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2020 is careening toward an end and while I'm sure that we're pleased to see it come to an end with hopes that the next year will be "normal", it's not over yet. There is still much left.

We are a few short weeks away from the official date of the next presidential election (if you're voting in person and not by mail). People who study these things say that our politics have been growing more and more separated and antagonistic since the 70's, so no, it's not just in your imagination.

It means that over the next month we will be seeing negative ads for the person we support and the one we don't. We'll hear the candidates and their supporters insult each other. And sometimes we'll think our side is right and we'll argue with our enemies.

Enemies? Jesus says to love our enemies but are those we disagree with our enemies? And how do we disagree with the person who is our family? How do we make it through this month?

I invite you into a season of prayer, a month of praying for each other, for the country, for its leaders, for those you agree with and those you do not. We don't necessarily pray to change the other person, but we pray to align our hearts with the heart of God, to grow in compassion and love, and to put that compassion and love into practice.

And we pray with the hope and the expectation that God is present in our world and desires that all of creation might live life abundantly. We pray for those who have been forgotten by the powerful—that their voices might be heard. And we put our prayer into actions by supporting them.

We pray and we vote. We pray and we love. We pray. For our own hearts, let us pray. For the heart of the nation, let us pray. For each other, let us pray.

Pastor Leanne

Pastor Leanne is asking to borrow Tiki Torches for November 1st (Outdoor) All Saints worship service. Please don't go buy any, but if you have some, she'd love to borrow them.

While the weather permits, we will continue to meet in the parking lot for outdoor Worship each Sunday at 9:30 AM. Sunday School will be held during outdoor Worship.

In the event of rain, you'll be alerted via a Sunday morning email from Donna and the service will be available via Facebook Live.

Nursery Care with Melissa Rivera is available each Sunday during outdoor worship.

Zoom Coffee Hour each Sunday at 11:30 AM. See "Zoom" article for access information.

October 4

prayers for Sandy & Gregg Jarrett and the Jondle family

Holy Communion: you are welcome to bring your own elements of a bread product and beverage or take a disposable Fellowship Cup which will be available as you arrive.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS...
ST. FRANCIS SUNDAY
PONY RIDES AFTER WORSHIP
Creation Spirituality
Psalm 148:7-14 Matthew 11:25-30
Stewards meeting after worship.

October 11

prayers for the Kerr & Kinney families

Exodus 32:1-14

Council meeting at 10:30 AM in fellowship hall.

October 18

prayers for Kristen & Jared Kramer and Sherri & Bob Krantz 1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20; 2:1-10 BLUE JEAN SUNDAY! Please help with the yard or highway clean up.

October 25

prayers for the Langreder family 2 Samuel 7:1-17



BIRTHDAYS

Sandie Horne	4	Mike Doering	16
Francine Langlais	4	Mike Laur	16
Sharon Perez	4	Shirlene Hazelberg	18
Laurie Buckett	6	Alexandra Kinney	24
Hunter LaPrade	7	John Pfalz	29
Leanne Harmann	9	Emma Phelps	29
Jo Quaden	9	Elizabeth Scherper	29
Carol Pfalz	12	Don Ortmann	31
Stephen Turley	13		

ANNIVERSARIES

Sherri & Bob Krantz	1	Jo & John Quaden	14
Jessie & John Brinkmann	6	Donna & Jack Newland	23
Melissa & Rick Rivera	11		

MEMBERSHIP ANNIVERSARIES:

John Quaden Sr.	1,	1961	59 years
Kathy Zebrowski	14,	1979	41 years
Evelyn Faircloth	16,	2005	15 years
Marian Speerless & Stephen Turley	21,	2007	13 years
Don Boychuk & Robert Zondag	25,	2015	5 years
Mary Branson	30,	2011	9 years



COMMUNION ASSISTANT FOR October 4: Sue Stelling

	Ushers	Scripture Readers	
4 Tom Stelling Sarah Erickson-Bhatt		Sarah Erickson-Bhatt	
11 Kristen Voskuil		Ann Carpenter	
18 Kris Davidson Confirmation Stude		Confirmation Student	
25 Shirlene Hazelberg Robert Zondag		Robert Zondag	

Tuesday Morning Bible Study



Join us at 10:00 AM on the patio for lively conversation, a time of fellowship...and oh yes, sometimes even some "Bible talk!"



