

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 January 18, 9:00–11:30 AM.

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.

References to God

References to God in traditional prayers, readings, and hymns in our worship may sometimes be gender specific. As we pray and sing together, you are invited to substitute terms that reflect your understanding of the full inclusiveness of the spirit of God.

Children in Worship

Childcare for infants and toddlers is available in the Children, Youth and Family Center. The Family Worship Area is open during our worship services for children ages 3-10, unless otherwise noted in the bulletin.

Sensory Boxes

First Congregational offers Sensory Boxes for any of our friends on the autism spectrum – adult or child–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 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.

October 20 Highlights at First Congregational

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Flowers

Cindi Ritcey Fox designed this morning’s Sanctuary the flower arrangement.

Communion

All are welcome to receive communion the first Sunday of each month. The bread we use is gluten-free; however, it is made in a facility that also processes wheat products.

Baptism

Our next scheduled Baptism Sundays are November 17 and December 15. 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, October 18	9:00 AM	
Bulletin Assemblers	Pat Hauser, Carol Heinrich	
Sunday, October 20	8:45 AM	10:30 AM
Main Door Greeter	Sylvia King	Sharrie Robinson
Bridge Greeters	Kathy and Steve Hermsen	Kevin Clavers and Todd Newell
Welcome Desk	Carolyn Frederick	Carolyn Frederick
Lay Readers	Heidi Erstad	Howard Niblock
Usher Team Captains	Mark and JoAnn Shropshire	Mike Spurlock and Jeff Schang
Multi-Media – audio	Dennis Korth	Mark Mauthe
Multi-Media – video	Steve Verboomen	Sue Mauthe

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' SUNDAY

October 20, 2019

8:45 and 10:30 AM

Rev. Dr. Stephen P. Savides, Senior Pastor
Rev. Nicholas J. Hatch, Pastor for Youth and Family Ministries
Rev. Kathryn Kuhn, Pastor for Congregational Care and Missions

PRELUDE

Native Flute Music

Trad.

Debra Morningstar, *Oneida Storyteller*

(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.)

YOUTH PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

*PROCESSION AND OPENING SONG

Welcome Song

Trad.

Please join in singing, led by Debra Morningstar.

TRADITIONAL WORDS OF WELCOME

Dennis Kenote, *Veterans of the Menominee Nation Association*

OPENING PRAYER

Fawn Youngbear-Tibbetts, *White Earth Band of Minnesota Chippewa*

CHILDREN'S/FAMILY SERMON *The Legend of the Jingle Dress*, Fawn Youngbear-Tibbetts

Woodland Boys & Girls Club Dance Troupe with the Wolf River Singers

(After the Children's Sermon at the 8:45 service, the children will follow their teachers to Sunday School.)

JOYFUL NOISE OFFERING (8:45 AM) received for *Pillars'* ministry to the homeless

(The 5th and 6th graders will receive the offering before going to Sunday School.)

*Congregation stands

ANTHEM

Now I Walk in Beauty

text from a Navajo Prayer
music by G. Smith

Now I walk in Beauty.
Beauty is before me,
Beauty is behind me,
above and below me.
(*Around me and within me.*)

(During the anthem, the prayer request cards will be collected.)

GATHERING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

NATIVE AMERICAN EARTH HEALING CEREMONY 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, forever. Amen.**

PRAYER SONG #283

O Great Spirit

O GREAT SPIRIT

Sung three times by **ALL**.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

A MUSICAL OFFERING

Native Flute Music

Trad.

*RESPONSE HYMN (see bulletin, p. 7)

Touch the Earth Lightly

TENDERNESS

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

MEDITATION

Mark Charles, Guest Preacher

*CLOSING HYMN #340

Peace Before Us (text based on a Navajo prayer)

PRAYER FOR PEACE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Native Flute Music

Trad.

