

# THE CALL TO WORSHIP

The newsletter of 1st Congregational United Church of Christ of Rapid City, South Dakota

August, 2016



## Concert will Support Costa Rica Outreach

On Sunday, August 28 at 3 pm, Arjun and Aparna Ayyangar will present a benefit concert in support of ministries of our sister church, The Community Christian Church of Los Guido, Costa Rica. Together Aparna and Arjun will perform classical and contemporary standards on harp, piano, flute and keyboard.

Proceeds from the concert will support our sister

church's outreach programs. Our sister church feeds between 30 and 50 hungry children three days a week, an effort supported by our congregation. In addition, necessary

school supplies, shoes and uniforms are funded by a separate program of our sister church.

Arjun Ayyangar was recognized by the *Limca Book of Records* and *Ripley's Believe It or Not* for his ability to play all United Nations recognized national anthems.



In 2003, he appeared on NBC's *America's Most Talented Kid*, performing *Für Elise* and the theme song to *Star Wars*. He has won numerous awards for his musical performances.

Aparna Ayyangar has studied multiple instruments and has been appearing in concert since an early age. She is an honors student and has participated in

winning math and engineering teams. She is also an active volunteer in our church, assisting with the Children's Reading corner and other activities. Both Arjun and Aparna have sung with our

adult choir and performed with our bell choir.

Join the congregation for a delightful afternoon of music and another opportunity to support the outreach programs of our sister church.

# Pastor's Ponderings

By Ted Huffman

Since Roman Times, the hottest portion of the summer has been referred to as the “dog days.” The name comes from the rising of the star Sirius at about the same time as the sun during this season. Sirius is also known as the dog star. This season is supposed to be marked by lethargy, inactivity and indolence.

Here at the church, however, August is not a season of inactivity! Our worship is dynamic and exciting with special music and occasional guest preachers. The Church Board and Departments are gearing up for fall activities. The entire church gets involved in the summer rummage sale. Craft groups continue to produce and we even get a little wood split.

I'm thinking that even in these hot days when we dream of the air conditioning that is yet to come, our church is characterized by vibrant life and meaningful work. Perhaps we should call these our “people days!”

# Department of Stewardship and Budget expands giving opportunities

As technology advances, the members and friends of our church are learning new ways to take care of their banking. Debit cards are replacing checks for many transactions and automatic payments are becoming the norm for many of the daily obligations of the people of the church.

As this issue of [The Call](#) is being distributed, church leaders are in the process of testing a new website with a wide range of electronic giving opportunities. When it is ready to go public, there will be a mobile application as well. Worshipers will be able to use their smart phones or other mobile devices to make contributions to the church. There will also be options for members to set up recurring gifts by using the application.

Of course the usual ways of giving will remain. Your checks and cash donations continue to be important to the life of our congregation and each member should be able to choose the method of giving that works best for that person. Look for complete information in the next issue of [The Call](#).

# Capital Improvements Update

There have been some very warm days this summer and a couple of times when we were wishing that we already had completed the installation of air conditioning in our building. Rest assured, church leaders are working toward the goal adopted by the congregation in 2015. Donations to Phase II of the Capital Improvements Fund are continuing to arrive and add up. Engineering of the new heating and cooling system is completed and the Capital Improvements Committee is looking at the best way to proceed that will result in the lowest overall cost to the congregation.

A new boiler, new air handlers, air conditioners and associated controls and connections combine into a complex matrix. Determining the correct order of work and best ways to accomplish all of the tasks requires plenty of behind-the-scenes work. As that work is being completed, members are welcome to visit with any of the members of the Capital Improvements Committee for additional information and details on these important church projects.

Members of the Capital Improvements Committee are Gerry Boehrs, Sheila Long, Rob Burton and Lia Green. Denise Webster and Ted Huffman serve ex-officio.

