	Millie Larsen
Russlyn Haselwander	John Shelby
Lewis Peterson	Ivan Hehenberger
Ruth Hehenberger	Jim Price
Yvonne Richmond	Barb Meyer
Charlie Ritchie	

A special thank-you to the Schorer Foundation for their continued support of our Memorial Fund.

To the glory of God, and in the name of First United Church of Christ, we dedicate these gifts, expressing heartfelt appreciation to all who have supported the Memorial Fund in remembrance of their loved one.



Rose Kleinert,
In loving memory of her mother, Catherine Schoen

Steve & Marcy Thurwachter,
In loving memory of Marcy's parents, Merton & Shirley Moely

Sharal Steuber,
In loving memory of her husband, Theron Steuber

Larry & Nettie Gander,
In loving memory of their son, Larry Dean

Ed & Rita Larsen and Family,
In loving memory of Rita's parents, Donald & Hildegarde;
brother, Eddie; & sister-in-law, Carol Wagner

Liz Bongard and Family,
In loving memory of their husband, father, grandfather,
and great-grandfather, Vic Bongard

Dean Dahnert and Family,
In loving memory of Bonnie Dahnert and Leon & Barb Stedman

Lois Polacek,
In loving memory of Lillas Barker

Russ & Sherry Pieper,
In loving memory of their parents

Cecy Haines,
In loving memory of her husband, Pete Haines
And her father, Alan Von Behren, Sr.



THANKS FROM THE **HE ♥ RT!**

From Ted Larsen & Family

The family of Millie Larsen wishes to express their deep appreciation to those who have offered such kindness, support and messages of sympathy and comfort in our bereavement. We especially wish to thank all those who visited Millie in the hospital and nursing home; she cherished those visits. Her church family was very important to her, and your friendship and fellowship gave her joy every day.

From Pat Shelby & Family

I would like to thank my church family for your support, prayers, and help with food. Please know you are all in my heart. God bless you!

From Larry Gander, Korean Veteran

Many thanks to Pastor Bill and all my friends at First U.C.C. who made my mail call on the Honor Flight the best of my life!

From Ed & Rita Larsen

We want to thank our church family for their thoughts, prayers and cards during my sister-in-law, Carol Wagner's final days and passing. With family and friends it makes sad times easier.



Thanks & **A Tip Of The Halo**

A big thank you to our Tenebrae disciples: **Duane Woerpel, Jamie Wittwer, Herm Tschudy, Terry Steuber, Don Larsen, Tom Litscher, Tim Herbrand, & Mark Pierick.**

A special thank you to Christian Fellowship for organizing this year's **Women's Sunday**; to Charmaine Carter, Fritz Wytenbach, Sharal Steuber, and Dennis Kahn for sharing their stories about important women in their lives; and to all the women who took part in the wonderful service.

FROM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Easter breakfast. A special thank-you to Fritz Wytenbach, who organized this event!

Thank you to **everyone** who donated plants and flowers for our Easter Garden. It was so beautiful, and it was really nice to see all the wonderful colors in church.

Thank you to the **hostesses** who helped with the funerals during February, March, and April.



Memorials Report

Memorial gifts were received in April
in loving memory of:

Millie Larsen
Reta Lysenko
John Shelby

A monetary gift was, also, received
from the Schorer Foundation.

Radio Ministry

We thank the April sponsors of our 8:00
Sunday worship service radio broadcasts:

The Accola Family, in loving memory of
their parents', Andrew & Anna Accola,
wedding anniversary.
Jamie & Karen Wittwer, in loving memory
of Jamie's father, Clifford Wittwer,
Steve & Marcy Thurwachter, in loving
memory of Marcy's mother, Shirley
Moely.
Rod & Carol Hehenberger, in loving
memory of Carol's mom, Luella Jensen.



May Anniversaries In Our Church Family



John & Pat Boehmer, 56 years on May 2
Lowell & Winnie Grass, 59 years on May 10

Greetings to all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in May!

We acknowledge 1st anniversaries; anniversaries ending in 5 or 0; and all over 50.
Please let us know if we missed you on the May birthday calendar!!

May and June Ushers

8:00	May	10:30	9:00	June
Emily Fuchs Rose Kleinert Mark Frosch		Rick, Jeanann, Bailey & Taylor Breininger		Herm & Debbie Tschudy Rod & Carol Hehenberger

May and June Communion Servers

8:00	May 7	10:30	June 4: 9:00 a.m
Barb Brock Rose Kleinert Marcy Thurwachter Debbie Tschudy		Sharon Diehl Carol Hehenberger Rita Larsen Jamie Wittwer	Theresa Grimes Shirlee Lendved Chris Logterman Tom Litscher

Summer Services at First U.C.C.:

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our worship service will be held at 9:00 a.m. We hope to see you there!**

FIRST UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

504 Washington Avenue
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May 2017

- 9 Christian Fellowship Committee: 6:30 p.m.
- 14 "Happy Mother's Day!
Coffee Fellowship: Hosted by the men of the Church ☺
- 16 Mother-Child Banquet: Banquet starts at 5:30 p.m.; dinner at 6:00 p.m.
- 18 Consistory: 6:30 p.m.
- 21 Last day of Sunday School: Sundae Sunday
Sunday School Choir sings at the 10:30 Worship Service
5th Annual First Choir Concert: 7:00 p.m.
- 28 Dedication of "Our Living Memorials"
- 29 Memorial Day: Church Office Closed

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8:00 a.m. (broadcast over WRPQ AM740 and FM99.7) and 10:30 a.m.
9:10-10:10 a.m. for ages 3 through 6th grade (through May 21st)
9:00-10:15 a.m.; Adult Bible Study: 9:10 a.m.