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Newsletter of Edgerton Congregational United Church of Christ

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Worship Service Schedule

July 7 9:30 AM Service of Worship with Holy Communion

July 14 9:30 AM Service of Worship

July 21 9:30 AM Service of Worship

July 28 9:30 AM Service of Worship

Friendly Reminders:

Greeter/Ushers – The Ninmer Family

Deacon Providing Elements – Holly Gould

Mon., June 10 – Trustee Meeting – 6:15 p.m.

Newsletter Deadline – July 25, 2019 - 12 p.m.





Tobacco Heritage Days Fundraiser

Once again our church will be having our bake sale/beef lunch stand in the church parking lot during the car show on Saturday July 20th. All baked goods need to be brought to the church on Friday July 19 between 5:00 and 6:00 pm. All baked goods must be cut and wrapped and ready for sale. As usual try to avoid any baked goods that melt easy as it is usually pretty warm. We will do all the pricing on Friday night. There will be sign-up sheets in the back of the sanctuary with time slots to help on Saturday. Also each year we try to ask for donations to help cover the costs of the food before the fundraiser. You can do this by taking a tag off the board in the back of the sanctuary, make out a check for that amount and place it in the offering plate on Sunday morning. Be sure to mark it in the memo that it is for Tobacco Days fundraiser. Or you can send a check to the church office using the same method. Any hour or two that you can help is greatly appreciated. Set up will begin Saturday morning by 7:00 am. Any of our youth that would be willing to help will be appreciated. We need sno cone makers too! Let's make this another great year

Thanks, Mary Lou Behring





July 2 Peter St. John

July 6 Erin Smerchek July 12 Lori Shaw

July 13 Connie Wiersma

July 16 Lukas Jensen

July 17 Todd Campbell

July 19 Joel Smerchek July 21 Julie Lyerla

July 22 Jessica Lyerla

July 26 George Lynts

July 26 Jonathan Webb

July 26 Cindy Morris

July 29 Olyvia Crumbliss

July 29 Adam Morris

July 31 Nick Spors



July 21 - Robbie and Sarah Lanham

July 28 - Gary and Mary Lou Behring

July 31 - Derek and Michele Ninmer



Thank

My ECUCC friends,

Thank you so much for the gifts and recognition during Sunday service. This church has taught me so much and I am so grateful for every single one of you who have helped me become the person I am today. I'll miss all while I'm away in Eau Claire. – Zoe Thompson

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Thank you Holly Gould, Krista Kim, Evan & Becky Riley, Julie Norland and George Lynts for being our Liturgists for the month of June.

Thank you to our graduates, Zoe Thompson, Cammi Gould, Leyla Ninmer and Ethan Norland for helping in the Graduate Recognition service.





A young Catholic priest decided to enter a monastery. He joined one particularly strict sect. The head monk told him, at his indoctrination, that they were sworn to TOTAL silence. They could not speak one word at all. However, every ten years, they would be permitted to speak two words. After 10 years of total silence, the head monk indicated it was now time for him to speak his two words. The monk said. "Bed hard!" And then he resumed his silent study and work. Another 10 years passed and the head monk again indicated it was time for him to speak his two words. The monk said, "Food bad!" And then he resumed his silent study and work. Another 10 years passed and the head monk again indicated it was time for him to speak his two words. The monk said, "I quit!" The head monk shook his head and said, "I knew this was coming. You've done nothing but complain for the past 30 vears!"





We had our first locally grown strawberries for the season vesterday. There is really nothing that exemplifies summer more than the sweet taste of sun ripened strawberries, in my humble opinion. You might say the same thing about tomatoes or cucumbers. July begins with celebration. I know many of you are away taking time for respite and retreat. Each week-end that you spend at a summer house, cabin, in a tent or on a back deck I hope the beauty of creation mesmerizes you once again. When I see an oriole or a goldfinch in the backyard I offer a word of thanks to our Creator for the privilege of living in companionship with them.

