



## Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ

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<u>Chancel Choir Director</u>	Doug Trumble
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<u>Childcare Attendants</u>	Robin Campos Dakota Shatters
<u>Custodians</u>	Tim & Laurie Strong
<u>Sexton</u>	Louise DeFuss
<u>Altar Guild</u>	Kathy Wickens

### Shepherds

<u>Chairperson</u>	Deanna Bazan
<u>Vice Chairperson</u>	Carrie DeFuss
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<u>Operations: Bldg. &amp; Grds</u>	Tony Houle
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<u>Worship: Preparation</u>	Kathy Wickens
<u>Church Family: Caring</u>	Lou Ann Hoffman
<u>Church Family: Fellowship</u>	Laurie Houle
<u>Service: Missions</u>	June Davis
<u>Outreach/Welcoming</u>	Kathy Farren

**Worship & Sunday School: 10:00 am**  
**Voyageurs: 9:00 am**

# *The Happenings*

# July 2023



# 4TH OF JULY





## Pastor's Porch

Embracing the Blessings of July at Our Church,

As the warmth of summer envelops us, July brings forth a delightful blend of excitement and relaxation within our church community. With many of our church family members embarking on well-deserved vacations, it's a time of exploration, rejuvenation, and bonding. Amidst this vibrant backdrop, we eagerly anticipate a week of boundless joy and spiritual growth through the much-loved Vacation Bible School—an event that takes over our church, infusing it with an enchanting spirit. Additionally, this year, we have made the thoughtful decision to pause our church school program for the month of July. I hope that we use this pause to fully embrace the **intergenerational**

**connection** that lies at the heart of our church.

We take immense pride in the diverse tapestry of our church family, which spans across generations, bridging the gap between the Silent Generation, Baby Boomers, Generation X, Millennials (Generation Y), Generation Z, and even the youngest members of Generation Alpha, born between 2010 and 2024. The beauty of our church lies in the unity we experience as we gather, sharing our unique perspectives, wisdom, and stories across the ages. This month, let us seize the opportunity to bask in the gift of this **intergenerational community**, cherishing the bonds that unite us.

To enhance our worship experience during this special month, we are crafting services that cater to all members of our church family, including our precious little ones. On **July 2**, we invite you to join us for a Love Feast titled "We are all God's Children." As we gather for communion, we will have the extraordinary chance to make communion bread together. This simple yet profound act will bring us closer as we learn about its significance and reflect upon the importance of breaking bread in communion.

On **July 9**, our sermon entitled "Listen, Learn, Love" will draw inspiration from the Parable of the Sower and a captivating Cherokee story called "The Coming of the Corn" from North Carolina. During the children's story, we will weave together the threads of these tales, connecting them to our sermon's central message. Through this, we inspire our children and adults to nurture the seeds of faith and love in our hearts.

The following week, on **July 16**, is VBS launch Sunday, and we will bless our teachers and participants during a shortened worship. The worship will revolve around the "God's Great Compassion" theme, focusing on Psalm 145:8-14. In the children's message, we will embark on a heartwarming activity, collectively writing a note of compassion and connection. The message will be drawing inspiration from the beloved characters of Sesame Street, we will learn valuable lessons about extending kindness and understanding to one another.

On **July 23**, a harmonious symphony of voices will fill our sanctuary as we come together for a hymn sing. We will joyously sing a medley of cherished songs and hymns, reveling in the timeless melodies that have become an integral part of our collective worship experience. This celebration of music will uplift our spirits and deepen our sense of unity as we join our voices in praise and adoration.

Finally, on **July 30**, we invite you to indulge your inner child as we embark on Disney Sunday. The sermon, aptly titled "Waves," will be based on the scripture Matthew 10:40-42. Drawing inspiration from the beloved film "Moana," we will explore themes of courage, identity, and embracing our unique callings. The youth who participated in our recent mission trip enthusiastically voted for this movie, recognizing its profound messages of faith and resilience.

As we embark on this journey through July, let us open our hearts to the blessings that await us within our church community. Let us relish the joy of intergenerational connection, the warmth of shared connection.

Peace,  
Pastor Elizabeth



## From the Desk of the Chair

Recently, my son and I had a conversation in the kitchen in which he exclaimed in an exasperated tone, "Mom, 24 hours in a day is just not enough. There is so much to do!"

