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ADULT BOOK CLUB: To end 2018 the adults and teens of ECUC are invited to a book club. Our first two reads will be "The Practicing Congregation" by Diana Butler Bass and "All I Really Want: Readings for a Modern Christmas" by Quinn Caldwell. Discussions will run from 9:30 to 10:20 AM on Sundays beginning in the third Sunday in October.

The schedule for "The Practicing Congregation" is:

- October 21 - read to the end of Chapter 2.
- October 28 - read to the end of Chapter 5
- November 4 - read to the end of the afterword

For "All I Really Want" we will discuss on December 9, 16, 23 and January 6. "All I Really Want" is a five week daily devotional during the Christmas and New Year season. This book is a repeat from two or three years ago. You may already have a copy at home!

Please buy your own books. Both books cost about \$10 a piece through Amazon. If you'd like help getting the books please ask Julie Norland to order one for you by October 7.



Worship Service Schedule

Oct. 7	8:30 AM Pancake Breakfast 9:30 AM Sunday school 10:30 AM Worship Service Guest – Rev. Kay Krebs
Oct. 14	9:30 AM Sunday school 10:30 AM Worship Service Guest – Rev. Kay Krebs
Oct. 21	9:30 AM Sunday school & Book Club 10:30 AM Worship Service Guest – Rev. Kay Krebs
Oct. 28	9:30 AM Sunday school & Book Club 10:30 AM Worship Service Guest – Rev. Kay Krebs

Lefse-Making Day: Have you wondered, "what is this thing called lefse" or "how the heck do you make lefse?" Wonder no more!. On November 10, the ECUCC will have a lefse-making class starting at 12:30 PM. The class will likely run about 4 hours. A fee of \$10 will be charged to cover expenses and any excess funds will be an offering to the church. Please sign-up at the back of the church. Due to the hot griddles, participants should be at least age 12. If you have a lefse griddle that can be used in the class please let Julie Norland know. Depending up the number of interested people, we may partner with another church to make this an ecumenical event.



Friendly Reminders:

Greeter/Ushers – Almo, Beck, Thompson
Family

Deacon Providing Elements –
Krista Kim

Meetings – October 8
Trustees and Deacons – 6:30 p.m.
Council @ 7:00 p.m.

Newsletter Deadline – Oct. 25, 12 p.m



Stewardship materials will be coming out later in October. Please be watching your mail and return the pledge cards in a timely manner. Thank you.

Neighbor's in Need is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ which supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. The theme for this year's offering is "Love of Neighbor". We will collect offerings for Neighbors in Need on Sunday, October 7, 2018. Please consider contributing to these much needed missions.



Pastoral Search Committee Update:

We are continuing with the interview process of the candidates.





Attendance Report

August 26 – 32
Sept. 2 – 33
Sept. 9 – 41
Sept. 16 – 28
Sept. 23 - 46



Oct. 1 Maryon Range
Oct. 3 Norma Thompson
Oct. 13 Ruth Wille
Oct. 14 Dave Nelson
Oct. 16 Eric Lyerla
Oct. 29 Alan Carrier



At the pearly gates, St. Peter greeted a minister and congressman and gave them their room assignments.

"Pastor, here are the keys to one of our nicest efficiency units. And for you, Mr. Congressman, the keys to our finest penthouse suite."

"This is unfair!" cried the minister.

"Listen," St. Peter said, "ministers are a dime a dozen up here, but this is the first congressman we've ever seen."



October 22 - Cindy and Tito Moreno



At the pearly gates again, a taxi driver and minister are waiting in line. St. Peter consults his list and says to the taxi driver, "Take this silken robe and golden staff and enter the Kingdom of Heaven."

St. Peter next greets the minister saying, "Take this cotton robe and wooden staff and enter the Kingdom of Heaven."

"Just a minute," says the minister. "That man was a taxi driver, and he gets a silken robe and golden staff while I get a cotton robe and wooden staff. How can this be?"

"Up here, we work by results," says St. Peter. "While you preached, people slept; while he drove, people prayed."



Thanks to our Liturgists for August and September: Krista Kim, Evan/Becky Riley, Julie Norland, George Lynts, Mary Lou Behring, Norma Thompson, Connie Wiersma, Tracy Tronnes and Larry Beck.



Thanks to the volunteers who did the "Children's Chat in September: Pastor Kay and Christian Education Committee.



Thanks to Christian Education Committee and Connie Tronnes for hosting the Hospitality Table in September.



Thanks to Connie Tronnes for her music with Don Bush and Jim Gullickson helping with the hymns on September 30.





**NAME THE CHURCH NEWSLETTER
CONTEST**

Sunday school students and youth, I am looking for your ideas on a name for our Church's newsletter that comes out monthly.

Something catchy, unique, or a bit funny

Something that reflects how you perceive the Church and Church family
The younger kids can have their parents help them.

You may submit more than one name if you wish.

