



## Yorkville Congregational United Church of Christ

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### **Staff**

<u>Minister</u>	Rev. Elizabeth Hartung
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<u>Church Administrator</u>	Robin Campos
<u>Chancel Choir Director</u>	Doug Trumble
<u>Children's Choir Director</u>	Sondra Shatters
<u>Organist</u>	Tina Andersen
<u>Pianist</u>	Lori Runkle
<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**

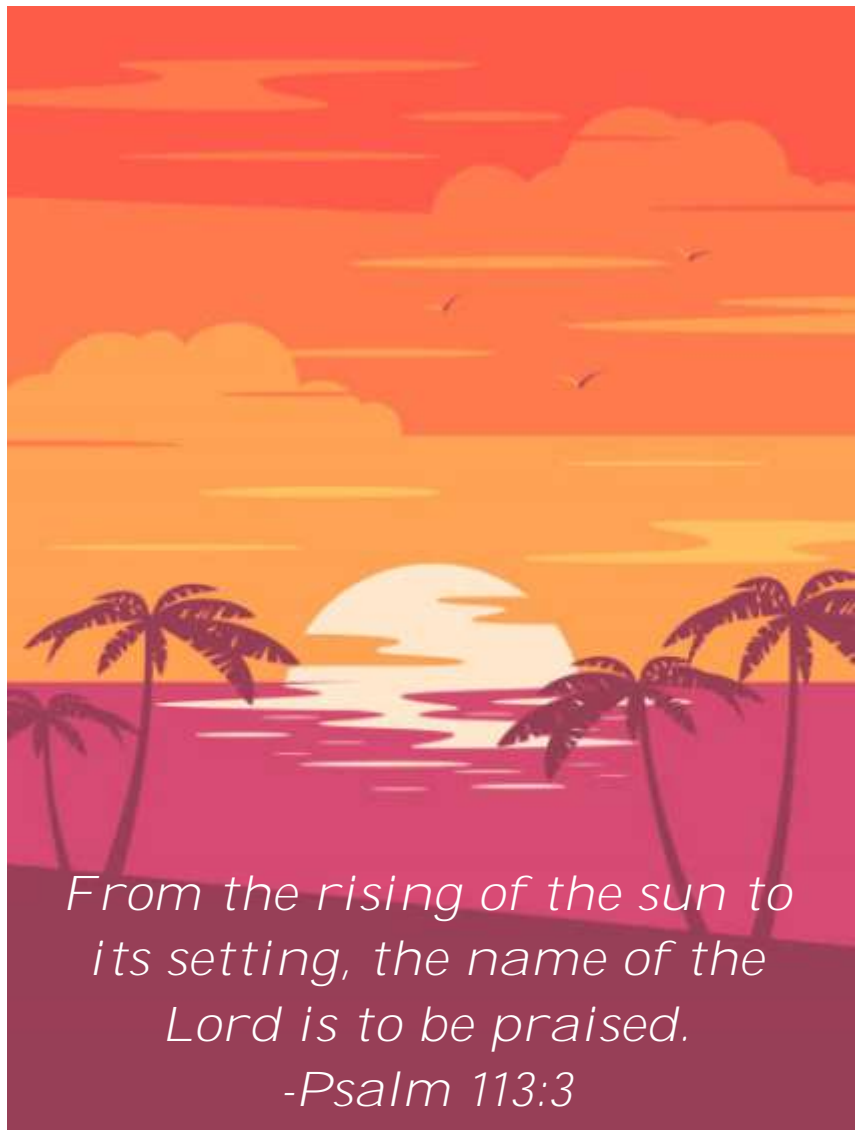
<u>Chairperson</u>	Deanna Bazan
<u>Vice Chairperson</u>	Carrie DeFuss
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<u>Christian Education: Youth</u>	Sue Kimes
<u>Worship: Serving</u>	Lori Redmon
<u>Worship: Preparation</u>	Kathy Wickens
<u>Church Family: Caring</u>	Lou Ann Hoffman
<u>Church Family: 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*

# August

## 2023





## **Pastor's Porch-Bringing Faith and Community Together**

Dear Church Family,

As the hot summer passes, we have been delighted to share this vibrant season together here in Yorkville. We extend a heartfelt welcome to our church family, returning from their vacations, and we excitedly prepare for the upcoming program year. August will bring a special program, the Summer Exodus, designed for our children to participate in during Sunday mornings. We are immensely grateful to all the dedicated volunteers and especially to Robin, who has been shepherding the church school program during this time of transition. Your unwavering support and efforts are deeply appreciated.