I gently swallowed my initial thought that sounded something like, "It's called adulting" and took a moment to breathe. Our conversation continued and I reminded him that God has given us all the same 24 hours each day, and it is ours to do with as we please. I also noted that God gives us only 24 hours at a time because that's about all we can handle.

Perhaps you are reminded, as am I, that we can plan all we want, but God already has a plan for us. I suspect that God laughs at me frequently over the planning I try to do well beyond my 24-hour window. I look at a sign each day that reminds me to do everything for the glory of God. Guided by that scripture, I can move through my 24-hour day and make better decisions.

Our YCUCC family is always planning ahead. Currently we are planning for VBS, the all-church retreat, the church picnic, the return to Sunday School, and yes, even the next rummage sale. That being said, our planning is focused on activities that bring glory to God, experiences that spread God's light into the world. We saw that in our Refugee Sunday celebration, and we'll see it in our participation in the July 4<sup>th</sup> community festivities.

You have 24 hours today. And tomorrow, and the next day. How will you use it?

Yours in Service,  
Deanna Bazan  
Chairperson, SLT

*Whatever you do,  
do it all for the  
Glory of God*

1 Corinthians 10:31



**BUILDING & GROUNDS**

## What has Building and Grounds been up to?

This month the Building and Grounds crew has been doing a lot of tidying up around the building. One of the big projects that was completed was patching of all the large potholes in the parking lot. I know all of our cars are very thankful for this. Another project that is in the process of being completed is the reorganization of the garage. The crew was out in the heat of the summer building shelves, throwing away old items we no longer need and creating more garage storage for larger items. The south side of the building was also painted to match the rest of the building this past month.

Some larger Building and Grounds items include painting the west side exterior peaks and the hood fire suppression system in the kitchen.

After meeting with two fire safety companies and the Bristol Kendall Fire Department, it has come to a conclusion that we do not need to have a suppression system in the kitchen since we purchased two residential ranges. Per the recommendation of the fire department, we will be purchasing fire blankets to replace the system. They also recommended using the hood fan every time the ranges are in use.

Have you ever noticed that the back of the building is a different color? We have received a few quotes from commercial painters for painting and caulking of the peaks on the back of the building. Due to higher than expected costs, this project will be put off for now so we can consider some fundraising opportunities.

Building and Grounds continues to meet every Tuesday at 9:00 am.

## **SLT MEET AND GREET: Lori Redmon and**

### **Lori Redmon - Worship Serving Shepherd**

As the Worship Serving Shepherd, I work with the Music ministries, the Worship and Spiritual Growth Ministry, and the Media Ministry. The Music ministries includes all choirs and the accompanists. The Worship and Spiritual Growth group works with the pastor on all aspects of worship services. The Media Ministry supports the slide projection during worship services as well as the live streaming of service. These groups help cover all aspects of our worship services. It is a pleasure to work with all these people. If you've ever thought of joining any of these groups, let me know... all are welcome!



I have been a software developer for 38 years in a variety of industries, currently employed by Hyatt Hotels in the Chicago corporate office IT department. My husband Gavin and I have been married for 38 years. We have 3 grown children, Megghun, Steven and Eric, a 16 year-old granddaughter, Evelyn and were blessed this year with a baby granddaughter, Elizzabella. We have been members of YCUCC for 21 years. I grew up in the Lutheran Church and Gavin in the Catholic church, but we have never felt more at home than here at YCUCC. I have previously served as a Sunday School teacher, on the Christian Ed committee and am still a member of Worship and Spiritual growth. I can usually be found Sunday mornings at the desk in the back of the sanctuary running worship slides or doing the live streaming along with Diane Stablein (stop by and say hello!).

### **Pam Campos - Personnel Shepherd**



Hi! I'm Pam. I'm a UCC lifer. I am the youngest of 6 kids, 4 sisters and 1 brother (and no, NOT poor brother!). My family attended St. Philippus UCC on the south side of Chicago (Go Sox!!) until we moved to the western suburbs just before I started high school.

