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JULY 2023 NEWSLETTER

A Friendship Blessing

May you be blessed with good friends.

May you learn to be a good friend to yourself.

May you be able to journey to that place in your soul where
there is great love, warmth, feeling, and forgiveness.

May this change you.

May it transfigure that which is negative, distant, or cold
in you.

May you be brought in to the real passion, kinship, and
affinity of belonging.

May you treasure your friends.

May you be good to them and may you be there for them;
may they bring you all the blessings, challenges, truth,
and light that you need for your journey.

May you never be isolated.

May you always be in the gentle nest of belonging with your
anam cara. Soul.

Reference: A Book of Celtic Wisdom (Cliff Street Books: 1997),

Search Committee Update-

The Search Committee has not received any current ministerial profiles showing interest in our church. There are currently 36 UCC churches in Wisconsin searching for a part-time or full-time pastor. The vacancies reach across the state from Ashland to Boscobel to Appleton to Osseo and beyond. The search by some of these churches has been out there since late 2020.

We continue to ask you to pray for the ministerial profile whose gifts match those identified in the UCC-Neillsville Profile. Another aspect we are looking for in this journey is to call a pastor that can foster and grow a healthy relationship between the pastor, the congregation, and the community.



Our summer worship starts at 9 AM. This time change is in effect through Labor Day Sunday, Sept. 3rd.

NO BIBLE STUDY ON JULY 4TH



Marge Goetsch will be hosting a Bible Study Class at her home, every Tuesday at 1 PM

510 W Fourteenth Street, Neillsville

Stewardship Scripture Quotes

Deuteronomy 15:10
Give willingly and cheerfully



Dolores Johnson, a dear long-time member of our church passed away on June 7, 2023 at the Neillsville Retirement Community. Dolores served as a past deacon and was a faithful sponsor of our radio broadcast. She was also involved in helping in the kitchen and whatever needed to be done she helped "get it done". Our

sympathy to her family and friends. A Celebration of Life will be held here at our church on Saturday, September 30th.



Continuing the following in our thoughts and prayers.

Janet Harrington

Dave Beck

Lisa Schermitzler

Carol Struensee

Gayle Schermitzler

Please let us know if others not listed (with their permission) would like prayer requests.

2023 Radio Broadcast Sponsors Needed

Many dates are open - would you like to sponsor a 2023 radio broadcast? Please reserve your date with the church office. You may choose to honor or dedicate a particular service to someone. We believe our radio broadcast is a valued service and want to keep it on the air. The cost remains the same: \$75 for a full broadcast; \$37.50 for half broadcast.



Sunday, June 4, the radio broadcast was sponsored by Sue & Jim Popple in remembrance of Sue's parents, Norbert & Phyllis Embke's anniversary.

Sunday, June 11, the radio broadcast was sponsored by Glenna Rhoades & daughters in loving memory of husband & father, Herb Rhoades.

Sunday, June 18, the radio broadcast was given in loving memory of Clarence & Anita Miller in remembrance of their anniversary, sponsored by their children.

Sunday, June 25, the radio broadcast was sponsored by a UCC member in memory of Dolores Johnson.

OFFERINGS FOR JUNE 2023

June 5, 2023

General Offering	\$4,235.00
Meal Give Away	75.00
Outside Bells Fund	50.00
Strengthen the Church	<u>15.00</u>
	\$4,375.00

June 19, 2023

General Offering	\$2,209.00
Meal Give Away	15.00
Ukraine Family Fund	500.00
Aluminum cans Fund	<u>116.90</u>
	\$2,840.90

Facts and Figures of June 2023

Attendance for In-Person Worship

June 4	*online 5	Sunday 38
June 11	*online 8	Sunday 49
June 18	*online 4	Sunday 37
June 25	*online 4	Sunday 34

MEAL GIVEAWAY

JULY 16, 2023

UCC-NEILLSVILLE

515 WEST SECOND STREET 10:00-10:15 AM



For many years we have been recycling aluminum cans for our church and we are appreciative to those who bring their cans in and to Rick Buchsteiner for taking them into the recycling center.

He has been made aware that the recycling center wants only clean aluminum cans, ABSOLUTELY NO other types of aluminum should be put in with these cans. They have found aluminum siding, misc. aluminum and glass bottles in among the aluminum cans this not allowed.



