

## EVENTS

- 10/6 - Mission Sunday**  
Fellowship Begins at  
9:30 AM
- 10/8 - Bible**  
Discussion Group -  
4:30 PM
- 10/14 - Church**  
Council Meeting: 7 PM
- 10/15 - Bible**  
Discussion Group -  
4:30 PM
- 10/20 - Music Sunday**
- 10/27 - Family**  
Sunday and Potluck

*Worship with us every  
Sunday at 10 AM!*

## LITURGISTS

- 10/6 - Tracy Tronnes**
- 10/13 - Tammy  
Campbell**
- 10/20 - Holly Gould**
- 10/27 - Mary Lou  
Behring**

## BIRTHDAYS

- 10/14 - Dave Nelson**
- 10/16 - Eric Lyerla**

*From the desk of Pastor Tiff*

Fall Greetings! I want to use this article to highlight several upcoming events and activities that you are invited and encouraged to join in and participate. Your presence is always welcomed.

### **A Biblical Primer for Election Day - Tuesday October 8th and 15th at 4:30 p.m.**

We have two sessions left to go on our series about biblical themes that relate to our lives as people of faith. The plan is to have a discussion group that explores several biblical passages that speak to our questions and concerns. Our theme for October 8th is: Liberty, Justice and Human Rights and on October 15th is: Peace and Freedom. You are welcome to join the group even if you missed the first two sessions. Please note there will not be an evening session for the October classes. I look forward to seeing you there.

### **Music Sunday - October 20th**

All singers are invited to join our very informal Church Choir to sing on Sunday, Oct. 20th. Let's plan on meeting after church on October 13th and we can pick music and have a short practice. We can then decide to practice on either Tuesday, Oct. 15th or Wednesday, Oct. 16th and before church on Oct. 20th. The theme for the Sunday service is Peace and Freedom. Please bring along with you any music that either an individual or a group could sing. Got an instrument you want to play? Bring it along. Let's make a JOYFUL NOISE to the Lord!

### **Neighbors in Need Offering**

One of the five national offerings of the United Church of Christ is the fall campaign of Neighbors in Need. We will be collecting this offering throughout October. The theme for the 2024 offering is: "Mental Health is a Universal Human Right." The offering supports CAIM - Council for American Indian Ministries, Justice and Witness Ministries, and local churches and organizations. When making a donation, please mark your check or envelope with NIN offering. Thank you for supporting the peace and justice ministry of both our local churches and national setting.

### **October and November are Pastoral Visit get together months.**

I have set a goal of making a minimum of 10 pastoral visits during the Fall months. I will be glad to visit people at home, in a care facility, hospital or at Lambeau Field. I am available weekdays or evenings. You can contact me at 608-684-0012, or at [revtiffbates@gmail.com](mailto:revtiffbates@gmail.com) or by calling the church office at 608-884-6514. We can set up a date after church if you wish. Give me a call and let's get together!

### **Christmas Pageant and Play coming in December**

Back in February of 2020 I wrote a Christmas play to be performed the following December at St. John's UCC in Monroe, WI. It never made it to the stage because we couldn't perform the play because of the Covid outbreak. Thus the script has sat on my disk at home the last four years. And so it is the Edgerton Congregational UCC Churches opportunity to premiere the first showing (and maybe the last) of the Christmas Pageant and Play: The Planning Committee for the Birth of Jesus. We will have an organizational meeting in early November. There are parts for both adults and children. Watch for more information and start warming up your voices for a really fun time!

*-Pastor Tiff*

# A Biblical Primer for Election Day: Discussion Topics and Dates

## Week 3: Liberty, Justice, and Human Rights

Tuesday, October 8th 4:30 - Discussion Group

## Week 4: Freedom and Diversity

Tuesday, October 15th 4:30 Discussion Group



The Sunday School theme for the month of October is "God is still speaking and moving us". We will discuss the different ways God speaks to us, and how the spirit moves us through service to others. We will learn about two of the missions that our congregation has been involved with recently - Sleep in Heavenly Peace and the Jane Adeny Memorial School in Kenya. Children will have the opportunity to see how a bed build works and hear from SHP volunteers in our community, as well as learn about how global education for girls can change the world.

We will also be making table decorations and treat bags for the residents of Edgerton Care Center. On the last Sunday of the month, the kids are invited to wear their Halloween costumes to church and we will deliver our treats to the Care Center.

