

# JUNE 2022

## Edgerton Congregational UCC

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Administrative Office Hours: Thursdays 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

### Calendar of Events

**June 4** Bake Sale for ECO - Piggy Wiggly - 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**June 5** Worship - Baccalaureate Sunday and Sunday School Send Off Party

**June 12** Worship

**June 13** Church Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

**June 19** Worship

**June 26** - Open and Affirming Sunday Worship  
"Kindness Rocks" Garden Installation

All worship times 9:30 a.m. There will be no Sunday School until after Labor Day.

### Liturgist Schedule

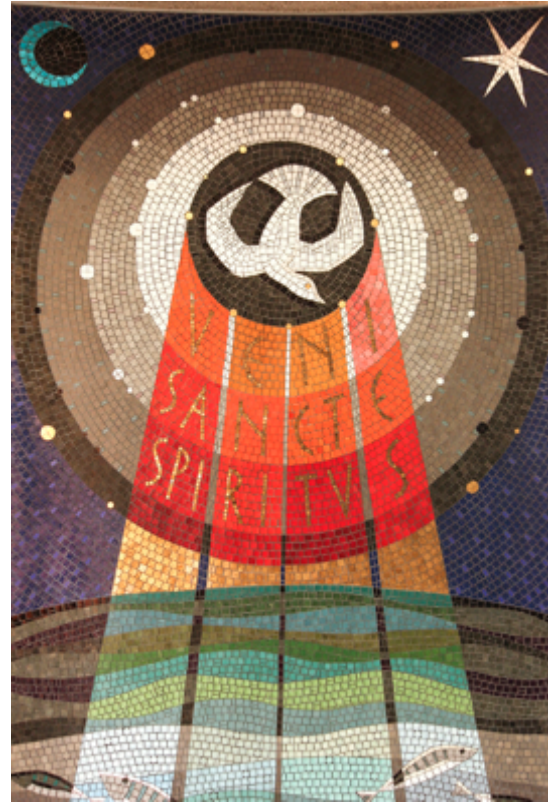
6/5 - Mary Lou Behring

6/12 - Tracy Tronnes

6/19 - Krista Kim

6/26 - Connie Wiersma

If you can't make your date, please find a replacement and let the office know.



*Veni Sancti Spiritus, by Adam Kossowski*

## It Seems To Me

from the desk of Rev. Kendell Nordstrom  
One evening, while driving home after attending a church conference, I asked my delegate what he thought of the meeting. "It felt like a political party at prayer," he said. He was right. That's exactly what it felt like. From that moment on, I promised myself that while I would always preach Christian values, I would not use the pulpit to advocate for political positions.

**No more.**

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Gun control is one of the most controversial political issues facing the country, but I am no longer going to be silent, either from the pulpit, or in public. No 18-year-old should be legally allowed to buy two AR 15 rifles three days apart. We need to change.

I recently signed a petition sponsored by the Wisconsin Council of Churches calling for Common-Sense gun safety laws. They are advocating for:

- Universal background checks,
- Extreme risk protection orders,
- Community violence intervention funding, and
- A reasonable permitting process for carrying firearms.

The framers of this petition wrote, "It may seem like a small gesture, but we cannot be silent. Silence can be taken for consent to the status quo. Our faith leaders must speak up now and say, 'No more.'" And so, I say, "No more." No more Uvalde, no more Buffalo.... Just, no more.

See you in church.

Kendell



*Reverend Kendell prays for all those lost to gun violence during the vigil for Uvalde and Buffalo.*

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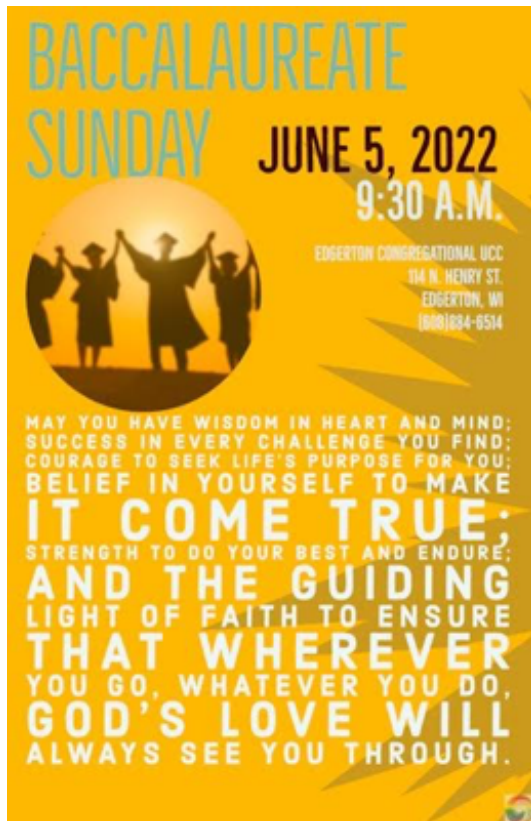
# Happy Birthday

June 3 - Kate Wissing  
June 11 - Tim Wiersma  
June 15 - Gary Behring  
June 16 - Sloane Wiersma  
June 21 - Daryl Rosenbaum  
June 26 - Blue Shoumaker  
June 29 - Julie Norland

# Happy Anniversary

June 13 - Gordon and Ruth Webb  
June 14 - Kendell and Kay Nordstrom  
June 14 - Vernon and Tracy Tronnes  
June 15 - Austin and Connie Tronnes  
June 16 - Dave and Kathy McKaig  
June 26 - Kathleen and Tyler Matson  
June 29 - Stephanie and Zach Wilson





**Congratulations to Lizzy Gould and Nadia Kim, aka the "GOAT" - Greatest (friendship) of All Time!**



Lizzy Gould will report to Monmouth College this Fall to play soccer and plans to major in International Studies.