# Board and Departments

## Moderator's Musings by Sheila Long

We just got back from camping in a the beautiful Black Hills, with no access to running water, cable TV, cell phone service or internet. We were “off the grid” so to speak. And it was wonderful! To escape the constant noise and business of this world, if only for a few days, reminded me of this quote I found a few months ago about silence by John Chryssavgis. *“Silence is the glue that connects our attitudes and our actions. Silence is the fullness, not emptiness; it is not absence, but the awareness of a Presence.”* I hope I’m always aware of God’s presence whether in the business of my day to day or in the few moments of silence, but sometimes it takes being forced into a longer time of quiet to remind me to reach out to God and really seek the fullness that He has to offer.

I know we are just a few weeks away from kids going back to school, and lives getting busy with the activities of day to day. This is true of the church, as well, with planning underway for Sunday school, Bible studies and fall activities. The lazy days of summer are coming to an end. But I hope you all take a few moments to be “off the grid” and enjoy the silence and fullness of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

## Department of Ministries by Pat Wheaton

During the summer, we have continued our sales of grocery cards that benefit Church Response and our church. The August sale dates are **August 7th and 21st**. The requested food item for August from Church Response is canned tomatoes. These can be added to the grocery cart in the narthex. Clients appreciate the food they can receive from the food bank. Meals at the Cornerstone Mission continue with the most recent date of July 29th. We, in the Ministries department, are grateful for your support in these projects.

If you have some free time for volunteering as an individual or as part of a group, you can learn about local needs by looking at the website, [www.helplinecenter.org](http://www.helplinecenter.org). The Volunteer Connections Coordinator is Lynn Taylor Rick , and she can add your name to a mailing list that announces weekly volunteer opportunities. You can request to receive the emails by writing [lynn@helplinecenter.org](mailto:lynn@helplinecenter.org).

## Department of Education

The Department of Education cordially invites YOU (the entire congregation) to celebrate the kick-off of a new Sunday School year by joining us for an ICE CREAM SOCIAL on Sunday, September 11 following worship.

Choose your ice cream flavor.  
Choose your favorite toppings.  
Create a delicious treat.

Come and join the fun!  
Everyone welcome!

# News from the Church

## Why Do We Do That?

### From the Department of Worship

The tradition of formal prayers has roots deep in the traditions of the church, but often worshipers give little thought to their role in the process. We share some prayer concerns, have a minute of silence, the pastor says a formal prayer and then we pray the Lord's Prayer together. It happens every Sunday and sometimes with little thought.

Important to the process, however, are the prayers that members bring with themselves. The pastor's prayer is only part of our offerings to God. It never includes all of the feelings, wishes and thanks of the entire congregation.

Consider your prayers as you prepare for worship each week. It can turn an oft-repeated ritual into a time of deep meaning and connection with God.

## Adult Choir News

The Adult Choir will begin rehearsals on **Wednesday, September 7, at 7:00pm** and will resume singing during worship starting on **Sunday, September 11.**

Whether you are new to the choir or have been a part of this wonderful group for years, all are welcome. Join in making a joyful noise!

For more information, contact the Adult Choir Director, **Steve Branch.**

## Bell Choir News

The Bell Choir will perform at South Park UCC on **Sunday, August 21.**

The official fall start of the Bell Choir is **Wednesday (after Labor Day), September 7, at 6:00pm.** The Bell Choir has openings for anyone interested in ringing bells. Please come to our September 7 rehearsal or call the Bell Choir Director, **Michael Bossen,** at (605) 343-5514 for more information.

## Library News by Eleanore Moe

Our church offers us many perks. Among these perks is our Church Library in Room 22. Did you realize that more than 400 books plus DVDs are on the stacks awaiting your check out?

Fiction is our most read section. Favorite authors are: Jan Karon, Karen Kingsbury, Jackie Lynn (alias Lynn Hinton who was pastor for us one summer), Michael Phillips, Lauraine Snelling and Lori Wick.

Believe it or not, YOUTH, fun reading can also be found in a real book. One hundred plus books are waiting for you to find them.

Sixty-six local authors, including Ben Anderson, Ted Huffman, Ward Cheney, Bill Hughes (alias Lewis Chase) and Helen Strong are some who represent our church with various types of knowledge.

Biographies and autobiographies are popular. Also, look carefully at our Christian Living section.

I urge you to take advantage of our UCC Library—a wholesome perk that is FREE.