### **Collective Energy Engaging the Community: Celebrating Together!**

During this eventful month of July, the collective energy of our church family has been nothing short of inspiring! We came together with joy and enthusiasm, actively participating in the 4th of July parade, waving flags of faith and love, and proudly showcasing our commitment to our community. The parade was a heartwarming display of unity, demonstrating that our church is not just a place of worship but also a beacon of hope in our town.

Additionally, our Vacation Bible School, under the exceptional leadership of Robin Campos, was a resounding success. With Robin's guidance and the dedication of our volunteers, the children were immersed in a week of faith-filled activities, uplifting teachings, and moments of fellowship. Through these endeavors, we extended our arms wide, embracing our community with warmth and compassion, fostering an environment where all are welcome and cherished.

### **Praying for "Thy Will be Done on Earth as it is in Heaven"**

Every week, as a united congregation, we recite the Lord's Prayer and earnestly pray for "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Let us take these words to heart as we continue to carry out the work of the church—welcoming all, embracing openness, restoring, and knitting together a tightly-knit community of love and support.

### **Drawing Inspiration from Karl Barth**

*"Preach with the Bible in one hand and the newspaper in the other." Karl Barth*

In the spirit of reflection and growth, let us take a moment to draw inspiration from the theologian Karl Barth. Hailing from Germany, Barth's life was marked by an unyielding commitment to his faith, even in the face of great adversity. He reminds us of the profound importance of understanding how our faith should guide our everyday actions as we worship, thank, praise, and diligently work to serve God in our communities.

### **August Worship: Steadfast Welcome, Walking Feet, Healing Hope, Transformational Love**

**Steadfast Welcome:** We open our hearts and doors to all, embracing everyone with love and acceptance, just as Christ did. (August 6 - the first part of worship will focus on VBS)

**Walking Feet:** Our faith calls us to action. Let us walk purposefully, guided by God's teachings, and be agents of positive change in our community. (August 13)

**Healing Hope:** In times of pain and uncertainty, we offer prayers, support, and care to bring healing and hope to one another. (August 20)

**Transformational Love:** God's love has the power to transform us and the world. Let us be agents of positive change in our community. (August 27)

As we worship together, may these themes inspire us to live out our faith, interpreting the world through the wisdom of our scripture, and making a meaningful impact on our community.

Growing in Faith Together and Staying Relevant

As we move forward, we eagerly anticipate our collective spiritual growth and the impact our congregation can make in our community. Our commitment to being relevant in the lives of those around us is unwavering. Together, we will go on this journey of faith, hand in hand, seeking to make a difference in the lives of others through our actions, kindness, and compassion.

May our faith guide us in every endeavor, and may the spirit of love and unity continue to thrive within our beloved church family.

Peace in God's Love,  
Pastor Elizabeth



## From the Desk of the Chair

Here's a riddle for you. What can fly forwards, backwards and even hover in place while its wings beat more than 50 times per second?

My husband might guess that it's me, but the correct answer is the hummingbird. As I write, two of them are taking turns drinking from my feeder. They never cease to amaze and delight me as I see them zooming across the yard and chirping at one another, bringing life to my backyard habitat.

I trust all of you are zooming your way through summer as August comes around. Life at YCUCC is moving at the same speed. The youth mission trip to Milwaukee in June was a huge success and the kids are looking forward to the next one. Thanks to Kathy, the Outreach Team connected YCUCC with the community during the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration in the parade, at the park and during fireworks. Under Robin's leadership, VBS had strong volunteers serving 5 groups of children who came to learn about God and how we are called to be heroes. The Green Team just hosted a bike ride on the Fox River Trail. The agreement for the Countryside Pavilion Park has been signed and construction will begin soon. SLT is working on the church calendar for the next 6-9 months. The Christian Ed team is finalizing curriculum for church school this fall, and the Search Team is actively working to hire a new CE Director. The Care Team has been serving those members in need of love through health crises, the loss of loved ones, and personal struggles. The Retreat team is actively planning for the all-church retreat on September 24 where all of us can gather to have fun together on a Sunday afternoon.