BOOK STUDY... October 21 & 28

Let's read together! October's Wednesday night book study will be How to be an Antiracist by Ibram X. Kendi. We'll discuss the book over 2 nights on October 21 and 28 from 6-7 PM in fellowship hall and on Zoom.

Antiracism is a transformative concept that reorients and reenergizes the conversation

about racism—and, even more fundamentally, points us toward liberating new ways of thinking about ourselves and each other. At its core, racism is a powerful system that creates false hierarchies of human value; its warped logic extends beyond race, from the way we regard people of different ethnicities or skin colors to the way we treat people of different sexes, gender identities, and body types. Racism intersects with class and culture and geography and even changes the way we see and value ourselves. In How to Be an Antiracist, Kendi takes readers through a widening circle of antiracist ideas—from the most basic concepts to visionary possibilities—that will help readers see all forms of racism clearly, understand their poisonous consequences, and work to oppose them in our systems and in ourselves.

Kendi weaves an electrifying combination of ethics, history, law, and science with his own personal story of awakening to antiracism. This is an essential work for anyone who wants to go beyond the awareness of racism to the next step: contributing to the formation of a just and equitable society.



Sunday, October 4

Our Season of Creation will conclude with St. Francis Sunday and the blessing of the animals. You're invited to bring your pets

to the service for a blessing!!
Kris Davidson has graciously volunteered to bring her pony, Litla for pony rides after Worship!!



If you are continuing to maintain ongoing support! "safer at home," we appreciate your ongoing support. Donations may be sent to our P.O. Box address: Emmanuel UCC, P.O. Box 216, Dousman 53118. THANK YOU!!

Neighbors in Need special mission offering of the UCC Sunday, October 4, 2020



REMINDER: we are a 5 for 5 Church, meaning that every year Emmanuel supports the 5 special UCC offerings that are vital to the UCC ministries that bring hope to people in the United States and around the world.

Neighbors in Need is the third offering of the year for the United Church of Christ. It supports the ministries of justice and compassion throughout the U.S. 1/3 of the NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry. Today there are 20 UCC congregations on reservations and one urban, multi-tribal UCC congregation in Minneapolis.

2/3 of the NIN offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants. These grants fund projects that help local congregations in all settings as the church responds to God's commandments to do justice, seek peace and effect change for a better world.

The Neighbors in Need offering will be collected on World Communion Sunday, October 4. Special offering envelopes will be inserted in your Worship bulletins on September 27 and October 4. If you are mailing in a contribution for NIN, please make sure to clearly mark your contribution: Neighbors in Need.

Thank you, Your Board of Stewards



Sunday, October 18

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

We want to complete the fall cleaning of our stretch of Hwy. 18. We did not have a spring event, so it's REALLY important that we have enough volunteers to accomplish this task.

In addition, we want to get the church grounds ready for winter...raking leaves, cutting down spent

plants, etc. AND Trustees has some tree removal planned, so we need LOTS OF PEOPLE TO HELP!!



SINGING BOWL

We will continue to support Family Promise with our Singing Bowl donations through the remainder of 2020.

FAMILY PROMISE

Thank you for your donation of \$120 via cash received on 8/7/20. Your support arrived at a time when it is needed more than ever! There has been a steady stream of families approaching us for assistance. Recently our help has come in the form of rent relief, utility assistance and car repairs. Our goal is to help families stay in their homes. We are proud to report that every family we have helped since April remains in their home. We could not do this without your generosity.

August has been a month of transition for Family Promise of Waukesha County. We moved from the Day Center in Wales to a building we purchased in Waukesha. The Day Center is now located at 139 E. North Street, Waukesha, WI 53188. The change in location will provide the families we serve access to public transportation. This will open more options for employment, affordable housing, and access to childcare and other social service agencies. We are forever grateful for your contribution.

