

What's Happening

First Congregational Church of Mukwonago

November 27, 2020

This Sunday's Worship Service

We will be worshipping in-person and via Zoom this Sunday at 10:00 am. Visit these links for important information:

[SONG LYRICS](#)

[ORDER OF WORSHIP](#)

To access Sunday's worship via Zoom, please use the information below:

[CLICK HERE FOR ZOOM WORSHIP](#)

Phone Number: (312) 626-6799

Meeting ID: 459 288 4444

Password: 2623637249

Adult Bible Study will meet before church in the large classroom at 9:00. You can access the Bible study via Zoom as well:

[CLICK HERE FOR BIBLE STUDY](#)

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Servant Schedule

Date	Liturgist	Song Leader
11/29	Open	Cindy (unmasked)
12/6	Open	Joanne (masked)
12/13	Open	Cindy W (unmasked)
12/20	Open	Open

Devotions for Next Week

Hebrews 13:1-6

- How can you “entertain strangers”?
- What do you think it means to honor marriage and keep the marriage bed pure?
- How do we keep our lives free of the love of money and how can we be content with what we have? (Hint: 13:5b).

Birthdays & Anniversaries



Birthdays this Week

Darwin Greenwald.....	11/28
Gary Himebauch	12/1
Michael Zvara	12/2
Kevin Clark.....	12/5

Anniversaries this Week

None

Articles & Announcements for the next issue of “What’s Happening” are due in the office by 8:00 am Friday Dec. 4th.

CHURCH CALENDAR



Prayer Requests

- Kathy M (from Beth P) health concerns
- Pastor Bender & family (from Beth P) health concerns
- Rachel S (from Chris L) health concerns
- Judy T and Wilfred R (from Joanne H) health concerns
- Matt & Andrew (from Cindy W) life challenges
- Victims of Mall Shooting
- Our Nation
- Our shut ins and those in ill health
- Our Church Leadership
- Those in Need
- Mission School of Hope & Clinic
- World Peace

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Missions Moment

Our Christmas Project 2020 – The Giving Tree -- November 29 through December 13

Missions Team has voted to adopt the Good News Club family that we have helped since the shutdown began in March. While so many of us have been blessed to be able to carry on during this hard time, our GNC family has had many struggles including job losses for both of the income earners in the family.

Our family consists of a mom, a grandma, and four children: an 11-year-old boy, 2 girls age 10 (twins), and an 8-year-old boy.

We have goodie bags on the tree for you, and you get to eat the goodies in the bag! Each goodie bag has a gift listed on it for one of the family members, or for a family gift they can enjoy together.

If you attend church in person, you can choose a goodie bag while you're here. If you normally do church via Zoom, you might be able to come in on a Tuesday or Friday morning while Judi is here to choose a gift off the tree and avoid the crowd. If it's not possible for you to come in at all, please call Linda Garasimowicz at 262-363-7549. I would be happy to help you choose a gift that's still on the tree. You can then send a check into the office marked for the Giving Tree, and I'll do the shopping for you.

Let's show this family the love and blessings of our church this Christmas! All gifts must be returned by December 13th.

[Click HERE for News from Nancy Loveland](#)



Please pray for the Good News Club as they end their season with a Christmas party on Dec. 3rd.

Christian Books

“Do you have any Christian books you don't read anymore? Or any other miscellaneous Christian items that are just sitting on a shelf?

A new Christian business, Manna Christian Bookstore, is excited to announce that they will soon (January 2021) be opening a Christian Book Store in downtown Waukesha!

They are starting small but praying big and are looking to the community to help their new business get off the ground.

There will be a donation bin in the Narthex for you to place your like new or gently used books and religious items from this Sunday until the end of the year.

Claire Albrecht will be taking all donations to the bookstore at the beginning of the new year. Please reach out to Claire at 262.844.2603 if you have questions.”



During Advent, many of us enjoy singing Christmas carols, but prolonged singing in church is not a good idea during this time of Covid. But don't you just love singing Christmas Carols? So.... how about a **Zoom Christmas Caroling** event!