## Fourth Tuesday Ladies Lunch Group

Please join the Fourth Tuesday Ladies Lunch Group **Tuesday, August 23** for good food, conversation, fellowship and fun! We will meet in the lobby of Minervas Restaurant at **11:30am.** We will be seated when everyone has arrived. For more information, call **Joyce Tripp** at 342-1352.

# News from the Church

## Women's Fellowship August Rummage Sale

It is time to start thinking about the August rummage sale! Items can be brought to the room 17 during regular office hours starting **July 31**. It is very helpful if you mark unusual items, have game pieces in bags, indicate sizes on bedding, etc.



Rummage sale setup will start following morning worship and fellowship time on **Sunday, August 14**. Anyone who has a few minutes that morning to help clear Fellowship Hall, put up big rectangular tables, and haul boxes, hanging racks and bookshelves from the basement is invited to join the party! It is an amazing transformation that usually takes less than an hour.

Work hours during the week are **9:00am to 3:00pm Monday through Thursday**. Workers are needed each day to help sort and organize, and price the sale items on Thursday. We especially appreciate help from those who can move heavier items, and check all of the electrical items. There are sit down jobs each day, and there are lots of opportunities for conversation and fellowship.



The sale runs from **8:00am to 3:00pm on Friday, August 19** and from **8:00am to noon on Saturday, August 20**. There will be **NO bake sale** in August. We have the buck-a-bag sale starting at **11:00am on Saturday**. Clean up starts promptly at noon, and the reorganization of Fellowship Hall is usually completed in an hour.

Women's Fellowship greatly appreciates the donations and workers (and yes, there are LOTS of men working) during the sale week. This is the best way to get to know your fellow church members! If you would like to help, please drop in at any time and we'll find a suitable job for you.

## September Call Publishing Date

**Please take note:** the September Call will be mailed, emailed and posted on the church website on **September 8**, which is a little later in the month than usual.

## Help Needed

Please read on if you enjoy coffee and fellowship following worship each Sunday.

Help is needed for coffee hour after church. Hosting is not difficult. You do need to arrive at church a little early to get the coffee, cookies and etc. ready. Easy instructions are written out for what needs to be done.

Please sign up the next time you are in church! Signup sheets are located in the Fellowship Hall (by the cookies)! If you need help, indicate it on the sheet and someone will help you.

Thank you ahead of time!  
*Women's Fellowship*



# Education News

## Adult Discussion Group for Fall

There are many issues that we face in our aging years. The fall Adult Discussion Group will focus on some of those issues and questions. How can the church help when we face illness, hospitalizations, rehab facilities and eventually death? How can you help the church to provide spiritual care and support in your later life decisions? Plan to join us for presentations and conversations about facility policies, privacy issues, comfort (palliative) care, hospice services, funeral preparation, family contact information and spiritual care through our later years. This discussion group will meet following worship in the parlor on **October 23 and 30 and November 6, 13 and 20.** For more information, contact **Kathleen Batchelder.**

## Forty Days of Prayer for Children

The *Forty Days of Prayer for Children* will begin on **Sunday, September 4.** Each fall, our congregation participates in this vigil of prayer focusing on the needs of children. In the Bible, the number 40 indicates a “perfectly good and very long time.” Think of Jesus spending 40 days in the wilderness, the Israelites wandering for 40 years before reaching the promised land or Noah in the ark when it rained for 40 days and nights.

The *Forty Days of Prayer* offers us time to focus on the needs of children beyond the crayons, backpacks and back-to-school clothes. When we turn our focus to praying for children, we can “dream God’s dream.” We can imagine the world we hope our children will inherit. We can remember the gifts that children bring to our community. We can look beyond death and destruction and focus on faith, hope and love.

Sponsoring a day of prayer is easy. All you have to do is sign up for one of the days. On that day, offer a prayer that includes children. It does not have to be a specific prayer or offered at a specific time. Just pray in your own way. Please sign up to sponsor a day of prayer during the *Forty Days of Prayer for Children.* For more information, talk to Susan Huffman.