I think YCUCC and the hummingbird have a lot in common: ceaseless energy, constant motion, and always a source of delight and joy, love and support for our church family and broader community. The next time you spot a hummingbird, remember that God's tiny creation as a reflection of the bigger whole.

Yours in Service,  
Deanna Bazan  
Chairperson, SLT



## What has Building and Grounds been up to?

July was a slow, but somehow busy month for the Building and Grounds crew. We took a week off to celebrate Independence Day, since it fell on a Tuesday this year. The following week, the crew was ready to get to work.

The largest project this month was setting up the tables, chairs, backdrop and rock wall all for VBS. The Building and Grounds crew made the set up and tear down of Vacation Bible School a lot smoother and quicker.

The following week was a lighter week, one part of the crew went to Home Depot to pick up a new window for installation in the Christian Education Office and the other half of the crew headed to Menards to pick up toilet parts that were needed to fix a toilet in the men's restroom and exterior paint for the south side of the building. Next time you are at either of these stores, please consider purchasing a gift card for the Building and Grounds crew, we find ourselves at Menards or Home Depot almost weekly.

Deanna Bazan has been working with and helping a local Eagle Scout complete her final project, which happens to include building a pollinator garden by the Labyrinth. The scheduled build day will be August 26th at 9:00 a.m. Look for updates in the September edition of The Happenings.

Building and Grounds continues to meet every Tuesday at 9:00 am. If you are looking for a short two to three hour commitment on a weekly basis, consider joining the Building and Grounds crew.

## SLT MEET AND GREET: Aimee List

I have just started my second three-year term as adult education shepherd. I enjoy learning more about faith and other people that have different life experiences and ideas than I do. I find that reading books is the very best way to do both of those things! I am excited to begin a new year of reading and discussing books, so please join me and look for a book announcement.

I moved to Yorkville 17 years ago when my husband Troy's job transferred him to this area from Bettendorf, Iowa. I have a degree in Environmental Health and worked for 13 years in public health as a local health department sanitarian and as part of a nursing home relicensing team for the State of Illinois. Career opportunities for Troy have taken us from Illinois to Wisconsin back to Illinois then to Ohio, Iowa, and finally to Yorkville. I enjoyed being a stay-at-home mom for 9 years. When my youngest, Trevor, started first grade I went back to work as a Paraprofessional first for the Kendall County Special Education Cooperative and now for the Yorkville school district. I enjoy helping kids that need support to be successful in school. Helping children develop the academic and social skills to navigate their day and grow and learn is the best job!

My husband, Troy, is a mechanical engineer and works for Caterpillar. My daughter Morgan just graduated from the University of Kansas Medical Center with a doctorate in occupational therapy and my son Trevor is just about to begin his sophomore year at Iowa State University working toward his computer science degree. And finally, I have a one-year-old puppy, Sutton! Sutton is a Yorkshire Terrier and Bichon Frise mix and I adopted him as a 9-week-old puppy from a local rescue group. He is absolutely the best.



## Christian Education Director Search Update – Pam Campos

A search committee comprised of Pam Campos, Deanna Bazan, Doug Trumble, Sue Kimes, Kathy Farren, Alison Strandell, Robin Campos, Aidan Mendell, Luke DeFuss and Pastor Elizabeth has been formed.

We have met several times and have updated the job description, developed a compensation package, posted the position on social media as well as job boards at seminaries and colleges/universities. We have also prepared for the interviewing process.

Early in the process, Deanna requested feedback from the congregation asking what was important to them regarding the position and the program. We did receive some feedback and those points were included in the revised job description and were taken into consideration when developing the interview questions.

We will begin interviewing as soon as we get some applicants for the position and will keep you posted on our progress.







## 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

"Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received."

- 1 Peter 4:10



**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

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## 2023 Fall Rummage & Bake Sale

**October 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>**



**\*\* This event is a \*CHURCH-WIDE\* Rummage & Bake Sale! \*\***

### Reminder: Items 'NOT' Accepted for Donation:

Extra Large Furniture (i.e. 'Oversized' sofas/sectionals, desks, entertainment centers)  
Electronics (TVs, computers, printers, typewriters, land/cell phones, fax equipment),  
infant/child car and/or booster seats, any size mattress, cribs

**\*\* More information will appear in September's 'The Happenings' Newsletter. \*\***

Thank you!