I was married at St. Paul's UCC in Downers Grove to my husband Tony and after moving to Warrenville, attended St. Matthew UCC in Wheaton (yes, the same church Pastor Mark attended). Tony and I have 2 young adults. Robin is our oldest. You may know her from her work here at the church, both in the office and with

Christian education. My son, Nick is a manager at Craft'd in Yorkville.

I'm pleased to work with the following fantastic Personnel Committee members: Kathy Farren, Doug Trumble, Diane Dillow and Jill Mickelson. I am also grateful for the fine group of people I'm working with on the Christian Education Director Search Committee: Deanna Bazan, Kathy Farren, Doug Trumble, Alison Strandell, Sue Kimes, Aidan Mendell, Luke DeFuss, and Pastor Elizabeth as an advisor.

Outside of church, I work full time as a data analyst with Advocate Health. I enjoy glamping out at our campsite at Woodhaven Lakes, bowling and playing lots of games with family and friends.

If you're interested in joining an every other week co-ed bowling league that starts the Sunday afternoon after labor day, let me know! We're always looking for more bowlers.





## Prayer Chain

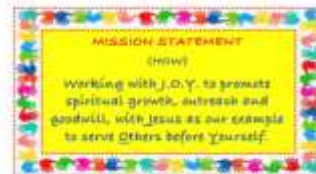
There's a community of warriors here to pray for your fears, joys troubles or needs. Let our warriors pray with you. Call the church office at (630) 553-7308 or text (630) 730-9377.

If you're interested in becoming a prayer warrior, please contact Carrie DeFuss at (630) 730-9377 for more information.

## Stewardship Thought of the Month

"It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing praises to your name, O Most High."

-Psalms 92:1



### What are the 3Rs?

The principle of reducing waste, reusing and recycling resources and products is often called the "3Rs." **Reducing** means choosing to use things with care to reduce the amount of waste generated. **Reusing** involves the repeated use of items or parts of items which still have usable aspects. In other words, it is important to share materials rather than just throw them away. **Recycling** is to convert waste into reusable material.



### We accomplish the 3R's by hosting rummage sales!

Our YCUCC family and community members...

1. **Reduce** items in our homes by donating unwanted items to the sale instead of throwing them out.
2. **Reuse** by continuing the use of items that are still usable - benefitting the community.
3. **Recycle** by sending the remaining, unsold items to Wayside Cross for continued use of the original, donated items.

By following the concept of the 3R's, we are given the opportunity to serve our church family, the community, and charitable organizations. The cycle continues with donating remaining items to Wayside Cross!



### 2023 Fall Rummage & Bake Sale October 20th & 21st



J.O.Y. Circle's next meeting is scheduled for noon on Tuesday, August 15, 2023 in YCUCC's Fellowship Hall

We welcome new members, so please come join us!

Peg Trumble | J.O.Y. Circle Chair / Rummage Sale Chair

## Sign up to help YCUCC shine on July 4

Yorkville's Independence Day celebration provides our church with three opportunities to be more visible to the community- and have some fun at the same time. Sign up sheets will be in the Narthex after June 1.

We will be having an entry in the parade, manning the bounce houses in the Town Square Park after the parade, and then letting people gather in the church parking lot to watch the fireworks at dusk.

Volunteers will be needed to walk in the parade which steps off at 9 a.m. and lasts about an hour. Including the time to line up before 9 a.m., this is about a 2 hour commitment.

People will also be needed to help with the bounce houses. The City of Yorkville is providing the bounce houses and getting them inflated and ready. Our job will be to stand at the entrance and exit points to make sure there aren't too many kids in at one time and that kids are safely leaving the bounce houses. We will have cards with information about YCUCC activities- like Vacation Bible School- to hand out to parents. Activities in the park start as the parade ends and conclude by 12:30 or 1 p.m. at the latest.

Finally, our location close to where the fireworks will be set off gives us an opportunity to meet with even more community residents in our own parking lot. Last year, the gaga ball pit was set up for kids to use before the fireworks and the church distributed free snow cones. Again, this is no more than about a two hour commitment.

Each of these activities would allow you to attend your own family picnics, cookouts or pool parties, and still have time to help the church early in the day or in the evening.

We will need MANY of you to help with these fun activities and help spread the word about YCUCC.



## Can you help provide lunch for Daybreak Shelter on July 21?

It will be YCUCC's turn to provide lunch for Daybreak Homeless Shelter again on Friday, July 21. The menu will be sloppy joe, coleslaw, chips and dessert.

