

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC

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**Our mission is to love God and
serve people.**

**Everyone is welcome because
everyone matters.**



Pastor's Page

*Sermon preached by Pastor Chris
on Sunday, September 27 as the
last part of the Faith: Heart, Head
and Hands Series.*

Our lives are increasingly affected by this thing called an algorithm. How many of you at some point this past week were on YouTube? How about Facebook or Instagram? Spotify? Amazon? Google? All of those digital platforms use highly sophisticated algorithms to curate what you see on your screen and to 'helpfully' suggest things you might be interested in watching or buying or believing. For example, I asked Google a whole bunch of things about the Sistine Chapel in Rome so now an algorithm thinks I am headed to Italy on vacation, so I get lots of suggestions for tours and books and video shorts on how to navigate Rome. If only.

So the algorithm must have sensed I was having a hard day when I was researching a new song on YouTube and it helpfully suggested a song by a folk artist David LaMotte. The song had these words as part of its refrain:

Sing me a song about Jesus, but
please don't sing about the poor.

It's already been a long day; I
don't want to hear any more.

Sing me a song about Jesus that
will make me happy inside.

Sing me a song about forgiveness,
that will make this lifestyle feel
justified.

I don't know about you but, I have days when I could be singing that song. I want to follow Jesus. I try to follow Jesus. I want to live a good, noble, faithful life. But life gets busy. I get tired. Some days I want a song that will make me feel happy inside. Can't we leave all the things Jesus says about the poor and the lonely and outcasts, and wait for a better day? Sing me a song about Jesus, but please don't sing about the poor.

My bet is you have stood in that place too. You want to follow in God's Way. You want to live the abundant life Jesus wants for all of us. But we have some really long days. We get busy and tired. Some of you who are in school or working or raising families, you are doing your very best to keep it all together, juggling so many things. Some of you who are retired cannot believe how quickly your days fill up.

Others are so distracted by our screens we have no time for anything else. Still others are isolated, going days without talking to other people. So we say we will do God's work when things slow down or we feel more settled, when we have a free moment. The algorithm got me because that song has stuck with me: Sing me a song about Jesus, but please don't sing about the poor.

We are now in our third and final week of looking at this thing called faith. Just as there are different love languages, I think we also have different faith languages. We've said faith is what we believe in our heads, trust with our hearts and live with our hands. A mature faith, a growing and vibrant faith, needs all three of these, heads, hearts and hands, working together. So which one is your dominant faith language, and which one is your growing faith language?

For many, but not all of us in the UCC, our dominant faith language is our hands. Put simply, we like to do things for God. We meet God when are serving, or helping, or giving, or creating, or working for justice. When we do these things, we feel closer to God because we are giving back. Barb de Souza is one of the saints of this church who for over 50 years now has been working the slums of Rio de Janeiro Brazil, her emails to me always end with the tagline: God's work, our hands.

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Those of you who have a hands dominant faith, may say amen, right? God needs our hands. We say that until we get tired. Until we look at the state of the world and get discouraged. Until the weight of our hands-only faith feels pretty heavy.

That weight is real. Because there is always another person who needs our help, another injustice to confront, another meal to prepare, another meeting to attend, another friend who wants our ear. If your faith is only a list of things we ought to do, even for God, even the most willing hands will eventually grow tired.

And that is exactly where our gospel lesson for today meets us. Jesus tells a short pithy story about a father who asks his two sons to go out and work in the vineyard. The first son says, "I will not," but then later changes his mind and goes. The second son says, "I go, sir," but then never actually shows up. So Jesus asks the duh question: which son did the will of his father? The answer is obvious: the one who went and actually did the work in the vineyard.

It is a wonderfully simple, but uncomfortable story. Most of us would prefer if there was a third kid: one who says yes enthusiastically, who arrives early and does all the work willingly. But Jesus gives us only the two. One has the right words, but no action. The other has the wrong words, but then changes course. But notice Jesus seems much more interested in what happens next than in who sounded faithful at the beginning.

This matters because faith is not a performance of having it all together. The first son was honest, maybe too honest saying: I don't want to go. I can imagine saying that after a long day. I can imagine saying it when the news is overwhelming, when someone asks one more thing of me, or when I see a need so large that whatever I do feels too small to matter. Maybe you can too.