## Notes From the Office

- We will be collecting new twin-sized waterproof mattress pads and bedding to benefit Sleep in Heavenly Peace on Mission Sunday, October 6. If you cannot be with us in church and would like to donate an item, please contact the office to arrange a drop-off!
- October 27 is Family Sunday - we will be having a fellowship potluck after our worship service. A signup sheet will be available on the back table in the sanctuary.
- Looking ahead to next month; we will be sending out Time & Talent as well as pledge cards for stewardship season. Please prayerfully consider how you may contribute to the life of our church.



## Thank You

Thank you to everyone who assisted with September's special events. From setting up/cleaning up Rally Day and Family Sunday, to all those who brought dishes to pass and baked goods for fellowship - we are grateful for your efforts and time.

Warm and welcoming, dynamic and diverse.  
We come together with open arms to  
renew our spirits,  
challenge our minds,  
and celebrate Christ in our midst.  
Excited and enlivened by the Holy Spirit,  
we are transformed.  
Reaching out, we become  
what our hearts can see...



God is Still Speaking.

## YOUR CHURCH COUNCIL

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## CHURCH COUNCIL

August 12, 2024

PRESENT: Rev. Tiff Bates, Krista Kim, Kathleen Matson, Tracy Tronnes, Bruce Morris and Mary Lou Behring. Krista called the meeting to order. Rev. Tiff led us in a prayer about hope. The revised minutes from the June meeting were reviewed. Kathleen made a motion to accept the minutes. Tracy seconded it. The Motion passed.

MINISTERS REPORT: Tiff stated that he has really enjoyed all the special music we have had this summer and would like to continue to work with Josephine on special music on the second Sunday of the month. Tiff will continue to work 3 Sundays a month. We will have special guest Sundays as well as family Sundays with Jill Sanderson and pulpit supply filling in on Rev. Tiff's weeks off. Looking ahead, Aug. 25, we will have Jessica Taft in the pulpit. Our conference minister, Rachel Bauman will be with us on Sept. 29 to share Worldwide Communion. There will be no communion on Oct. 6th. Tiff will take off two Sundays in Oct, the 6th and the 27th, as he will not take a Sunday off in September. Tiff is also interested in helping with peanuts!

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR: Kathleen is scheduling the elevator maintenance as well as the boiler check. Kathleen and Jill have actively been preparing calendars and activities for the Fall season. A letter will be sent out to the congregants with all the scheduled happenings as well as a form for any updates or changes to members emails, addresses, etc. for the office. Rev. Tiff mentioned putting a small piece in the Edgerton Reporter about special happenings going on at our church each month. Kathleen will contact the paper about our ad and other information we would like in.

WORSHIP LIFE TEAM: Mary Lou stated that the new team members have really stepped up! Also, many get well cards along with encouragement cards have been sent to several members.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Krista, speaking for Jill as she is on vacation. She shared how excited we are about Jill's new position. The Sunday school calendar is set and mailed to all the families. Jill will be sharing children's time as well as other special activities for family Sundays! Some special Advent activities are also being planned.

TRUSTEES: Bruce and Jim have replaced the rope on the bell! All the new doors are installed. A special thank you to Nelson Young Lumber for making this much more affordable for us as well as Eric Kim for the installation. Chilimania plans to use our parking lot and church grounds on Sept. 6th and 7th. Things should be ready for rally day on the 7th.

TREASURERS REPORT: July bills have been paid. Some monies, as allocated, were moved into the checking.

UPCOMING EVENTS: We will have guests from "Sleep in Heavenly Peace" on Oct. 6th. A wellness Sunday is being planned and a tentative speaker will be with us Nov. 10th. Peanuts will be starting on Wednesday Sept 11th.

OLD BUSINESS: Krista has been working with Tammy Campbell updating the job description for custodial duties. She also stated plans to update all the job descriptions. Once again, we visited the opening and closing of the church on Sunday mornings. There is a list of steps to follow in the sanctuary.

NEW BUSINESS: A tentative job description for "Director of Ministry Education" is being proposed. Jill Sanderson has been hired for the position. Stewardship was discussed. Nov. 3, 10 and 17th will be our stewardship drive.

Meeting adjourned,

Respectfully,  
Mary Lou Behring