Nadia Kim plans to attend the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities in the fall. She plans to study Psychology and Spanish.

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## Notes from the Office

THANK YOU to Jill Sanderson, Mary Lou and Gary Behring, Reverend Kendell and Josephine for helping with the Vigil for Uvalde. A special thanks to Fareed Haque for playing beautiful music.

We greatly appreciated all that attended the Wisconsin Conference workshops in May and are looking forward to growing as a congregation in the coming months.

Another note of gratitude for all of our liturgists who volunteer their time, to Tammy Campbell for keeping our worship space clean, and everyone else for your small and large acts of kindness and service.

We want to recognize the rise of COVID cases in our county, and want to reiterate our recommendation of masks under certain circumstances and to ask that anybody presenting symptoms of illness stay home.

Please join us June 26 as we celebrate Open and Affirming Sunday and plant our "Kindness Rocks" garden.

Blessings,  
Kathleen



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## ECUCC Church Council Meeting Monday April 11, 2022

**PRESENT:** Rev. Kendell, Connie Wiersma, Bruce Morris and Mary Lou Behring.

Connie called the meeting to order and Kendell led us in prayer. The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed. Bruce made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Connie seconded it. Motion passed.

**MINISTERS REPORT:** Kendell's surgery is scheduled for April 25. He will be out for 2 Sundays. April 24 we will have Luke Bocher and possibly a family/musical Sunday on May 1. April 30 Kendell will join the SW conference meeting on zoom. The Annual conference meeting will be held the weekend of June 10<sup>th</sup>. Kendell stated that the Shack book study went well.

Preparations are being made for our Holy Thursday service.

Kathleen is working on several adjustments with office records to reorganize personal information to make communication more efficient.

**CTT/ Visionary workshop:** Connie checked onto The Campbell boys to cater our lunch on Sunday May 15. They will provide small sub sandwiches. We will provide chips, drinks and a snack for the break. Possibly an ice cream bar will be the snack for the Thursday eve. workshop. A sign up and announcement will be made during worship. Kathleen will help us market this event to get more interest for attendance

**EASTER ACTIVITIES:** A light breakfast will be served in the rear of the sanctuary at 10:00 Sunday morning. Connie will talk to Josephine about ordering some bakery from the restaurant. Jill will have an egg hunt in the Sunday school area for the children. Communion will be served.

**DIACONATE:** Several visits were made and cards sent for Easter to shut-ins. Communion will be served on Easter.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:** Jill is doing an amazing job with the children. An egg hunt is planned for Easter Sunday.

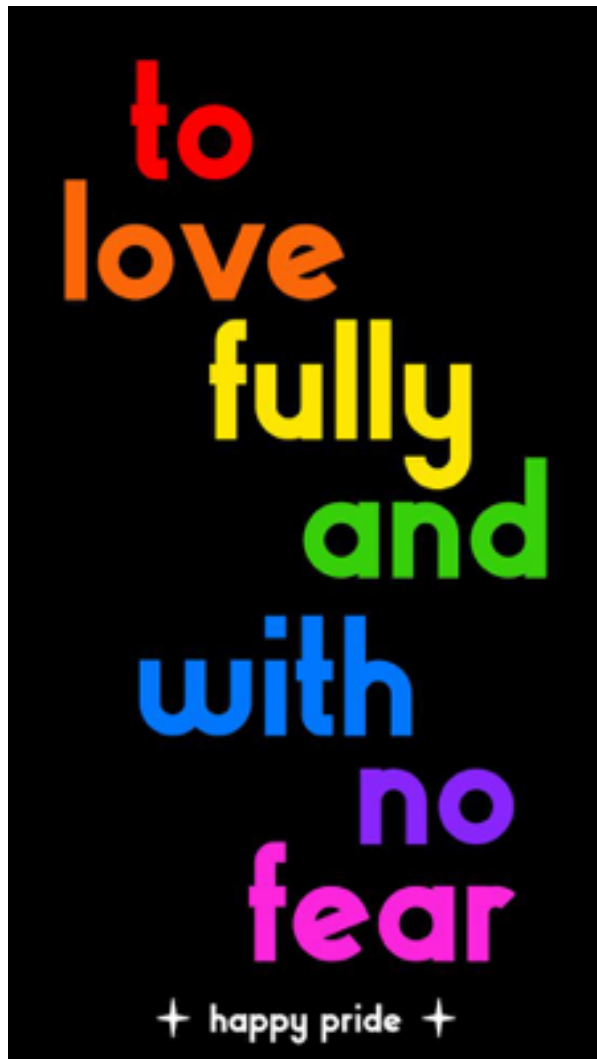
**TUSTEES:** The fellowship committee has given a generous donation of the profits from the peanut processing season. It is so appreciated.

**TREASURES REPORT:** Not much change. Our pledges are matching up with our present income. Offering plates are on track also.

Meeting adjourned,

Respectfully submitted, Mary Lou Behring

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## Happy Pride Month!

We are proud to be an official designated Open and Affirming congregation.

With all our hearts, we believe **Love is Love** and **God is Love**.

No matter who you are or where you are or where you are on your journey, you are welcome here.

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