
First Congregational UCC "AT FIRST"

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September 2019

Sunday School Kick-Off

September 15th

Please join us to start the beginning of a new Sunday School year - we will enjoy getting together again and talk about changes that are happening for Sunday school this year and we want parental input to make this an awesome year! Get your kids excited to learn about Jesus!

Sunday School will be from 10:30 am to 11:30 am.

Cook Out & Ice Cream Bar

We Identified A Need! The Mission Trip kids have agreed to do a **COOK OUT followed by an ICE CREAM BAR on Sunday, September 15th (Kick-Off Sunday) after church.** All proceeds will be sent to the Mustard Seed (at Eagle Butte – which needs money for the little houses). So we need your help!! Our goal is \$500.00. Can we make it??? Yes with your help!!! Mission Trip Kids

**Coffee Hour Will Resume
Sunday, Sept 15th**

**A Sing-Up Sheet Is At The
Back Of The Church**

Confirmation Families

This is a reminder that Confirmation will resume on **Wednesday, September 11th.** Pam Gould will be plan to teach until we hire a new Minister. Confirmands will be meeting on **Wednesdays from 3:30 - 4:30 pm. See you on the 11th!**

Pledge Sunday

is set for September 15th

Pledge letters will be at the back of the church or mailed out. Pledge cards should be returned by (**Pledge Sunday**). If you cannot attend on the 15th, you can mail it to the church or put in offering plate on another Sunday. It is hard for the Trustee's to put together a budget for the 2019-2020 financial year with out pledges. Extra pledge cards will be available at the back of the church or by calling the church office.

A Big Thank-You

..... **Heifer International** would like to thank First Congregational for your generous donation of \$200.00. This will help families in need receive life-changing animals like goats, chickens or bees, they also receive the training they need to run successful farms and small businesses and earn steady incomes.

On The Job In September

Deacon of the Month
Scott Salmela

In Charge of Altar: Ann Wangerin



Happy Birthday!!

- 1. Kyle Giesler
- 5. Jesse Dahlke
- 6. Erwin Picha
- 8. Katherine Jones
- 9. Lon Roach
River Rowan
- 10. Wm. B. Gould
- 11. Chris Marsh
- 15. Samantha Schilling
Samantha Graupmann
- 16. Victoria Schultz
- 22. Shirley Steele
- 23. Merlin Mackenthun
- 26. Daniel Rach
- 28. John Robson

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E-Mail & Address Change

To all members: If you have any change in your e-mail or address, please make sure to contact the church office or we can sent our church correspondence.

Also, to all our young people who are going off to college this fall, and people going south, please let us know your address so that we can keep in touch with you.

Call the church office at 864-3855 or e-mail us at congoucc@gmail.com

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Student Loans

The Student Loan Committee of First Congregational Church would like to remind members that there are currently funds available for student loans. Students must be a member of the church. They can borrow up to \$2000.00 per year with a maximum amount of \$4000.00 per person. Loans must be repaid after the student graduates. **Contact Student Loan Committee (Sue Bacon, Joanne Biederwolf)**

**"But those who
hope in the LORD
will renew their STRENGTH.
They will SOAR on
wings like eagles;
they will RUN and
not grow weary,
they will WALK
and not be faint."**



Isaiah 40:31

Trustee's Minutes

The following business was addressed at the July 24th meeting of the Board of Trustees:

* Total deposits for June were \$9,523. Of that, \$9,248.10 was for operating expenses; the remainder was for repairs, maintenance, missions and special offerings. There were five Sundays in June 2019. Approximate income for the 2018-19 fiscal year thru June was \$93,994.00.

* Other Business:

- 1) Voted to approve the June financial report and minutes; One outstanding invoice to for Bud's Wildlife Removal will be held until final work is complete.
- 2) Working on a preliminary budget for 2019-20, will finalize in October meeting after confirming some expense categories.

