

Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ

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Covid-19 Updates

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Worship Services at 10 a.m. in-person, masks optional.

Live streaming on Facebook & YouTube Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Worship on vorkville.org website after 12 p.m.

Staff

Minister Building Manager Christian Education Director Administrative Assistant Chancel Choir Director Children's Choir Director <u>Organist</u> Pianist Childcare Attendants

Custodians <u>Sexton</u>

Chairperson Vice Chairperson

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Worship: Preparation Church Family: Caring

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Worship: Serving

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Deanna Bazan Carrie DeFuss Aaron Shatters Pam Campos Operations: Bldg. & Grds Tony Houle Tim Andrus **Diane Stablein** Christian Education: Adult Aimee List Stacy Skinner Christian Education: Youth Lori Redmon Kathy Wickens Church Family: Fellowship

Laurie Houle June Davis Kathy Farren

Worship & Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.



September





Musings from Pastor Barbara

Have you heard the phrase "let go and let God?" I have many times. To be honest I struggled with letting go and letting God when there were tough times. And while I've had some tough times, I always wondered how someone who had been through the worst thing imaginable could let go and let God.

How could someone whose child or loved one was killed let go and let God? How could a community where a storm killed a number of people let go and let God? How could Jews who lived through the Holocaust, or people in Haiti who endured earthquakes more than once, or enslaved people ever let go and let God?

This week in the devotional from the Center for Action and Contemplation I learned something about that phrase. Theologian Diana L. Hayes, who grew up in a community of strong black women said she wondered too. These women had experienced both the joys and sorrows of human life and yet, when necessary, could say, "Let go and let God." She wrote:

They could "let go" of the pain of losing a child through illness or misfortune or of watching another child or their husband slowly give up hope of getting a meaningful job, of having something tangible to produce at day's end. They could "let go" of the racism that confronted them at every turn. . . . They could "let God" carry those sorrows for a while. God did not take over the pain, the frustration, or the anger—it was still there—but they could rest their burden with the Lord for just a little while until they found the strength to take it up and carry it again. Some would say they were passive. . . . But they would be wrong.

To "let go and let God" is to put yourself into the hands of God, even for just a little while, until the challenges of life are more bearable. It is not a form of "otherworldly" escape, for the pain, the anger, the fears, the frustrations are always, sadly, a part of life, not because God wants it so, but because of our own human failure to make it different.

I understand a little more how people in the worst times can let go and let God. I understand that it's not about giving in or giving up, but that when I share the burden with God and with my community of support, I can refill, rest, and be able to face what comes next. May we all let go and let God carry our burdens until we find strength to carry on again.

Pastor Barbara

Greeters Needed!

The Outreach and Welcoming Ministry is looking for volunteer to serve as greeters before worship each Sunday from 9:30 to 10 am.



No experience needed!

The ideal candidate would possess the following skills:

Smiles (highly contagious in nature)

Willingness to introduce yourself to those around you before worship, whom you may not know

Open Heart that can welcome all who come into our church

SIGN UP ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE NARTHEX.

From the Desk of the Chair



For more of my life than not, September has meant "Back to School." As a student, it meant some new school supplies, new shoes, and perhaps some new clothes. As a teacher it meant new students, a clean and fresh

classroom, new staff members, and an exciting start to a new cycle of learning.

At YCUCC, September brings us a fresh start. Most notably, our Sunday School classes are starting up again by grade levels. Classrooms are clean and fresh, and teachers are ready with new materials thanks to Barb Thurlby, our Christian Ed Director. Aimee List, our Adult Christian Ed Shepherd, is prepared for a new book study in October on the book <u>Braiding Sweetgrass</u> by Robin Wall Kimmerer. Start reading your copy now so you are ready to join us next month.

Our Building and Grounds team is starting with some fresh projects after a busy summer. They will be painting the south side of the building, and there will be the fall clean-up day for outside work. You might consider supporting this team with some of their projects.

SLT welcomed some new Shepherds who started July 1; all Shepherds are in full swing with their ministries as we enter this new season. We welcomed Pastor Barbara who will lead us through the month of September in preparation for our new settled pastor. The Outreach and Evangelism ministry is looking for new greeters, and they'll be hosting Touch a Truck over Labor Day Weekend, a great opportunity to get out in the community. Lori Redmon, our Worship Serving Shepherd, is looking for help at the tech table during service advancing slides. Talk to her about what she needs... it could be new for you.

