Weekly Announcements

08/27/2023



This Week's Participants: Rev. Patrick Gruber, Pastoral Candidate; Ann Gaadt, Organist Pianist; Joyce Ann McClain, Handbell Director & Children's & Youth Choir Director; Karla Cunningham, Liturgist; Lyn Feuerbacher, Greeter; Roy & Carol Boschert, Lyn Feuerbacher, Dottie Seiter, Ushers; David Carr, Jeff Kolkmeier Sound Booth; Dick Wade, Bell Ringer;

Pastoral Care: If you find yourself experiencing illness, hospitalization, grief, or other critical challenges, contact us at (636) 926-8995. For emergencies,

contact Pastor David Poe, (636) 667-2541.

Financial Contributions: you can give electronically via our website, set up automatic monthly contributions, or receive weekly envelopes, contact the office for assistance.

Announcements: If you would like to have something announced in the bulletin, please email the information to office@stjohnsweldonspring.com no later than 10 a.m. each Thursday. Thank you!



Use your QR reader app to make an electronic contribution to St. John's UCC. Thank you.

Last Week's Worship Attendance: 82 Facebook Views: 130 YouTube Channel Views: 5

THIS WEEK'S TOP STORIES





We are excited to announce our Candidate Pastor Patrick "Pat" Gruber at Worship Service today!

Members will vote after Service to officially have him at our Church!

Welcome, we are glad you are here!





"Due to the approaching Cold, Flu, and Increased COVID infection season, we will temporarily discontinue holding hands as part of the weekly Church Postlude. We encourage anyone who experiences infectious symptoms, or has been exposed to infectious symptoms to feel comfortable wearing a mask as appropriate."





Sing Praise Choir rehearsal will begin

Wednesday August 30th at 7:00!!

New singers are always welcome!

If interested, please speak with a choir member or me, Ann Gaadt.





Our Children and Youth Music Program will begin its 2023-2024 season with its rehearsal on Sunday, Sept. 10, following the close of worship and Sunday School. Our "debut" year for both the choir and "Summer Fun with Music" was very successful.

We welcome new members at any time and any age up through 8th grade. Rehearsal is each Sunday: 11:15 to 11:45 - excluding holidays.

Please contact our Director, Joyce Ann McClain, at 636-441-0121 for more details.





Handbell Practice is every
Wednesday at 5:30pm in the Music
Rehearsal Room.
Welcome Back!





Financial summary for the month of July, 2023.

This month we had a loss of (\$2,134), unfavorable to budget by (\$2,738). Operating revenue was off this month at only \$14,982, unfavorable to budget by (\$6,179).

Operating expenses were \$17,116, favorable to the budget by \$3,440.

The Building and Expanded Ministry Fund is \$195,776. This reflects the regular increase of \$1,648.

As of July 14, 2023, the Building Fund balance includes a \$100,000 13 month Certificate of Deposit yielding 5.25% and maturing on August 14, 2024.

There were no other revenue or expense items that were not normal budget activity.



<u>United Church of</u> <u>Christ News</u>

Amid wildfires devastation, UCC makes appeal for Hawaii

by <u>Maic D'Agostino</u> | published on Aug 15, 2023

The United Church of Christ, through Wider Church Ministries, is issuing a special appeal to provide essential items and long-term those support to impacted by wildfires across including Hawaii. the deadly wildfires on the island of Maui.

"As we learn of the rising toll of the wildfires in Maui and see more and of the more extent of the destruction, we hold the people of Hawaii in our prayers, including members UCC and Hawaii Conference leadership," said Peter Makari, transitional executive for Wider Church Ministries. outpouring of concern and support across the UCC that we have already seen is a reflection of the compassion sense of and connection that is the Church."

Our volunteer network includes UCC congregations, conferences, and Conference Disaster Coordinators. UCC Disaster Ministries seeks to serve the most vulnerable population while focusing on disaster preparedness, identifying and meeting unmet needs, and providing spiritual and emotional support.

Internationally, we maintain direct relationships and partnerships with organizations and faith communities able to respond to emergency and long-term needs appropriately and effectively.

If you wish to give, to support the people in Hawaii write "Maui Relief" on the memo line of your check or envelope.



With your support, we will continue this important work. If you have questions or need further information, please contact us at giving@ucc.org or 1-800-846-6822. Thank you for your support.





Would you like to <u>Volunteer</u> to be a <u>Liturgist</u>, an <u>Usher/Greeter</u>, a <u>Bell Ringer or even a Sound Technician</u> or how about adding yourself to another position.

We are always looking for members. Contact Jewel Nadler 636-373-1860.



NEW! Men's Bible Study meets in person on **Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. at the Scrambled Egg.** All men are welcome to join us.



LENDING LIBRARY

Looking for some books to help increase your understanding and inspire your devotion to Jesus? Check out our new lending library, which is located in the large basket next to the main building doors.

You can take a book, or leave one to share. Just remember to return the book you take within a month, so others can benefit from it as well. Thanks.



F.I.S.H. FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR AUG 2023

Pancake Mix
Cake Mix
Shampoo
Conditioner
Kids Toothbrushes

May you all be blessed for your generosity!

Place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall.