We asked the Daybreak food coordinator what other meal we might bring. Her response was "Please keep bringing sloppy joes- the guests love it and no other group brings it." So we'll do it again!

As the number of guests at Daybreak has increased, we now need: five 3-pound batches of sloppy joe, a total of 88 hamburger buns, four 2.75 pound tubs of coleslaw (Jewel's Signature brand is 2.75 pounds, but any brand is OK), 60 individual servings of applesauce, four bags of barbecue potato chips, two bags of regular potato chips, and three desserts.

If you can help provide any of these items, call or email Kathy Farren, 630-803-0514, [ednpub@earthlink.net](mailto:ednpub@earthlink.net). Your help will be greatly appreciated.



## Square tissue boxes needed for VBS!

Square tissue boxes are needed for prayer boxes during Vacation Bible School. If you use square boxes, not the long rectangle boxes, please consider saving them to donate to VBS.

Donations are needed by July 12th.

See Robin Campos with any questions.



YCUCC has a Care Team to reach out to people to serve them in a spiritual, friendly, *confidential* manner. The Care Team will assist—*NOT replace* Pastor Elizabeth's pastoral visits. A call or visit can be a short term connection or develop into a longer relationship.



YCUCC's lay leaders are Carrie DeFuss and Lou Ann Hoffman. If you or someone you know would like a Care Team call or visit, contact Pastor Elizabeth, Carrie or LouAnn, or call the church office asking for one of us to reach out to you.

## **MISSIONS MINISTRY NEWS**

The 5 for 5 offering "Strengthen the Church" has a total of \$420.00. Missions sends a "thank you" to all who contributed.

No Soup Sundays until September.

The Bazan family is grateful for all the love and support in the recent passing of Deanna's father. Thank you for all the texts, phone calls, cards, hugs and conversations. We are blessed to be surrounded by this caring and loving family, and we appreciate the strength you share with us.

Sincerely,  
The Bazans



## **All Faith Family Night at the Kane County Cougars**

Join us for an evening of fun at the Kane County Cougars! This game will include post game fireworks and the opportunity to run the bases after the game.

August 4th at 6:30pm.

\$8/person (parking not included)

Tickets are limited. Contact Robin in the office for tickets.



**Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ**  
**VBS REGISTRATION FORM – 2023**  
**Sunday, July 16 – Thursday, July 20, 2023**  
**(One Per Child)**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Street address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of family members participating in VBS: \_\_\_\_\_



IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_

RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD: \_\_\_\_\_

ALLERGIES OR OTHER MEDICAL CONDITIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Does YCUCC have permission to publish your child/children's photographs or videos in the church or community newspapers, website, or social media? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Home Church: \_\_\_\_\_

*(YCUCC to complete below)*

Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

Fee for the week per child:     \$20.00          Cash      Check



## NAME FOR NEW PARK: **COUNTRYSIDE PAVILION PARK**

When we offered church members for their ideas, 28 different names were suggested. (The names submitted are listed below.) It was great to see a lot of interest.) Green Team reviewed the names and unanimously agreed with the final choice that we gave to the City of Yorkville. We ruled out any names with religious references, especially as this will be a public park. We also eliminated names that were to honor a person, as there are so many well-respected people who have helped to shape this church.

We wanted to keep the word **COUNTRYSIDE**, as that will identify our location. Countryside Center was built on “country” land at the north “side” of Yorkville.

The word **PAVILION** has multiple meanings. First, the park will have a pavilion, which will also identify a really attractive feature of the new park. The word pavilion does not have a religious meaning; the name needs to be appropriate for a “public” park. However, the name “**Pavilion**” actually has a long and rich history connected to our church.