TODAY'S MUSICIANS

Jon D. Riehle, *organist*

8:45 AM Debra Morningstar, *Oneida Storyteller*; Sanctuary Choir

10:30 AM Debra Morningstar, *Oneida Storyteller*; LU Music Scholars

John M. Albrecht, *Director for Music Ministries*

GUEST WORSHIP LEADERS

Mark Charles is a speaker, writer and consultant who recently moved to Washington DC from the Navajo Nation. The son of an American woman of Dutch heritage and a Navajo man, Mark seeks to understand the complexities of American history regarding race, culture and faith in order to help forge a path of healing and reconciliation for the nation. Mark is noted for his activism in denouncing the Doctrine of Discovery and opposition to the Dakota pipeline.



Debra Morningstar is an enrolled member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of WI-Turtle Clan. As a professional storyteller and cultural presenter for the past 26 years, she has performed in schools, libraries, festivals and conferences across the US and Canada!

Dennis Kenote will begin the service with an invocation in the Menominee language. He is membered to the Veterans of the Menominee Nation Association, and also past chairman and current member of Menominee Language Culture Commission.

Jingle Dress Dancer **Fawn Youngbear-Tibbetts** will introduce Mark Charles and explain the meaning of the Jingle Dress. She is membered to White Earth Band of Minnesota Chippewa, and is also a mother, activist, artist and educator at Bad River Tribal Youth Media.



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.**

Jill Anthony's sister
Jack Arter
Katie Behl
Judy Burdick, Megan Burdick-Grade's mother
Olive Bopp
Alyssa Villarreal Brooks
Jeannine Bultman
Dick Casperson
John Cawthon
Lynn Cook
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
Rev. Nick Hatch
Maggie Hendrick
Ken Hocking
Dan Huth
Immigrants/refugees seeking a better life
Jean Jepson
Ervin Klesmit
Our Kenyan partners and students
Gary Kubiak, Joy Kubiak's brother
Rick Kramer, Richard Miller's son-in law
Rev. Kathryn Kuhn

Sandra Marcoe
Mike Mathews
Carrie Brooks McClory
Shari Mitchell
Sandy Moynihan, Ted Sanderson's sister
Our country's military around the world
Ellie Olson
Families and children of Palestine
Steve Reinkober, brother of Chris Brittnacher
Don Roehrborn
Jim Schwantes
Frank Severin
Jake Smasal
Amanda Spindler
Cole Stoffel
All those in need of suicide prevention and
compassionate caregivers
James Totzke and his mother, Leah Totzke
Beverly Trombla
Phyllis Chady Trunk upon the death of her
sister
Jean Van Wagenin
Linda Uitenbroek, sister of Lyle Van De Hey
and Janice Schmitz
Mya Wardle, Brian and Lecia Wardle's
daughter
Larry, Mike Weaver's son-in-law
Ruby Wells
Jennifer Wild
Gary Wisneski

Pastor's Message

THE DOCTRINE OF DISCOVERY

This special Sunday in the life of our church has its immediate origins in General Synod 29, the national gathering of the UCC that repudiated the Doctrine of Discovery (copies of the resolution are available on the table in the Narthex). This may be a new concept to many of us, so I wanted to take this opportunity to explain what the Doctrine of Discovery is and why its repudiation is just and vital to our calling as people of faith.

Many Americans grow up learning that this continent was “discovered” by Christopher Columbus. The concept of discovery, as if the land was empty prior to European arrival, and its indigenous inhabitants were somehow “less than” the explorers is, at its heart, racism and cultural superiority.

The doctrine of discovery, a concept of public international law expounded by the United States Supreme Court in a series of decisions, originated from various church documents in Christian Europe in the mid-1400s to justify the pattern of domination and oppression by European monarchies as they invasively arrived in the Western hemisphere. It theologically asserted the right to claim the indigenous lands, territories, and resources on behalf of Christendom, and to subjugate native peoples around the world.