Can you feel the energy? The spirit of newness? YCUCC offers many opportunities to get involved and let the energy fill you. There is a place for each of you here, and as we kick off the month of September, I encourage you to find an activity, a group, a purpose that fills you with a sense of newness and excitement.

Deanna Bazan Chairperson, SLT

MISSIONS MINISTRY NEWS SEPTEMBER 2022

Our first fall Soup Sunday will be on September 11th with proceeds going to the Kendall County Community Food Pantry. Please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Without our cooks and bakers, we cannot have a soup Sunday. Your help is needed. If you do not make soup or dessert, we also need clean-up helpers.



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Guard yourselves from greed, because person's true life is not made up of the things one owns. Luke 12:15



Building and Grounds

The building and grounds crew has been hard at work. This month the remaining windows were replaced. After replacing the windows, the crew fixed the window trims and stained them. All this was done with the help of Jim Davis. Another project the crew completed was fixing the north door closer. After the crew fixed the door and completed the windows, they went around the church and replaced burnt out ceiling lights.

Some future projects include, painting the south side of the building, Four Seasons will be out to finish the trench out back, and planting a tree in memory of Mary Ellen Anderson.

The crew will continue to meet on Tuesdays mornings at 9:00am. If you or someone you know may be interested in helping the crew, please contact Tony Houle or the office.



Robin Campos Building Manager bldmgr@yorkvilleucc.org

YCUCC YOUTH SERVE AT HESED HOUSE

By Barb Thurlby, Christian Education Director

On Tuesday, August 9, 2022, six students from Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ served lunch at Hesed House. Students serving at Hesed House included Owen Shatters, Aidan Mendell, Tommy Dyer, Ronan Heffernan, Jenna Anderson, and Helaina Koplin. The students, along with chaperones Robin Campos, Sandy Lindblom, Rhonda Ladson, and Barb Thurlby, prepared, served, and cleaned up lunch for 150 guests and staff at



the shelter. The menu included hot dogs, chips, coleslaw, applesauce, and homemade cookies! Students also helped with the storeroom and laundry.

Hesed House is the second largest homeless shelter in Illinois and serves over two hundred men, women, and children each night of the year. YCUCC students and chaperones took a tour of the facilities and learned much about the organization from Volunteer & Community Engagement Coordinator Adam Zapfel.

Monies to fund the service project were CE funds collected from the bake sale during the April 2022 Rummage and Bake Sale held at the church. The students were excellent ambassadors of the church and plan to do more mission and service work in and around their community.

Thank you to the generous donors who baked cookies for this special service project. They were a real treat to the guests!



Stephen Ministers strive to **"Bear one another's** burdens and thus fulfill the law of Christ" Galatians 6:2.

If you or someone you know is burdened or hurting, a trained Stephen Minister can listen, encourage and care in a <u>confidential</u> one-to-one manner.



Contact YCUCC office, Carrie DeFuss or Lou Ann Hoffman

Save the date for the All Church Canoe Trip! September 24th from 9a-12p

\$10 per person

Register with Deanna Bazan (224-704-0150) by September 23rd.



The trip is 5 miles from 201 W Hydraulic St. to Silver Springs. If you would like to bring your own kayak or canoe, please let it Deanna know. You will be required to bring your own life jacket.

Providing Meals at Daybreak Shelter

By Kathy Farren

Since Kendall County PADS stopped operating, our church has been part of a ministry serving lunch to the homeless at the Daybreak Shelter in Joliet. Cross Lutheran Church members alternate months providing the food.

We are looking for a few more YCC members to donate and cook lunch for Daybreak residents on the third Fridays in September and November.

Each monthly meal includes a main dish with meat and side dishes like vegetables, pasta or potatoes, salad or fruit, and dessert. If you would be willing to provide any of these items - maybe once a year- please email either Kathy Farren, ednpub@earthlink.net, or Sandy Lindblom, slind55378@aol.com. Daybreak serves lunch for up to about 40 homeless people each day.

However, cooking can be split so no one has to donate the entire main dish for all 40 people, for example. If you would like to help, but don't cook, you could also donate an Aldi gift card that can be used by someone who does cook.

Even though PADS has ended, the needs of the homeless continue. Please help us by giving Daybreak guests some good, homemade food once a month.



Finley Walker is turning 1 on September 7th! Let's shower him with birthday cards!

> 3931 Havenhill Ct Yorkville, IL 60560



Are you signed up to "E-Give"?

