

Welcome, Visitors!

Information about our church and ministries is available on the Welcome Table near the main doors. Standing nearby are church members who will be happy to answer your questions. Interested in joining the church? Our next Membership Exploration will be fall of 2018.

For the convenience of those who need to leave the Sanctuary during worship, the service is video broadcasted in the Chapel, Upper Lounge and Nursery.

Large-print bulletins are available. Please ask the ushers for a copy.

Children in Worship

Child care for infants and toddlers is available in the Children, Youth and Family Center. The Family Worship Area is open during service for children ages 3-10.

Sensory Boxes

First Congregational offers Sensory Boxes for any of our friends on the autism spectrum – adult or child. These boxes are filled with “fidgets” galore, headphones and much more. Please let us know if you or a loved one needs one of these tools.

Donating to First Congregational UCC

If you are enrolled in automatic contributions, you may still participate in the weekly offering by submitting a Giving Card, found in the pews. We encourage members and friends of First Congregational to assist us in planning our budget by pledging each year. Pledge cards are available in the pews and may be placed in the offering plates at any time.

Online Streaming and Podcasting Now Available!

Audio and video recordings of our sermons and a written transcript are accessible from www.firstcongoappleton.org/sermons.

WATCH LIVE: You can watch a live stream of First Congo services on YouTube at tinyurl.com/ybtlv9c6 or on Facebook at tinyurl.com/yayd8cud

Online Documents and Information

Official documents of First Congregational and links to announcements, news and other information reside on our website. Visit www.firstcongoappleton.org to connect with First Congregational in a variety of ways: an electronic version of *The Open Door* newsletter, social media, blogs and more.

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Flowers

The flowers on the communion table were donated by the Family of Jane Haynes from the memorial service for Jane Haynes, celebrated on August 4.

The arrangement was designed by Cindi Ritcey Fox.

Communion

We celebrate communion the first Sunday of each month. Our communion elements are gluten-free; however, they are made in a facility that also processes wheat products.

Baptism

Our next scheduled Baptism Sundays are August 19, September 16, October 21, November 18, and December 16.

If you would like to be baptized or have a child baptized, please request a baptism registration form from the church office or download and print one from www.firstcongoappleton.org/worship/baptism. Please return baptism registration forms to the church office a month ahead of your desired baptism date.

Members in Service This Week

Friday, August 3	9:00 AM
Bulletin Assemblers	Cathy Houst, Phyllis Wallis
Sunday, August 5	9:30 AM
Main Door Greeter	
Bridge Greeters	
Welcome Desk	
Lay Reader	Karen Gosse
Usher Team Captains	Rick and Sue Detienne, Mike Spurlock, Jeff Schang
Multi-Media – audio	Jim O'Neill
Multi-Media – video	Jonathan Steffen
Counters, August 6	

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 5, 2018

9:30 AM

*Welcome to The Church of the Open Door.
Our door is open to you at whatever point you are in your journey of faith.*

PRELUDE

Pastorale (Sonata #1)

Alexandre Guilmant

(Please sign the registration form on the end of the pew, pass it down the row, and then return it, that all may know the names of those sharing in worship today. Prayer request cards are collected at the ends of the pews as well.)

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

WELCOME AND GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come to Christ, the living bread, who satisfies those who hunger and thirst for what is right.

People: **Come to Christ, who gives living water, that you may never thirst again.**

Leader: Come to Christ, that being filled yourself, you may minister to the hunger and thirst of others.

People: **Come to God, in worship and praise, through Jesus Christ, who gives us life.**

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #311

Let Us Break Bread Together

LET US BREAK BREAD

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of new life, we often say that anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. Yet when we consider our lives, we confess our failure to live in Christ. You promised to be present with us always, yet our fear for the future shows we do not trust in you. You love us with a great, eternal, and costly love, yet our self-hatred shows that we have not opened ourselves to your love. You promise that where your Spirit is, there is freedom, yet the injustice within us and around us shows that we have not let you set us free. God, guide us on the slow journey of growth. Free us from our fears, our prejudice, and our self-hatred, that we may live in Christ in the freedom of your Spirit. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

(During the children's sermon, the prayer request cards will be collected. After the children's sermon, the children may go to the Family Worship Area or return to the pews to worship with their families.)

