

## **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 April 24, 2019.

For the convenience of those who need to leave the Sanctuary during worship, the service is video broadcast 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 to use during worship. 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](http://www.firstcongoappleton.org/sermons).

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

# March 3 Highlights at First Congregational

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## Flowers

The flower arrangement in the Sanctuary this morning 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 March 10, April 28 and May 19. 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](http://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

<b>Friday, March 1</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	
Bulletin Assemblers	Cathy Houst, Sandy Ostrander	
<b>Sunday, March 3</b>	<b>8:45 AM</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b>
Main Door Greeter		
Bridge Greeters		
Welcome Desk		
Lay Readers	Michael Weaver	Lou Ann Graf
Usher Team Captains	Mark and JoAnn Shropshire	Rick Behm
Multi-Media – audio	Tim Hanna	Mark Mauthe
Multi-Media – video	Shannon Glenn	Sue Mauthe

## Church School Schedule–8:45 AM

Please pick up children from the following classrooms today.

<b>Kindergarten</b>	East Conference Room	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade</b>	Scripture Tent
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Grade</b>	Theater	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>	Scripture Tent
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Grade</b>	Art/Kitchen	<b>5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grades</b>	Computer Lab

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

March 3, 2019

8:45 and 10:30 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.*

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## PRELUDE

*Flourish on "Salzburg"*

Douglas Wagner

(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

## CHORAL INTROIT

*This Is My Beloved Son* (Matthew 17:5)

K. Nystedt

Nicolette Puskar/Bianca Pratte, *soprano*

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Loving God, your people long for a sign that you have not forgotten them!

**People: Shine among us! Fill our land with your radiant glory!**

Leader: Merciful God, your people are hungry and thirsty for righteousness in a world filled with falsehood and sin.

**People: Flow among us! Flood all peoples with your grace and mercy!**

Leader: Life-giving God, your people grow cold as the world's grief takes its toll on them!

**People: Blaze among us! Set your hearts on fire with compassion! Send forth your word and let there be light!**

## \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN (see bulletin page 6)

*Sing of God Made Manifest*

SALZBURG

## \*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy and loving God, we boldly claim the promise of Christ that where two or three are gathered in that holy name, Christ is present. With Christ among us now, we know the power of your love for us. With Christ among us, we see your glory in the faces of our brothers and sisters. With Christ among us, we believe we can do**

**all things through love's strength at work in us. Free us from the sins and sorrows that beset us. Help us to be a people renewed by the forgiving and transforming love of the One who came that we might have life and have it abundantly. Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: May God, who loves us, set us free and offer us grace. May God give us time to repent and to do good works. With Christ among us, may God direct our lives by the grace of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**\*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 (8:45 AM only)**

(During the hymn, the prayer request cards will be collected. After the children's sermon, the children will follow their teachers to Sunday School.)

**GOSPEL READING**

Matthew 16:24 - 17:8 (NT p. 22)

**MEDITATION**

"Shine"

Rev. Steve Savides

**\*RESPONSE HYMN #109**

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**A MUSICAL OFFERING (see bulletin page 7)**

*At the Name of Jesus*

KING'S WESTON  
setting, R. Vaughan Williams

St. 1-3, plus two additional stanzas: Choir, only.

**St. 4 and 5: ALL, on cue.**

**\*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

CALL TO THE TABLE:

Leader: We do not come to this table trusting in our own goodness or virtue.

**People: We come knowing we need healing and forgiveness. We trust God to grant these things to us.**

Leader: We come because Jesus Christ invited us.

**People: We come as Christ's guests to the heavenly banquet.**

Leader: God in Christ breaks down the walls that make us strangers to ourselves and divide us from one another.

**People: We are the body of Christ. Around this table, we enact our faith. The body broken is restored to wholeness; lifeblood poured out brings healing to our world.**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

EUCCHARISTIC 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

*Instruments of Peace*

K. and D. Dearman

Nicolette Puskar and Erik Nordstrom, *soloists*

LU Music Scholars

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

**For the healing you have given us in your presence expressed through bread and cup, we thank you. For the community you have restored in us through the sharing of this present moment, we thank you. For the courage and strength that you have promised us to overcome our fears and follow your way of love, we thank you. Send us forth from this place with new determination**

so that justice might be worked out with gentleness and power known in the presence of your Spirit. Amen.