## Fall Kerygma

The fall Kerygma study will focus on two short books of the Old Testament: the books of Jonah and Ruth. Entitled *An Odd Couple, Jonah & Ruth: Lessons for Our Fractured World*, this study examines God’s love for the outsider, sometimes even the enemy. Most of us know the basic stories of Jonah and Ruth, but delving into these two books challenges us to look closely at these stories and examine our response to the stranger. Many of us would agree that the phrase in the subtitle, “our fractured world” is an apt description of our world today. How, then, can these ancient tales provide wisdom and lessons for us? Come, join our always-lively discussions about Biblical truths and our lives.

Kerygma studies are open to all. If you have never participated in a Bible study or if you have participated in many, this Bible study will have something to offer to you. Look for the fall schedule in the next issue of the *Call* and plan to join our fall Kerygma Bible study class.

For more information, contact Susan Huffman at 342-5787 or [susanucc@rushmore.com](mailto:susanucc@rushmore.com).

## Stories of Paul by Susan Huffman, VBS Director

From July 11-15, the church was filled with children attending VBS. But long before the tables were filled with food or the story room was transformed to include an ocean scene, the home of Lydia, the “the seller of purple,” and a jail cell, work had begun to prepare for this wonderful week of learning.

Many people in our congregation probably do not realize all the study, preparation and work that goes into VBS. *It's a busy, busy week!* But the work starts long before. Early in the spring, the members of the Department of Education began to prepare for VBS with the question, “What do we want our children to learn?” Ideas were tossed around and a focus was chosen: the stories of Paul. Then, the real work began. Department members read stories from the Book of Acts. They read passages from Paul’s letters to the churches at Ephesus, Corinth and Galatia. We found many good stories and then had to pare our list down to five. “What’s most important?” we asked. Once the stories were chosen, teams got to work to plan the week so everything fit together—the stories, the crafts, the games, the videos, the music and even the food! The adults learned A LOT as they prepared for VBS week.

Then, it was time! Thirty children arrived, ate, listened, sang, played and paraded their way through the learning centers. They learned how Saul was blinded and recovered his sight. They discovered the stories of Paul going on a boat and being freed from jail. They learned what the fish symbol means and how purple dye was made and oh, so much more! They learned about faith.

### DEEPEST THANKS TO THE DEDICATED VBS TEAM!

Storytellers: Lynn Grauman, Patti Rea, Brittany LaPoint and Jackie Campbell

Craft Leaders: Lindsay Wathen, Hailey Wathen, Jaclyn Mann and Rowan Evans

Games: Becky Fleming, Rhiannon Purcella and Ted Huffman

Kitchen: Pandi Bollock and Oona Evans

Preschool shepherds: Alicia Sutliff-Benusis, Terry Brouillette, Emily Eckholm

Younger Elementary shepherds: Lisa Lyons and Jenny Kozel

Older Elementary shepherd: Jenny Seals

Kitchen cleanup: Mike Crutcher, Melissa Emerson, Mande Robinson

Nametags: Laura Switzer

In addition, we had the good fortune to use Mary Keithahn’s songs from the newly published *Sing the Stories of God’s NEW People*. These songs fit perfectly with our theme! So many people worked together to create a rich and meaningful learning experience for our children. **Thanks to all!**

## All-Church Day at Placerville

### Save the Date!

The Department of Education is planning an all-church lunch and fellowship day at Placerville Camp for **Sunday, October 2**, following worship. We plan to gather at Placerville about noon. Lunch will be provided, but reservations will be needed, so that we can tell Camp Manager, Kerry Steever, how many to expect. After lunch, there will be a variety of activities. Possibilities include a hike, crafts, walking the labyrinth and more. Plans are still in the formative stage, but we want to give you all a HEADS UP and time to mark your calendars. October may seem far off but the date will be here before we know. Watch for details, but plan now to get together with your church family. Let’s enjoy a fall outing at camp!