SOLO

God of Wonders

M. Byrd and S. Hindalong

Hillary Reynolds, *vocals and piano*

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 11:1-7 (NT p. 273)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 4:1-16 (OT p. 4)

MEDITATION

"The False Face of Betrayal"

Rev. Steve Savides

*RESPONSE HYMN #70

O My Soul Bless Your Redeemer

STUTT GART

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

A MUSICAL OFFERING

Breathe

M. Barnett

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

CALL TO THE TABLE

Leader: Come and partake of the feast of God.

People: We are hungry and in need of food.

Leader: God comes to satisfy our deepest needs.

People: It is only God who can fill our hearts.

Leader: God comes to us humbly in simple gifts.

People: With humility we open our hearts to God.

COMMUNION PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (In unison)

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.**

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Above All

Michael W. Smith

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Gracious and loving God, you have made us one in the body of Christ and nourished us at your table with holy food and drink. Thank you for feeding our hunger and relieving our thirst. Now send us into the world to do the work you have given us to do: to find the lost and lonely, to bring healing to the broken, to set the prisoners free, and to make the powerful care. Grant us strength to persevere and proclaim in all we say and do your good news in Christ Jesus. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN (see bulletin p. 6)

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

KINGSFOLD

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Rigaudon

Andre Campra

*The Congregation Standing

TODAY'S MUSICIANS

David Cook, *guest organist*

Hillary Reynolds, *vocals and piano*

Upcoming Worship Schedule

August 12, 2018

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 AM

"Let's Face It: Our Ancestors Weren't Always Nice"

Rev. Kathryn Kuhn

Scripture reading: Genesis 21:8-21

Music: Phil Gabrielson, *baritone*

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enter either of the following addresses
into your web browser to view
livestream of First Congo's Service:



For Facebook:
tinyurl.com/yayd8cud

For YouTube:
tinyurl.com/ybtlv9c6



**Like and Subscribe to our Facebook and YouTube pages
to get instant notifications when a live broadcast begins.**





JOYS AND CONCERNS OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Members of our church family benefit from our prayers, support, and words of encouragement as they celebrate special times or struggle with difficulties in their lives. Please keep these people in your prayers and greet them with a loving word when you see them.

If you are in the hospital, please let the church know, as we are not always notified. In cases of a pastoral emergency, please call (920) 810-2600.

All who are affected by violence
David Adams and family
Debbie Adams' brother Jim
Jill Anthony's neighbors, John and
Katie
Jill Anthony's sister and brother-in-law
Katie Behl
Glen Benzschawel
Judy Burdick, mother of Megan Burdick-
Grade
Dick Casperson
John Cawthon
Dena Collier
David DeWitt, Jennifer DeWitt's father-
in-law
Jim Edwards
Esther Gehrt
Ken Geiger
Ivo Geurts
Nanette Geurts, and her aunt, Maureen
Linda Glancey, Lane Pittner's mother
Mary Guenther
Charlie, brother of Rose Heinz
Maggie Hendrick
Mark Holly, nephew of Patricia Streur
Clara and Victor Hosang
Ron Huebner
Sandy Hubert
Janis Ireland
Tami Johnson and her sister, Colleen

Nancy Jones, mother of Linda Jones Pierron
Our Kenyan partners and students
All those affected by plant closures
Eunice Klemp
Betty Masaros
Our country's military around the world
Rick Kramer, Richard Miller's son-in-law
Ellie Olson
Families and children of Palestine
Ellen and Lane Pittner and family, as they
mourn the death of Ellen's mother
Pastor Nick and his family while on
sabbatical
Diane Reitzner
Don Roehrborn
Gladys Schmidt, mother of John and Tim
Schmidt
Jim Schwantes
Amanda Spindler
Syrian refugees and Syrians affected by
violence
Beverly Trombla
Jean Van Wagenin
Our veterans and their families
Mya Wardle, daughter of Brian and Lecia
Wardle
Jennifer Wild
Elden Willing
The Wittwer Family
Kim, cousin of Ellen Wittwer
Carol Yonan