\*CLOSING HYMN (see bulletin page 8)

*Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said*

BOURBON

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Grand Chœr in D*

William Spence

TODAY'S MUSICIANS

Jon D. Riehle, *organist*

John M. Albrecht, *Director for Music Ministries*

Nicolette Puskar/Bianca Pratte, *soprano*

Erik Nordstrom, *baritone*

8:45 AM Sanctuary Choir

10:30 AM LU Music Scholars

### Upcoming Worship Schedule

March 10, 2019

First Sunday of Lent

8:45 and 10:30 AM

"Forgiveness"

**Daylight Savings Time Begins**

Rev. Steve Savides

Scripture reading: Matthew 18:15 - 35

Music: 8:45 AM - LU Music Scholars

10:30 AM - Sanctuary Choir

### Members in Service Next Week

<b>Friday, March 8</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	
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Main Door Greeter		
Bridge Greeters		
Welcome Desk		
Lay Readers	Sue Detienne	Barbara Schmidt
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## 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 Judy Burdick, Megan Burdick-Grade's mother Olive Bopp Barb Boren Dick Casperson John Cawthon Dena Collier Bruce Companik Michael, Dick and Kathy Devries' son-in-law Jim Edwards Margitta Furnner Esther Gehrt Ken Geiger Ivo Geurts Nanette Geurts, and her aunt, Maureen Linda Glancey, Lane Pittner's mother Mary Guenther Maggie Hendrick Ken Hocking Ron Huebner Dennis Hummitsch, Nancy Kandler's brother Dan Huth Immigrants/refugees seeking a better life Tami Johnson and her sister, Colleen Pastor Kathryn Kuhn Our Kenyan partners and students	Margaret LaFleur Mike Mathews Our country's military around the world Rick Kramer, Richard Miller's son-in law Baby Nora Ellie Olson Families and children of Palestine Connie Radtke Steve Reinkober, brother of Chris Brittnacher Don Roehrborn Tom Rued Jolene Schribner's mother, father, aunt and uncle Gladys Schmidt, John and Tim Schmidt's mother Troy Schmitt Jim Schwantes Amanda Spindler Ryan St. Clair Cole Stoffel Syrian refugees/Syrians affected by violence Gloria Tate Helen Thiel James Totzke and his mother, Leah Totzke Beverly Trombla Jean Van Wagenin Our veterans and their families Linda Uitenbroek, sister of Lyle Van De Hey and Janice Schmitz Mya Wardle, Brian and Lecia Wardle's daughter Jennifer Wild Elden Willing The Wittwer Family Kim, cousin of Ellen Wittwer 7-Year-Old with Stage 4 Cancer
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# THE OPEN DOOR

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## Pastor's Message

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### SHINING WITH THE LIGHT OF GOD

Robert Fulghum tells about a woman who received a surprising prescription from her psychiatrist. After listening to the woman talk for a long time about the problems and conflicts she was facing at work and at home, the psychiatrist urged her to continue the medication and then said he had something else for her. He wrote out a new prescription, folded it in half, and handed it to her. On her way home, she opened up the piece of paper and read the words the doctor had written: "*Spend one hour on early Sunday morning walking in a cemetery and watching the sunrise.*"

What kind of prescription was that?

That next Sunday morning as the sun came up, she stood in a cemetery listening to the birds and watching the world come alive all around her. And you know what? It worked. Sunday morning, in a cemetery at sunrise - that's where she found God. And she found herself in touch with her life again.

I don't know what you've been going through this past week, what crises small and large, what challenges, what tragedies or just plain old conundrums. I don't know how you've been affected by the news this week from home and abroad. If you're like me, you could probably use an experience like that woman had. You could probably use a God moment like the disciples had on the Mount of Transfiguration when Jesus shone before them with the light of God.

John Killinger's prayer expresses the experience of the transfiguration:

*"Mountains, light, the cloud - the symbolism of this passage is of height, loftiness, rarefication. It beckons me, Lord, from the tawdriness of my everyday concerns - from a cluttered desk, a messy laundry room, unpaid bills, a car in need of repair. Thank you for hallowing such moments, and for sending a light in my darkness."*

As we near the end of a long, cold winter, we need God to shine a light of hope in our lives. Maybe we will find that light on a mountaintop or a cemetery. Maybe we will find it in a sunrise or in days that are progressively getting longer and brighter. Maybe we will find it as we turn away from our everyday concerns and fix our sights on the teaching and loving example of Jesus. My prayer for all of us is for God to shine a light in our lives and give us the gift of hope!