This church has been incredibly supportive over the past year. We have supported the Search Committee in the search for a settled pastor, and now Pastor Elizabeth Hartung will be joining us next month. We supported environmental stewardship by installing solar panels. We have supported our Building and Grounds team as they accomplished impressive projects

on site and to save us a considerable amount of money. We have supported our financial plan and been fiscally responsible; we met our goal of setting aside a portion of offerings for capital improvement.

Let's continue this trend and support YCUCC through our giving. The best way to give is by signing up for the "E-Giving Automatic Giving Plan." The application is available on our website and in the church office. This is the "set it and forget it" donation option and now is the perfect time to update your giving plan. More information can be found by clicking the "E-GIVING" button at <u>http://yorkvilleucc.org/</u> Please consider this option if you are not already doing so.

Let's make it a date. Morris Theatre Guild Presents: Neil Simon's The Odd Couple.

Matthew Johnson (Rev. Michael Obenauer's son) is directing this classic comedy which opens as a group of the guys assemble for cards in the apartment of divorced Oscar Madison. And if the mess is any indication, it's no wonder that his wife left him. Late to arrive is Felix Unger, who has just been separated from his wife. Fastidious, depressed, and none too tense, Felix seems suicidal, but as the action unfolds, Oscar becomes the one with murder on his mind when the clean freak and the slob

ultimately decide to room together with hilarious results as *The Odd Couple* is born. Rev. Michael is planning on attending on Oct 23. Show starts at 2:30 and the doors open at 2pm. This is assigned seating and tickets are \$17.00 for adults and \$15.00 for 65+. Please contact Matthew directly on his cell phone at 630-417-9014 (text work best) for tickets. A group of 10 or more can get a discount. Make it a Yorkville UCC date. Plenty of great restaurants to enjoy after the show.



Emergency Notification Form

| Please PRINT the following information: |
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| First Name: |
| Last Name: |
| In the event of an emergency, I the undersigned, authorize any member/staff of the Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ to notify the following persons: |
| 1 st Contact Name: |
| Best Contact Number: |
| OK to leave message/voicemail: Yes No |
| 2 nd Contact Name: Best Contact Number: OK to leave message/voicemail: YesNo |
| I understand and agree that the church and/or its staff will have no obligation or liability to notify such in case of emergency. |

Date

Signature

If you have not completed an emergency contact form, please do so and return a copy to the church office. Copies will be available at the Welcome Center and the Church Office.

Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ Sunday School Registration Form 2022 - 2023

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HEY YCUCC FAMILIES!!! Sign up and donate cereal!! SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION Sunday, September 11, 2022 9:30 a.m. in fellowship hall. Parents will complete registration forms and children will enjoy a bowl of cereal. Christian Education will be collecting boxes of cereal to donate to the Kendall County Food Bank!









YCUCC SPONSORS CHAMBER 'NEW TEACHER' BREAKFAST

By Barb Thurlby, Christian Education Director

On Wednesday, August 17, 2022, Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ took part in the Yorkville Chamber of Commerce New Teacher Breakfast. During the annual event sponsors from the area sponsor a new teacher joining the Yorkville School District by providing a gift basket or gift card to benefit and welcome a new teacher. The event was held at Whitetail Ridge Golf Club in Yorkville with an early morning breakfast. YCUCC Chair Deanna Bazan represented the church at the special welcoming event. Deanna met the recipient of the YCUCC teacher basket, Robert Eaton. Mr. Eaton will teach at Yorkville Middle School. Thank you, Deanna, for representing our church and welcome to the district Mr. Eaton!









- Have you wanted to contribute to worship, but don't know how?
- Do you catch yourself singing in the shower?
- Do you tap your foot when a lively tune is being played?
- Do you wonder what happens at choir rehearsals?
- Do you worry about where you are going to sit when you come to church?

~~ You should join the Chancel Choir ~~

We need you to be a part of this important ministry.

We promise fun, friendship, and an experience you will not forget.

We need singers of all voices: soprano, alto, tenor, bass and "I don't know" singers.

We really need tenors and basses!

In the over 25 years of working with the choir, we have always had a balanced choir, allowing us to sing meaningful anthems in four parts. We are currently facing a big shortage of men in choir and we need to increase our tenor and bass memberships. Please consider joining us.