While it is important to take time for respite and renewal, we also have an eye on the future. This Saturday volunteers are needed at 9:00 for an hour or two of weed removal in the parking lot. COLD beverages provided! It's going to be hot. The holes have already been filled in and next week the lot will be sealed and then repainted (weather permitting). Mary Lou has an article in this newsletter about how we should sign up to help with Heritage Days on July 20th. Thank you Mary Lou! The new fall curriculum is in for children's Sunday school. It looks great! We need one more teacher for the older 3-6th grade class.

At the end of August (Sunday to be determined) we will thank Diane Goodger for being our Office Administrator the last two years. There is a Task Force working to rewrite the job description so the job is more of a Communication Director and Outreach kind of position. The job description will be approved at the August Council meeting.

Blessings to you all! Pastor Lori





Church Council Minutes - May 13, 2019

Attendees

Moderator: Julie Norland Trustees: Lukas Jensen

Diaconate: Mary Lou Behring Christian Ed: Erin Smerchek

Secretary: Kim Jensen Treasurer: Not in Attendance

Financial Secretary: Bruce Morris Pastor: Lori Powell

1. Opening Prayer: Lukas

a. Lori is next month

2. Approval of April minutes (as amended)

Motion: Mary Lou; Second: Lukas; Motion Passed

3. Pastor's Report:

Pastoral/Hospital Visits: 7 in past month

a. Worship:

i.3rd Sunday Music Jam Sundays

b. Administrative:

.Attended a small church workshop on Friday. Topic was from maintenance to mission

- 1. What is your story now?
- 2. What are the congregational gifts for ministry?
- 3. To what are we being called?

i.Diane has resigned as of August 31

- 1. Thinking in the needs of our church, maybe we should be looking at a youth activity coordinator type person to reach our youth versus filling a solely administrative role
- 2. Some discussion occurred, but no motions or determinations were brought up
- 4. Old Business:
 - Leadership Retreat/Workshop

.Preliminary agenda written

- 1. Dinner being provided with small group case study
- 2. Mission Statement discussion
- 3. Small group discussions on the 4 main committees
- 5. New Business:
 - Tobacco Heritage Days (July 20)

.Mary Lou is heading it up

- 6. Team Reports:
- Trustees:

.Approved funding for office prepaid cards

- i. Will be contacting Diane re parking lot
- ii.Organist 1 interview completed, 1 more to go
- iii.Drain issues and water testing
 - 1. Drain issues is approved to get estimates
 - 2. Water testing requires more discussion and the price sheet to be reviewed

iv.Cleaning/Repair Listing reviewed

1. Trustees determined that small projects were okay and big projects required preapproval; doors and security were a priority

- 2. Open lines of communication are needed and that prior communication with Lori and Diane could allow some projects to be completed during office hours.
- 3. At this point, council discussion occurred. Pastor Lori and Julie both felt that volunteers should not be working on projects during office hours, they did acknowledge that some maintenance must be completed within office hours. They noted that other volunteers with time available outside office hours can work on the list of repairs/maintenance/cleaning projects.
- a. Treasurer:

.Bruce provided the updates

i.We are doing well towards meeting the budget

ii.Funds were received from Peanuts

b. Christian Ed:

.Sunday school last day is this Sunday. The recognition will be in June

i.Lori is to order the curriculum

ii.Leyla is done as of end of July, she will be receiving a gift

- 1. We need someone to replace her
- 2. If they are over 18, we will need a background check done by trustees
- c. Diaconate:

.No meeting this month

i.Potential Homecoming Sunday for irregular attendees - TBD by diaconate

- 7. General reminder:
- All committee minutes should be submitted to Diane for archival reasons
 - 8. Adjournment: Motion: Kim; Second: Erin; Motion Passed



July 2019							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1 International Joke Day	2	3	4	5	6	
7 9:30am Worship Service Liturgist – Mary Lou Behring	8 Trustees – 6:30 p.m.	9 Sugar Cookie Day	10	11	12	13	
9:30am Worship Service Liturgist – Norma Thompson	Guitar League 7-9 P.M.	16	17	18	19	20	
9:30am Worship Service Liturgist – Connie Wiersma	22	23	24 Cousins Day	25 Newsletter Deadline 12 p.m.	26	27	
9:30am Worship Service Liturgist – Tracy Tronnes Pastor- Vacation after service	29	30	31	Notes: Usher/Greeter- Ninmer Family Elements- Holly Gould			