# Member News and Notes

## Happy Birthday

The following members and friends have **August** birthdays:

- August 2:** Clair Maynard  
**August 3:** Robert Orvik  
**August 4:** Jennifer Bartling  
Maureen Dymock  
**August 6:** Lynnell Parrott  
**August 7:** Rowan Evans  
**August 11:** Darlene Orvik  
**August 14:** Pam VanCuren  
**August 15:** Lucia Grigg  
**August 17:** Jane Seaton  
**August 19:** Kathy Oulman-Johnson  
**August 21:** Rich Downs  
**August 26:** Ida Muree St. Pierre  
**August 27:** Lorna Schnabel  
**August 29:** Monty Bollock  
Weskey Humke  
**August 31:** Cam Miller

## Birthday Celebration

**Bernie Lambert and Ben Schnabel** will celebrate their **90th** birthdays following worship on **September 4**. Come enjoy a piece of cake and wish Bernie and Ben a happy birthday.

## Prayer Concerns

Our sympathy and prayers are with the following church members and friends who have lost loved ones:

**Julie Edwards**, daughter of Bonnie and Jack Edwards, following the death of Julie's father-in-law, **Kenneth Singpiel** on June 11;  
**Laura Boyd** and family following the death of her brother, **John Winder**, on June 15;  
**Steve** and **Eva Bareis** and family following the death of Steve's mother, **Marlowe Bareis**, on June 17;  
**Joe** and **Lisa Trana** and family following the death of Joe's father, **Dan Trana**, on June 26;  
**Pat** and **Gene Lebrun** and family following the death of Pat's brother-in-law, **Wally Dow**, on June 28;  
**Jack Humke** and family following the death of Jack's sister, **Marjorie Pape**, on June 29;  
the family of **Winifred Boub**, who was our Dakota Association Administrator, following her death on July 4;  
and the family of **Lisa Trana** and **Jenny Diedtrich** following the death of their grandmother, **Mavis Steever** on July 11.

Our prayers are with **Jill Kundtz** who continues to recover from surgery. Shut-in church members are in our prayers including: **John Arneson** at Echo Ridge; **Mavis Iverson** at Clarkson Health Care and **Ida Muree St. Pierre** and **Shirley Triggs** at Westhills South.

Our prayers are with the following members, families and friends:

**Marvin Bitterman; Carol Boyles'** brother, **Rex Hammon; Al Dymock; Jane Ireland's** son-in-law, **Pat Kearney; Jill Kundtz's** sister-in-law, **Mindy; Ted McBride; Patsy Parkin-Valandra's** daughter-in-law, **Angie Parkin; Al Pitts; Lynn Renee's** sister, **Laura Scheider** and family; **Jane Seaton's** daughter, **Gail Johnson; Rev. Don Stoebner** and his wife and caregiver, **Rosie; Deb Tompkins'** mother-in-law, **Dorothy Tompkins;** and **May Louise Zeise.**

### In Military Service:

**Ed and Ginny Ensz's** grandson, **Kyle Kloeckl; Melanie Moore; Johnathan Nickel** and all serving our country.

Correspondence for **Ryan Eddy**, who is at National Guard boot camp can be sent to:

PVT EDDY RYAN  
2ND PLT E CO 2-13TH IN REGT  
4380 MAGRUDER AVE  
FORT JACKSON SC 29207

**Note:** write "2nd PLT" on the back of the letter and envelope.

Correspondence for **Jakob Nickel**, who is at Marine boot camp can be sent to:

Recruit Nickel Jakob F  
2nd BN G co PLT 2143  
41001 Midway Ave  
San Diego CA 92140

**Note:** Jakob may receive only written correspondence in plain envelopes with return addresses at this time.



# Member News and Notes

## Thank you

Sending my thanks and gratitude for all the prayers and get well cards. Your encouragement has played a big part in helping me regain more of my strength each day.

*Al Pitts*

A big thank you for all the cards and prayers I received following the death of my brother, John Winder. Your love and support is very appreciated.

*Laura Boyd*

Thank you to members of the Dept. of Building, Equipment and Grounds for shampooing carpets in May, for painting the preschool classrooms in June and performing lawn care duties throughout the summer. Your ongoing efforts to keep our church looking its best are very appreciated!

## Congratulations

Congratulations to **Sheryl and Michael Ross** on their wedding on June 23. Best wishes and blessings to Sheryl and Michael for their marriage and life together.

## Music

### Scholarships

Congratulations to the musicians chosen to receive the Zona White scholarships for the 2016-2017 school year: Bryan Goetzinger, Patrick Knowles, Adam Taylor and Laura Wilsey.