- 1- Ben Fields
Tyler Williams
Brennan Wilson
- 2- Pam Stitt
- 3- Arianna Rochester
- 4- Gary Anding
- 5- Donna Erickson
- 9- Sophie Heck
Sandra Schmidt
JoAnn Voss
- 11- Berdella Carl
Emile Miller
- 13- James Mohr
- 16- Neil Czarnecki
- 17- Guy Jodarski
- 18- Patricia Garbisch
- 19- Roger Carl
Gayle Schermitzler
- 21- Haakon Sigurdson
- 24- Karsen Czarnecki
- 25- Kathleen Carl
Bonnie Shaw
- 26- Mitchell Erickson
Reese Ziegler
- 28- Dan Patey
- 29- Kelley Burch
Barb Shoemaker
Eileen Zank
- 30- Erik Sigurdson
- 31- Kole Miller

***Happy Birthday to all who have a June birthday!
Did we miss your birthday or have the wrong date?
Let us know if we did.***



- 13- Dick & Carolyn Lewis
- 14- Joe & Kristine Anderson
- 17- Ray & Bonnie Weyer

***Happy Anniversary!
Did we have the wrong date or miss your Anniversary?***



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES AUGUST 1 -9

We are adding first days of August birthdays and anniversaries so as not to miss any if the Newsletter is late.

August 1-9 Birthdays

- 1- Ruth Schmidt
Sue Voigt
- 3- Delaney Rochester
- 6- Layne Woods
- 7- Morgan Erickson
Sydney Subke
- 9- Elsbeth Johnson

July 1-9 Anniversaries

- 9- Linette & Wendell Kuhn

2023 Holiday Fair

I know it's only July but when you are out and about at garage sales or cleaning out your own garage/house, think about our crafts for the Holiday Fair. Do you have any of the following that you are willing to donate to us:

- Old pails
- Pallets
- Old and/or new pine or barn boards
- Shutters
- Old wooden framed screen doors
- Old wooden kitchen chairs
- Old milk cans
- Old wooden sleds
- Old license plates
- Any metal containers

If you have or know where we can obtain any of the above items to be donated, please contact Carla Marty at 715-937-0077 or Emile Miller at 715-937-4626. Thanks!

If you have ideas that you would like us to try to incorporate with the Holiday Fair, please let us know.

Oh, and yes, mark your calendar for Saturday, November 11, 2023 for our 59th annual Holiday Fair!

Thank you for your support, both in the past and for the future of our church.

Em and Carla

MESSAGE FROM ADRC

Hoping to ask for some help with a project. It is with great sadness that we are seeing a rise in homelessness in our communities. It is affecting all ages. The Clark County Housing Coalition is looking for backpacks and other small items that we help to provide to people in need.

With School year ending we are hoping that people would consider re-purposing backpacks rather than throwing them away. We would very much appreciate if you would consider asking members if they would be willing to contribute. You may drop them off at the UCC church and we also have a box outside the ADRC office at the courthouse.

Other items needed include:

Toothbrushes/toothpaste

Deodorant

Water bottles

Lightly used towels

Sleeping bags

Bottled water

Rain poncho

Any little bit helps us in the interim while we try and re-house people for a more permanent solution.

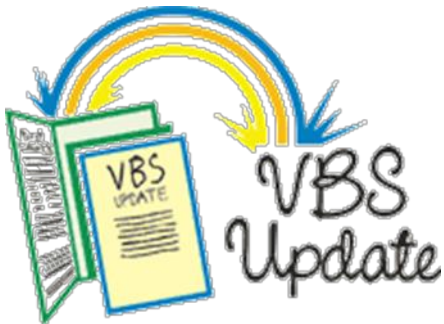
Thank you for your consideration.

Lynne L. McDonald

**Director, ADRC of Clark County
517 Court Street Room 201
Neillsville, WI 54456**



**Thank you parents and kids who helped make our
"Jesus Lights the Way through the Cave"
VBS a success on June 3rd.**



We had 7 kids and 3 helpers for the day. We learned about following Jesus's path that he lights for us and about caves. Thank you to Lacey Erickson, Linda Stalsberg, and Cheryl Steinbach for your help. Check out the closed Facebook group for more pictures.

***Upcoming news for the next school year will be available soon.
Please reach out to Stephanie Heck at 920-948-7783 with any questions.**



2023 United Church Of Christ

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Each Sunday - Summer schedule 9 AM Worship		NO COUNCIL, DEACONS OR TRUSTEE MEETINGS THIS MONTH				1
2 <u>Fifth Sunday after Pentecost</u> Communion	3 9:00 am Card Making	4 1:00 pm Bible Study at Marge Goetsch's home/bring bible INDEPENDENCE DAY	5	6	7	8
9 <u>Sixth Sunday after Pentecost</u>	10	11 1:00 pm Bible Study at Marge Goetsch's home/bring bible	12	13 1:30 pm Circle of Friends Meeting Food Prep-Kitchen 8:30 am-2:00 pm	14 Food Prep-Kitchen 8:30-11:00 am	15
16 <u>Seventh Sunday after Pentecost</u> Food Giveaway	17 9:00 am Card Making	18 1:00 pm Bible Study at Marge Goetsch's home/bring bible	19	20	21	22
23 <u>Eighth Sunday after Pentecost</u> 30	24 31	25 1:00 pm Bible Study at Marge Goetsch's home/bring bible	26	27	28	29