DEADLINE for submitting names: **November 18, 2018**
either in my mailbox in the lower hallway
or
church e-mail: edgcong@yahoo.com

Please sign your name to your to your submissions.

**Prizes awarded for the top three names submitted
Winners announced in December**

Thanks to all who participate! Diane Goodger, Administrative Assistant

CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, August 13, 2018
7:00 p.m. - 7:55 p.m.

PRESENT: Lukas Jensen, Julie Norland, Norma Thompson, Krista Kim (rep. Deacons), Tracy Tronnes, and Bruce Morris

ABSENT: Erin Smerchek

CALL TO ORDER: Julie Norland called the meeting to order and Tracy Tronnes led us in prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Julie Norland entertained a motion to approve the Council minutes of June 11, 2018. Tracy Tronnes made a motion to approve the Council minutes with one revision and Lukas Jensen seconded the motion. Vote taken. Motion carries. (Reference to Scott Fry as purchasing the WIFI extender should be removed from the June 11, 2018 minutes.)

NEW BUSINESS:

Scott and Dawn Fry have ended their membership with the Edgerton Congregational United Church of Christ. Kim Jensen has asked that her church membership be reactivated. Julie Norland will e-mail Kim to confirm her request and then check with Joanne Thomson, Associate Conference Minister. Julie Norland questioned when the appropriate time to confirm the church's membership head count is. She will check with the Conference.

Bruce Morris indicated that Rev. Lora gave the Council a list of responsibilities that need to be completed by the end of the year. He suggested that September would be a good time to review that list.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pastor Kay Krebs is available through the end of November to lead our church services. She will not be available the month of December. The Deacons will contact ministers from the Pulpit Supply List to see if anyone is available to do church services in December. Two people to possibly contact are: Rev. Phil Haslanger and Rev. Luke Bocher. A minister will be needed for December 2, 9, 16, 23, 24 (starting 4:00 or 4:30 p.m.), and 30. The kids may do their Christmas program on December 16. Peanut processing will start in September. Air filters should be replaced in the air purifiers before this process starts.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

TRUSTEES:

A WIFI extender will be purchased by Lukas Jensen before the next Church Council meeting. The Trustees are in the process of discussing carpet replacement in the church. It was suggested that the congregation be polled to see what type of floor covering they would like placed in the church. Lukas Jensen will pursue getting quotes about the cost of purchasing parking lot sealant. Lukas Jensen has gotten two quotes regarding tree removal. A tree on church property is in bad shape and needs to be cut down. The Trustees plan to look over the church bell to make sure it is in good shape. Todd, Tammy and Logan Campbell have returned from Montana and are, again, attending church services at the Congregational Church. Tammy is, again, serving as church janitor.

TREASURER:

Per Tracy Tronnes, the checkbook is in fairly good shape. Revenue was 70% of the budget through July. Approximately \$1,100 was raised from the bake sale/food cart held at the church during Edgerton's Heritage Days in July. Donations from church family covered expenses incurred for purchasing food, etc. served from the food cart, along with snow cones from the snow cone machine. Laura Young, Music Director, indicated she would like to purchase some Christmas music. She will work with the Trustees for their approval to purchase this music. Laura will need to complete the appropriate paperwork to be reimbursed \$50 she paid to someone who sang during a Sunday service recently. She will work with the trustees on reimbursement.

PASTORAL SEARCH:

The Pastoral Search Committee completed the pastoral search profile package and it was distributed to Rev. Joanne Thomson, Associate Conf. Minister for review. The Pastoral Search Committee was given resumes for five potential candidates. Three of those potential candidates may be interviewed in the near future.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

The Christian Education Team is still looking for a person to help teach Sunday School. Erin Smerchek is working with the city of Edgerton to come up with an appropriate Christmas decoration with lights that can be placed in the city's park on behalf of the Congregational Church. The cost of the Christmas decoration is approximately \$550-600. The kids have raised \$425 so far. There are likely other donors willing to pitch in to reach the necessary amount.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Thompson

October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Peanut Committee Work day 8:30 a.m.	4	5	6
7 8:30-10:00am – Pancake Breakfast 9:30am- Children’s Sunday School 10:30am- Worship Service – Pastor Kay <i>Liturgist– Kirsten Alsmo</i>	8 6:30 pm –Trustees 6:30 pm-Diaconate 7:00 pm-Council	9	10 Peanut Committee Work day 8:30 a.m.	11	12	13
14 9:30am- Children’s Sunday School 10:30am- Worship Service – Pastor Kay <i>Liturgist– Holly Gould</i>	15 Guitar League 7-9 P.M.	16	17 Peanut Committee Work day 8:30 a.m.	18	19	20
21 9:30am- Children’s Sunday School 9:30am- Adult Book Club 10:30am- Worship Service – Pastor Kay <i>Liturgist– Krista Kim</i>	22	23	24 Peanut Committee Work day 8:30 a.m.	25 <u>Newsletter Deadline</u> 12 p.m.	26	27
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