



Focus on Faith

Faith United Church of Christ

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PASTORAL PONDERINGS

“He is not here; he has risen!” ~ Luke 24:6-7

By the time you read this, we will officially be over half done with the season of Lent. It always amazes me how quickly this time of reflection and repentance goes by.

This year, we have been discussing the topic of being “Good Enough”, just as we are. In a world where we are bombarded by people telling us we need to be better, to be more successful, to produce more, God loves us just as we are—flaws and all! And what a beautiful message to hear!

As we continue to walk this journey, we find ourselves being presented with many “firsts.” This is the first time in the history of Faith UCC that we have shared ministry space with another church. This is the first time in the history of Faith UCC that we have shared decorating the altar. This is the first time that we have shared our Soup and Conversation in the way that we are. (Yes, we have shared with Edwards a couple years ago, but this is the first time doing it this way!)

Maybe the biggest “first” is going to be Easter Sunday morning. As you know, First Christian worships at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday afternoons. But to celebrate EASTER SUNDAY, on EASTER VIGIL SATURDAY, doesn’t fit the narrative. After much discussion among themselves, First Christian decided they would like to worship as their own church on Easter Sunday (not combine worship), as this is their “first” Easter outside of the building they sold.

Pastor Linda and First Christian’s board approached me and asked how we could make it work. The answer that Faith UCC came up with was another “first.”

This Easter, April 17, **First Christian DOC will worship at 9:00 a.m.**, and **Faith UCC will worship at 11:00 a.m.** Please feel free to join either service, either in person, or on Facebook Live.

We have also been invited to join the P.U.N.C.H Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Cork Hill Park. (See details on page 4.)

Page 4 also has the rest of the Lent Schedule. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. In the meantime, may you remember, in the core of your being, you are GOOD ENOUGH!

~ Always Peace, *Pastor Heidi*



Pastor Heidi will be on vacation April 18-24.

The Faith Female God Squad will lead worship on Sunday, April 24 for Holy Humor Sunday!

Rev. Mariah Marlin-Warfield will be on call in case of an emergency that week. If you need her, you may contact her at 773-420-6426.

FROM THE COUNCIL:

Church Council Highlights – March 13, 2022

Property:

Jim Spies will create a mowing schedule.

Outreach:

Share-A-Meal to be served Monday, March 29.

Spiritual Life:

Soup and Conversation is every Wednesday evening through Lent.

Christian Education:

Jill is thinking about ideas for VBC.

Other Business:

A large outside banner will be placed in the front yard. It indicates Faith UCC and First Christian both worship in this building.

Next Council Meeting: Sunday, April 10, 2022

Newsletter articles due the 3rd Sunday of the month.

May Newsletter article deadline is April 17

May Newsletter will be mailed April 27

2022 Council Meetings

Second Sunday of the month at 12:00 p.m.

At this point, we will meet face to face, unless otherwise requested.

April 10	May 8	June 12
July 10	Aug. 14	Sept. 11
Oct. 19	Nov. 13	Dec. 11

Share-A-Meal

The next time we are scheduled to serve will be **Friday, April 29, 2022.**

Treasurer's Report February 2022

PLEDGE ACCOUNT	MO.PLEDGE	FEB	GIVEN YTD
General Fund	\$ 6,326.00	\$ 6,440.00	\$ 11,542.50
OCWM	\$ 100.00	\$ 90.00	\$ 190.00
Maintenance Reserve	\$ 266.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 475.00
Non-Pledge Gen Fund	\$ -	\$ 315.00	\$ 530.00
Total Giving	\$ 6,692.00	\$ 7,025.00	\$ 12,737.50

GENERAL FUND	MO BUDGET		TOTAL YTD
Pledged & NP Giving	\$ 6,326.00	\$ 6,755.00	\$ 12,072.50
Misc Gen Fund Giving	\$ -	\$ 73.60	\$ 108.05
Transfers In	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,915.98
Shared Space Inc	\$ -	\$ 1,819.27	\$ 3,145.37
Total Gen Fund Inc	\$ 6,326.00	\$ 8,647.87	\$ 18,241.90

Pastor Expense	\$ 6,733.00	\$ 6,008.74	\$ 11,248.16
Employee Expense	\$ 1,453.00	\$ 829.56	\$ 2,283.12
Church Ministry Exp	\$ 339.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 265.58
Office Expense	\$ 382.00	\$ 298.70	\$ 719.21
Property Expense	\$ 1,528.00	\$ 2,124.56	\$ 4,775.56
Total Gen Fun Exp	\$ 10,435.00	\$ 9,281.56	\$ 19,291.63

Net General Fund \$ (4,109.00) \$ (633.69) \$ (1,049.73)

Submitted by Martha Watters

Notes from the Council President

Happy Easter!



I hope everyone has been enjoying our Lenten season and the "Good Enough" series.