~~ Here are the details you need to know ~~

- Rehearsals begin at 7:00 pm on Wednesday nights
- September 14 First rehearsal in the sanctuary.
- September 18 First Sunday we sing for worship service
- Rehearsals end at 8:30 pm
- No one will ever ask you to sing alone, unless you volunteer.
- We hope you can attend each rehearsal, but we know that people have other obligations and may not be able to attend all rehearsals. That's why we practice music in advance, in multiple rehearsals.
- Childcare will be provided for both Wednesday and Sunday morning rehearsals
- Reward/Pay: **Priceless!**

Did I mention we need more men? Well, we do!

~~ All are welcome! ~~

Doug Trumble - Chancel Choir Director





YCUCC's 2022 Fall Rummage & Bake Sale Friday, October 14th & Saturday, October 15th

FROM JUNK



Dig into your overflowing closets, cabinets, and clean out garages & basements! Donate lost 'TREASURES' you had no idea you still possess!

ALL DONATIONS

<u>Must be:</u> clean, stain-free, no holes/rips, and in GOOD condition

** Please use safety pins to secure matching outfits**

DONATING A LARGER ITEM FOR THE RUMMAGE SALE?

Call Tony Houle directly at **815-546-1061** to discuss specific item/s being donated and schedule an October 10th/11th pickup, or text a picture of your donation for pre-approval!

SCHEDULING BASED ON STORAGE AVAILABILITY

Building & Grounds' pickup service 'ONLY' offered for our YCUCC Church Family!

Items 'NOT' Accepted for Donation:

Extra Large Furniture (i.e. 'Oversized' sofas/sectionals, desks, entertainment centers (We reserve the right to decline an item that is too large), Electronics (TV/c, computers, printers, typowriters, land/cell phones, fax equipment)

Electronics (TVs, computers, printers, typewriters, land/cell phones, fax equipment), infant/child car and/or booster seats, any size mattress, cribs

J.O.Y. Circle requests 'your' help to ensure a successful 2022 Fall R&B Sale!

Volunteer Sign-up Sheets - Posted September 18th in the Narthex

<u>Set-up</u>: Sunday, October 9th immediately following the worship service

Extra help throughout the week of the sale from our YCUCC Church Family:

- Sorting/Organizing donated items (Volunteer time slots available to fit 'your' schedule)
- Bake items, provide treats and/or help Bake Sale Chair Sandy Lindblom w/Bake Sale Set-up & Preparations on Thursday, October 13th
- Friday and/or Saturday Sale Days, October 14th & 15th (Staggered, volunteer time slots available)

Tear-down: 12:00 p.m. - @ 2:00 p.m., Saturday, October 15th

Peg Trumble - J.O.Y. Circle/Rummage Sale Chairpjltrumble@comcast.net630-768-5924 (C)

Sandy Lindblom – Bake Sale Chair <u>slind55378@aol.com</u> 630-553-6214 (H)

Adult Education

As adult education coordinator, my goal is to provide opportunities for adults to explore their faith, feed their souls, and then reach out and seek understanding of others.



BRAIDING SWEETGRASS

Book Discussion

I am so excited for the next book discussion! We will be reading *Braiding Sweetgrass : Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants* by Robin Wall Kimmerer. The author is a Botanist and an Associate Professor of Environmental and Forest Biology at the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry (SUNY-ESF). She is a member of the Potawatomi Tribe and the book combines both her scientific knowledge with that of her Native knowledge and environmental passion. The book is full of stories of her life and heritage that teach us about Native culture and how we can better interact with nature and our world.

• October 4 Introduction, Preface, Planting Sweetgrass, Tending Sweetgrass, and Picking Sweetgrass

October 18 Braiding Sweetgrass, Burning Sweetgrass, and Epilogue

Both discussions will be on Zoom at 7:00 p.m., contact Aimee List to join.



Spiritual Development Group

The Spiritual Development Group is continuing their study of *After Jesus, Before Christianity: A Historical Exploration of the First Two Centuries of Jesus Movements* by Erin Vearncombe, Brandon Scott, and Hal Taussig with a foreword by Sue Monk Kidd.

The group meets September 13 and 27 at 7:00 p.m.



Book of the Month

Black Cake by Charmaine Wilkerson

This was a Read with Jenna pick from February of this year! This is a story of a woman born in the Caribbean who has to reinvent herself as she immigrates to London and then the United States. A wonderful story about betrayal, secrets, and memories. Look for it in our library!