THE OPEN DOOR

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Pastor's Message

Life Together

Co-Leading this year's High School Mission Trip to Pine Ridge Reservation with Joel Morien, our Director for Youth Ministry, was exhilarating, exciting, moving, emotional, and exhausting. Finally, a week later, I feel recovered from the trip. But I hope I never get over it; never get over the closeness we felt with our group, the nearness we felt to God's presence, and the deeper we felt our faith to be. And I hope I will never get over the lessons we all learned on the trip.

One lesson that I talked about last Sunday had to do with Christian community. You spend a week of living together and you discover a lot about each other: Who takes longer showers? Who sneaks snacks at night? Who cheats at cards? Who never seems to get tired? Who never seems to get discouraged? Who has digestive challenges? Who takes meds? Who snores? Who is always first in line for the bathroom? These are all things we found out about one another last week. All these things previously fell under the category of TMI - Too Much Information. When you get that information, what you find out is that so many people, when you really get to know them, are deeply strange.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer wrote about this in his lovely little book, *Life Together*: "God did not make this person as I would have made him (or her)...(and) God does not will that I should fashion the other person according to the image that seems good to me, that is, in my own image... I can never know beforehand how God's image should appear in others. That image always manifests a completely new and unique form that comes solely from God's free and sovereign creation..."

After a week of living, working, worshipping, and laughing together, here's what we learned: it means a great deal to have someone other than your family discover these strange things about you and love you anyway. That's probably the most important lesson from our trip. We are loved by God no matter what, and we can be loved by others no matter how strange we may be.

Your friend and fellow stranger,

Rev. Steve Savides

Worship and Music

*A diverse community practicing faith,
finding spiritual connection and experiencing
the Holy through artful sound.*

The 2018 Lunchtime Organ Recital Series

All recitals start at 12:15 PM unless
otherwise stated.

For more information visit their website at
lunchtimeorganrecital.org

- Wednesday, August 8 at First English Lutheran Church, Appleton; Jared Stellmacher. Wahl Organ, 2m.
- Thursday, August 9 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Appleton; David Bohn. Schaefer/Holtkamp Organ, 3m.
- Wednesday, August 15 at First United Methodist Church, Appleton; Mario Buchanan, organ, Alexandra Piepenbrink, Oboe. Austin Organ, 4m.
- Wednesday, August 22 at Faith Lutheran Church, Appleton; Vashni Seitzer, SPC. Sipe Organ, 3m.
- **Thursday, August 23 at 6:30 PM** at First Presbyterian Church, Neenah; Mitchell Miller. Aeolian-Skinner/Goulding and Wood organ, 3m.
- Wednesday, August 29 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Neenah; Marillyn Freeman, AAGO, organ Ralph Freeman, piano. Dobson Organ, 2m.

Padilla Recital Benefits LEAVEN

Anthony Padilla's piano recital on Sunday, July 22, raised over \$880 in donations to benefit LEAVEN (Limited Emergency Assistance Valley Ecumenical Network.) His program of transcriptions of the music of Bach, Copland and Mussorgsky was very well received; we thank him for gifting us with his artistry. Thank you, also, to those who attended and supported the important work of this non-profit organization!

Congregational Life

*Embracing God, welcoming others,
knowing ourselves.*

Dignity & Respect at First Congo

Last Sunday, July 29, Karen Nelson, the Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator for the City of Appleton, joined us in worship to tell the congregation about the Dignity and Respect Campaign here in Appleton. Dignity and Respect is a nationwide-campaign that makes this challenge: "Every day we have the opportunity to test our commitment to dignity and respect through our behavior. The Campaign helps individuals and organizations reinforce their commitment to creating environments for ALL to work, live, learn, and play – with ALL of our differences." After her presentation on Sunday, Karen invited the congregation to take the Dignity & Respect pledge. Everyone did by standing and repeating,



"I will do my part to make our world a better place by treating everyone with dignity and respect." If you weren't there on Sunday and would like to take the pledge, visit <https://dignityandrespect.org/APPLETON/>. If you have any questions, contact Karen Nelson as karen.nelson@appleton.org or (920) 832-1564.

