



## **September thru May** **Schedule at First U.C.C.**

### **Beginning September 4**

#### **First Choir**

Time: 6:45-7:45 p.m.

### **Beginning September 8**

#### **Worship Services**

8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

#### **Sunday School & Confirmation**

9:10 a.m.

**Adult Bible Study:** 9:10 a.m.

#### **Annual “Picnic in the Park”**

Following the 10:30 worship service

### **Wednesday Night Fellowship**

#### **Beginning September 11**

#### **Fellowship Dinner**

Time: 5:30 p.m.

#### **Contemporary Worship Service**

Time: 6:00 p.m.



## **Confirmation 2019-2020**



It is that time of the year to start thinking about confirmation. All students from First UCC entering 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades are invited and encouraged to attend. Our first day of confirmation will be held on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, from 9:10-10:10 a.m. We will hand out materials and schedules. Each of our confirmands is encouraged to bring along a Bible. We will be using the *Faith Inkubators* curriculum this year. I am looking forward to the material we will cover: The Old Testament, The New Testament, and The Ten Commandments. Our confirmation program will have a mission component as we sponsor Dian, a girl from Indonesia whom we “adopted” through Compassion International at the 2010 spring youth retreat in the Dells. I am looking forward to a positive confirmation experience this year and hope to see you on the 8<sup>th</sup>!

Blessings, Pastor Bill



**Sunday Morning  
Adult Study**

Mark Pierick will be leading an Adult Bible Study beginning Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, at 9:10 a.m. The Bible Study will be held in the downstairs kitchen of the Education Building. Come join us!



## Sunday School News

From Margaret McFarlane

\* I am pleased to announce that Brigitta Brickl has agreed to be co-superintendent with me this year. As an active member of our church and Sunday School parent, I am looking forward to Brigitta's ideas and partnership. With the collective efforts of our Sunday School team, I am confident that we have a positive year ahead of us.

\* Sunday School starts September 8<sup>th</sup>. If your child will be coming for the first time this fall, please call the church office by September 1<sup>st</sup> to register him/her. This is helpful in ordering materials and for teacher preparation. We accept children 3 years old and older into our program. Classes run from 9:10-10:10 a.m.

\* The Church picnic is going to be awesome this year! It will be September 8<sup>th</sup>. We will be having it in the Church park (weather permitting). The Sunday School is providing the FUN! We hope to see you there.

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

\* Our Sunday School staff is anticipating a wonderful year of Christian Education!

## The Power of Connections

The **Sunday School** will be focusing on the Power of Connections again this year. We hope to create opportunities to connect, grow, and care for one another as a church family.



connect : grow : serve



## **Music At First Church!**

From Dennis Kahn

Here we are at the end of August and it is time to think about *First Choir* starting soon, and we welcome all to be a part of music at First Church!

Thanks to all who attended our 8<sup>th</sup> *Annual First Choir Concert* in May. I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to all who contributed special music over the summer months. While *First Choir* has enjoyed a few brief months off, the special music provided wonderful performances to praise God and enhance our worship services.

Now that the summer months are coming to an end and September is upon us, it is time to think about *First Choir!* All are welcome to be involved! Hopefully, all our past members and some new will join our ranks! Even if you have not been involved in the past, perhaps this is the time for you to “come on board!” Our music ministry program cannot exist without your participation. Please call me at 370-6000 or 963-4915 if you have questions or would like a folder reserved for the fall! Also, we always welcome special music for the Sundays that *First Choir* is not scheduled to sing!

***First Choir*** will begin with their first rehearsal at 6:45 p.m. on Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>.

Please try to find time in your schedules to be a part of music at First Church!



**Stock The Schools!!! Sauk Prairie School Students In Need:** September's items are individual packages of crackers (Goldfish, Ritz Sandwiches, etc.) and new or gently used (clean) leggings & sweatpants (size child 6–adult 2XL). There is a box as you come into church to put your purchases in. Thank you to everyone who has donated!

**6:8 Community Meal** is held every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month. Time: 5-7pm. Address: 821 Industry Dr., Sauk City. **FREE FOR ALL**. Childcare available.