## Fellowship, Song & Communion with Gayle Jacobs

Sunday, July 23, 2023

YCUCC Chancel Choir, Pastor Elizabeth, and Tina Andersen organized a surprise visit to Gayle Jacob's home for a time of fellowship, song, and communion immediately following Sunday morning's worship service. We joined voices with Gayle as we sang several of her favorite songs. We offer thanks to Gayle's family for their hospitality!



Under the direction of Doug Trumble, Chancel Choir joined Gayle in a sing-a-long of her favorite songs



Gayle and Chancel Choir together sang a familiar choral anthem



Pastor Elizabeth & Lou Ann Hoffman served communion to Gayle and Chancel Choir



Alleluia and Benediction



Jennifer & Janice (daughters),  
Ron (son), & Kiera (granddaughter)  
joined Gayle for the gathering



Gayle, Chancel Choir, and the Shatters' kids



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**

Our first Soup Sunday for the fall will be on September 17, 2023, with proceeds going to the Kendall County Community Food Pantry. If you're looking for a church activity, think about serving on the Missions Ministry.

## **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.



## **Coming Soon!** **International Luncheon of Our Refugee Neighbors**

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR



Come and participate in our International Lunch to kick off our Welcome to America Pack Collection. The Lunch will take place on October 1<sup>st</sup> after worship in fellowship hall however we would like the help of our church family. In September, we will have recipes for you to choose and bring for the lunch. These recipes will be from countries where refugees come from.

*Beloved, let us love one another because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God" - 1 John 4:7 (NRSV)*



**WE LOVE  
CELEBRATING  
CHURCH FAMILY  
FUN DAY SUNDAY!**

## **When?**

Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>

Lunch: 11:00-12:00

Sessions: 12:15pm-4:00pm

## **Who?**

Our whole church family!

## **Why Retreat?**

To celebrate Real Excitement  
Together with Recreational  
Experiences for All on this  
Team

## **How are we celebrating?**

We will have sessions on art,  
music, cooking, games,  
interactive and informational  
sessions!







## Green Team News

### Countryside Pavilion Park - updates

- In the past few weeks, Shepherds Leadership Team Reviewed the Agreement, Legal Description, and Plat with the City of Yorkville and voted to approve the legal agreement. Deanna Bazan, SLT Chairperson, and Tim Andrus, SLT Operations Finance Shepherd, signed the agreement on July 20th.
- After the City of Yorkville gives final approval, excavation of the park property will begin in August. Watch for developments of the playground, pavilion concrete floor, pads for bins, a paved parking lot and landscaping.

### FIVE Simple Energy Saving Practices

1. According to the US Department of Energy, "you can save as much as 10% per year on heating and cooling by simply turning your **thermostat** up or back 7-10 degrees for 8 hours a day from its normal settings."
2. Did you know that just by using a lid to **cover a pot on the stove top**, you can reduce your energy use by up to two-thirds? It allows you to heat food faster, saving you both time and effort.
3. A full bath may be luxurious and relaxing, but it's also very wasteful. An average bathtub can take up to 70 gallons of water to fill, while a **5-minute shower** uses just 10 - 25 gallons.
4. During the summer months use the **dishwasher and/or washer/dryers** at night or early in the morning. Don't use them during the peak hours of 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. to avoid the highest electrical cost. Off peak hours are from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. However, you should never leave the appliances on overnight since this could become a fire risk.
5. The microwave is your friend. **Microwave** ovens use up to 80% less energy than a conventional oven does. It also cooks faster, leaving more time to commit to other environmentally-friendly activities!

### GREEN TEAM MEETS 2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

AT CHURCH or VIRTUALLY ON ZOOM

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

**Next meeting: August 14, 6:30 p.m.**

# Little Summer Poem Touching the Subject of Faith

By Mary Oliver

Every summer  
I listen and look  
under the sun's brass and even  
into the moonlight, but I can't hear

anything, I can't see anything --  
not the pale roots digging down, nor the green  
stalks muscling up,  
nor the leaves  
deepening their damp pleats,

nor the tassels making,  
nor the shucks, nor the cobs.  
And still,  
every day,

the leafy fields  
grow taller and thicker --  
green gowns lofting up in the night,  
showered with silk.

And so, every summer,  
I fail as a witness, seeing nothing --  
I am deaf too  
to the tick of the leaves,

the tapping of downwardness from the banyan feet --  
all of it  
happening  
beyond any seeable proof, or hearable hum.