Mission Trip Thank You from Pastor Steve



Hey, Mission Trippers - thank you for a wonderful celebration last Sunday. Jayci Heimer, Michael Murphy and Kyle Wilterdink did a great job providing testimonies. Joel, Michael and company led a very moving singing of "Sanctuary." Katie Mitala prepared an awesome A/V presentation. Everyone worked hard to prepare and serve the brunch. Thank you!

I also wanted to let you know about how much we raised for Ruby's Special Offering - \$1,553! And I know there are a couple folks who still want to donate.

Thanks again and God bless you!

-Pastor Steve

Help Needed for Corn Roast!

We are looking forward to our August 8 Corn Roast, featuring music by Hillary Reynolds. However, we are in need of help with set up at 10:30 AM, preparing and serving the food, and cleaning up at about 7:45 PM. Join in the fun! Enjoy the food and music, but if you can spare some

time to help out, please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Peer-to-Peer Class

Tuesdays, August 7-September 25
1:00-3:30 PM

This eight-week education course focuses on recovery and is for any individual living with a mental illness. The course is taught by individuals with real experience and is offered at no charge to participants. Participants gain knowledge regarding mental illnesses, strategies for personal and interpersonal awareness, coping skills and self-care.

For more information or to register, contact Lisa at (920) 954-1550, email Lisa at lisa@namifoxvalley.org or visit www.namifoxcvalley.org/education for more information. Thanks!

Honest, Open, Proud Training

Wednesday, August 8-Thursday, August 9
5:30-8:30 PM

Honest, Open, Proud is a training to help eliminate the stigma of mental illness by learning to tell one's own story of living with a mental health condition and/or from a family member's perspective. This training helps participants look at the story they have been telling themselves, discern helpful and hurtful self-attitudes, and analyze the pros and cons of disclosing in different settings to different people.

For more information or to register, contact Lisa at (920) 954-1550, email Lisa

at lisa@namifoxvalley.org or visit www.namifoxvalley.org/education for more information. Thanks!

Three Family-to-Family Classes

This FREE 12-week course is for family members and friends (18 and older) of adults who live with mental illness. The class is taught by trained family members who have lived the experience. Many family members describe this program as "life changing." Topics include:

- Family responses to the trauma of mental illness.
- Information on the major mental illnesses--depression, bipolar disorder, anxiety disorders, and thought disorders.
- The biology of the brain and emerging scientific discoveries.
- Medication review, treatment strategies, and prospects for recovery.
- Improving communication, problem solving, and coping skills.
- How to manage problems, crisis, and relapse.
- Exploring community resources and services.

Appleton Class:

Meets Mondays, 6:00-8:30 PM at NAMI Fox Valley, September 10-November 19, 2018.

Waupaca Class:

Meets Tuesdays, 6:00-8:30 PM at FVTC, Waupaca Regional Center, Room WAP111, September 11-November 20, 2018.

Chilton Class:

Meets Wednesdays, 6:00-8:30 PM at FVTC, Chilton Regional Center, Room 126, September 12-November 28.

Classes fill up quickly so reserve your spot today! (Preregistration is required). Register above, call 920-954-1550 or email lisa@namifoxvalley.org.

Visit our website at namifoxvalley.org for more information about our support groups and education and outreach programs.

Fall Prevention Class: Stepping On

Wednesdays, August 15-September 26
First Congregational UCC • Upper Lounge
9:30 AM-11:30 AM

Don't let a fall injure more than your pride! Falling is very common. It can result in an injury and can shake your confidence. The threat of falling can be a barrier to safely doing all the things you want to do at home and in the community. That's why preventing falls is critical to maintaining independence.