The person who submitted the name, actually wrote an explanation based on the history of our church, which is the oldest church in Kendall County. This is what they wrote:

*“Pavilion Park” is my idea for naming the new recreation area south of our church.*

*There will be a pavilion in the park for all to enjoy. But the name could also remind the community of our long history in Kendall County.*

*The Yorkville Congregational Church (YCUCC) is the oldest church in Kendall County because we have the legacy of 3 churches: 1834 Pavilion Baptist Church, 1834 Bristol Baptist, and 1836 First Congregational Church. 1920 the three churches merged and Yorkville Federated Church began. 1940 Pavilion Baptist was torn down and the lumber, including hand-hewn beams [which] became part of a corn crib on the Doetschman Farm, Rt 71.*

*When the current building was built [1989], Charles Doetschman worked together with Bob Johnston to fashion the walnut beams into a cross. So the wood from the original Pavilion Baptist Church decorates our alter today.”*

As you can see, the word **Pavilion** would be an excellent identifier and will attract people to this particular park. In addition, the word will be a great reminder of the history of our Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ, evolving from the oldest church in Kendall County.

At our last meeting, Green Team talked about getting a plaque with the explanation for the name. The plaque can include a QR code that can be clicked by any smart phone and the code will link directly to the church’s website. We will find an appropriate place on the “church” property near the park to put the plaque. (Note: The City’s legal document states the park name as *Countryside Pavilion Park*.)

### **PARK NAMES SUGGESTED**

Countryside Park (3 entries)	Shalom Park
Heavenly Home	Spark Park
Happenings	Solis Park
Kids Heaven Park	Garden of the Gods
Just Kidding Park	UCC (United City Center)
Curt & Jeaness Medin Park	Spirit Park (2 entries)
The Curt & Jeaness Medin Memorial Park	Angels Among Us
The Charlotte’s Web Park	Toddler Town
Garden of Gethsemane	All Smiles Playland
Pavilion Park	Serenity Park (2 entries)
Rainbow Park (2 entries)	Corner Stone
God’s Goodness	Heavenly Earth
Pitter Patter Park	Heaven on Earth
Haven Park	Park it Here

Enjoy pictures of several volunteers for the YCUC 2023 Spring R&B Sale







## Green Team News

### Countryside Pavilion Park - updates

- Legal Agreement between City and Church in final steps; will soon be given to SLT for review and signatures
- Land area for park was measured and surveyed
- Playground is ordered and installation expected this summer
- Colors for pavilion materials are selected: CHAR-COAL for Metal Roof and Light GREY for the frame
- Concrete for floor of pavilion will be poured; the structure will take around six months to be manufactured, delivered, and installed

### LABYRINTH POTS WITH PLANTS

Four large ceramic pots displayed many years of beautiful blooms planted by our beloved Mary Ellen Anderson. When her husband Fred brought them to the rummage sale, several people suggested that the pots could adorn the labyrinth.

B&G crews moved the pots to the garden surrounding the labyrinth. A committee from Green Team recently added amended soil and colorful and interesting plants. (Thanks to Ben Moe, Diane Stablein, and Anne Engelhardt.)

Now, a few good rains are needed to help the plants take root and grow! Walk the labyrinth and enjoy another touch of nature.

### Green Team Meets the 2nd Monday of the Month!

At church or virtually on Zoom

If you would like to receive email communications and join the team, contact  
Anne Engelhardt;  
[anneengelhardt@sbcglobal.net](mailto:anneengelhardt@sbcglobal.net) or  
630-308-5073

**Next Meeting: July 10th at 6:30 p.m.**

Two RAIN BARRELS will be located near the NW corner of the garage. The rain collected will be used to water the potted plants and butterfly garden coming soon.

### Saturday, July 29 YCucc GROUP BICYCLE TRIP

Join the Green Team for a local bike trip this summer.

Location will be on the Fox River Trail with several stops along the way. Bike trip length can be modified to fit your and your family's needs and abilities.

WATCH for details on the sign up board in the Narthex.



## Mission Trip 2023: Milwaukee, WI

On June 11th, eight members of the youth group headed to Milwaukee with three leaders. The students in attendance were Molly Davis, Luke DeFuss, Evan Griffin, DJ Melhouse, Aidan Mendell, Reagan Ramirez, Annabelle Reeder, and Addison Schield. They were accompanied by Robin Campos, the trip leader and Carrie DeFuss and Bob McGee, who were adult leaders.

The students and leaders participated in several service projects around the city of Milwaukee, including lots of weeding, farming and harvesting 2,600 lbs of lettuce, prepping a school for their summer kids programming, mowing lawns for houses that were owned by a community center, and moving boxes and furniture for another community centers renovations.