But the story does not end with his initial answer. For some reason, this son changes his mind and goes. That is the opening Jesus gives us. Your first response does not have to be your final response. You can be tired. You can be reluctant. You can admit that part of you would rather hear a comforting song and leave the work of the vineyard for somebody else to do. You can feel all that and still take a step toward it.

Remember Jesus is telling this story to a group of religious leaders who have questioned Jesus' authority. These religious leaders know how to talk about God. Yet Jesus tells them tax collectors and prostitutes believed John's message and responded to it, while the leaders saw what was happening and would not change their minds. Jesus is not praising one group for being perfect. He is asking whether people who claim to know God are willing to be changed. The door remains open, even to those leaders. They can still reconsider. They can still go.

This is the head and heart part of our Christian faith meeting the hands part of our Christian faith. The last two weeks we have talked about heart and minds that can be opened by grace. In this story, a changed mind becomes a changed direction. He initially says no, but then for some reason changes his mind, he gets up and goes to do the faith work. He does not merely form a better opinion about the vineyard in his mind, or feel all warm and fuzzy in his heart, he does the hard work of faith in the vineyard, even though initially he doesn't want to.

I want to be careful here because I know some of you have spent many years showing up for others. The last thing you need from me is another sermon telling you to do more, to lean in. The invitation of Jesus today is not to carry the whole vineyard on your shoulders alone. Paul says in that first text from Philippians that God is at work within us, giving us both the desire and the ability to act. Even the will to begin, the will to start the work of faith, can be a gift of grace. Because remember we do this work, God's work together.

Earlier this week I read about a long-distance hike through northern Sweden called the Kungsladen, or King's Trail which travels for 124 miles. It is apparently beautiful and people from Sweden and all across the world hike it together from hut to hut, hiking about 8-12 miles a day and staying in a nice warm hut with others. It's Scandinavia so some of the huts even have saunas. There is a word Swedes use to describe these walks: *Gemenskap*. It means community, individuals coming together and belonging to one another. When you hike on this trek you don't just do it by yourself, you do it as *gemenskap*, as community. You may hike alone all day, but at night you eat together, sleep in bunk rooms together, you even sauna together. You are still very much your own person, but you are also *gemenskap*, a community. I like that word because the vineyard in Jesus' story is not a lonely place where one person must somehow harvest every single grape. It is a place where people work side by side. It is a place where we can be our own individual, unique, God given creatures, and yet also together be *gemenskap*, community, the body of Christ.

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I see gemenskap when someone notices that a volunteer has been doing the same job for years and says, “Let me take a turn.” I see it when a person comes to help at a church event and finds, to their surprise, that someone has learned their name. I see it when we take time to talk to our neighbors, making room to hear their story. The many tasks God calls us to do matter greatly. But so do the relationships that grow while we do our work together.

That is one of the gifts of being the body of Christ, the church. We come here carrying different amounts of energy, hope, doubt, grief and faith. Some weeks you can offer both hands while other weeks you barely make it through the door. But you still belong. We hold one another up so that together we can respond to the needs that would simply overwhelm any single one of us.

So I wonder what your next step into the God’s vineyard might be? It may be a familiar act of service, doing something with a renewed sense that God is working alongside you. It may be a conversation with someone you have overlooked. It may be asking for help, so that the work you love can continue without wearing you down. It may be changing your mind about who belongs beside you.

For three weeks we have been talking about faith as something we trust with our hearts, believe in our heads, and live with our hands. We need all three of these working together. A softened heart helps us notice our neighbor. An open mind lets us hear something new and change direction. And open hands give that love a shape someone else can see.

That algorithm showed me a song that has stayed with me because I recognize the real temptation in it. Some days I would gladly ask Jesus to sing about anything except the poor. Jesus hears and knows how tired we can be. And so it is with grace, not a heavy new burden, but with grace he invites us into the vineyard. We may have said no yesterday. And we may need someone to walk beside us today. But God is already at work in us, and together as a community, gemenskap, as the body of Christ, together let us get up and go. Amen.

Youth Groups Have Returned

Our church youth groups meet every Wednesday night flipping between Middle School and High School groups. We try to provide a mix of fun and service opportunities to help our young people connect with each other and grow in faith. Alex has a particularly large Middle School group this year, 15 people, for which we give thanks.