What is Stepping On? Stepping On is a program that has been researched and proven to reduce falls in older people. It consists of a workshop that meets for two hours a week for seven weeks. Workshops are led by a health professional and a peer leader- someone who, just like you, is concerned about falls. In addition, local guest experts provide information on exercise, vision, safety, and medications. Topics include:

- Simple and fun balance and strength training
- The role vision plays in keeping your balance
- How medications can contribute to falls
- Ways to keep from falling when out in your community
- What to look for in safe footwear
- How to eliminate fall hazards from your home

Contact Nancy Krueger at nkrueger@vpind.com or 920-740-9572 regarding registration and more information. This is free to participate. Limited spots available, so sign up soon!

Mission and Service

*Building relationships, serving others,
pursuing justice.*

2018 InterFaith Build

The 2018 Interfaith Build is just around the corner and we are looking for volunteers to help with this year's build. The first volunteer date is Wednesday, August 22. The roof will be capped on that day along with other projects. On Tuesday, August 28, one site support person is needed and a team is needed to provide the lunch for 15 workers. Thursday, August 30 four volunteers are needed to attach siding. The build will take place at 320 S. Story Street, Appleton. If you are willing to help, please sign up in the Narthex or contact Tim DeHart at tdehart@new.rr.com.

Back to School Backpack Drive

Appleton Sanctuary Outreach Ministry is looking to support a successful school year for their students by having a back to school gathering on August 12. ESTHER has been asked to help gather donations of backpacks to share with the kids. Please drop off back pack donations in the bin located in the Narthex by August 8. Thanks for your help. If you have any questions, call the church office at (920) 733-7393.

NAMIWalks

NAMIWalks Fox Valley brings together people of all ages and fitness levels to combat stigma, raise funds and promote mental-health awareness. The 5K event is a celebration of mental health recovery – a time when we come together to let the world know we are #stigmafree.

Join us for the kick-off events on Monday, August 6 at the Grand Meridian, 2621 N. Oneida St., Appleton. Registration is at 7:30 AM. Join us for breakfast at 7:30 AM and to learn how to become involved on our walk.

NAMIWalk will take place Saturday, October 6. Registration is at 7:00-8:00 AM and the walk starts at 8:15 AM. This event is held at the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers Stadium, 2400 N. Casaloma Dr., Appleton.

Instead of paying a registration fee, participants build teams, share stories and raise funds to operate NAMI Fox Valley's mental health support, education, outreach, and advocacy programs. As part of the fun, rewards and incentive prizes

are offered to participants who reach particular fundraising goals! Join us to take “steps” to end stigma and promote mental health in the Fox Valley!

Sponsorship opportunities are available! Please contact Kelly Kumbier for more information. To register, donate, or for more information on becoming a sponsor, please call (920) 954-1550, email Kelly at kelly@namifoxvalley.org or visit www.namifoxvalley.org/namiwalks for more information.

Rebuilding Puerto Rico

March 9-16, 2019

Disaster recovery trip with the UCC and Iglesia Evangelica Unida de Puerto Rico

This is an opportunity to help rebuild, not only homes but lives. We will see the current situation of PR residents, take time to listen to them, rebuild homes and share their stories when we return home.

We will stay at a church camp near Luquillo, travel about 45 minutes each day to the Humacao area to rebuild homes (7:30 AM-2:00 PM), with opportunities in the later afternoon to go to the beach, rain forest or Vieques. We will make our own breakfast, pack lunches and eat dinner at local restaurants.

Cost will be approximately \$1000, depending on airfare. (\$200 fees for lodging, breakfast and lunch; additionally, airfare, parking at O’Hare, dinners and excursions). To reserve your spot, contact Deb Burich at

dburich54@gmail.com. The \$200 fee will be required immediately with checks made out to the church. Deadline to participate is September 30.

ESTHER’s 15th Annual Banquet

Sunday, November 4
4:30-7:30 PM

Liberty Hall in Kimberly

Keynote Speaker: Leonard Pitts, Jr.



Pitts is a journalist, commentator, lecturer, and best-selling author who was awarded the 2004 Pulitzer Prize for Commentary and has received numerous other professional awards, before and since. Tavis Smiley called him “the most inspiring and insightful columnist of his generation.” Pitts is also in high demand as a speaker, has two novels to his credit, and has been a visiting professor at, among other universities, Princeton and George Washington.