The trip would not have been possible without the help of our congregation. We thank you for your monetary donations, food donations, prayers and encouraging messages on Facebook.

The students all had a wonderful and Christ-filled week. They all came back stronger, physically, emotionally, as a team and most importantly they came back stronger faithfully.

Before the week was over, several students were asking when the next trip was or if there would be another trip. The response... ABSOLUTELY! Research for the next trip will begin once Vacation Bible School has finished. The students will also get a chance to share what they would like to do on the next trip now that they have mission trip experience.





# Now Hiring!

## Nursery and Childcare Attendant

Do you or someone you know love to look after and care for the small people of our church? Apply to be a nursery and childcare attendant! Contact the church office or Pam Campos ([pamela.campos@comcast.net](mailto:pamela.campos@comcast.net)) for more information or to apply.

Applicants must be 16 or older.



## Join the church bowling league!

No need to be a good bowler! Join us every other Sunday at 2:30 pm, after Labor Day, for some friendly competition! Join a team or create a team of four.

We bowl at Parkside Lanes in Aurora. A fee of \$15 will be collected every Sunday we bowl.

Contact Pam Campos with questions or to sign up.

630-235-8139 or [pamela.campos@comcast.net](mailto:pamela.campos@comcast.net)



MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY						
Quarterly Report for Pastoral Care Ministry						
Quarter: 2 Year: 2023						
Reports for dates: 04/01/23 through 06/30/23						
Worship Attendance	Adults	Children	Online	Weekly Total	Special Service	Mo/Qtr Total
04/02/2023	97	23	5	125	Palm Sunday	
04/06/2023	46	11	0	57	Maundy Thursday	
04/09/2023	125	43	9	177	Easter	
04/16/2023	94	32	6	132		
04/23/2023	89	27	7	123		
04/30/2023	96	21	6	123		
<b>April Weekly Averages</b>	91	26	6	123		737
05/07/2023	85	24	7	116	Membership Sunday	
05/14/2023	94	26	5	125	Mothers day	
05/21/2023	99	23	3	125		
05/28/2023	56	7	5	68	Memorial Day weekend	
<b>May Weekly Averages</b>	84	20	5	109		434
06/04/2023	78	15	3	96		
06/11/2023	73	29	2	104		
6/18/2023	63	21	4	88		
06/25/2023	74	14	7	95		
<b>June Weekly Averages</b>	72	20	4	96		383
<b>Quarterly Weekly Averages</b>	84	23	5	111		1554
<b>Additions</b>	1. Confirmation					
4	2. Confession of Faith					
	3. Letter of Transfer In					
	4. Reaffirmation of Faith 07/23 Mary Anne Bolin,Linda Haan,Rachel Sebby,Bethany Harbo					
<b>Losses</b>	1. Death					
3	2. Letter of Transfer Out					
	3. Other Removal					
<b>Baptisms</b>	1. Child 0-12					
0	2. Adult 13 and over					
<b>Weddings</b>						
0						
<b>Funerals</b>						
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Communion Sunday 10:00 am Worship NO Kids Church	3	4 <div>Church Office Closed</div>	5 11:00 am Staff Meeting <b>5:00 pm Pastor's Bible Study</b> 6:00 pm Youth Group 6:15-7:30 pm Common Ground Bible Study	6	7 1-3 pm Borodin String Quartet	8
9 10:00 am Worship NO Kids Church 11:00 am LYN in Meeting Room	10	11 9:00 am B&G MTG 10:00 am Pastoral Care	12 11:00 am Staff Meeting <b>5:00 pm Pastor's Bible Study</b> 6:00 pm Youth Group 6:15-7:30 pm Common Ground Bible Study 6:00 pm Pastoral Care Conf. Rm	13	14 1-3 pm Borodin String Quartet	15
16 10:00 am Worship NO Kids Church	17	18 9:00 am B&G MTG	19 11:00 am Staff Meeting	20	21 1-3 pm Borodin String Quartet <div>NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE DATE</div>	22
		Vacation Bible School (VBS)				
23 10:00 am Worship NO Kids Church	24 7:00pm Pastoral Relations Committee Mtg	25 9:00 am B&G MTG	26 11:00 am Staff Meeting <b>5:00 pm Pastor's Bible Study</b> 6:00 pm Youth Group 6:15-7:30 pm Common Ground Bible Study	27	28 1-3 pm Borodin String Quartet	29
30 10:00 am Worship NO Kids Church	31					