The U.S. Supreme Court used the doctrine to assert that the United States, as the successor of Great Britain, had inherited authority over all lands within our claimed boundaries. This decision allowed our government to legally ignore or invalidate any native claims to property and resources. To this day courts continue to cite this legal precedent. It is still being used by courts to decide property rights cases brought by Native Americans against the U.S. and against non-Natives.

Last summer, the Wisconsin Conference joined the national church in repudiating the Doctrine of Discovery. We believe this has provided an invaluable teaching moment for our congregation to understand the systemic and continuous impact of racism on the daily lives of indigenous peoples in the U.S.

Your friend and fellow minister,
Rev. Steve Savides

Congregational Life

*Embracing God, welcoming others,
knowing ourselves.*

Congo Crafters for Christ

Congo Crafters meets every other Monday from 6:30 PM-8:30 PM in the Upper Lounge. The next meeting dates will be:

- October 28
- November 11
- November 25
- December 9

We are flexible; come when you can, leave when you need to. Please bring a current project to work on and/or share with the group. Feel free to bring a snack and beverage too.

Everyone is welcome – spread the word, bring a friend, and join us for fun and fellowship!

Watch Realm and Facebook for any schedule changes.



Menominee Cultural Museum Tour

Saturday • October 26

Earlier this year our Wisconsin Conference of the UCC voted overwhelmingly to repudiate the 15th century Doctrine of Discovery. But does one vote wipe the slate clean of over 500 years of Atrocities, of Genocide? Where do we go from here?

Our Church of the Open Door in which we worship today is built on Traditional Menominee land. Despite overwhelming odds, the Menominee People have persevered in part of their original homeland.

A few years ago when the schooner Dennis Sullivan was being built, the only place the white pine mast for the ship could be found was from the Menominee. Their sustainable forestry practices are world renowned.

On Saturday, October 26 a tour of the Menominee Cultural Museum has been arranged. **A bus will be provided** and is scheduled to leave First Congo at 8:30 AM and arrive at 10:00 AM at Keshena. There is a signup sheet in the Narthex.



2019 World Community Day

Friday • November 1

Church Women United will celebrate 2019 World Community Day on Friday, November 1 at Emmanuel United Methodist Church (740 E. College Ave., Appleton).

The theme for the event will be *The Time is Now: "Resolve to Love."*

Registration will begin at 9:00 AM and the program will start at 9:30 AM. Megan Zimmerman, Community Outreach Coordinator for NAMI Fox Valley, is the presenter. Coffee and snacks are provided.

A collection will also be taken for the Parent Connection/Baby Closet. Diapers, wipes, baby wash, grocery store gift cards, new or gently used baby clothes, first aid kits and electric outlet covers are some of the items needed.

Miscarriage, Infant and Child Loss Memorial

Thursday • November 7

On Thursday, November 7 at 6:30 PM, St. Bernard Church (1617 W. Pine Street, Appleton) will hold its 27th annual "Wreath of Remembrance" service. The memorial service is open to people of all faiths and to anyone who has lost a child – either recently or many years ago.

A pine tree at St. Bernard is dedicated in memory of children who have died. The tree is lit with little white lights to shine brightly during the coming holiday season in recognition of these little ones.

Each family present will have a star on the remembrance wreath and an ornament to take home.

Additional details and a form for those who want to be included in the memorial program are located in the Narthex. Please RSVP by November 1.

Contact Cathy Kulibert at ckulibert@stbernardappleton.org or call (920) 739-0331 ext. 319 with any questions.



Climate Change Solutions

The United Church of Christ is taking a stand on climate action!

During the General Synod in Milwaukee this summer, the UCC endorsed the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act or H.R. 763.

The Synod resolution encourages, "All settings of the UCC to seek ways to learn more about climate change and solutions." Scientists and economists alike say it's the best first step to reduce the impact of global warming.

