Edgerton Congregational United Church of Christ November – 2012

Sunday Worship Services 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM



HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

Trish Kalhagen Barbara Pierce Richard Hartzell Elaine Randall Connie Tronnes Nadia Kim Gordon Webb Renee Rosenbaum Keira Riley

Ryan Lyerla Neva Granger Mabel Fellows

Have a special day!

November 4th Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

All Saints Worship and Communion

10:30 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Sunday School

November 11th Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Stewardship Sunday & Pot-Luck

10:30 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Sunday School

November 18th Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Sunday School

November 21st Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service

7:00 PM Worship Service

November 25th Reign of Christ

10:30 AM Worship Service 9:30 AM Sunday School

Dan and Cindy Morris

September 30th-59

October 7th-66

October 14th-52 October 21st-69

October 28th-55





November Edgerton Congregational UCC Activities

November 4th – All Saints Worship

Join us for worship on Sunday, November 4th at 10:30 a.m. as we lift up and honor all of the Saints whose lives ended since last November. This year Edgerton Cong. UCC was touched in some way by at least eleven deaths. The family members of those who have died have been invited to worship to light a candle in honor of their loved one. Please come to support those who are still healing from their loss.

November 11th – Stewardship Sunday and Potluck Reminder

Cal and Connie Wiersma

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Sunday, November 11th will be Stewardship Sunday. During the 10:30 a.m. worship service, our "Estimate of Giving" for the year 2013 will be received as part of our offering and gifts to God. A pot-luck will follow in the fellowship area incorporating a time for fellowship with emphasis on our current ministries.

November 14th – ECUCC Choir Practice-7:00 P.M.

November 15th – Christian Education Meeting

Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 15th at 6:45 p.m.

November 21st – Ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Service

On Wednesday, November 21st at 7:00 p.m., Edgerton Congregational UCC is hosting the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Service. Please join us for worship to give thanks.

November 30th – Annual Tree Trimming

On Friday, November 30th beginning at 5:00 p.m. we will gather to decorate the church Sanctuary for the Christmas Holiday. We will need lots of help putting up many Christmas trees; hanging ornaments; hanging the star; and other various duties.

The Fun and Fellowship Team will provide treats; hot cider; and hot chocolate.

Kids and adults alike are invited to this very special night that usually takes 2 – 3 hours to accomplish.

Notes from Christian Education

<u>Thank you</u>: A big thanks to Becky and Evan for music in October. We appreciate you!

<u>Coming soon</u>: For the advent season...there worship) using the UCC devotional guide "Are before Advent and continue through Epiphany the Sunday bulletin/announcements. <u>Just so</u> year. Christian Education and Rev. Lora look



your time and enthusiasm in leading the children's

will be an adult discussion (Sunday mornings before you still listening? " This series will begin a week (January 6). More details will be made available in you know: There will be no confirmation class this forward to planning the Confirmation Program to

begin Fall 2013 for youth enrolled in 7th grade - high school (those high school students not yet confirmed).

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

The Christmas Program (presented by our children/youth) will take place on **Sunday, December 16**th during worship. The very important practice (and of course the party!) will occur **Saturday, December 15** from **10:00-1:00pm**.

THANK YOU HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS

Special thanks to the following volunteers who provided treats for the Hospitality table during the month of September – October:

Becky Riley; Becky Leahy; Austin & Connie Tronnes; Norma Thompson &

Elsie Arnold; Mary Lou Behring; Krista Kim; Connie Wiersma

November Hospitality so far is...

Nov. 4th – Connie Wiersma

Nov. 11th – The Campbell's & Gould's

Nov. 18th – no one yet

Nov. 25th – no one yet

If you are interested in providing a treat for the hospitality table, please sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR MUSICAL STEWARDSHIP

- > Cammi Gould; Lizzy Gould; Paige Ninmer; Leyla Ninmer; Gracie Ninmer for playing the recorders for worship.
- Rev. Lora playing piano.
- Connie Tronnes playing piano.
- Evan & Becky Riley leading choir.
- ➤ The ECUCC Choir
- > Leyla Ninmer for piano solo.
- Krista Kim & Connie Tronnes for Piano/Organ Duet
- Becky and Evan Riley Guitar & Cello

Would you like to help the church with musical stewardship for worship? Just sign up, on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary, for the "prelude" or "offering" for a particular Sunday worship.