Zona White was a long-time organist at First Congregational Church and a supporter of music events and organizations.

Best wishes to the recipients as they resume their studies this fall

### Births

**Katie** and **Rob Kangas** welcomed the arrival of baby daughter, **Evelyn Rose** on July 5 in St. Paul, MN. **Becky Umenthum** is Evelyn's grandmother, and **Mary Keithahn** is her great-grandmother.

**Jack** and **Josey (Chance) Jenkins** welcomed the arrival of their son, **Paice decker**, on June 12.

**Crystal Adams-Hamann** and **Travis Hamann** welcomed the arrival of their daughter, **Paige**, on July 8. **Lily** is Paige's proud big sister.

## Of Note

Mary Nelson Keithahn was one of the presenters at the annual conference of the Hymn Society in the United States and Canada at the University of Redlands in California, July 17-21. She was the leader of the sectional for beginning text writers, and with John Horman led another sectional on "Singing the Stories of Our Faith with Young Children," based on their three collections of Bible story-based songs published by Augsburg Fortress. Mary and John also introduced some of the hymns and songs from *Faith That Lets Us Sing: 50 New Hymns and Short Worship Songs* in a third sectional. This collection will be out from Wayne Leupold Editions later this summer.

## Directory Updates

**Cecil Bassett**  
605-280-3538

**Judy Bassett**  
605-295-0275

**Sheryl and Michael Ross**  
4240 Foothills Drive  
Rapid City SD 57702  
605-431-3909

# Mission and Outreach

## New Alternatives Donations

The New Alternatives program assists young people who are aging out of foster care and need many supplies in order to live independently.

Tubs are now available in the Fellowship Hall for donations to this program.

### Requested items include:

Cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, paper towels  
EXTRA LONG twin sheet sets, blankets, quilts and mattress pads

New pillows

Bath towels

Kitchen supplies: dishes, pots, pans, microwaves, silverware, cups, storage bowls, kitchen towels

Suitcases, duffle bags

School supplies

Back packs

Hygiene products:

shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, lotion, shave gel, toothbrushes, toothpaste, nail clippers, shower gel, toilet paper

Thank you!

## Love INC's Clothe-A-Kid

Thank you to everyone who so generously donated to Love INC's Clothe-A-Kid program. We gathered enough funds to help **21** children shop for back-to-school clothes in August!

Also, thank you to those who have signed up to shop with families at Kohl's on **August 13 and/or August 20**. However, more **volunteer shoppers are needed!** If interested, please contact **Laura Switzer** at 399-9925.



## Host Families Needed

Dacotah Territory International Visitor Program is seeking volunteer host families for the "Youth Ambassadors" program. International youth leaders will be visiting Rapid City on a U.S. Department of State sponsored short-term exchange program. Home hosts provide a bed and most meals, but more importantly introduce our youth to everyday American life and culture.

The goals of the Youth Ambassadors Program are to promote mutual understanding between the people of the U.S. and the Caribbean; include significant interaction with American peers and/or families; incorporate service-learning activities to promote a culture of volunteerism; help develop individual service projects that students can implement upon return home; prepare youth leaders as responsible citizens and contributing members of their communities; and significantly influence the attitudes of a new generation's leaders.

Exchange visitors are selected by U.S. Embassies in the following countries: Bahamas, Guyana, Jamaica, Suriname, and Trinidad & Tobago.

DTIVP provides all transportation, lunch, cell phones, and program activities weekdays from 9 to 5. Participants, ages 15-18, are proficient in English and selected for these distinguished programs via a competitive, merit based process.

The group is here from **August 14 to August 25** and includes twelve students and mentor from the Caribbean.

For more information, call Michael Richardson at 605-342-4476, e-mail [dtivp@rushmore.com](mailto:dtivp@rushmore.com) or talk to Becky Fisher.

