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**“At First”**  
**First Congregational UCC**  
**1400 North Elliott Avenue, Glencoe, MN 55336**  
**Church phone: 864-3855**

***Rev. Dr. Bob Baggott and Rev. Dr. Casey Baggott; Co-Pastors***

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June-2020

**You Can Watch Our**  
**Sunday Morning Worship Services @ 9:15 am with**  
***Rev. Dr. Bob Baggott and Rev. Dr. Casey Baggott***

***doing a live Facebook message at***  
***Our Facebook Page @: First Congregational Church, Glencoe***

**You can also see again on our Local TV Channel 10 on Tuesdays at 4:30 pm and Fridays at 7:00 pm. Services may be running behind one to two weeks.**

**For our Shut-In's at Long Term Care, it can be seen on Mondays at 9:30 am and Tuesdays at 6:00 pm in the Chapel.**

**Since we are not having Sunday Worship Services, we ask that you remember the church by mailing your offering to the church office.**

### **From Christian Education**

Our church became a recipient of about 480 lb's of fresh food from Michael's Foods, a food distributor. During the food distribution in Biscay, 12 individual groups pooled their allotments and gave it to another family in Biscay. The family had no way of using this quantity of food and, in turn, donated it to our church. The food consisted mainly of eggs (whole, blended, hard) and potatoes (mashed, cubed, hash browns). Original plans were to divvy up the donated goods and give to those in the congregation that would like it. Maren Warner had another idea that we should do something more with the food and give away meals instead. Through food donations from Christian Ed members, and volunteer work by the Warner family, the church kitchen opened for Sunday meal preparations. The Christian Ed Board used funds from its Community Outreach budget (generally spent during the winter) to add vegetables, meats, pastas, cheese (etc) and desserts. Through a \$150 donation from Women's Fellowship, CE purchased packaging and kitchen supplies. Approximately 74 people have been fed weekly.

The program has been advertised in the weekly bulletin, newsletter and by our Pastors during services. On April 24th we began outreach to church members that "might" enjoy a dinner. Our first meal consisting of Sheppard's Pie, ham and egg bake, potato salad and cookies, went out April 26th. From lasagna, fresh baked bread, and cookies to turkey dinners, and chicken wild rice soup, there has been a meal every Sunday. Our last meal was served May 31th, spanning a total of 5 weeks.

Assisting the Warner Clan, Pam Gould has been a "second chef" followed by contributions from Carmen Kienenberger, Kelly Rach and Tanya Reichow, a Warner family friend. Christian Ed wants to thank everyone involved in making this happen, from Michael's Foods to individual and group donations, we are indeed "the church" and have enjoyed the "drop-off" fellowship.

## **June Birthday's**

*June 3-Sean Kottke, June 5-Mary Ann Forcier, Janet Winn; June 7-Traci Schwarzrock, Trichsa Schilling, Elsie Kottke; June 12-Crystal Marvan; June 16-Duane Mathews; June 17-Tim Hoese, Kristin Berscheit; June 22-Dawn Hinojosa, Carmen Hoese, Amayah Cruz; June 23-Ramona Nagel; June 25-Carrie Bargmann; June 30-Maxxswell Lehmann*

## **A Note From the Deacons**

Covid-19 update as of May 24th, 2020

A special thank you to all who continue to support our First Congregational church ministry. Your generosity and faith in God's goodness at this time is a true blessing. Our church continues to be active by delivering meals, calling on neighbors and bringing you a live Sunday service via Facebook. **We are adding a Wednesday Bible study as well, starting May 27th at 9:30am.**

**Our plans for future Sunday services are to continue the live Facebook service, at least through June, 2020. As of May 27th, we will be allowed to offer in-person church services again, but at no more than 25% capacity. If you feel moved to join us, in person, on Sundays, please follow these guidelines:**

- 1. A face mask is required**
- 2. Seating will be marked in six-foot intervals in the pews. Please look for the markings and adhere to them.**
- 3. No hymnal or Bibles will be available in the pews. Feel free to bring your own Bible. We will not be singing together as of yet.**
- 4. Please limit social interaction and maintain a six foot distance between others in attendance.**

As we continue this journey together, please pray for our church family and all those affected by Covid-19.

We ask that you continue to mail in your tithes and offerings so that First Congregational can continue to be the hands and feet of Jesus in our community.