Best Regards,



Family Promise Clothing Drive



Family Promise will be holding a winter clothing drive, **Saturday**, **October 17 and October 24**, **from 9 until 11 AM**. The first Saturday, the drive will be held in our church parking lot. The next

Saturday the collection will take place at the new Day Center which is located at 139 North St., Waukesha. Coats, boots, snow pants, hats and mittens, new or gently used, for 3 month olds to 16 years old would be greatly appreciated.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE ON ZOOM

All of our Zoom gatherings have the same link, ID and passcode.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3429571341?pwd=NjRQSnJFYVR1amdpSHk5T2tOVCtSdz09

Meeting ID: 342 957 1341 Passcode: 9652429

Council Meeting Highlights:

11 members attended the September 13th Council meeting.

• Treasurer's report:

- o Financial picture continues to be positive.
- \$15,000 was withdrawn from the Capital Fund Campaign account at Ixonia Bank and placed in the RBC Investment Account to maximize growth.
- The Treasurers have begun the preliminary work on the 2021 Operating Budget.

Pastor Leanne's report:

- Attendance for the parking lot services remain good, with numbers very close to 2019 for the same time period. With the addition of online views on Facebook and YouTube, we are exceeding 2019 figures.
- Tuesday Bible Study and Wednesday night Zoom Book Study continue, with about 6 people participating in each.
- o Planning is underway for future Book Studies.
- Confirmation has begun and the class will meet outside, weather permitting, every other week. It will be a 2-year experience including discussion, Bible Study and mission work.

Board reports:

- Christian Education: Outdoor Sunday School will continue as long as outdoor worship is being held. There is no plan for indoor Sunday School for the remainder of 2020. A virtual Christmas Pageant is being planned.
- Stewards: Plans are in place for the UCC special offering Neighbors in Need. Will be meeting soon to complete their 2020 calendar and begin planning the fall Pledge Drive.
- Social Concerns: \$341.42 has been collected in the Singing Bowl for Family Promise June through August. Collections for Family Promise will continue for the remainder of 2020.
- o **Trustees:** Projects completed or scheduled:
 - Septic system floats needed repair, necessitating pumping the system before repair.
 - The contract for this coming winter's plowing of the parking lot has been signed.
 - Some trees have been removed and others are scheduled to be removed. Grinding the remaining stumps has either been done or will be done once tree removal is completed. Trees will be ground up for mulch to be used on the planting beds in 2021.
 - Working on information to get the bulbs in the parking lot lights replaced.
 - Blue Jean Sunday (Oct. 18) will concentrate on Highway Clean-Up, tree removal, leaf removal and bed maintenance.

Reopening the church for in-person Worship:

- Tentatively sometime in November. Plan to meet in the parking lot while weather permits.
- Council will revisit the topic in October to see where we are with the COVID situation and discuss viability of reopening.

o 60 sanctuary chairs are situated at a distance; additional seating available in Fellowship Hall with the service live-streamed on the TV (possible alternative for families with children- activities on the tables for children to do during the service. There would likely be no singing or speaking by the congregants.

• Pastoral Search:

- Team has distributed surveys to discern the congregation's preference on how they'd like the Team to communicate with them.
- They are reviewing information provided from the 2017 growth facilitating project.

Pastor Leanne's employment contract:

- Original contract expired on September 15, 2020. A new one-year contract, expiring September 15, 2021 was signed.
- Council will do a pastoral performance review in October 2020.
- Next Council meeting will be Sunday, October 11 at 10:30 AM.



Coming soon to a parking lot near you... new LED lighting!

Low visibility lighting...frequently burning out bulbs....those are the plagues of the church parking lot for the past 25+ years. Our Board of Trustees, while getting bids on

replacing burned out bulbs, found out that the cost of converting the lighting to the MUCH brighter, less expensive to operate LED's is only \$700 more than replacing the existing bulbs, so that's what we're doing!.