# August Calendar

## Sun Jul 31, 2016

*Rummage may be brought to church starting today.*

9:30am Worship for All Ages  
10:30am Fellowship  
4pm The Well

## Tue Aug 2, 2016

1pm Craft Day  
1:15pm Spiritual Practices

## Fri Aug 5, 2016

9am Rescue Stained Glass  
1pm BH Watercolor Group

## Sat Aug 6, 2016

*Visiting Group from Greenwich CT*

## Sun Aug 7, 2016

*Visiting Group from Greenwich CT*  
9:30am Worship for All Ages  
10:30am Fellowship  
4pm The Well Service

## Mon Aug 8, 2016

*Visiting Group from Greenwich CT*

## Tue Aug 9, 2016

1pm Craft Day  
1:15pm Spiritual Practices

## Wed Aug 10, 2016

6pm Stewardship & Budget

## Fri Aug 12, 2016

9am Rescue Stained Glass  
1pm Watercolor Group

## Sun Aug 14, 2016

9:30am Worship for All Ages  
10:30am Fellowship  
11am Rummage Sale Set up  
4pm The Well

## Mon Aug 15, 2016

9am Rummage Sale Set up

## Tue Aug 16, 2016

9am Rummage Sale Set up  
1:15pm Spiritual Practices  
7pm Church Board Meeting

## Wed Aug 17, 2016

9am Rummage Sale Set-up

## Thu Aug 18, 2016

9am Rummage Sale Set up

## Fri Aug 19, 2016

8am Rummage Sale

## Sat Aug 20, 2016

8am Rummage Sale

## Sun Aug 21, 2016

9:30am Worship for All Ages—  
Erin Schendzeilos preaching  
10:30am Fellowship  
3:30pm Jail Ministry  
4pm The Well

## Mon Aug 22, 2016

1:30pm Westhills Bible and  
Book Study

## Tue Aug 23, 2016

9am Woodchucks Wood  
Splitting  
11:30am 4th Tuesday Ladies Lunch  
1pm Craft Day  
1:15pm Spiritual Practices

## Fri Aug 26, 2016

9am Rescue Stained Glass  
1pm BH Watercolor Group

## Sat Aug 27, 2016

9am Woodchucks Wood  
Splitting  
10am Survivors of Suicide  
Support Group

## Sun Aug 28, 2016

9:30am Worship for All Ages—  
Kathleen Batchelder  
preaching  
10:30am Fellowship  
3pm Costa Rica Benefit  
Concert—featuring Aparna  
and Arjun Ayyangar  
3:30pm Jail Ministry  
4pm The Well

## Tue Aug 30, 2016

9am Woodchucks Wood  
Splitting  
1pm Craft Day  
1:15pm Spiritual Practices

## Fri Sep 2, 2016

1pm Rescue Stained Glass  
1pm BH Watercolor Group

## Sat Sep 3, 2016

9am Woodchucks Wood  
Splitting  
3pm Dubbs Wedding Rehearsal

## Sun Sep 4, 2016

9:30am Worship for All Ages  
10:30am Fellowship and  
90th Birthday Celebration  
for Bernie Lambert and Ben  
Schnabel  
3pm Dubbs Wedding  
4pm The Well

## Mon Sep 5, 2016

### Labor Day

## Tue Sep 6, 2016

9am Woodchucks Wood  
Splitting  
1pm Craft Day  
1:15pm Spiritual Practices

## Wed Sep 7, 2016

11:30am WF Board Meeting  
6pm Bell Choir Practice  
6pm Dept. of Hospitality  
7pm Adult Choir Practice

## Thu Sep 8, 2016

10am Altar Guild Meeting  
4pm Dept. of Worship

## Fri Sep 9, 2016

1pm Rescue Stained Glass  
1pm BH Watercolor Group

## Sat Sep 10, 2016

9am Woodchucks Wood  
Splitting

## Sun Sep 11, 2016

9:30am Worship  
10:30am Fellowship 4pm The  
Well

## Mon Sep 12, 2016

1:30pm Westhills Bible and  
Book Study

## Tues Sep 13, 2016

9am Woodchucks Wood  
Splitting  
1pm Craft Day  
1:15pm Spiritual Practices



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## Contact Us

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and share additional news  
of our congregation.

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**Thank You!**

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for being a **5 for 5 Congregation**  
of the United Church of Christ in 2015.

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John C. Dorhauer  
General Minister and President  
United Church of Christ

  
Conference Minister

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