H.R. 763 would put a fee on fossil fuels like coal, oil, and gas. It starts low and grows over time. It will drive down carbon pollution because energy companies, industries, and consumers

will move toward cleaner, cheaper options. The money collected from the carbon fee is allocated in equal shares every month to the American people.

This will help consumers adapt while businesses compete to reduce their carbon footprints. Lower income households will benefit the most from this, as they typically have lower carbon footprints.

Citizen's Climate Lobby (CCL) is a nonpartisan group focused on generating the political will necessary to pass H.R. 763. You can take action by calling your representative to express your support for the bill or by filling out a constituent comment card expressing your support and concern for action on the environment.

Visit Chris Brittnacher at her information table in the Narthex TODAY after the worship services.

Learn more about CCL and H.R.763 at www.citizensclimatelobby.org.

27th Annual Alternative Christmas Market

Sunday • November 10
9:30 AM-12:00 PM

First Congo UCC Fellowship Hall

Get a head start on your holiday shopping at the 27th Alternative Christmas Market on November 10. Enjoy brunch, music and fellowship as you choose gifts that directly benefit people in our community and around the world.

Since 1993, your gifts have changed lives. Together, you have donated more than

2,500 gifts and raised over \$250,000 for local, national, and international organizations that relieve suffering and promote justice.

Would you like to volunteer as a greeter during the market? Please contact Carol Hollar-Zwick at carolhollar-zwick@sbcglobal.net.



Youth and Families

Faith, fun and service.

Joyful Noise Collection

TODAY • October 20

Recently, the fifth and sixth grade students brainstormed various people and organizations that they would like to help through their Joyful Noise offerings. Their biggest concern was for the homeless population in the Fox Cities.

Therefore, any spare change collected at our worship services today will then be donated to Pillars.

The children will be on hand to take the collection at the 8:45 AM service. Any

coins placed in the collection plates during the 10:30 AM service will be donated to the Joyful Noise program.

Pillars is an organization that offers a variety of programs that guide individuals from experiencing homelessness to securing a home of their own. The children thank you!



Youth Mission Trip Info Meeting

Wednesday • October 23

On Wednesday, October 23 at 7:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall, we will be hosting an informational meeting for everyone interested in the 2020 Youth Mission Trip to San Jose, Costa Rica.

All of the important information and forms can also be found at the <https://www.firstcongoappleton.org/children-youth-families/high-school-gr-9-12/high-school-youth-mission-trip/>.

Contact Jennifer DeWitt, CYF Coordinator, at (920) 851-6938 with any questions.

All students 8th through 12th grades are welcome. We hope to see you there!

Realm Registrations

Attention Parents! Please check your online Realm registrations to make sure **all** of your children are actually registered.

We are finding some families that have only registered some of the children, or thought they registered but are not in the system. Be sure that you followed these instructions and/or complete the process:

1. Log into Realm
2. Under Community, click Events
3. Scroll and click on Children, Youth, and Music Registration
4. Enter child's name under *Add a Registrant*. Click on their name- a list of family members will fill in
5. Check **all the children** you wish to register
6. Click **Next**
7. Answer **all** the questions
8. Click **Next**
9. Click **Register**

You can also complete a paper form at church. If you are being asked by your teacher/director to do so, **then that means your student is not registered.**

If you have any questions or need assistance with this process, please contact Jennifer DeWitt, CYF Coordinator, at (920) 851-6938.

Thank You Rotation One Teachers

Last week the Church School children finished Rotation One where they learned the story of Moses. The children were taught by wonderful volunteer teachers

who lovingly shared their time and talents with the children of First Congo!

Please take time to thank the following folks who taught Rotation One:

Three and Four-year-old children: Emma Slowinski

Kindergarten: Heather Gentile

First Grade: Jessica Lindsay

Second Grade: Jolene Scribner

Third and Fourth Grade: Nancy Koehler

Fifth and Sixth Grade: Katie Jahnke

Please also be sure to thank Dianne Droster who served as a substitute teacher for two weeks.