Aimee List Adult Education Shephard ajlsan1@hotmail.com



Labor Day Word Search



TEACHER DOCTOR FIREMAN NURSE CLERK WAITRESS CARPENTER PLUMBER ELECTRICIAN BUS DRIVER





Building and Grounds Crew Installs ENERGY-SAVING Lights

Have you noticed the new lights in the church parking lot? All of the lamp post lights have been replaced with energy saving LED bulbs. As the days get shorter, the bright lights will be a welcome sight for people entering or leaving the church at night.

Building and Grounds team borrowed a lift truck and replaced the lights and cleaned the light fixtures. Additionally, the crew placed two solar lights in front of the church sign at the corner. The Green Group appreciates the work this group does in behalf of the church.

Thank Tony Houle, Jeff Kline, Andy Hamblin, and Brian Bazan when you see them.

Recycling paper SAVES

Recycling 1 ton of paper saves . . .

17 mature trees

7,000 gallons of water

3.3 cubic yards of landfill space

380 gallons of oil

the energy equivalent of 165 gallons of gasoline

Recycling paper helps to **reduce greenhouse gas emissions that can contribute to climate change**. It takes 70% less energy and water to recycle paper than to create new paper from trees. Manufacturing with recovered paper cuts down on pollution that contributes to smog and ill health. Recycling saves trees; 17 trees can absorb a total of 250 pounds of carbon dioxide from the air each year.

YOU can be part of this saving!! Bring your unwanted paper to the outside bins near the south parking lot. Cardboard boxes are acceptable, but should be used to carry your paper, such as old mail and newspapers. To save space, **please break-down/ flatten your empty cardboard boxes**. Remember to put down the lid on the bin.

SAVING with Solar - Discussion Phase II

Green Group has been talking about using solar panels to generate power for electricity used at the church. Solar power usage will reduce some of the fossil fuel used and it will provide for financial SAVINGS on the electric bill.

Members of Green Group, some of the Buildings and Grounds team, and a few others from our church have met three times with various employees of the City of Yorkville to talk about and share ideas for a park with a playground and pavilion on a section of the church property.

These meetings are in discussion stage only. There is a lot to talk about: design, size, location, liability and insurance, maintenance, land agreements, and many more details. If, and when a proposal comes from the City, the Green Group will evaluate it. The Green Group will bring the proposal to the Shepherd's Leadership Team, who will also assess the proposal, ask questions, and make suggestions for possible changes. The entire process is being done by thoughtful negotiations. At this time there is not a proposal put before us — no decisions have been made. Currently this is in discussion phase. The Green Group and SLT will provide information with the congregation as it becomes more focused and has more tangible components to present.

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| 4 Communion Sunday 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Coffee Fellowship | 5 Office Closed Labor Day | 6 9:00 am Building and Grounds—maintenance | 7 9:30-12:00p Breathe Life Tai Chi 11:00 am Staff Meeting | 8 6:00 pm Finance Committee 7:00 pm SLT Meeting | 6 | 10 |
| 11 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am Soup Sunday School registration 11:00 am LYN Meeting in Meeting Room | 12 | 13 9:00 am Building and Grounds—maintenance 10 am Pastoral Care | 14 9:30-12:00p Breathe Life Tai Chi 11:00 am Staff Meeting 6:45-7:45 pm Youth Group 7:00 pm Adult Choir Practice | 15 | 16 | 17 Richard Hudson Celebration of Life 11a Service 12p Luncheon |
| 18 9:00 am Confirmation Class 10:00 am Worship 11:00am Coffee Fellowship Sunday School begins 11:00am Worship and Spiritual Growth Meeting in MTG Room | 19 | 20 9:00 am Building and Grounds—maintenance 12:00pm JOY Circle Mtg | 21 9:30-12:00p Breathe Life Tai Chi 11:00 am Staff Meeting 5:15-6:30 Spaghetti Dinner 6:00 pm Youth Choir 6:45-7:45 pm Youth Group 7:00 pm Adult Choir Practice | 22 | 23 NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DUE DATE | 24 9a-12p All Church Canoe Trip |
| 25 9:00 am Confirmation Class 10:00 am Worship Sunday School 11:00am Coffee Fellowship | 26 | 27 9:00 am Building and Grounds—maintenance | 28 9:30-12:00p Breathe Life Tai Chi 9:00 am Newsletter mailing 11:00 am Staff Meeting 5:15-6:30 Spaghetti Dinner 6:00 pm Youth Choir 6:45-7:45 pm Youth Group | 29 | 30 | |
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September 2022

Tyler Mall



Those Grieving:

Anderson Family **Brooks Family**

Those in Cancer Treatment:

Randy Ladson Pearl Undesser Terri Patterson **Coulson Taylor**

Health Concerns:

| Deb BezroukoffDiane HupeMazie MaAnne ByrdWyatt JonesJoanne OWayne CruiseJonathan LampConnie PieDave EncinasKim LeszczynskiDale ProcVirginia GossRegina MoeArtie Proc | errepont Helen Wiles haska |
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General Concerns:

Deb Mendell Prochaska Family Fur Babies: Kelly Fisher - Maggie & Riley Abby Rhodes- Ella

The people who work on the front lines of the virus doctors, nurses, healthcare workers, nursing home workers, first responders.