Respectfully Submitted, Randy Warner, Secretary

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Neighbors In Need

Neighbors In Need provides us a way to respond to God's call. Our gifts to this all-church offering reach poor people in the neighborhoods and communities where they live. Your generous support of **Neighbors In Need** supports the UCC's domestic ministries of justice and compassion.

Offerings goes towards the work of the Council for American Indian Ministry and supports justice advocacy and direct service projects, including the UCC's Hunger Action Ministry, poverty reduction efforts, just-peace programs, and community grants.

**We will receive the Neighbors in Need offering
on Sunday, October 6, 2019**



An Invitation to Renewal

with Julie Neraas

Friday, September 13, 4:00 pm - Sunday, September 15, 11:30 am
at Luther Crest Camp in Alexandria

We are living in tumultuous times. Everywhere we look, we see change, political turmoil, and daunting challenges: personally, nationally, and globally. It is also a challenging time to be leaders - both clergy and lay - in churches. When so much is demanded of us, it is easy to feel anxious and overwhelmed; even our faith and our hope can feel threatened.

In this retreat we will create a healing space for reflection, inspiration, and connection, so we leave renewed. We will:

- Engage in contemplative practices and simple rituals
- Enjoy the beauty of nature
- Pause for opportunities to listen to our lives
- Ground ourselves in hope
- Be inspired
- Reclaim the gifts of our faith

There will be plenty of individual time as well as group time.



Our retreat facilitator will be Julie Neraas. Julie is a spiritual director, ordained Presbyterian clergywoman, and former professor at Hamline University.

Julie has worked toward strengthening the spiritual life of leaders in dozens of churches. She is an educator, writer, spiritual director, public speaker, and retreat leader. Julie has a particular interest in helping busy people find regular spiritual practices.

You can go on the Conference Website to register!

At First

**From: First Congregational Church
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**Our Website: firstcongochurch.org
Facebook Page: First Congregational Church, Glencoe
Newsletter Deadline – Third Monday of the Month**

Abundant Table Community Meal

The Abundant Table Community Meal is **FREE** and open to **everyone** - families and children, elderly and all seeking fellowship or in need of a helping hand.

When: September 4th (the first Wednesday of every Month)

Where: Christ Lutheran Church Basement Fellowship Hall, 1820 Knight Avenue

Time: Doors open at 4:30 PM for Fellowship; Meal served at 5:00 PM.

Notification: Let us know to prepare for you by calling Christ Lutheran at 864-4549

Remember there is a place for YOU at our Abundant Table

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:15 am Communion Worship Service Christian Ed Board Meeting	2	3 10:00 am Bible Study	4 4:45 pm Women's Fellowship Board Meeting	5 8:00 pm A.A.	6	7
8 8:15 am Worship Service w/Stewardship Skit	9	10 10:00 am Bible Study	11 3:30-4:30 pm Confirmation	12 8:00 pm A.A.	13 Women's Conference Retreat @ Luther Camp, Alexandria	14 Women's Conference Retreat @ Luther Camp, Alexandria
15 8:15 am Worship Service Pledge Sunday Sunday School Kick-Off Cook-Out with Ice Cream Bar	16	17 10:00 am Bible Study	18 Noon - Trustee's Meeting 3:30-4:30 pm Confirmation	19 8:00 pm A.A.	20	21
22 9:15 am Worship Service 10:30 am Sunday School	23	24 10:00 am Bible Study	25 3:30-4:30 pm Confirmation	26 8:00 pm A.A.	27	28
29 8:15 am Worship Service 10:30 am Sunday School Deacon's Meeting	30					

You're invited to

The Autumn Elegance Tea

Hosted by the Harmony Circle at The Brownton
Congregational Church

On the Seventh Day of September, Two Thousand
and Nineteen from One O'clock to Three O'clock
Come and enjoy tea and tea time delicacies

Price \$8.00 per person



Brownton Congregational Church—Corner of Division St. and 5th Ave. S