No Church School October 27

There will be no **Church School on Sunday, October 27**. The Family Worship Area will be open.

Please remember that parents and guardians are asked to sit near children and are expected to maintain the primary caretaker role (bathroom breaks, disciplining, etc.)

Rotation Two of Church School will begin November 3.

Worship and Music

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

newVoices Chorus Concert

Saturday • October 26

Every fall, newVoices presents an issue facing our community framed in music and public discussion.

This year, our concert deals with the topic of gun violence. Please join us for a moving concert featuring music composed in response to this difficult issue. Our concert will feature recent compositions inspired by mass shootings; the music frames the issue with haunting and powerful messages.

Because we feel so strongly about this issue, we have discounted all tickets to this concert at \$10/person.

The performance will be on Saturday, October 26, 7:30 PM at the Lawrence University Chapel. For more information or to order tickets, go to <http://newvoiceschoir.org/concerts/>.

As part of our issue-based programming, we are also holding a series of public discussions with qualified regional experts.

Please join us for our free public forums on October 10 and October 15 to learn more about how we can increase awareness and prevention of gun violence in our community. For more details, visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/2226050164189036/>

Fox Valley Flute Choir Concert

Sunday • November 3

The Fox Valley Flute Choir will present its first concert of the year on Sunday, November 3 at 4:00 PM. The concert, which is held at the First United Congregational Church of Christ in Appleton, is free and open to the public.

The flute choir is composed of 18 flutists from the Fox Valley and Manitowoc and performs on piccolos, c flutes, alto flutes, bass flutes and a contra.

The program features Appleton composer Thom Ritter George's Canonic Sonata No. 3; Frederich Kuhlau's Grand Trio for Three Flutes, Op. 13, No 2; Four Duos by Bela Bartok; Vocalise-etude by Maurice Ravel and the Petite suite by Claude Debussy.

The Fox Valley Flute Choir is under the leadership of Patricia George and Marc Sackman. The next concert in the series will be on December 15 at 4:00 PM. Contact georgeflute@hotmail.com for additional information.



Appleton Boychoir in Worship

Sunday • October 27

We celebrate Reformation Sunday by welcoming the Ambassador and Chamber Choirs of the Appleton Boychoir to our worship.

The choir will sing several anthems, as well as combine with our First Congo choirs for a benediction anthem. John Daniel on the trumpet rounds out the festivities!



Fall Music Programming

Fall Family Handbell Workshop begins Sunday, November 3.

Open to elementary age through adults with *no previous playing experience needed.*

Rehearsals are held on Sunday mornings between worship services beginning November 3 to ring in worship on **November 24.**

Contact John Albrecht at jalbrecht@firstcongoappleton.org or Beth Vercouteren at (920) 735-0741.

Intergenerational Musical

Open to second graders through adults. All are welcome to explore and develop their musical and theatrical gifts!

Rehearsals begin in January for our annual spring production, **March 21 and 22, 2020.**

Contact Rev. Steve Savides or Dee Savides at ssavides@firstcongoappleton.org or indicate interest through CYF registration on Realm.

Adult and Youth Instrumental and Vocal Music Solos & Ensembles

Adults and Youth grades 7-12 may present solo or small ensemble instrumental or vocal music in worship, including Youth Sunday.

Contact John Albrecht at jalbrecht@firstcongoappleton.org.

Mission and Service

*Building relationships, serving others,
pursuing justice.*

ESTHER Presentation – Smart Criminal Justice Reform

Monday • October 21
6:00 PM–7:30 PM

On Monday, October 21 at St. Bernard Catholic Church (1617 Pine Street, Appleton), ESTHER will hold a presentation and panel discussion entitled “No Vacancy” *Less Incarceration: Smart Criminal Justice Reform.*

State Rep. Evan Goyke, District 18, Milwaukee, will make the case for

criminal justice reform. This can be done in a smart way that will benefit our corrections system, save tax-payer dollars, reduce crime and increase public safety.