Your friend and fellow minister, Rev. Steve Savides

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# Youth and Families

*Faith, fun and service.*

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## High School Youth Mission Prep Continues

Today, March 3 and Sunday, March 10  
10:30 AM • Common Grounds

All High School youth need to attend **mandatory** prep meetings to prepare for our June mission trip to Detroit. Meet others going, invite a friend to come, learn about missions, enjoy great food and games.

If you haven't registered yet, please download forms from the website under Children, Youth and Families, then High School Youth.

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## Worship and Music

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

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### Ash Wednesday Lasagna Supper

Wednesday, March 6, 5:00-6:45 PM

Contact: Church Office

info@firstcongoappleton.com

(920) 733-7393

Dianne Droster • didroster@gmail.com

Join our lasagna supper in Fellowship Hall **before** attending the youth-led 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service. We'll serve a variety of lasagnas (meat, vegetarian and gluten-free), salad and garlic bread. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Please let us know you are coming to the supper. We also need help with preparation, serving,

and/or cleaning up afterwards. Please contact the office or Dianne Droster to sign up.

## Lenten Soup Supper Series: Becoming a Congregation of Caregivers

Dates: Wednesdays March 20 and 27,  
April 3 and 10

Time: 5:00-7:30 PM

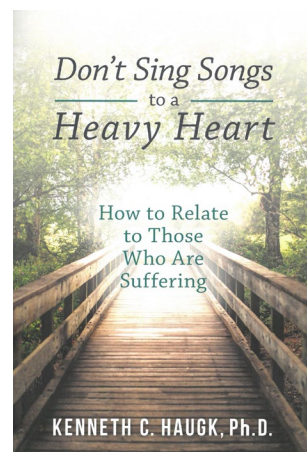
Location: Fellowship Hall

Contact: Church Office

info@firstcongoappleton.com

(920) 733-7393

Join us as we learn how to become a congregation of caregivers. Each week, guest speakers will discuss important topics. There will be a delicious soup provided each night (volunteers requested); you may bring a side dish or a dessert to pass. Please sign up in the Narthex or contact the church office. Books for March 27 and April 10 may be purchased from the church office for \$10; reading guides are also available.



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# Congregational Life

*Embracing God, welcoming others,  
knowing ourselves.*

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## Re-Member Intergenerational Mission, Pine Ridge, SD Meeting

Today, Sunday, March 3

Between Services • Chapel

Contact: Eilene Hoft-March

Eilene.Hoft-March@lawrence.edu • (920) 735-0166

This informational meeting will discuss how First Congo supports the Pine Ridge Indian reservation residents through our mission partner, Re-Member. In past years, we supported the Oglala Lakota community further through the service of our Intergenerational Mission trip volunteers. This year's mission trip is scheduled for Friday, August 16 - Friday, August 23. Trip reservation deposits need to be made by the end of March.



## Wisconsin Conference UCC Annual Meeting

Dates: Friday, April 5 - Saturday, April 6

Location: Glacier Canyon Lodge

Wilderness Resort, Wisconsin Dells

Join all associations of the Wisconsin Conference for a unique combined Annual Meeting. Due to hosting General Synod in June, the Associations and

Conference decided to combine annual meetings this year.

In addition to business, there will be time for fellowship and connection across the Conference. Our delegate slots are filled. Others are welcome as visitors. If interested, contact Pastor Kathryn.

## Appalachia Service Trip Reminder

Saturday, September 28-Saturday, October 5

Contact: Valerie Schultz

(920) 915-8008

Sign-up sheets in Narthex

The Appalachia Service Trip Project's (ASP) mission is "Warmer, Safer, Drier." This will be our sixth rebuilding with ASP when we return to Jonesville, Virginia. Each service trip has been an incredible experience for all participating.

We do our part and turn the project over to the next arriving crew. Amazing work gets done! In past years, we worked on a wheelchair ramp, framed walls, painted, caulked and repaired floors.

If we bring a willingness to work hard, and a desire to connect with the families with whom we work and each other, lives are transformed. Please prayerfully consider the role you might play in this service opportunity.