And, therefore, let the immeasurable come.  
Let the unknowable touch the buckle of my spine.  
Let the wind turn in the trees,  
and the mystery hidden in the dirt

swing through the air.  
How could I look at anything in this world  
and tremble, and grip my hands over my heart?  
What should I fear?

One morning  
in the leafy green ocean  
the honeycomb of the corn's beautiful body  
is sure to be there.



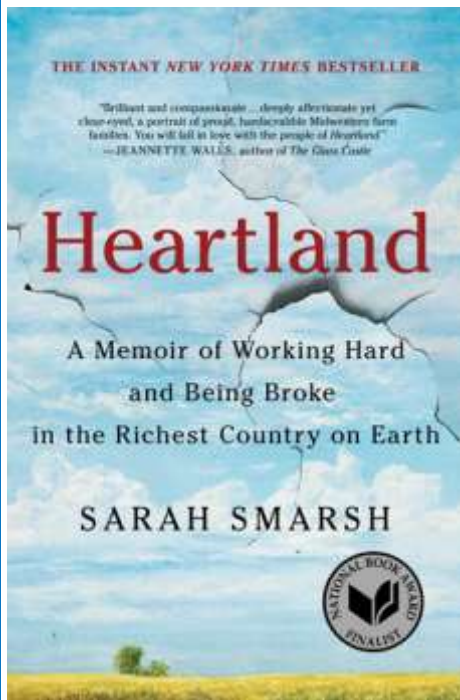
Oliver, May. "Little Summer Poem Touching the Subject of Faith." *Famous Poets and Poems*, famouspoetsandpoems.com/poets/mary\_oliver/poems/15797. Accessed 24 July 2023.

# 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.

Another academic year is about to begin and while I am planning for fall, I don't have any dates set yet. Here is a general summary of what to expect:

- Bible studies will continue with Pastor Elizabeth on Wednesday evenings.
- The Spiritual Development Group will continue to meet with Pastor Michael every other Tuesday online.
- There will be a fall and a winter book discussion.



The fall book will be *Heartland, A Memoir of Working Hard and Being Broke in the Richest Country on Earth* by Sarah Smarsh.

The author grew up on a farm in Kansas barely getting by despite her and her family's hard work. In the book, she explores how and why the working class in America is barely getting by.

The book has won several awards, has been a New York Times best-seller, and is recommended by Barack Obama. Ms. Smarsh went to the University of Kansas and I found the book at the Ravin Bookstore in downtown Lawrence on a trip to see Morgan several years ago. The book is available at the Yorkville Public Library both as a physical book and an audiobook and is also available on the Libby app.

Look for discussion dates in September and October.

Aimee List  
Adult Education Shepherd  
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# Vacation Bible School 2023: Hero Hotline

July 16-20, 2023

By Robin Campos, VBS Director

32 students, 11 station leaders, 12 group leaders, eight members of the food crew and hundreds of donations are what made Vacation Bible School possible this year. Each day the students learned about the theme of the day, “Heroes are called to Follow Jesus, Help Others, Work Together, Listen to God, and Show Grace”! Students participated in daily bible stories led by Aaron Shatter and Deanna Bazan, music led by Sondra and Owen Shatters, science and crafts led by Lori Redmon and Pam Campos, and games which were led by Rachel Rebsom, Luke DeFuss, Hannah Bazan and Jordan Keister. Each day opened and closed with a ceremony including a visit from Super Meer aka Owen Shatters and the Professor, who was played by Alex Houle. We are also very fortunate to have our wonderful medical professionals, Carrie DeFuss and Alex Houle, monitor all first aid for the week.

Thank you to all of the group leaders for engaging with the students each and every day, while keeping them safe! We were able to have five groups of students, led by Lindsay Martinez, Alison Strandell, Brooke Madden, Jenna Anderson, Helaina Koplin, Stacy Skinner, Aaron Shatters, Aidan Mendell, Kathy Farren, Bob McGee, Annabelle Reeder, Addison Schield, and Molly Davis.

Another thank you goes to the food crew who went grocery shopping, arrived early every day and made enough food for everyone involved in VBS this year. The food crew was made up of eight hardworking ladies including, Laurie Strong, Sandy Lindblom, Goldie Behrens, Rhonda Ladson, Deb Mendell, Jo Pierce, Anne Engelhardt, and Abby Rhodes.