The total cost of the project will be \$1,950 or about \$325 per bulb. This will be a major expense to the budget, but well worth it in the long run...if you feel moved to help out with the expense, we'd gratefully accept a little extra to defray the cost. Please mark your donation for "parking lot lighting" and THANK YOU!!



The Confirmation Student are looking for Mentors. If you are interested or want more information, please speak to Pastor Leanne.

Kettle Moraine Food Pantry

Laurie Buckett and Kris Davidson have volunteered to take our donations into the Pantry each month...THANK YOU!!

We had a great response to our first collection since returning to the ministry on September 13th. Hereafter, collection will be done on the first Sunday of the month (or the next in case of a rain day). Of course, we will not turn down donations at any time....you'll find the bin in the foyer if you bring in items on a day other than the designated day. On designated donation days, the collection bin will be outside the main entrance.

THANK YOU to all who regularly leave bags of aluminum cans and other precious metals outside the garage door. A reminder to everyone, our recycling of these Precious Metals



helps Emmanuel's bottom line, so please save them, bag them up and leave them by the garage service door.

WHO DO I TALK TO IF I HAVE A QUESTION??

Adult Fellowship	Corrine Mayer Donna Newland	431-4046 965-3563
Christian Education/	Pastor Leanne	965-2429
Church School	Peggy Hazelberg	470-2181
Council	Gary Phelps	646-3920
Deacons	Kristen Voskuil	608-698-3777
Financial Secretary (counts offering & keeps records)	Laurie Buckett	965-2545
Family Promise	Charlotte Voigt	646-2701
	Sue Stelling	965-3498
Pastoral Search Transition Team	Marjore Thompson	612-240-5796
Prayer Requests	Pastor Leanne	965-2429
	Donna Newland	965-4022
SCRIP program	Mary Branson	567-1493
Singing Bowl- same info as Soc	ial Concerns	
Social Concerns	Shirlene Hazelberg	470-5907
Stewards	Sue Stelling	965-3498
Treasurer (issues checks)	Kathy Zebrowski Jeanne Phelan	646-8882 414-940-4464
Trustees	Ken Pike	347-6779

This n That...



▼ Dousman Meals Drivers for August 31-September 4: Nicole Kerr, Kristen Kramer, Mary Opiela, Kris Davidson, Charlotte Voigt, Francine Langlais, Ron Blaschuk, Shirlene

Hazelberg, Sue Stelling and Jo Quaden.

Ushering Team- same info as Deacons

- ◆Tom Stelling, Michael Clark, Ken Pike and former member Rod Podszus for keeping the lawn mowed and trimmed.
- ♥Ron Blaschuk & Tom Stelling for repairing the front sign.



- Continued prayers for our shut-ins: Judy Stanek, Jeanette Collins and Jan Wilson.
- Gail & Sal Tamez's son, Andrew who is deployed to Afghanistan.
- Laurie Buckett's daughter and grandson, Jennifer & Santos.
- Those dealing with cancer: Shirlene Hazelberg's mother, Marie; Steve Thompson's brother, Wayne; Lisa, a friend of Julie & Mike Ball.
- Everyone affected by the COVID-19 situation, healthwise, employment-wise, etc.



We were SO hopeful...following hospitalization where Chris was diagnosed with a general body shut-down due to the effects of her diabetes, she rallied and was able

to go to a rehab center where she improved enough to return to her home, anxious to continue improving so she could resume driving and attending worship. It didn't last long...by week's end, she went into a fast decline and went to AngelsGrace Hospice where she passed away on September 21st.

Despite Chris's ongoing limitations, she was ALWAYS cheerful, thoughtful and a willing volunteer...it was obvious she had been given the gift of love of life. During

a phone conversation with Chris on September 14th, Donna was asked to extend Chris's sincere thanks to the congregation for the support, cards, notes, prayers and thoughts. It meant so much to her over the last weeks of her life.



We were blessed to have Christine in the Emmanuel family for about 10 wonderful years...rest in peace dear, dear friend!!