We will meet **via Zoom every Tuesday evening at 6:30** during Advent to carol together! The dates are:

Tuesday, December 1

Tuesday, December 8

Tuesday, December 15

Tuesday, December 22

Please mark your calendars!

We will run this similar to hymn sings that we have held in church in the past. Members on Zoom can call out a number of the Christmas Carol from the hymnal, and we will join together in singing it!

Please contact us if you need to have a hymnal dropped off at your home so that you can join us weekly for this very special Advent event!

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[Click Here for Zoom Caroling](#) on the dates and time listed above!

Virus Response Team

FCC is looking for one or more volunteers to help out on the Virus Response Team. This team typically meets virtually (online), as needed, and evaluates developments on the coronavirus front as they unfold. They glean through all the basic facts and material out there and formulate a dispassionate, common sense policy and procedural advice to the council, tailored for our use at FCC. The FCC council is solely responsible for accepting any advice and enforcing it.

Proverbs 11:14 mentions "...in the multitude of counsellors, there is safety". Your council is asking for your help. Thank you in advance for your response..

Council Moderator (Prakash Mathew)



Poinsettias can be ordered through the church Flower Committee

for \$8.00 for a 6 ½" potted plant. The plant color available this year is red. **The**

deadline for ordering plants is Sunday

Dec. 6 The flowers will be delivered on Friday, Dec. 18. Plants can be picked up after 10:00 am that day for gift giving, if needed. You can also order online [here](#).

Questions? Call Rae-Ellen Preuss at 262-594-2740.

PLUGGED IN WITH PRAYER!

In response to some of the suggestions that were made for more opportunities to meet, we are starting a weekly prayer group called Plugged in with Prayer. It will be an opportunity to pray together, learn more about prayer and develop a more active prayer life. We will meet via zoom on Tuesdays at 2:30. Here is the link to join the group:

[Plugged in with Prayer Zoom Group](#)

Meeting ID: 459 288 4444

Passcode: 2623637249

Dial by your location

1-312-626-6799 US (Chicago)

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We will be learning about ACTS prayers (adoration, confession, thanksgiving and supplication) while we pray for our church, our ministries and the families in our church. Please join us as we practice prayer. Questions? Call or text Diane Williams 608-274-5597

Sue Roberts & Diane Williams

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This Week on the Mayflower

The passengers on the Mayflower agreed with Captain Christopher Jones that it was time to find a permanent settlement. The decision was made that they would not attempt to sail south again. The first job for the men was to assemble the shallop or pinnace (a smaller sailing vessel) for use. The boat had been partially dismantled to fit aboard the Mayflower and it was also damaged during the voyage. The Mayflower was anchored in shallow enough water that they could wade to the beach where they were able to collect firewood. The passengers were also able to wash their bodies and clothing.

It took two weeks to reassemble and repair the shallop. During this time, passengers were able to get their land legs back, get fresh air and air out their sleeping quarters. However, they were also beginning to get sick. They were coughing and suffering from the colder weather. They were also beginning to show signs of scurvy—the result of not having enough vitamin C. Early symptoms included feeling tired and general weaknesses. As the condition progresses, there will be reduced red blood cells, gum disease and even bleeding from the skin. Already the passengers were showing signs of the terrible sickness that the Pilgrims would battle that first winter in the New World.



Did you know Anna Garlin Spencer...

Born in 1851, Anna Garlin Spencer is known as a woman of many firsts. She was the first woman ordained as a minister in the state of Rhode Island (an 'independent' serving an independent chapel), the first woman to serve as a leader in Ethical Culture. She was also a pioneer in the profession of social work, a college teacher, an author and expert on the family.

She is also known as a peace activist, woman's rights reformer, temperance worker, seminary professor, child labor reformer and founder of the NAACP. Her greatest passion was that all humankind reach its highest potential. This required the emancipation of all souls – male and female – from earthly expectations.

She is quoted as saying, *"Slowly...the truth is drawing upon women, and still more slowly upon men, that woman is no stepchild of nature, no Cinderella of fate to be dowered only by fairies and the Prince; but that for her and in her, as truly as for and in man, life has wrought its great experiences, its master attainments, its supreme human revelations of the stuff of which worlds are made."*

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