I know I have!

Very soon we will have a new banner in front of the church that will let everyone know we are sharing our worship space with First Christian DOC. Council is also looking at options to provide more security cameras in our spaces behind the church building. More to follow once we have done more research.

Cheryl Leamer —Council President



WOMEN'S GROUP
We will NOT have Women's Group in April due to Lent.

WE ARE REGISTERED!

Watch for details regarding donating to Birdies for Charity to help Faith UCC! *Our number is 2307.*



- 6 Lyndy Holdt
- 8 Peyton Ozmon
- 15 Bob Cobb
- 19 Kirsten Gebhardt
- 19 Jill Pepper
- 30 Cassandra Disney



We Pray For

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. May this be so. Amen.

Our Faith Family

Janelle Hoker
Pam Edmond
Mick Noteboom
Hazel McBride
Sheryl Mortimore
Barb Bullock
Jan Johnson
Karen Risler
Rev. Barb Koenig

Our Homebound

Dorris Adams
Millie Allison
Paul Dammeier
Marlene Long
John Raap
Lois Wellendorf
Helen Wiese

Our Family and Friends

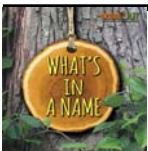
Judy Prideg
Judy Pepper
Twin preemies – Smith and Wesson
Nicholas Passcuzzi
Erin Cavan
Terry Showens
17 year old daughter of a friend of Gloria Kuehl

Our World

The Balkans—Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Hungary, Romania, Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine, Armenia, Azerbaijan, and Georgia

Our deepest condolences go to Wendy Padavich on the death of her grandmother.

**Please contact the office if you or someone you know is in need of pastoral visit.
563-391-5726 Please note the hospitals no longer notify us.**



**2022 Pilgrim Heights
Camp Schedule**

YOU AND ME CAMP (\$250)
K-5th Grades
June 26-28 and
July 31-Aug. 2

PRIMARY CAMP (\$300)
K-2nd Grades
July 10-13

MID-LEVEL CAMP (\$350)
3rd – 5th Grades
July 17-21

JR. HIGH CAMP (\$350)
6th-8th Grades
July 24-28

HIGH SCHOOL CAMP (\$350)
9th-12th Grades
July 24-28

See Pastor Heidi for more information, or go to pilgrimheights.org.



He's Alive!

**Little Dresses For Africa (LDFA)
sewing group is meeting again!
Fridays from 1:30-3:30 p.m.
Please watch schedule for any changes.**



A very BIG thank you to the Faith UCC congregation for the \$250 donation to help the LITTLE Dresses For Africa sewing group with mailing expenses. We have another 100 dresses ready to ship now and appreciate your support! Thank You!

*Arlene Barclay, Barb Martin, Felma Sanchez, Paula Saucedo,
and Connie Aust*

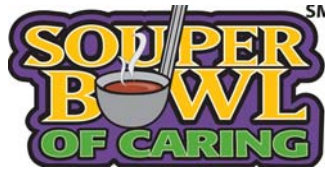
Donations or questions may be directed to:
Arlene Barclay, cell (563) 322-5757
Thank You!

Once again, you have filled my heart with so many blessings and such joy it is overwhelming! Thank you so much to everyone for helping make my 50th Birthday surprise party an evening I will never forget! I was reminded how truly blessed I am! Thank you to my loving husband for putting this together! THANK YOU!

With incredible gratitude, Pastor Heidi.



Thank you to everyone who donated money or non-perishable good to First Christian's Souper Bowl of Caring collection during February. The items were taken to Friendly House.



Dear Friends:

Thank you for your recent donation of 160 items to our food pantry. This is one of the most basic needs we offer and often to one that makes an immediate difference in the lives of children and families. We are so grateful!

Sincerely,

Terry Hendershott, Executive Director



Dear Friends,

Thank you for your recent monetary gift of \$200.00 to support programming at Friendly House. We are incredibly grateful for your generous and faithful giving! Friends like you are a vital part of our mission and we value your continued support.

Sincerely, Terry Hendershott, Executive Director of The Friendly House

On behalf of One Eighty,

I want to thank you for your very generous donation and support of those we serve here at One Eighty!

Thank you and God Bless!

Rusty Boruff and One Eighty

Dear Faith United Church of Christ,

Thank you! When children and adults in our community have the food they need to be healthy and productive, they can focus on meeting life's bigger challenges. Your support of River Bend Food Bank's work means people facing hunger in the 23 counties we serve in eastern Iowa and western Illinois can count on help when they face a crisis. Thank you for your recent gift of \$200.00.

With gratitude, Colbie Andes, Director of Individual Giving, River Bend Food Bank





Easter Flowers

Help us adorn the sanctuary on Easter morning by signing up for an Easter Lily or Spring Flower in memory of a loved one. Deadline to order is April 3.