The trip's cost is \$325, plus travel expenses. It covers lodging, meals and helps fund service projects.

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# Mission and Service

*Building relationships, serving others,  
pursuing justice.*

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## Kenya Luncheon

Today, Sunday, March 3  
After 10:30 AM Worship Service

Even if you didn't sign up, you are welcome to join the Kenya Partnership Team in the Fellowship Hall **after second service** this morning for our annual Sponsor Appreciation Luncheon. We are eager to share stories, videos, pictures and information about our recent Kenya trip. Please join us for a traditional gluten-free Kenyan meal and fellowship.

## Help for the Homeless

Sunday, February 17 - Sunday, March 10  
Place donations in  
collection box located in Narthex  
Contact: thefamily.net • (800) 236-9364

We will be collecting **new** hygiene and cleaning items for local crisis agencies through The Family Radio's annual "Help for the Homeless" hygiene drive. Supplying these items to local shelters will help them direct their limited funds to providing qualified staff, counseling, food and shelter to those they serve. Most urgently needed items are laundry soap, kitchen-size trash bags (shelters go thru LOTS of these), shampoo, cleaning supplies, diapers, toilet tissue and feminine care. Your donations will remain in this community. Note: Food Share (formerly Food Stamps) does not cover the cost of non-food items such as soap and diapers.

## Items Needed for Back Bay Mission Trip

Sunday, March 10 - Sunday, March 31



Please help us fill the Back Bay Mission box in the Narthex with **nutrition/protein bars** such as Balance, Special K, or Power Bars

- the types with protein and **travel-sized toothpaste** donations. Those going to Back Bay's Mission in April would like to take some things their clients could use. On previous Back Bay Mission trips, we personally saw a big need for nutrition bars and travel-size toothpaste.

Day shelter clients stop by in the morning and receive a snack (e.g. Doritos or Cheetos) while waiting for a shower.

That is probably the only "food" they have until lunch - a two-mile walk away. Many clients aren't able to carry a full-size tube of toothpaste around.

So we would like to emphasize those items - but we will take anything on the Back Bay Wish List posted on the box.

Additionally, if you have a Thrivent account and have not used your Action Grant for something this year, that \$250 could fund a Hygiene Kit project for Back Bay Mission.

Contact Nancy Brown-Koeller for more information.

## Samaritan Counseling Center Seeks 2019 Woman of Strength Nominees

Nomination Deadline: Wednesday, March 13



The Connie Steele Woman of Strength Award is named for the late Connie Steele, former

Samaritan board member and legal counsel for Thrivent Financial. The award honors a woman from the Fox Cities, Heart of the Valley, New London, Oshkosh and surrounding areas who embodies the following traits: strength of character, integrity, generosity, faith, courage, optimism, persistence and community service. Nominations must include three letters of one page or less from different nominators. These should include specific examples of how the nominee embodies each of the eight traits listed above, and contact information both for the nominee and each nominator.

In 2018, First Congo member Sara Companik was awarded this honor. Learn more about the award from Pastor Kathryn Kuhn, or visit [www.samaritan-counseling.com/woman-of-strength-award](http://www.samaritan-counseling.com/woman-of-strength-award).

### **Congratulations Benji!**

We have received news that our former member and dear friend, Benji (Al) Benzschawel has taken a new position as Construction Manager at Southeast Texas Community Development Corp in Beaumont, TX. His last day at our mission partner, Back Bay Mission (BBM) is Thursday, March 7. His new position ties in with our UCC Disaster Ministries and

he will coordinate disaster rebuilding in Beaumont and Port Arthur. For many years, while leading our BBM partnership here at First Congo, Benji felt a calling to share his construction and leadership skills with others. He and Pam took that leap when they left Appleton for Biloxi, Mississippi in December 2015 and Benji accepted a position at Back Bay Mission. He continues to follow that call and we celebrate with him! You can read more about the [Texas UCC disaster Ministries efforts](#) or Southeast Texas Community Development Corp ([SETCDC.org](http://SETCDC.org)).

### **Madison Action Day**

Date: Tuesday, March 26

Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Location: Madison Masonic Center,

301 Wisconsin Ave., Madison

Cost: \$25 + \$15 for the bus.