### **Those Grieving:**

The Bazan Family  
The Hartung-Ciccolini Family

The Dyer Family  
The DeFuss Family

### **Those in Cancer Treatment:**

Terri Patterson	Coulson Taylor
Pat Dietz	Pearl Undesser
Tom Lindblom	

### **Health Concerns:**

Lynn Belcher	Dave Encinas
Deb Bezroukoff	Virginia Goss
Earl Bushnell	Gayle Jacobs
Anne Byrd	Wyatt Jones
Rosey Clark	Lee Kinkade
Wayne Cruise	Jonathan Lamp
Delores Cruise	Finley Walker

### **General Concerns:**

Deb Mendell	Fur Babies:
Prochaska Family	Kelly Fischer - Maggie & Riley

### **Homebound/Assisted Living:**

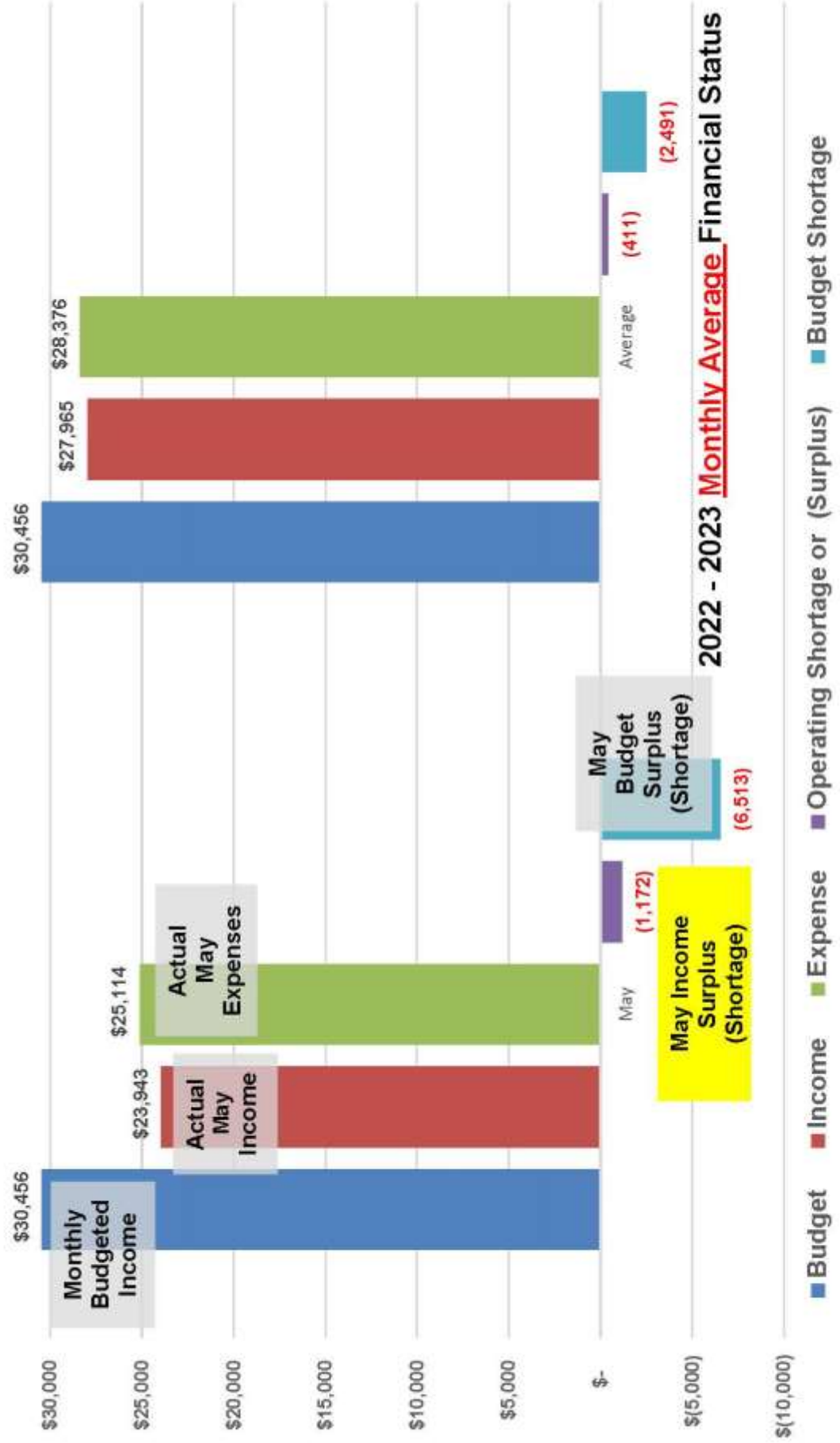
Myrah Baldwin, Earl Bushnell, Wayne & Delores Cruise, Pat Dietz, Dave Encinas  
Ruth Prince, Fred Wayne, Virginia Goss, Lee Kinkade