Presentation & Panel Discussion will include:

- How to Reduce Crime
- Invest in Neighborhoods
- Prevent Homelessness
- Pay for Crime Reduction Without Raising Taxes
- Reduce Prison Population
- Reduce Prison Admissions
- Increase Prison Releases
- Increase Success on Supervision
- Learn from Other States’ Success



Winona LaDuke to Keynote ESTHER’s 2019 Banquet

Sunday, November 3

At ESTHER’s 2019 Banquet on Sunday, November 3, attendees will hear directly from one of today’s most prolific voices on the subject of climate justice.

Winona LaDuke shows us how to connect environmental sustainability and social justice in a unique, exciting and

productive way. She explains that the exploitative practices that have degraded our environment have also produced the oppression and poverty of Native Americans and other people of color.

The banquet will be held on Sunday, November 3 at 5:00 PM at Liberty Hall (800 Eisenhower Dr., Kimberly) and will be preceded by a social hour and a silent auction. Rev. Dr. Stephen Savides is the master of ceremonies for the event.

Tickets can be purchased for \$50 online at <https://esther-foxvalley.org/banquet>



ESTHER's 16th Annual Banquet

First Congo will be donating a themed basket, "Cozy Movie Night," for ESTHER's 16th Annual Banquet and Silent Auction.

You can help us fill the basket! Movies, snacks, and gift certificates are some suggestions. We are also accepting themed baskets or individual items for the silent auction.

Please bring your donations to the church office by October 27.

Contact Sheryl De Hart at (920) 731-2620 or email tdehart@new.rr.com for pick-up.

Pine Ridge Journal

For those of you wishing to know more about the recent mission experience (August 16-23) that was organized by our partners at Re-Member on the Pine Ridge Indian reservation, a journal has been uploaded to our website at www.firstcongoappleton.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Pine-Ridge-Journal-2019.pdf

If you have questions about the mission or about next year's trip (August 7-14, 2020), please contact Eilene Hoft-March through Realm, or email Eilene.Hoft-March@lawrence.edu.



Administration

Support Global Ministries at Amazon

You can support Global Ministries through the shopping that you already do on Amazon.com.

If you shop through the link available on the Global Ministries web site, then 4-6.5% of your total purchase will go toward the work that Global Ministries does throughout the world.

You have full access to the products available at Amazon.com, and your

purchases are anonymous. Visit www.globalministries.org/giving_resources to obtain the link, and to learn about other easy ways to support this vital program.



Say it with Flowers

Opportunities are available to donate flowers for the Sanctuary in honor, memory or celebration of a loved one.

A vase of cut flowers is \$35.00, and \$50.00 will provide roses.

Requests for color or specific types of flowers are welcome. It is also possible to arrange for an annual dedication.

For more information, contact the church office at (920) 733-7393.

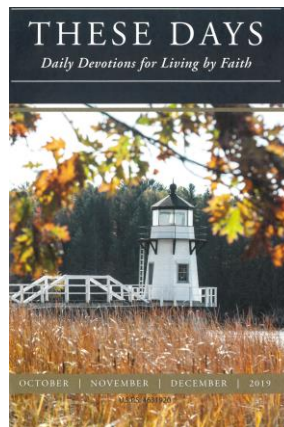


Are You a Snowbird?

If you will be leaving the area for an extended period, please contact the church office at (920) 733-7393 to update your information. We can activate an alternate address for you until you return.

These Days Daily Devotional

Pick up your copy of These Days Daily Devotions for October through December. Now available in the Narthex!