An additional thank you goes to Pastor Elizabeth for praying before every meal and for being able to step in on short notice wherever help was needed.

A final thank you goes to you, the congregation. Without your food and monetary donations VBS would not be possible.

Did you know that the “S” on Superman’s chest means “Stronger Together”? Throughout the week, I was constantly reminded that we are truly “Stronger Together”. VBS is a team effort, I was just lucky enough to be given the opportunity to lead all of these hardworking leaders. Thank you.



# Now Hiring!

## Nursery and Childcare Attendants

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)







Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9:00 am B&G MTG	2 11:00 am Staff Meeting 6:00 pm Youth Group	3 7:00 pm Church Calendar Meeting	4 12-2 pm Borodin String Quartet  All Faith Night @ Kane County Cougars Baseball Game	5
6 Communion Sunday 10:00 am Worship NO Sunday School 11:00 am Confirmation Meeting	7	8 9:00 am B&G MTG 10:00 am Pastoral Care	9 11:00 am Staff Meeting 6:00 pm Youth Group 6:00 pm Pastoral Care Conf. Rm	10 6:00 pm Finance Committee 7:00 pm SLT Meeting	11 8 am– 5pm Lifeline Screenings  12-2 pm Borodin String Quartet	12
13 10:00 am Worship Summer Exodus 11:00 am LYN in Meeting Room	14 6:30 pm Green Team	15 9:00 am B&G MTG 12:00 pm JOY Circle	16 11:00 am Staff Meeting	17	18 12-2 pm Borodin String Quartet	19
20 10:00 am Worship Summer Exodus 11:15 am Care Team Mtg	21	22 9:00 am B&G MTG	23 11:00 am Staff Meeting	24	25 <div>NEWSLETTER CALENDAR DUE DATE</div>	26 9:00 am Eagle Scout Project Build Day
27 10:00 am Worship Summer Exodus	28	29 9:00 am B&G MTG	30 11:00 am Staff Meeting	31		



### **Those Grieving:**

The DeFuss Family  
The Beane 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.

## June 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.*

### August Birthdays

Ethan Strong	02	Art Prochaska	14
Jake Brewick	03	Cayla Pottinger	15
Scott Hart	03	Isla Pansera	16
Goldie Behrens	05	Kathy Farren	17
John Schultz	06	Regina Moe	17
Chelsea Skinner	06	Ryan Rebsom	17
Lincoln Skinner	06	Morgan List	18
Penelope Skinner	06	Alex Skinner	18
Scott Corwin	07	Earl Bushnell	19
Jeff Farren	07	Melissa Matlock	19
Gerry Inukai	07	Sarah Mickelson	19
Shawn Martinez	07	Samantha Trashavil	19
Abby Rhodes	07	Aaron Shatters	21
Becky Wright	07	Brodie Phillipp	24
Mary Anne Bolin	08	Rusty Corneils	27
Jan Essex	08	Pam Campos	28
Brad Andrus	09	Diane Stablein	28
Charlotte Shatters	10	Lily Salyer	29
Peg Trumble	10	Doug Matlock	31
Bill Anderson	12		
Lou Ann Hoffman	12		
Hannah Bazan	14		

### August Anniversaries

01 Kevin & Lauren Vaclavik	14 Years
08 Jerry & Anne Engelhardt	53 Years
08 Andy & Pam Hamblin	32 Years
08 Tim & Monica Sartori	26 Years
09 Craig & Sarah Pottinger	20 Years
12 Tony & Laurie Houle	45 Years
20 Mike & Sandy Ramirez	18 Years
25 Dan & Lori Melhouse	16 Years
26 Harold & Mary McCracken	66 Years

### Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

GREEN

Isa 55:1-5

### Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

GREEN

Rom 10:5-15

### Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

GREEN

Matt 15:10-20

### Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

GREEN

Rom 12:1-8



Date	Acolytes	Liturgists	Sermon Titles
8/06/2023	Summer Break	Lou Ann Hoffman	Steadfast Welcome
8/13/2023	Summer Break	Lou Ann Hoffman	Walking Feet
8/20/2023	Summer Break	John Morello	Healing Hope
8/27/2023	Summer Break	TBD	Transformational Love

### **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.
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