Note that kids are welcome to invite friends to join them for most Youth Group activities. Here are some pics of them having fun!



Playing gaga ball (google it!)



Playing sardines



Wednesday Night Family Meals

On Wednesday nights, we offer a home-cooked meal in the Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$9 per person with a family max of \$30. **Meals are served from 5:15 to 6:00 pm.** You can get your meal to go if you go through the line (indicate when you sign up).

Reservations must be placed by noon on Tuesdays. You can make a reservation online, the sign-up table or by calling the church office. The menu will be:

Oct 14 - Swedish meatballs, butter & parsley potatoes, vegetable, roll

Oct 21 - Beef stroganoff, noodles, salad, bread

Oct 28 - Chicken marsala, rice, asparagus, salad

Nov 4 - Boneless BBQ ribs, mac and cheese, butter & parsley potatoes, vegetable, roll

Nov 11 - Parmesan crusted chicken over rice pilaf, salad, croissant

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Sunday morning Bible study discusses the Bible passages used in worship. The group meets at **9:00–9:50 Sunday mornings** in the Youth Room. Please join us! For more information, contact Pastor Stacy.

Mark Your Calendars

Even while we enjoy fall, please remember these annual upcoming events:

- Advent workshop—December 6 following worship.
- Christmas luncheon—December 8, noon.

Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study

The Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study is having excellent conversations exploring the last book in the Bible, Revelation. For information about the next theme, contact Pastor Stacy.

Important Upcoming Dates for Families

Please keep the following dates in mind as you plan your schedules:

- Advent musical rehearsal during Sunday School (Pre-School – Grade 5): November 15, 22 & 29, December 6, 13.
- Advent musical dress rehearsal (kindergarten – Grade 5): December 19, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon.
- Advent musical presentation: December 20, during worship.

Used Men's Ties

Wednesday School needs used men's neck ties to turn into aprons. If you are fall cleaning and find unneeded ties, please bring them to the church office. Thanks!

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, October 20	All Church Meeting Night - 6:30 pm for Committees and 7:30 pm for Council
Tuesday, October 27	Inquirer's Class for those who are new and want to know more about our church
Sunday, November 1	All Saints Sunday and dedication of Memorial Garden plaque
Tuesday, November 10	Learning Community: The Churches of River Falls
Sunday, November 15	Giving Thanks Meal and dedication of pledges
Tuesday, November 17	All Church Meeting Night - 6:30 pm for Committees and 7:30 pm for Council
Wednesday, November 25	Blood Drive in the Fellowship Hall from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm

Relax with Rose - Breathwork Techniques

Thursday, October 29, 6:30-7:45 pm

Learn and practice several different breathwork techniques. These quick techniques will help you step back and relax in a stressful moment or reduce your racing thoughts so you can fall asleep faster.

For more information, contact Rose Rude at 715-781-7032 or rar651@gmail.com. Please sign up at church or online.

Inquirer's Class

New to church? Want to know more about our life and ministry? Join us on **Tuesday, October 27 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. At this gathering, you will meet church leaders, other new folks and learn more about First Congregational Church. Dessert and childcare are provided. Please sign up.

Moon Beach Work Crew

We are thankful for our First Congregational work team up at Moon Beach Camp who are were hard at work getting the camp ready for the fall and winter season. Here they are ready for the day! Pictured are Jane Wakefield, Lu Lueck, Norma Revels, Tim Bylander, Carol Merriman and Dan Rude. Be sure to thank them for their hard work!



Journey House is Hosting a Discover Night – Thursday, October 22, 6:00 pm

This is a great opportunity for anyone to get to know Journey House a little more.

Also, remember, if you have any donations you'd like to give young adults that are transitioning into their own journey, there is always a Journey House bin in the gathering area.