The Stewardship Committee invites you to a presentation by Rev. Andrew Warner on Sunday, September 22, at 5:00 pm in the church dining hall. The presentation is entitled; "Leaving a Legacy, a discussion about the spirituality of generosity and the practicalities of making a legacy gift as part of one's estate planning."

Andrew B. Warner, CFRE, serves as Director of Development for the Wisconsin Conference UCC. He leads the fundraising efforts of the conference, supports the planned giving and effective philanthropy of congregations, and works to organize a foundation based on a community foundation model for the endowments of the conference and congregations.

First UCC has invited the congregations of First Congregational UCC, Baraboo and the Mazomanie United Church of Christ to join us. A light dinner will be served prior to the presentation.

A sign-up sheet is located in the narthex. Please indicate the number of people attending so that we can make plans for the dinner. There will be a freewill offering for the dinner. The Stewardship Committee hopes you will attend!



## **Members in Ministry**

Do you like to meet people? Is conversation with another person an enjoyable activity? Are you a person with compassion? Do you have one hour each month for service in the church?

## **We need You!!!**

Members-in-Ministry invites you to become part of the Care Visit Team (CVT). CVT members visit those in our congregation who are unable to get out and about, those who are residents in care facilities, and those recovering from hospitalizations. This is a rewarding ministry that is vital to our fellowship. Unfortunately, the list of people to be visited is growing, and the list of CVT members is shrinking. Visits take place anytime during the month, weekday, or weekend. This is an opportunity for those who work outside the home and those who work in the home.

If you can help us, please call Liz Bongard at 643-6391 or the Church office at 643-8387.





## *A Pat On The Back and ...*

Thank you to **Dianna, Peggy,** and **Rose** for helping with Tina Wilkinson's funeral luncheon.

Thank you to **Debbie** and **Emily** for helping with Kay Accola's funeral luncheon.

Thank you to **Lois Price** for taking the clothes we have collected for Sauk County Human Services to Baraboo.

Thank you to **Chris** for trimming the shrubs around the church.

Thank you to **Charmaine** and **Peggy** for hosting Coffee Fellowship on August 11.

Thank you to **McFarlanes' Manufacturing** and **Chris** for moving the shed.



We had a great service in our church park! Thank you **Fritz** for making today a "take-your-tractor-to-church-day" so many of our members showed up with

their tractors old and new...what a sight to see.

Special thanks to **Denny** for playing such wonderful music and **Ed & Linda Lehan** for arriving extra early to help set up chairs. 61 people were in attendance and all 61 helped in one way or another – THANK YOU.

*Rose Kleinert*, Christian Fellowship



## *Lucinda Gruber's* *100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration*

For Lucinda Gruber, United Church of Christ has been a very big part of her life.

Come help her celebrate 100 years on Earth October 5<sup>th</sup> at Maplewood Village from 1:30pm to 3pm. Music will be provided by Uncle Ozzie from 1:30pm to 2:30pm. No gifts please.

If you prefer to send a card, it can be sent to Lucinda Gruber c/o Pine Villa, 950 Prairie Street, Prairie du Sac, WI. 53578. Her birthday is Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>.

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**SEPTEMBER SCOOP**

*This month's SCOOP is sponsored by Sharal Steuber, in loving memory of her beloved husband, Theron, and their 64<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on September 2<sup>nd</sup> and in celebration of her son and daughter-in-law's, Brian & Kim Steuber, 30<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on the same day.*