### **GRIEFSHARE:**

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



# May 2022 Financial Status



**WE THANK THE MANY THAT HELP RECYCLE  
ALUMINUM CANS AND DONATE UNCRUNSHED CANS TO  
THE CHURCH!**



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



***The nursery is open!***

*Our caregivers are fully vaccinated and masked, if needed.  
The nursery is available for children 0 to 2 years old.*

### July Birthdays

Paul Mulligan	01	Donna Gallo	23
Dan Brain	02	Ryan Strong	23
Corey Clevenger	05	Pat Ruzicka	24
Trevor List	05	Scott Myers	25
Jean Heffernan	06	Monica Sartori	25
Brynn Martinez	06	Brecken Tsusaki	27
Nathan White	07	Keith Frisk	28
Ashley Beane	09	Chris Andrus	29
Brenda Bazan	10	Abby Stevens	29
Mack Skinner	10	Dawn Ginger	31
Hannah Pierce	11	Dave Heywood	31
Annabelle Reeder	13	Rachel Rebsom	31
Oliver Downs	14		
Dee Wheaton	16		
Jillian Runkle	17		
Bob Fisher	19		
Jerry Ladson	19		
Rhonda Ladson	20		
Jacob Kolowski	21		
Rosey Clark	22		
Wayne Cruise	22		
JoAnne Matlock	22		

### Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

GREEN

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

### Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

GREEN

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

### Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

GREEN

Psalm 145:8-14

### Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

GREEN

Psalm 139:1-14, 23-24

### Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

GREEN

Matthew 10:40-42

### July Anniversaries

01 Mark Gregory & Michelle Prentice-Leslie	23 Years
02 Ryan & Rachel Rebsom	12 Years
09 Tom & Sandy Lindblom	27 Years
09 Whitney Trumble & Matthew Parrilli	7 Years
12 Brian & Deanna Bazan	26 Years
14 Bob & Gail Fisher	66 Years
14 Jon & Lori Runkle	39 Years
20 Randy & Amy Ems	42 Years
20 Paul & Dawn Mulligan	37 Years
21 Alex & Mia Skinner	5 Years
26 Alex & Jamie McLeod	15 Years

All worship  
services in  
July will be  
family  
oriented!



Date	Acolytes	Liturgists	Sermon Titles
7/02/2023	Summer Break	Deb Mendell	We Are All God's Children
7/09/2023	Summer Break	Anne Engelhardt	Listen, Learn, Love
7/16/2023	Summer Break	Anne Engelhardt	VBS Launch Sunday: God's Great Compassion
7/23/2023	Summer Break	Jo Pierce	We Sing Hymn Sing
7/30/2023	Summer Break	Jo Pierce	Disney Sunday

### **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.*

## Watch our church services on the internet!!

Facebook: [Click here](#) OR

1. Go to our YCUCC Facebook page.
2. Click on the videos tab on the left side of the home page.
3. Scroll down to select the appropriate sermon date.
4. Click the arrow to view the sermon video.

Website: [Click here](#) OR

1. Go to our YorkvilleUCC.org home page.
2. Click on the Worship/Media Tab.
3. Scroll down to select the appropriate sermon date.
4. Click the arrow to view the sermon video.

YouTube.com: [Click here](#) OR

1. Go to the search bar.
2. Type in "Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ".
3. Click on the channel.
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**July 2023**