Calendar for October 20–October 26

Sunday, October 20

8:45 AM–9:45 AM

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10:30 AM–11:30 AM

10:30 AM–11:30 AM

5:00 PM–6:00 PM

7:00 PM–8:00 PM

Worship – *Sanctuary*

Child Care – *Infant Room/Nursery, Toddler Room*

Church School – *Scripture Tent, Theater, Art/Kitchen, East Conference Room, Computer Lab, 4 year-old room*

Worship – *Sanctuary*

Child Care – *Infant Room/Nursery, Toddler Room*

LU Music Scholar Rehearsal – *Choir Room*

First Things First AA Meeting – *South Fellowship Hall, Common Grounds*

Monday, October 21

3:00 PM–5:00 PM

6:45 PM–9:00 PM

7:00 PM–8:30 PM

ESTHER Communications Regular Meeting – *Upper Lounge*

Fox Valley Flute Choir Rehearsal – *Sanctuary*

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

Tuesday, October 22

7:00 AM–8:00 AM

9:00 AM–10:00 AM

12:00 PM–1:00 PM

1:00 PM–3:30 PM

6:00 PM–8:00 PM

7:00 PM–8:30 PM

7:45 PM–8:45 PM

ADRC StrongBodies - *South Fellowship Hall*

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Lectionary Bible Study – *Upper Lounge*

Marilyn's Mission Cards – *Upper Lounge*

Church Council Meeting – *Upper Lounge*

ESTHER Environmental Justice Task Force – *River Room*

Fireside AA Group - *Common Grounds*

Wednesday, October 23

12:15 PM–1:00 PM

4:30 PM–5:30 PM

5:45 PM–6:25 PM

6:30 PM–7:30 PM

7:00 PM–8:30 PM

7:00 PM–8:30 PM

7:30 PM–8:30 PM

Loving Acceptance Meditation Group - *Upper Lounge*

Children's Choir Rehearsal – *Choir Room*

Youth Handbell Rehearsal – *Amistad Room*

Middle School Classes – *Theater, Scripture Tent, Art/ Kitchen*

Church Mice – *East Conference Room*

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal – *Choir Room, Sanctuary*

Youth Mission Trip Info Meeting – *Fellowship Hall*

Thursday, October 24

7:00 AM–8:00 AM

9:00 AM–10:00 AM

11:30 AM–1:00 PM

ADRC StrongBodies – *South Fellowship Hall*

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AA - Search for Serenity Group – *Common Grounds*

6:00 PM-7:30 PM
6:30 PM-8:00 PM
7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Pastoral Search Interview Team - *Upper Lounge*
TnT- SOAR Fox Cities - *South Fellowship Hall*
Fox Valley 94 AA - *Common Grounds*

Friday, October 25

7:00 PM-8:30 PM
7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Al-Anon - *Upper Lounge*
N.A. - *Common Grounds*

Saturday, October 26

7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Fox Valley 94 AA - *Common Grounds*

27th Annual Alternative Christmas Market

Sunday, November 10, 9:30 AM–12:00 PM

Make charitable donations as “alternative Christmas gifts” for your family and friends.



Gifts inspiring change.

The Ministry

Reverend Dr. Stephen P. Savides, Senior Pastor
Reverend Nicholas J. Hatch, Pastor for Youth and Family Ministries
Reverend Kathryn Kuhn, Pastor for Congregational Care and Missions
John M. Albrecht, Director for Music Ministries
Jon D. Riehle, Organist
Colleen Berry, Director for Children's Ministries
Renee Taylor, Director for Youth Ministries
Jennifer DeWitt, CYF Coordinator
Carolyn Frederick, Office Manager and Administrative Assistant
Holly Volkman, Administrative Assistant for Communications
Jane Malin, Administrative Assistant
Siri Witt, Bookkeeper
Jonathan Steffen, Technology Coordinator
Bart Forseth, Custodial Supervisor
Theresa Iacullo, Infant/Toddler Child Care Provider
Cassidy Behm, Infant/Toddler Child Care Provider
Tom Ott, Custodial Assistant
Mary Lou Cliff, Custodial Assistant
Lauren Micke, Weekend Custodial Assistant

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