- 2     **Have a Safe & Happy Labor Day!** Church Office closed
- 4     **First Choir Resumes Rehearsals:** 6:45 p.m.
- 5     **O & A Subcommittee:** 6:00 p.m.
- 8     **Two Worship Services resume:** 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.  
      **2019-2020 Sunday School Year begins:** 9:10 a.m.  
      **2019-2020 Confirmation Year begins:** 9:10 a.m.  
      **Adult Bible Study begins:** 9:10 a.m.  
      **Annual Picnic in the Park:** following the 10:30 Worship Service
- 11   **Fellowship Night at First UCC:** **Casual Dinner in Dining Room:** 5:30 p.m.  
      (Every Wednesday thereafter)     **Contemporary Worship Service:** 6:00 p.m.  
   **First Choir:** 6:45 p.m.
- 17   **Finance Committee:** 7:00 p.m.
- 19   **Consistory:** 6:30 p.m.
- 22   **Presentation by Rev. Andrew Warner hosted by the Stewardship Committee:**  
      5:00 p.m. A light dinner will be served prior to the presentation.
- Sunday Worship**     8:00 a.m. (broadcast over WRPQ AM740 & FM99.7) & 10:30 a.m.
- Sunday School**     9:10-10:10 a.m. for ages 3 years old and older
- Confirmation**     9:10-10:20 a.m.; **Adult Bible Study:** 9:10 a.m.

## Memorial Report

No Gifts were received in August.

## Radio Broadcasts

We thank the August sponsors of our 8:00 a.m. Sunday worship service radio broadcasts:

Lucinda Gruber, in loving memory of her Husband, Lloyd Gruber.

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

The Accola Family, in loving memory of their sister and aunt, Ruth Accola.



## September Anniversaries In Our Church Family



Brian & Kim Steuber, 30 years on September 2  
Tom & Peggy Alt, 54 years on September 4  
Russell & Sherry Pieper, 53 years on September 10  
Larry & Kathy Johnson, 51 years on September 21  
Doug & Kari Larsen, 15 years on September 25

Greetings to all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in September!

### Ushers

8:00

September

10:30

The whole month is open.

Jacob & Ben Kapp  
(The whole month of Oct.)

### Ushers

8:00

October

10:30

6<sup>th</sup> Missy Brickl, Barb Brock  
Terry Steuber

The rest of the month is open.

Scott & Theresa Grimes  
(The whole month of Oct.)

## Communion Servers

### September 1

9:00 a.m.

Nadene Litscher  
Kurt Schultz  
Fritz Wyttenbach

### October 6

8:00 a.m.

Sharon Diehl  
Gary Schlender  
Dianna Woerpel

10:30 a.m.

Ed & Rita Larsen  
Chris Logterman

Rev. Bill Kapp  
Pastor

**Office Hours:** Tuesday through Friday: 9:00-Noon;  
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September



LEARNING is FUN!





# Consistory Minutes

## *First United Church of Christ*

*Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup>*

Attendance: Pastor Bill, Mark Pierick, Chris Logterman, Peggy Ganser, Tammie Huerth, Marcy Thurwachter, Dean Dahnert, and Heather Miller

Absent: Kurt Schultz and Don Larsen

✚ Opening Prayer: Pastor Bill

✚ Pastor Bill's Report

- See report in the September Scoop

✚ Committee Reports and Updates:

- Building & Maintenance
  - Wifi will be operational by September 1
  - Parsonage driveway cement repair bids requested
  - Parsonage porch needs painting, Dave Bongard looking at the project
  - Lawn mower repaired
  - Utility shed needs to be moved away from the window
- Christian Fellowship
  - See report in the September Scoop
  - Planning for service in the park on August 25, radio broadcast will be prerecorded
  - Fall picnic September 8
  - Coffee Fellowship and church cleaning planned
- Finance
  - Approve financial statements
    - Mark move to approve June financials, Marcy second, motion passed
  - Finance Committee did not meet in July.
    - Paperwork to transfer funds from Morgan Stanley to TrustPoint will be signed August 16.
    - August meeting scheduled for August 20
- Members in Ministry
  - Actively making visits

- New members welcome
- Much of the work is behind the scenes with prayers, visits, and communion
- Sunday School/Church Youth Program
  - See report in the September Scoop
  - Youth Group
    - Promoting Youth Exchange in 2020 and 2020
    - Mission June 2020
    - Confirmation will be May 31 at 10:30 service
- Stewardship
  - No meeting in August
  - August 27 at 5:45PM meeting regarding estate planning with gifts to church in mind with Rev. Andrew Warner, CFRE, Director of Development, Wisconsin Conference UCC
  - September 22 at 5:00PM presentation to Sauk Prairie community members on estate planning by Rev. Warner. Light supper included.
  - Dean moves to host Rev. Warner from the Conference regarding estate planning with the understanding that 10% of gifts are earmarked for the Conference to support greater church mission, Chris second, motion passes.
- Open & Affirming
  - August meeting focused on process at another church
  - Will begin collecting information from other committees

#### Ongoing Business Update

- Cow Chip Chicken-Q
  - Carry-out orders and \$1.00 entrance fee
  - Volunteers will have pass for entrance on Friday
- Ushers
  - Ushers needed, sign-up in the back of church
  - Great opportunity to bring members to service and participating
- Membership
  - Letters sent and responses due by October 1. People are starting to respond.