First Church Companions

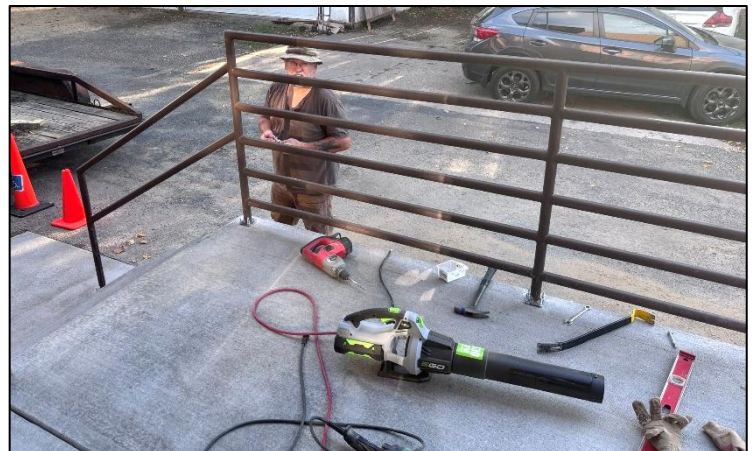
Are you interested in being a companion to someone in our church connecting with them at least once a month with a call or visit? Or would you like to have someone for a companion.

Please use the sign-up sheet to be a companion or request someone to visit you.

Back Steps and Ramp Open Again!

The back ramp and steps are finished! The concrete is poured and Tim has sealed it and reinstalled the railing. Please be sure to thank Tim when you see him. He has saved the church thousands of dollars by doing this himself.

Next on his list is pouring the footings for the Memorial Garden plaque which will be dedicated on All Saints Sunday, November 1st after worship. Three cheers for Tim!



2026 Discipleship Campaign

Each year the church conducts a Discipleship Campaign to financially support the ministry of First Congregational Church. Literally every program you see in the pages of this newsletter is supported through your financial giving. Thank you!

This year pledge cards will be mailed in late October and will be dedicated at the Giving Thanks Meal on Sunday, November 15th. We ask all our church members and supporters three things:

- First, if you don't pledge, please start this year.
- Second, if you do pledge, please increase your pledge, even if only slightly.
- Third, work toward a tithe recognizing all the ways God has blessed you and our call to share those blessings with others.

We understand that economic circumstances are difficult especially for our younger families so thank you for digging extra deep this year to enable our programs and ministry to continue as we seek to minister to our community.

Learning Community: The Churches of River Falls

As a community of faith, one of our values is life-long learning. To support adult education, we provide periodic Learning Community events on a wider variety of topics. The November Learning Community event will focus on churches in River Falls. Why? Well, churches, like old houses, barns, gas stations, and train stations, are intriguing. They were built with vision, determination, and hope. As time marched on some church buildings were lost to fire or storms. Some were remodeled, moved, or repurposed. Congregation member Mark Anderson will show slides of the early churches of River Falls and what became of them. He will share a few stories, artifacts, and memories with the slides. If you have pictures or artifacts to share, please bring them along! The event will be on **Tuesday, November 10, at 6:30 pm**. Please sign up at church or online.

Wednesday School is Back!

Wednesday School is back! We have 26 kids this year! Thanks to all our drivers and volunteers who make this program possible and our church family for supporting it. Each Wednesday afternoon during the academic year volunteers pick up kids at local elementary schools then kids enjoy a snack, Bible story, crafts and the Lego room. We end with a prayer and a song. Thank you church and volunteers for supporting this program!



People in the Pews - Erik Withers

1. I grew up in Sunrise, Florida, which is a suburb of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.
2. Now my family and I live in town here in River Falls.
3. I've been attending FCC since the Fall of 2019.
4. First Congregational is just a comfortable place for us. It is inviting and the congregation and pastors/staff are friendly and accepting. It just feels right being here for us.
5. My favorite bible passage is Romans 12:9-21 "Love in Action." I heard it read at my cousin's wedding a long while ago and it just stuck with me ever since. It's a very powerful passage which urges us to lead with love and not hate. Even against our worst enemies. It tells us to associate ourselves with those who are thought of to be in lower positions than us. It reminds me that I am not the one who decides who is right and wrong. In the end, it is God that does that.
6. I had a wonderful childhood, so it's hard to name just one memory that is my favorite. I grew up in South Florida but was raised by two midwestern parents (Mom is from Chicago and Dad is from Peoria). So, I grew up playing ice hockey (yes, we have ice hockey in South Florida. Go Panthers!) and celebrating hard during the winter holidays. My mom just makes things special during the winter holidays, so I guess my favorite memories are celebrating Thanksgiving/Christmas/New Years with my family. This is something that she keeps doing for my kids now, which is awesome.
7. I have a lot of hobbies. Probably too many. Currently, I coach a lot of youth sports teams. I am on the coaching staff of my daughters' softball and ice hockey teams. I also help on the sidelines with the UW-River Falls Football team where I'll be heading into my third season as their "get back" coach (Go Falcons! We just won a National Championship. It was awesome!). I am also really into Sociology and social research methods, which I teach at the University in town. When I can, I like to play music. I play the drums and guitar. I also like to hunt and fish and be outside with my family.
8. Something that may surprise you about my family? Hnm... I guess we are honest and wear our hearts on our sleeves, so it's hard to think of something totally surprising. But I suppose one by one: Harper (my oldest daughter) is a pretty good singer. She's got good pipes. Ellison (my middle daughter) is one of the most wonderful and caring big sisters to her little sister (Hope). Ellison is also a crazy good Gymnast. Hopey (my 2-year-old) is really into dark animation. So, like "A Nightmare Before Christmas" type stuff (I know. It's weird). And my wife Vanessa was a competitive bodybuilder. About 10 years ago she placed 2nd in her class at the Tampa Bay Classic. I still think she should have placed 1st 😊. I'm really proud of them. Thanks for reading!