NEW ADDRESS Jan Wilson has moved. Her new address is: 2975 Village Square Drive, Apt. 242, Hartland, WI 53029



Sun.	Each	Worship at 9:30 AM
Sun.	1	Holy Communion
		All Saints Sunday
		Daylight Saving Time ENDSturn clocks back
		an hour Saturday night.
Mon.	2	Trustees meeting, 7 PM
Tues.	Each	Bible Study, 10 AM
Sun.	8	Council meeting, 10:30 AM
Mon.	9	Confirmation meet up 6 PM
Sun.	15	Fall Pledge Drive begins
Mon.	23	Confirmation meet up, 6 PM
M-F	23-25	Emmanuel delivers Dousman Home Meals
		(no meals on Thanksgiving or the day after)
Thurs.	26	Thanksgiving Day
Sun.	29	First Sunday in Advent

Treasurer's Report for August 2020

PLEDGED Income received

PLEDGED Income received		
(August 2020)		\$8,595.00
(August 2019)		\$7,805.00
	Difference	\$790.00
NON-PLEDGES & PLATE Income Received		
(August 2020)		\$1,350.00
(August 2019)		\$645.00
	Difference	\$705.00
Total INCOME for (August 2020) *		\$10,726.31
Total INCOME for (August 2019)		** 20\$14,898.90
	Difference	-\$4,172.59
Total EXPENSE for (August 2020)		** \$25,527.96
Total EXPENSE for (August 2019)		\$10,678.40
	Difference	\$14,849.56
Checking Account Balance as of August 31, 2020		\$15,863.04
Checking Account Balance as of August 31, 2019		\$1,744.99
	Difference	\$14,118.05
*TOTAL INCOME includes funds received for:		
Singing Bowl		\$136.31
WI Conference offering income (OCWM, Christmas Fund, etc)		\$260.00
SCRIP sales		\$0.00
Fund Raiser		\$0.00
RBC Investment Account Growth for August 2020		\$6,436.28
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Capital Funds Campaign		\$ 14,303.96
Income		\$ 1,261.71
Expenses		** - \$15,000.00
Interest		\$ 0.27
TOTAL		\$ 565.94
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^{**} The Board of Trustees moved \$15,000 from the Capital Fund Campaign account at Ixonia Bank into the RBC Investment Account to maximize growth. This transaction is included in Total Expense for August 2020, skewing our 2020 expenses much higher than 2019's. Additionally, 2019's Total August Income included Rummage Sale proceeds. This year's did not.

Please direct your comments or questions to Kathy Zebrowski (262) 646-8882 or Jeanne Phelan (414) 940-4464.









SUNDAY WORSHIP IN THE PARKING LOT AT 9:30 AM WEATHER PERMITTING

Sunday School & Nursery Care each Sunday during outdoor Worship

(also available on Facebook Live & later on YouTube) in the event of rain, the services will be live streamed on Facebook

Zoom Coffee Hour, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM each Sunday

September 2020 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	SDAY THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Holy Communion Blessing of the Animals w/Pony Rides!! Neighbors in Need Offering Food Pantry Sunday Stewards meeting 12 10:30 AM Council meeting 18 19 20 10 AM Bible Study	F S 6 7 13 14 20 21	Area Home	3
10:30 AM Council meeting 10 AM Bible Study	8	9	10
25 Stewards meeting 10 AM Bible Study 10 AM Bible Study 6-7 PM Boo in fellowship via Zoom 27 10 AM Bible Study 6-7 PM Boo in fellowship via Zoom 28 6-7 PM Boo in fellowship via Zoom 29 10 AM Bible Study	15 Deadline for November newsletter articles	16	FAMILY PROMISE CLOTHING DRIVE Church Parking Lot 9 - 11 AM
Stewards meeting 6 PM Confirmation 10 AM Bible Study 6-7 PM Boo in fellowship	Study hall &	23	FAMILY PROMISE CLOTHING DRIVE FP Day Center 139 North St Waukesha 9 - 11 AM
		30	31 HALLOWEEN
Emmanuel delivers the Do	sman Area Home Meals	;	