FUNERAL LUNCHES AT EDGERTON CONG. UCC

Mary Lou Behring has graciously accepted the position of Funeral Lunch Chair. This solidifies the reality that our church will continue to provide post-funeral lunches, in our fellowship hall, to the family and friends of this church as requested. Mary Lou has placed a sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary for volunteers to sign up to help with this vital ministry of the church. So far the people who have signed up are: Char Hartzell; Joan Granger; Barbara Pierce; Jane Nelson; Connie Wiersma; Norma Thompson; Elsie Arnold; Tammy Campbell; Stephanie Balis; Joyce Morris; Becky Riley; Connie Tronnes; and Linda Meyer. If you are interested in helping, when needed, and you haven't signed the list please do so now. Thank You.

NEW TASK FORCE: OPEN AND AFFIRMING (ONA)

On Monday, October 8th, the church Council heard a presentation given by Becky Riley and Josh Bartz around a new task force at Edgerton Cong. UCC. In Feb. 2010 the church Council voted unanimously to begin the conversation around the "Open and Affirming" educational piece here at ECUCC. A task force has now been created, and educational materials put into place for this ministry movement to occur in our church. The Council voted unanimously to support and encourage the ONA Task Force to begin its educational ministry here at ECUCC. If you have any questions about this process or the ONA ministry please speak with one of the following Task Force team members:

Becky Riley – Chair; Josh Bartz – Co-Chair; Cheryl Mitchell; Robyn Davis; George Lynts; Tommy Kalhagen; Tammy Campbell.

What is an Ally?

An ally is an individual who speaks out and stands up for a person or group that is targeted and discriminated against. An ally works to end oppression by supporting and advocating for people who are stigmatized, discriminated against or treated unfairly.

Why be an Ally?

All people are at risk of being bullied, but individuals who can easily be categorized as "different" are at highest risk. Your visible support for these individuals can make a real difference in ways that will benefit the whole church and broader community.

How can I be an Ally?

- ▼ Educate Yourself: Take time to learn about people from all different walks of life. Read their histories and listen to their stories
- ▼ Support: Stand up to bullying behavior (Name it, Claim it, Stop it). Support organizations that support bullying victims and promote education.
- ▼ Educate Others: Take opportunities to teach other community members about bullying behavior and how to react to it.
- ▼ Advocate: Promote positive change within your community.

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NAME THE NEWSLETTER

Hey kids & adults…let's name our newsletter. Do you have a clever name or idea to give to our newsletters? Send your thoughts/ideas to Linda in the office. ☺



ECUCC Calendar Notations for early December

December 1st –ECUCC Whobilation Sing Along

Whobilation Sing Along is scheduled for 3:00 p.m.

Come and join the fun of singing favorite Christmas hymns, and Christmas songs such as "Jingle Bells", "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer", "Frosty the Snowman", etc.

December 5th – ECUCC Choir Practice at 7:00 p.m.

December 10th – Diaconate Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

December 12th – ECUCC Choir Practice at 7:00 p.m.

December 15th – Sunday School Christmas Party and Rehearsal

Scheduled for Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

<u>December 16th – Sunday School Christmas Program</u>

Scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Edgerton Community Events

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November 17th-Winter Expo Craft & Gift Show-Tri-County Community Center

9 a.m. -3 p.m.-Free Admission

November 21st-Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service-Congregational United Church of Christ $7:00~\mathrm{p.m.}$

<u>December 1st-9th-Christmas in the Community-Edgerton's Whobilation</u>

December 1st-Snowflake Craft Fair 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Edgerton Middle School

December 1st-United Methodist Cookie Walk 9 a.m. until sold out at United Methodist Church

December 1st-Congregational United Church of Christ Whobilation Sing Along 3:00 p.m Come and join the fun of singing favorite Christmas hymns, and Christmas songs such as "Jingle Bells", "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer", "Frosty the Snowman", etc.

December 9th-Ray of Love Tree Lighting-Edgerton Hospital and Health Services