Christmas Shoebox

We wanted to remind you of this project for the gentlemen at Kinnic Falls Alcohol & Drug Abuse Center in River Falls. The items we collect are so very much appreciated by them. When you are out and see the items we have listed, grab a couple and before we know it, our list will be complete. If you would rather donate money, designate it for "Christmas Shoebox" and we will make sure all items are purchased. The list is on the gathering table. Thanks to all of you, we are making a difference.



2027 Back Bay Mission Trip

Ever wanted to go on a mission trip? Heard about the awesome experiences so many of our church folks have had at UCC-related Back Bay Mission in Biloxi, Mississippi? Just want to get out of town to someplace warm? Join us! Our church is sponsoring yet another trip to Back Bay Mission, **April 18-24, 2027**. Please contact Carol Merriman or Pastor Chris for details. Use the sign-up sheet to register your interest. **Please let them know no later than November 15 so we can reserve transportation!**

Endowment Grants

Each quarter the Endowment Grant Committee meets to evaluate proposals for new ministries and projects submitted through our church committees. Is there a need in the church or community your group wants to address? Consider applying for an Endowment Grant! All proposals must come from a committee, and the next due date is **December 6**. Forms can be accessed at church office or on the website.

Among Friends Volunteers Needed

The program meets two days a week. Training is provided & the rewards are phenomenal! They are particularly in need of male volunteers but are willing to receive all. Contact them at amongfriendsrf@gmail.com



Red Cross Blood Drive

The next Red Cross Blood Drive held at the church is on **Wed, Nov 25, from 11:00 am-5:00 pm**. See the flyer for more info. Call 1-800-733-2767 or go to www.redcrossblood.org and enter: firstcongregationalrf to schedule an appointment.

Basics for Local Kids (BLK)

BLK is a non-profit organization that provides winter-wear to local kids in need from infant to 18 years old. Please consider making a donation of gently used or new coats, snow pants, boots, hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, or socks. Donations can be placed in the bin at church. Volunteers are needed to help families shop, or to sort and restock items. To volunteer go to www.BasicsforLocalKids.org or call Kim Johnson at 715-821-1623. Thank you for your generous, continuing support. Other questions, contact Renee Whipple at 715-307-5074.

Name Tags

We encourage you to wear your name tags so that everyone can call you by name. It would also help the deacons when you take communion. If you do not have one, please let Missy in the church office know at missy@firstchurchrf.org. In appreciation, the Welcoming Committee.

Thrivent Free Money

Do you have a retirement account through Thrivent? If so, you can designate some or all of your 'choice dollars' to a non-profit such as First Congregational. We are now set up to receive such gifts. Talk to the church office if you need more information.

WISE Corner

NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Family Support Group meets on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 6:30 pm at 113 East Elm St (Mei Mei's) & Peer Support Group meets the same evenings at First Congregational Church at 6:30 pm.

For mental health issues, please call 988. For more info, call Marg Downing 715-307-5905.

Treasurer's Report

	Week of Oct 11, 2026	Year to Date
General Fund Income*	\$ 4,854	\$ 426,652
General Fund Operational Needs	\$ 11,308	\$ 463,628

A full accounting of all income and expenses is available in the church office

*Includes annual and monthly gifts.

