



EDGERTON CONGREGATIONAL UCC OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER

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EVERY SUNDAY AT 9:30 AM

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AUGUST

2022

August Events

- 8/7 - COMMUNION SUNDAY
- 8/8 - COUNCIL MEETING, 7 PM
- 8/26 - DOWNTOWN EDGERTON NIGHT MARKET "KINDNESS ROCKS" EVENT - 4 PM TO 8 PM

August Liturgists

- 8/7 - MARY LOU BEHRING
- 8/14 - TRACY TRONNES
- 8/21 - KRISTA KIM
- 8/28 - CONNIE WIERSMA

August Birthdays 🎉

- 8/5 - DELANEY MATSON
- 8/6 - LEWIS KIM
- 8/6 - JOSH BARTZ
- 8/10 - ZACK SMERCHEK
- 8/15 - LUCAS NORLAND
- 8/19 - ROBYN DAVIS
- 8/20 - MATT TRONNES
- 8/31 - MAX MATSON

We had so much to be thankful for last month! For fellowship during Tobacco

Days and the Downtown Edgerton Night Market, all the kind contributions to our events and our church, and for summer gatherings with friends and family.

This month, we are looking ahead to supporting Edgerton Outreach's Back to School supply program and continuing our "Kindness Rocks" project at the night market.

Kathleen will be out of the office but available via the office@eccucc@gmail.com

8/13 - 8/27.

Thank you to Connie and Cal Wiersma, Todd Campbell, Josephine Navarro, Reverend Kendell and Tyler Matson for serving our community during the Tobacco Days parade!



What does peace mean to you? Nora (3) says purple unicorns. We can't wait to explore this theme and other "Fruits of the Spirit" in the upcoming year.

Thank you for being a part of our church community!

Your Church Council is here for you! We encourage the congregation to reach out to leadership with any feedback, questions, joys or concerns.

Interim Pastor Rev. Kendell Nordstrom
Moderator - Connie Wiersma
Treasurer - Tracy Tronnes
Trustees - Bruce Morris
Diaconate - Mary Lou Behring

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From the desk of Reverend Kendell Nordstrom

IT SEEMS TO ME

I took a walk around the church neighborhood the other day to get some fresh air and decided to stop in at the Public Library. I was impressed. I love the way in which the new addition blends so beautifully with the original building. Looking around, I saw a state-of-the-art computer center, a historical display (I had no idea there used to be a pottery in Edgerton!), an attractive children's section and, of course, all the latest books for those of us who still like the smell and feel of paper when we read. There was also a room filled with materials on the history of Edgerton. Out of curiosity I looked at a copy of the 1946 High School yearbook, *The Crimson*. In it, there was a photograph of George Lynt's restaurant with a sign advertising ice cream, sandwiches, pop, and "delicious coffee." Under the picture was a caption, "This is where all our money goes."

It seems to me that the Edgerton Congregational UCC should look to the library for inspiration as you plan for the future. The church should be willing to put on new additions in terms of thinking, programming, and worship, yet blend it with the old, familiar, and beautiful. There should be state of the art technology (new av system, anyone?), an attractive place for youth, and yes, even a nook to remember the past.

It can be done. Just look down the street and around the corner.

See you in church, and maybe even at the library.

Kendell

CHURCH COUNCIL

Monday June 13, 2022

PRESENT: Rev. Kendell, Connie Wiersma, Tracy Tronnes, Kathleen Matson, Todd Campbell, 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. Tracy made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Todd seconded it. Motion approved. Connie welcomed Todd to the council as a new member. MINISTERS REPORT: Kendell thanked everyone for all the support during his recent surgery. He stated that he completed his boundary training for interim ministry through the conference. He is now certified for two more years. The new conference minister is coming from Madeline Island but won't be here until Sept. There was talk about waiting to set up a pastoral search committee until she arrives. There may be some grant money available through the conference to upgrade our video system. At this point there have not been the short sermons recorded for social media posting. A new member Sunday is being scheduled. We may have up to five people joining. Kendell also mentioned anyone with garden flowers are encouraged to bring and place on the altar. There will be no July council meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS AND OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR:

Kathleen will be on vacation from 8/13-8/27. There are plans in the process to be part of the street market in July. Jill and Kathleen are working on a community project. There has been interest shown to have a lunch during the Tobacco Heritage Days parade. The possibility of a grilled hot dog lunch and sno cones was mentioned. Volunteers will be needed. Kathleen will spearhead this. Kathleen shared that she is still putting together an information book for the office and everything that she hopes for it to contain. Each committee head will be asked for important information that should be included. The food for the blessing box is on hold right now as there have been many acts of vandalism. A note will be placed to let people know where the food pantry is located. The removal of the hedges in front of the church was revisited. After some discussion Todd made a motion to have them removed. Kathleen seconded it. Motion carried. Bruce will contact professionals for the job. There will be announcements placed in the newsletter to include any member interested in coming to council meetings are more than welcome. Todd mentioned the idea of our church incorporating a prayer chain. Everyone thought it was a good idea. Kendell volunteered to look into how to implement this. He also mentioned that he is interested in calling inactive members to encourage them to come back. Jill Sanderson would like to help with this also.

DIACONATE: Communion is still taking place the first Sunday of the month. Mary Lou will reach out to find people to usher each month. The downstairs doors will be locked by the usher 5 minutes before worship starts.

Sanctuary doors will remain open. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Jill Sanderson is interested in continuing with teaching Sunday school.

TRUSTEES: Bruce stated that we are looking into replacing a few more windows. They are thinking of asking the city for a beautification grant.

TREASURES REPORT: Tracy stated we are sailing along although as budgeted we will need a withdrawal from our investments soon.

Meeting adjourned,
Respectfully submitted, Mary Lou Behring

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