#### New Business Issues

- Mazomanie First UCC had fire recently. They will be holding services again on Sunday.

- Creation of a how-to guide on how to turn on lights, microphones, keyboard, etc.

#### Adjourn

- Chris move to adjourn the meeting, Tammie second, motion passed

#### Closing Prayer: Pastor Bill

#### Next Consistory Meeting: September 19<sup>th</sup>

Dear Consistory,

We're a little over three weeks out until the beginning of the new program year at First UCC. I'm looking forward to getting our Christian education and music programs going once again, as well as our Wednesday evening contemporary worship services.

I'm appreciative of our church staff: Cindy Baker, Chris Garcia, Dennis Kahn and Margaret McFarlane for all their efforts as we gear up for a new program year. I'm also thankful for our support staff, Sunday school teachers, Sunday school helpers and worship leaders. It really takes a group effort to make our ministry go. I'm grateful for your efforts as a consistory. You are giving your time and efforts, lending your skills and expertise and providing much needed leadership in the life of First UCC.

In terms of my report:

- 1.) UEK/UCC Conference Working Group meets at the Wisconsin Conference Office this Wednesday, August 14 from 10am to 1pm. I have been put on this committee to help coordinate the next incarnation of the Young Ambassadors youth exchange scheduled for 2020/2021.
- 2.) The First UCC food stand will be up and running this weekend, August 16-18, up at the Badger Steam and Gasoline Engine Club. This is a wonderful way to earn funds for church initiatives. I'll be working Friday 6am-1pm.
- 3.) As per Finance Committee recommendation (and Consistory approval) Tim Homar and I are signing papers August 18 at 1:30pm with Trustpoint to transfer all existing church funds from our Morgan Stanley Account. This move will protect the church from potential stock market volatility, as we will liquidate the stock and money market assets and transfer into a low expense index fund.
- 4.) I have worship services at The Pines (3pm) and the Pine Villa (3:30pm) on August 22.
- 5.) We have our worship service in the park on August 25. The radio broadcast will be compromised somewhat. Perhaps I'll have to do a recording and run it up to WRPQ in Baraboo.
- 6.) A friendly reminder that I'll be taking my third week of vacation the week of August 26. Kurt Schultz will lead worship on September 1.

Grace and Peace,  
Pastor Bill

## *Christian Fellowship Agenda (August 13th)*

*Attending:* Pastor Bill, Deb Tschudy, Pggy Ganser, Sherry Pieper, Carol Hehenberger and Rose Kleinert

*Opening Prayer:* Pastor Bill



- ❖ **August 11<sup>th</sup>** – Coffee Fellowship ( thank you Charmaine and Peggy)
- ❖ **August 25<sup>th</sup>** – 9:00 am service in the Park (sign-up sheet for volunteers) provide fliers for church doors, Piggly Wiggly etc.



- ❖ **September 8<sup>th</sup> - Church Picnic** – after 10:30 service in the park
  - Sign-up sheets for park set-up and desserts
  - Galen Alwin will grill pork chops & chicken
  - Free will offering



- ❖ **October 12<sup>th</sup>** - Fall Cleaning Days (8:00 – 12:00)
- ❖ **October 20<sup>th</sup>** - Coffee fellowship

*Closing Prayer:* Pastor Bill

Next meeting is Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm





Fall into our 2019-2020 education season by  
joining us on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>  
for our annual First UCC  
Picnic in the Park (11:45 am)

PLEASE SIGN-UP for your meat preference by September 1<sup>st</sup>  
There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church  
or call the church office at 643-8387.