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Grace Place

Supply needs:

- New adult undergarments (underwear up to size XXL)
- New bras
- New or like-new sweatpants up to size 4X
- New or like-new T-shirts up to size 4X
- New shoes (adult men and female)
- Adult socks
- Belts
- Shampoo, conditioner, body wash & lotion-large or travel size
- Good buys

There is a bin at church for donations. Thank you!

Empty Pill Bottles (Prescription Only)

The River Falls Lions Club is collecting empty pill bottles, only the clear prescription bottles that are filled by our pharmacists, to send to Africa where there is an urgent need. The bottles will be washed, and the labels soaked off before they are shipped. A tub is in the gathering area. If you have questions, contact Carole Mottaz.

River Falls Food Pantry

The pantry is currently in need of: toilet paper, cereal, peanut butter and cooking oil. Information about donations is on their website at <https://rfcfp.org/>. Donations can be brought to 705 St. Croix Street during their hours of operation:

Mondays 10:00 am–12:00 pm
and 6:00–7:30 pm
Wednesdays 1:00–5:00 pm
Thursdays 6:00–7:30 pm
Fridays 10:00 am–12:00 pm



Let's Knit/Craft Together

Join us on **Thursdays at 10:00 am**. We meet at **The Sycamore on the first Thursday of each month and in the Fellowship Hall at church the other Thursdays**. We have a great time sharing our current projects and enjoying each other's company. Any questions, contact Marie Roe at 715-781-2103 or firstroe@gmail.com

Church Yoga

The yoga group meets on **Tuesdays & Thursdays** in the Fellowship Hall from **9:00-10:00 am** and via Zoom. Please contact the church office to receive the Zoom link.

Women's Group

Interested in fellowship and community with other women? You are invited to join the group at noon every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month. Please bring a lunch. The next meetings will be **Oct 27 & Nov 10**.

Men's Group

Our church men's group meets **every other Tuesday**. We gather for conversation and fellowship around a scripture verse or story. All guys are welcome to join us at **9:00 am in the Youth Room**. Our next gatherings are **Oct 27 & Nov 10**. Join us!

Merry Widows

They will meet on **Wed, Oct 21, at 1:00 pm at Juniors in River Falls**. All widows are welcome to join for dinner & conversation! See Linda Morrow for more info.

Game Day Sunday

Game Day Sunday is held on the third Sunday of the month. Our next Game Day is **Nov 22 at 11:45 am**. Join us!

Veterans Coffee Chat

Held on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month at 9:30 am at The Sycamore in River Falls. Coffee and pastries are provided. Contact Megan at The Sycamore 715-997-3441 with questions.

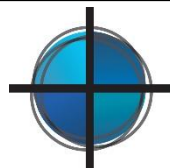
Among Friends

Among Friends is a community-based social respite program serving adults with memory loss who reside in Pierce and St. Croix Counties. For more information, contact them at 715-293-2561. Also, check out the website: amongfriendsrf.com and the Facebook page. Among Friends is located at the church and is held on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**.



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Altar Flowers

Please sign up to provide flowers for the altar for Sunday worship. Sign up at church or on the church website: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BA9AD29A4FF2-altar>

Welcomers Needed

Please sign up to be a welcomer on Sunday morning before the worship service. One person is needed for at the bottom of the stairs and one person is needed at the ramp entrance. Please arrive 20 minutes prior to worship. Sign up at church or here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BA9AD29A4FF2-welcomers>

Coffee Fellowship Hosts and Liturgists Needed

Coffee Fellowship Hosts will be asked to serve Best Maid cookies which are in the church freezer, make lemonade and serve coffee. All the materials are provided; you will simply need to serve and clean up. Sign up at church or on the website: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BA9AD29A4FF2-coffee>

Liturgists will lead us in the Call to Worship and one of the Scripture Lessons. The material will be emailed out on Thursday to practice. Sign up at church or on the website: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BA9AD29A4FF2-liturgist>

Please note church interns can receive credit for either of these activities. Thank you for volunteering in these important ministries as we continue our journey.

Newsletter Deadlines

The church newsletter is sent out twice a month. Deadlines are the 10th and 25th of each month. Items should be sent to the church office no later than those dates.