MISSION & CARING MINISTRIES TEAM NEWS

Homebound? If you know of someone who should be included on our shut-in list to receive quarterly Holy Communion from the minister and occasional visits and gifts from our team, please contact the church office.

Support Ronald McDonald House - bring in your soda tabs!

Sharing **Festival** of **Eyeglass** Collection Old eyeglasses sunglasses need to be Prescription glasses. They can be dropped off in the bin in fellowship hall. We cannot take glass cases or non-prescription sunglasses.

Come join us... Mission & Caring meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the fellowship hall at 6 p.m.



*It's Back to School Time!

It's that time of year for the Festival of Sharing that we collect Read and Write Kits for students around Missouri.

Collection will take place August 6 - September 17.

2 gallon zipper bags for this collection are available by the donation box in Fellowship Hall.



Instructions: Place smaller items in the pencil holder and place in a 2-2.5 gallon zipper storage bag. Place completed packs in boxes labeled with "Missouri Reading and Writing Pack" and the quantity on the exterior.

6 new pencils with erasers

1 box of 10 markers (only 10)

1 pair of child-sized metal scissors

1 box of 24 crayons (only 24)

1 large eraser

1-12 inch ruler

2 ink pens (medium point)

1 zipper pencil holder

4 folders with pockets





We have given our quilt top to a group of ladies that quilt at Emmanuel UCC in Weldon Spring. They will be finishing it for us and we will hang it in church as soon as it's finished. In the meantime, you can show this picture to your friends and family.

Be watching for the quilt tickets to be available soon. And if anyone has quilting experience and would like to help them, please contact the church office.





LET'S SUPPORT OUR LOCAL UCC CHURCH'S





Red Cross Blood Drive Monday, September 25, 2023 2pm to 6pm

PLEASE GO ON LINE OR CALL TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE

redcrossblood.org and enter the sponsor code: Cliff or call 1-800-Redcross





Jean Mauntel has moved! She will be dearly missed! Let's flood her with notes and cards!

CORRECTED ADDRESS

Life Care Center of La Center C/O Jean Mauntel Rm# 303 P.O. Box 269 La Center Ky 42056 Ph# 270-665-9766

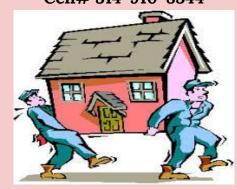




Marla Fix has moved please make a note of her new address and update your directory!

Fairwinds Rivers Edge 600 Rivers Edge Dr. Apt 253 St. Charles, MO 63303

Landline# 636-754-2253 Cell# 314-910-8344





Reminder: If you have a change of address or change in phone number please reach out to the church office 636-926-8995 so we can update our files.



Mary Ellen Dieckmann
Calvin Hagen
Pat Honaker
Barb Hofstetter
Don Howell
David & Dorothy Kapeller
Hank Kroeger
Marian Lonning
Rita Marcum
Chris Savage
George Schlie
Edie Shave
Rick Weaver

Martha Cook



Don't forget to bring your recycled cans to church! There is a canister out in the trash coral that is marked

"Aluminum Cans"



OUR HOMEBOUND FRIENDS





Monthly Birthday Sunday is going to be every other Month.

The end of September will be celebrations for <u>August & September</u>



Terry & JennielynnHowell 8/29 Ken & Ellen Waterman 8/30



Bryan Wildt 8/27 Tom Kniest 8/29 Tom Gooch 8/30

ALTAR FLOWERS



Is there someone that you would like to remember, or honor? Special anniversary, birthday, or graduation to recognize? If so, contact the church office (636) 926-8995 to sponsor chancel flowers in their name(s). The cost is \$35 per arrangement



PRAYER LIST

Prayer request cards are located on the small table as you enter for worship. Please fill one out and give it to the Minister or an Usher. Make sure you have the person's permission before filling out a card.

Comfort and Healing: Ron Gravemann (in Mercy Hospital w/Heart Issues, brother of DIane Falkner); Kenny Schlote (Missouri Hospital); Karla **Baptist** Cunningham (neck surgery 9-11); Connie Wildt (testing results); Wes Kolkmeier (Villages of St. Peters rehab): Elizabeth Gilliam: Barb Horstmeier; Jean Hoskins; Jeff Kolkmeier; Edie Shave (Hospice); Marian Lonning (Hospice); Hank Kroeger.

Others for whom we have concern: Eric (Allan Hopkins, niece's husband 46 years old diagnosed with stage 4 Pancreatic Cancer); Michael Wooten (Father-In-Law of Natalie Wooten, diagnosed with Lung Cancer); Diane Weilmuenster (having Heart Problems, Sister of David & Jill Carr); Michell Lenz (Niece of Jeff & Debbie Kolkmeier Diagnosed with Breast Cancer); Mary Gibson (battling Lymphoma, friend of Shelia Fredrick); Jessica White (stage 4 Liver Cancer, friend of Barb Yocks); Janet Iler (Brain Cancer Surgery, Friend of Rhonda Hanne); Angela Restifo (Niece of Shelia Fredrick who Autoimmune has an Disease); Shannon Boland and Family (friend

Please let us know when it's time to remove a request from the list.

of Connie Wildt, battling cancer);

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Howell).



Pastor David Poe, Intentional Interim Minister

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