Homebound/Assisted Living:

Myrah Baldwin, Earl Bushnell, Pat Dietz, Ruth Prince, Pat Rodgers, Fred Wayne

GRIEFSHARE:

If you or someone you know is struggling with grief, the GRIEFSHARE program might provide support. Contact griefshare.org for a list of programs in our area.



WE THANK THE MANY THAT HELP RECYCLE ALUMINUM CANS AND DONATE <u>UNCRUSHED</u> CANS TO THE CHURCH!



WE HAVE INSTALLED A GARBAGE CAN NEXT TO THE SIDE DOOR OF THE GARAGE FOR CONVENIENT DROP OFF ANYTIME!

amazonsmile

Exciting news! YCUCC participates in Amazon Smile!

This means that Amazon will donate 0.5% of your purchases through <u>https://smile.amazon.com</u> to YCUCC if you select

> "Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ"

as your preferred charity.

Use the following link to select your preferred charity:

https://smile.amazon.com/ch/36-2639077.

From that point forward, qualifying purchases can be made through <u>smile.amazon.com</u>

Thank you!

Reminder!

Starbucks gift cards avail able in \$5.00 and \$10.00 amounts!

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Nursery is Open!

Vaccinated & Masked Caregivers

Air Purification Installed

September Birthdays

| Carrie DeFuss | 02 | Katie Niesen |
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| Clayton Elleby | 02 | Amber Anderson |
| Rick Falato | 02 | Maddy Gawne |
| Joe Runkle | 02 | Bill Drew |
| Marilyn Vogus | 02 | |
| Marge Hembree | 03 | |
| Leah Secrest | 00 | Cecil Hembree |
| Ruth Prince | 05 | Betty Naden |
| Dan Gette | 06 | Lori Runkle |
| Adam Kolowski | 06 | McKenzie Strausberger |
| Kristine Arch | 00 | • |
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| Finley Walker | 07 | Christopher Erickson |
| Tracy Andrus | 07 | Ellie Gentile |
| Jim Kokes | 09 | Jami Green |
| Aidan Donahue | 13 | Jeff Dillow |
| Judy Iverson | 13 | Jon Runkle |
| Gulianna Goldman | 14 | Mike Mallon |
| Dawn Mulligan | 14 | Tyler Wilson |
| Brett Rhodes | 14 | |
| Fred Anderson | 15 | |
| Julie Kline | 16 | Mark Gregory |
| Elise Phillipp | 16 | Mark Crogory |
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| Sandy Ramirez | 16 | |

September Anniversaries

Altar Guild Kathy Wickens



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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 18 GREEN Jer 18:1-11 and Ps 139:1-6, 13-18 Deut 30:15-20 and Ps 1 Philem 1:1-21 Luke 14:25-33 *A New Identity*

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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 19 GREEN Jer 4:11-12, 22-28 and Ps 14 Ex 32:7-14 and Ps 51:1-10 1 Tim 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10 *Growing in God's Love*

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 20 GREEN Jer 8:18-9:1 and Ps 79:1-9 Amos 8:4-7 and Ps 113 1 Tim 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13 *Prayerful Living*

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 21 GREEN Jer 32:1-3a, 6-15 and Ps 91:1-6, 14-16 Amos 6:1a, 4-7, and Ps 146 1 Tim 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31 *Surprising Investment*

Our Mission Statement

To live as Jesus lived: Love without Judgement, Welcome without Exception, Serve with Compassion, Teach by Example.

Our Vision Statement

God's community of unconditional love, made real for everyone, everywhere.

Open & Affirming Covenant

YCUCC is an open and affirming congregation that seeks to meet each child of God—persons from the full diversity of creation including gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, physical and intellectual ability, age, race, nationality, economic and social status, faith background, marital standing and family structure—where they are on life's journey as together we seek to transform all our lives through Christ's Gospel.



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