\$11 for Spring Flowers and \$16 for Easter Lilies.



PEOPLE UNITING NEIGHBORS AND CHURCHES
(P.U.N.C.H.)

EASTER EGG HUNT

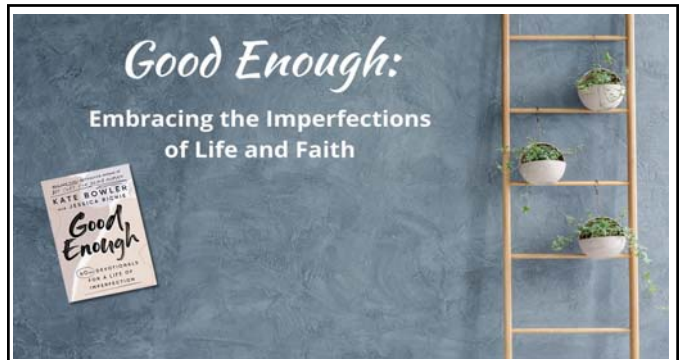
Saturday, April 16, 2022
11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Cork Hill Park

11th and Farnam, Davenport, IA

RAIN OR SHINE

*Prizes, Games,
Food, Fun and Fellowship*



LENTEN SCHEDULE

“Good Enough”

Sunday, April 3
Communion
10:30 a.m.

“We Are Fragile”

Wednesday, April 6
6:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 10
Palm Sunday
10:30 a.m.

“You Are a Group Project”

Thursday, April 14
Maundy Thursday
6:00 p.m. Supper

7:00 p.m. Combined in person worship
“We Are Blessed, Regardless”

Friday, April 15
Good Friday

7:00 p.m. ONLINE ONLY WORSHIP
*“Even Today, God Is Here Somehow,
That Is Good Enough”*

Saturday, April 16
EASTER EGG HUNT
Cork Hill Park (11th and Farnam)
11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 17
EASTER SUNDAY
Worship with Communion
11:00 a.m.

“A Good Enough Faith”

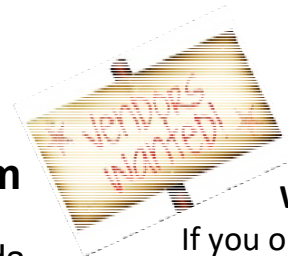
Spring Fling Vendor Fair

Saturday, May 14 9am—2pm

Faith UCC will have a baked goods table as well as a craft table.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Watch and listen for further details!



WE NEED VENDORS!

If you or someone you know would like to join us for our Vendor/Craft fair, please contact Pastor Heidi, or the office for an application!

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p><i>Worship With Us This Easter</i></p> 				<p>1</p> <p>1:30-3:30 p.m. Sewing Group</p>	<p>2</p> <p>First Christian 3p.m. Bible Study 4:00 p.m. Worship</p>
<p>3</p> <p>9:15 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>4</p> <p>6:30-8:00 pm Troop 7</p>	<p>5</p> <p>6:00-8:30 pm Troop 7</p>	<p>6</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Bible Study</p> <p>6pm Soup Supper 7pm Book Study</p>	<p>7</p> 	<p>8</p> <p>1:30-3:30 p.m. Sewing Group</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Pack 828 Blue&Gold&Bridging First Christian 3p.m. Bible Study 4:00 p.m.</p>
<p>10</p> <p>9:15 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Worship</p> <p>12:00 p.m. Church Council</p>	 <p>6:00-8:30 pm Troop 7</p>	<p>12</p> <p>6:30-8:00 p.m. Pack 828</p>	<p>13</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Bible Study</p>	<p>14</p>  <p>6pm Soup Supper 7pm Worship</p>	<p>15</p> 	<p>16</p>
<p>17</p> <p>9 a.m. FCC Easter Worship</p> <p>11 am Faith Easter Worship <i>Newsletter Articles Due</i></p>	<p>18</p> <p>6:00-8:30 pm Troop 7</p>	<p>19</p> <p>6:00-8:30 pm Troop 7</p>	<p>20</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Bible Study</p> 	<p>21</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Basket Class</p>	<p>22</p>  <p>1:30-3:30 p.m. Sewing Group</p>	<p>23</p> <p>First Christian 3p.m. Bible Study 4:00 p.m. Worship</p>
<p>24</p> <p>9:15 a.m. Sunday School</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6:00-8:30 pm Troop 7</p>	 <p>6:30-8:00 p.m. Pack 828</p>	<p>27</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Bible Study</p> <p><i>Mail Newsletter</i></p>	<p>28</p> 	<p>29</p> <p>1:30-3:30 p.m. Sewing Group 5:15 p.m. Share-A-Meal</p>	<p>30</p> <p>First Christian 3p.m. Bible Study 4:00 p.m. Worship</p>