Register now at <https://esther-foxvalley.org/mad2019>

Contact ESTHER: (920) 843-8083  
[office@esther-foxvalley.org](mailto:office@esther-foxvalley.org)

Join leaders from all parts of Wisconsin who are meeting at Madison's Masonic Center for a day of action and movement-building. The event takes place every two years leading up to the budget session so we can get our issues on the legislators' minds while they are making decisions. Buses will be transporting people to the event from Appleton and Oshkosh:

First Congregational UCC (724 E. South River St., Appleton) - 6:30 AM

St. Mark's Lutheran Church (140 South Green Bay Rd., Neenah) - 7:00 AM

Oshkosh Park and Ride 70 - 01 - 7:15 AM

## **Wisconsin Conference UCC Anti-Racism Training and Retreat**

Sunday, April 28 - Tuesday, April 30  
Moon Beach, St. Germain  
Cost: \$199 • Register at: [wcucc.org](http://wcucc.org)

Increase your understanding of the systemic violence that is racism in our society, our communities and our churches by attending this workshop and retreat. Whether this is your first step or a continuation of your journey, this workshop will meet you where you are to help you get closer to being an anti-racist, pro-reconciling leader for your church and community. Jessica Vazquez-Torres of Crossroads Anti-Racism Organizing and Training will present the event. It is open to clergy, lay leaders and friends.

### **The Doctrine of Discovery and Its Ongoing Effects**

Monday, March 4, 2019 • 7:00 PM  
Lakeland University,  
Laun Center, Room 209,  
W3718 South Drive, Plymouth  
Contact: Linda Bosman  
(920) 565-1023 ext. 2151

Larry Littlegeorge is a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation, the Warrior Clan. He was baptized in 1957 at the HoCak (Hochunk) Church (formerly Winnebago), which is part of the Wisconsin Conference UCC.

He completed the Wisconsin Conference Lay Academy in 2016 and is currently a spiritual leader of the Hocak Church. Larry has personally felt the effects of racism that he traces back to historic documents like Papal Bulls laying out the

Doctrine of Discovery, and he has done a great deal of study on this topic. Rev. Rob MacDougall is Associate Conference Minister with primary responsibility for the Northwest Association of the Conference.

Larry and Rob will provide an overview of the Doctrine of Discovery and explain why the issue is being studied by the Wisconsin Conference prior to considering a resolution to repudiate the Doctrine at the 2019 Annual Meeting.

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## **Administration**

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### **Pastor Kathryn's Meal Train Thank You**

We recently ran an Open Door article about how you can help Pastor Kathryn and her family with meals. We thank Julie Gamm and those who signed up.

### **Communications Reminder**

Contact: Mardy Wiesman  
[mwiesman@firstcongoappleton.org](mailto:mwiesman@firstcongoappleton.org)

If you have articles, photos and/or lay reader, greeter/welcomer, usher and audio/visual updates you'd like to have placed in the Sunday Bulletin/The Open Door, please send them to Mardy by **3:00 PM** on **Tuesday** of the week you need it published.

Submissions received **after** 3:00 PM Tuesday will be placed in the following week's bulletin. This ensures all information is correct in the printed bulletin. Please note, all articles can run a total of three weeks.