Randy Warner, for the Board of Deacons

## **Bible Study**

**We are adding a Wednesday Bible study starting May 27th at 9:30am. We ask that you wear a mask and of course, practice social distancing. Please join us!**

First Congregational Church is excited to extend our congratulations to the 4 kids who have completed their High School requirements this year. Congratulations to all 4 of you.



**Dylan Dahlke:** Son of Valarie and Mike Dahlke. Brother to Jesse and Kelsey Dahlke. He was confirmed at First Congregational Church in 2017. He went on 2 of our 4 Mission Trips. You saw him actively participating in many of our Soup suppers and Pie baking opportunities in the past 5 years.



**Andrew Jungclaus** Son of Miriam Jungclaus and brother of Emily Jungclaus. He was confirmed at First Congregational Church in 2017. Andrew (also going by AJ) has participated in all 4 of our Mission Trips. He became extremely competent in making pies for our Thanksgiving bake sales.



**Tyler Mueller** Son of Kim Mueller and brother to Bailey, Teagan and Jaxen. He was confirmed at First Congregational Church in 2017. Tyler participated in the Mission Trip we took to Benton Harbor, MI. He helped out with making pies for our Thanksgiving Fund Raiser. Tyler is always thinking of good questions to ask.



**Kayla Salmela** Daughter of Scott Salmela and sister to Kara. She was confirmed at First Congregational Church in 2017. Kayla has participated in all 4 of our Mission Trips. Her smile always makes it so pleasant to work with her. You have seen her often with the Soup suppers and the many bake sales we have had in the past 5 years.

Congratulations Graduates. We are First Congregational Church are so proud of you!

# First Congregational UCC, Glencoe MN

## Church Council Meeting -

March 5, 2020 7:30 p.m

**Members Present: Merlin Mackenthun - Chair, Jan Mackenthun, Jim Cox, Kari Warner, Stan Hoof, Bridget Kienenberger, Carmen Kienenberger**

**1) Approval of Minutes** - A formal February meeting was not held in lieu of Search and Call work.

### **2) Old Business**

Review of Pastor Christopher - Merlin and Kari shared a recent E-mail received by Pastor Christopher, commenting on our new pastors and their experience with the UCC. Merlin will reach out to Pastor Christopher with an offer of a recommendation for his work with us. Members agreed that he would be well suited to a "Four C's" church and hoped that he would, in time, be able to pursue his ministerial desires. The church does not plan to keep him on as a pulpit supply pastor.

### **3) New Business**

**A. The Baggotts - Reverend Casey and Reverend Bob** - The Baggotts began their first service on March 1st. We reminisced with Merlin and Jan about the "great" Meet and Greet event that was held for them after the church service. Approximately 65 people were in church and at the luncheon afterwards. The committee was surprised with the addition of bakery rolls, fresh table flowers, mints, great coffee, milk, and pop provided by Jim Cox. Thanks Jim! Committee members served as set-up replenish and clean-up staff. Confirmation parents assisted with a large amount of clean-up, too.

#### **B. New Pastors' Needs - The Baggotts asked for the following supplies/services:**

- \* Microphone cover - already ordered by Kari
- \* One office chair - Baggotts will be told to choose the type they would like within a \$200 budget. Kari
- \* Full length mirror for the church office.
- \* Do they need the use of a church computer?
- \* Church e-mail addresses
- \* Ask Chris Marsh to visit with Baggott's about the use of g-mail
- \* Provide two full sets of keys for Baggott's, plus make sure to have a full Master set for the church - Carmen
- \*Set up system so Baggotts can print from their laptops to the office computer (printer?)

**C. Baggott's Contract** - Discuss with Casey and Bob how their contract will be written (i.e. one position held by two people, salary split?, etc. The contract will be for one year from April 1 - March 31. The agreed salary is \$57,500. Merlin will work with them to complete the contract.

**D. Betty Bruckschen Memorial** - The Trustees were notified that the church has been named on Betty's Will to receive a memorial. The amount has been suggested at \$100,000 although we have not been told if it has been earmarked for special use.

**E. Local Paper Purchase** - Bridget asked if the church could purchase a subscription of "The Chronicle" newspaper for the church, specifically for the Baggott's to keep up with the local events around town. The cost is about \$40/ year. It was agreed to have the paper sent to the church and Bridget will contact Wendy to get it ordered.