The banquet will be preceded by a social hour and silent auction. The program will feature musical entertainment and recognition of ESTHER’s 2018 individual and community awards. Save the date!

Co-sponsored by the William J. and Barbara A. Schmidt Family Foundation.

Administration

First Congo Custodial Staff Update

Long-time employee Kathy Kennedy recently gave notice of her retirement. Kathy has been on our staff for at least 15

years. We wish her well as she takes more time to spend with family. She will be missed!

If you or someone you know might be qualified and interested in a 25-hour per week custodial position here at the church, please look for the job posting on indeed.com or contact the church office for more information.

volunteering. Contact Colleen Berry, Director for Children's Ministry at cberry@firstcongoappleton.org.

Youth and Families

Faith, fun and service.

Church School Teachers Needed

August is here and that means the start of the 2018-2019 Church School year is just around the corner. It is truly an exciting time. The lesson plans have been written, curriculum materials have been ordered, the classrooms are being set up, and registration information is being finalized. All we need is **YOU!** Please consider volunteering your time and talents to teach a rotation of Church School. The Church School year runs from September through May with the first rotation beginning on September 16 and concluding on October 14. Other rotations will also run for a period of five weeks. You do not need to have children enrolled in Church School to teach, just a love of children and the desire to share stories of the Bible with them. Lesson plans and materials will be provided to you, lessons will be set up for you in the classrooms each week, and you will be greeted by the smiles of the First Congo children! Please consider joining this ministry and

Calendar for August 5–August 11

Sunday, August 5

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

Worship – *Sanctuary*

6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

First Things First AA Meeting – *Fellowship Hall, River Room, Common Grounds*

Monday, August 6

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Counting Team – *Library*

5:00 PM – 6:30 PM

Kenya Partnership Gathering – *Library*

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

Facilities Ministry Area – *Upper Lounge*

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

ESTHER Prison Reform Task Force – *St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 140 South Green Bay Rd, Neenah*

6:30 PM – 9:30 PM

Boy Scout Troop 8 – *Fellowship Hall, West Conference Room*

Tuesday, August 7

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Strong Bones – Independent Practice – *South Fellowship Hall*

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

Yoga @ the Congo – *Fellowship Hall, River Room*

7:45 PM – 8:45 PM

Fireside AA Group – *Common Grounds*

Wednesday, August 8

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Set up for Corn Roast

12:15 PM – 1:00 PM

Loving Acceptance Meditation Group – *Upper Lounge*

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Corn Roast with Hillary Reynolds – *East Parking Lot*

7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Take down Corn Roast

Thursday, August 9

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

Strong Bones – Independent Practice – *South Fellowship Hall*

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

AA – Search for Serenity Group – *Common Grounds*

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Fox Valley 94 AA – *Common Grounds*

Friday, August 10

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Bulletin Assembly – *Library*

7:00 PM – 8:45 PM

N. A. – *Common Grounds*

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Al-Anon – *Upper Lounge*

Saturday, August 11

7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Fox Valley 94 AA – *Common Grounds*



Corn Roast and Concert with
Hillary Reynolds and Friends
August 8 • 6:00–8:00 PM

Fresh from her performances at Mile of Music, singer/songwriter Hillary Reynolds and friends will share her remarkable music in a lively outdoor concert.

Corn roast begins at 6:00, the concert at 6:30.

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First Congo Staff Volunteer Day July 31, 2018



The Baby Closet



On July 31, we had the privilege to volunteer at The Baby Closet. The Baby Closet is a free resource that Parent Connection provides for Teen Parents (ages 13-21), to get items they need for their babies. Teen parents earn points through participation in home visiting or mentoring programs and then use these points to 'shop' for items for their children (Each item is worth 1 point). All items in the Baby Closet are donated and require organizing and sometimes laundering. The Baby Closet is housed in First Presbyterian Church in Neenah WI. For more information, check out their website at http://volunteercenter.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=190458