## Calendar for Sunday, March 3–Saturday, March 9

<b>Sunday, March 3</b>	
7:00 AM – 9:30 AM	<b>High School Youth Serving Breakfast at Pillars</b> – <i>Pillars</i>
8:45 AM – 9:45 AM	<b>Worship</b> – <i>Sanctuary</i>
8:45 AM – 9:45 AM	<b>Child Care</b> – <i>Infant Room, Toddler Room, Nursery, 4-year-old Room</i>
8:45 AM – 9:45 AM	<b>Church School</b> – <i>Scripture Tent, Theater, Art/Kitchen, East Conference Room, Computer Lab</i>
9:45 AM – 10:30 AM	<b>Pine Ridge Remember Mission Trip Meeting</b> – <i>Chapel</i>
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	<b>Worship</b> – <i>Sanctuary</i>
10:30 AM – 11:45 AM	<b>Youth Mission Trip Prep Continues</b> – <i>Common Grounds</i>
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	<b>Child Care</b> – <i>Infant Room, Toddler Room, Nursery, 4-year-old Room</i>
11:30 AM – 2:00 PM	<b>Intergenerational Musical Rehearsal – Bring Sack Lunch</b> – <i>Sanctuary</i>
11:45 AM – 2:00 PM	<b>Kenya Appreciation Lunch</b> – <i>Fellowship Hall, River Room, Kitchen</i>
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	<b>LU Music Scholar Rehearsal</b> – <i>Choir Room</i>
6:00 PM – 9:30 PM	<b>First Things First AA Meeting</b> – <i>North Fellowship Hall, River Room, Common Grounds</i>
<b>Monday, March 4</b>	
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	<b>ESTHER – Communications Meeting</b> – <i>Upper Lounge</i>
4:30 PM – 5:15 PM	<b>Appleton Boychoir – Repertoire Rehearsal</b> – <i>Choir Room</i>
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM	<b>Facilities Ministry Area</b> – <i>Upper Lounge</i>
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	<b>ESTHER Prison Reform Task Force</b> – <i>St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, 140 South Green Bay Rd. Neenah</i>
6:30 PM – 9:30 PM	<b>Boy Scout Troop 8</b> – <i>Fellowship Hall, West Conference Room</i>
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM	<b>Fox Valley Flute Choir</b> – <i>Sanctuary</i>
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	<b>Congo Crafters for Christ</b> – <i>Upper Lounge</i>
<b>Tuesday, March 5</b>	
6:45 AM – 7:45 AM	<b>ADRC StrongBodies</b> – <i>South Fellowship Hall</i>
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>ADRC StrongBodies</b> – <i>South Fellowship Hall</i>
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	<b>Lectionary Bible Study</b> – <i>Upper Lounge</i>
1:00 PM – 6:00 PM	<b>Lasagna Prep</b> – <i>Kitchen</i>
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM	<b>Chrysalis</b> – <i>Upper Lounge</i>
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	<b>Mission and Service Team Meeting</b> – <i>River Room</i>
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	<b>Worship and Ministry Team</b> – <i>Upper Lounge</i>
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM	<b>Building Committee</b> – <i>Chapel</i>
7:45 PM – 8:45 PM	<b>Fireside AA Group</b> – <i>Common Grounds</i>
<b>Wednesday, March 6</b>	<b>* Ash Wednesday</b>
12:15 PM – 1:00 PM	<b>Loving Acceptance Meditation Group</b> – <i>Upper Lounge</i>

4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	<b>Children’s Choir Rehearsal</b> – <i>Choir Room</i>
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	<b>Ash Wednesday Lasagna Supper</b> – <i>Fellowship Hall, Kitchen, River Room</i>
5:00 PM – 8:00 PM	<b>Ash Wednesday Supper and Confirmands Lead Service with Mentors</b> – <i>Chapel, Fellowship Halls/ Sanctuary</i>
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM	<b>Intergenerational Musical Rehearsal</b> – <i>Fellowship Hall, River Room, Sanctuary</i>
5:45 PM – 6:25 PM	<b>Youth Handbell Rehearsal</b> – <i>Amistad Room</i>
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	<b>Middle School Classes</b> – <i>Theater, Scripture Tent, Art/ Kitchen</i>
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	<b>Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal</b> – <i>Choir Room, Sanctuary</i>
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM	<b>Church Mice</b> – <i>East Conference Room</i>
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM	<b>Ash Wednesday Service</b> – <i>Sanctuary</i>
<b>Thursday, March 7</b>	
6:45 AM – 7:45 AM	<b>ADRC StrongBodies</b> – <i>South Fellowship Hall</i>
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>ADRC Strongbodies</b> – <i>South Fellowship Hall</i>
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	<b>AA – Search for Serenity Group</b> – <i>Common Grounds</i>
12:00 PM – 3:00 PM	<b>Clergy Development Group</b> – <i>Upper Lounge</i>
12:00 PM – 1:30 AM	<b>Theology Discussion Group</b> – <i>Atlas Coffee Mill and Café, Water Street, Appleton</i>
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM	<b>Fox Valley 94 AA</b> – <i>Common Grounds</i>
<b>Friday, March 8</b>	
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM	<b>Al-Anon</b> – <i>Upper Lounge</i>
7:00 PM – 8:45 PM	<b>N.A.</b> – <i>Common Grounds</i>
<b>Saturday, March 9</b>	
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>Intergenerational Musical – Set Painting</b> – <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM	<b>Fox Valley 94 AA</b> – <i>Common Grounds</i>