

the Pilgrim Visitor

Congregational United Church of Christ
300 Maiden St. Mineral Point, WI 53565 * (608) 987-2025

June 2010
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Pastor Todd is on sabbatical through August 2. Interim **Pastor, Twink Jan-McMahon** will be covering worship services during this time. 608-243-1343 twinkjm@gmail.com

Pastoral emergencies will be covered by the following:

May 17-June 2—Rev. Kathleen Rinear, pastor of Immanuel UCC, Darlington.
608-239-1946 or 608-776-8511

June 3-June 19 – Rev. Carolyn Kennedy, pastor of Mazomanie UCC. 608-220-6987
mazoucc@charterinternet.com

June 20-July 5—Rev. Bill Kapp, pastor First UCC Sauk City. 608-643-8387

July 6-July 22—Rev. Sue Strickler, interim pastor Immanuel UCC, Dubuque. 608-348-6026

July 22– Aug 1—Rev Brad Brookins, pastor Mt Vernon UCC 608-669-2926

2010 Mineral Point Graduates

Three of our members graduated from Mineral Point High School.

Tyler Goebel—Tyler is the son of Rick and Janelle Goebel and grandson of Bob and Diann Wenger. Tyler will be a busy this summer, holding down two jobs; farming and working at Culvers. In the fall he will attend Southwest Tech at Fennimore. His field of study is Bricklaying and Masonry.

Gus Mitchell—Gus is the son of Mark Mitchell and Julie Mitchell. Gus will be working on the farm this summer. In the fall he is going off to Southwest Tech at Fennimore. He will be studying Electrical Power Distribution.

Leah Radtke—Leah is the daughter of Rod and Mary Sue Radtke. This summer you will find Leah at the check-out lane at Point Foods. In June she heads off to Denver on the youth group mission trip. In the fall Leah will attend UW Platteville. Her field of study is pre-med.

Congratulations to Tyler, Gus, and Leah and many blessing as you pursue your next big adventure.

9 members of the Mineral Point Youth Group are graduating this year:

Leah Rate

Casey Hawthorne

Ryan McGuire

Troy Heimsoth

Alexandra Thompson

Cameron Weinbrenner

Molly Palzkill

Anna Galle

Garrett Wallace

Congregational United Church of Christ Council Meeting May 2010

May 12, 2010

Members Present: Nancy Schmit, Todd Lippert, Karen Tennessen, Kandy Keuler, Jim Bennett, Lisa Howard, Marla Martin

Absent: Fritz Aschliman, Greg Wilson, Chuck Steudel

Nancy called the meeting to order.

Todd gave the opening prayer.

Financial Report and Bills Payable

Marla provided the financial reports.

The Bills Payable report was reviewed by the council. Lisa moved and Jim seconded a motion to approve the Bills Payable.

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April Council Minutes

We held our council retreat in April. There were no minutes to review

Pastor's Report

Todd provided us with an update on the restructuring of the Wisconsin conference. A proposal will be introduced at the annual meeting. The plan will be voted on in 2010 and implemented immediately following the vote.

Todd also provided an update on his Sabbatical plans. Since he was not able to be in the pulpit on the 9th, and the Rev. Twink McMahan took his place, he will return from his sabbatical a week sooner. Todd will return from sabbatical on August 2. He will be back in the pulpit on August 8.

We also discussed July 4. Worship in Mineral Point is at 10:30. It is the same time as the parade. Every council member was either out of town that day or working in the parade, the run, the barbecue, other July 4th events, etc. The council agreed to cancel worship in Mineral Point on July 4. Members can attend the service at the Dodgeville church at 9 a.m.

Committee Reports

Building and Grounds

No Report.

Worship Committee

Did not meet.

Finance reported by Nancy Schmit

Finance continues to work on account consolidation with Farmers Savings bank. We have many accounts, and many members with their names on accounts at the bank (including people who no longer live here). We are trying to reduce the number of names on the accounts so it is easier to transition when a new council takes over.

Mission/Partnership

The Pennies for Peace Drive continues.

The Food Resource Bank generated \$1,895.00 in 2009. This year we have 2 animals at Dundale farm and 1 acre of Soybeans at the White farm.

Karen Tennessen will replace Karen Crawford as the point person for the German Partnership.

We heard there is going to be a local food pantry here in Mineral Point. Nancy will find out more about it.

Christian Education reported by Karen Tennesen

Sunday School—Our year of a traditional Sunday School went well. We thank all the adults that helped throughout the year. The children will donate their offering to several places including Heifer Project and the Iowa County Food Pantry.

Summer Church Camp— Please look for the brochures for Pilgrim Center and Moon Beach Camp on the table in the chapel area. You will be surprised at the variety of opportunities for adults and children.

Bible School—Bible School will still be at the fairgrounds this summer. However, the dates have been moved to the second week of August. It will be in the evening of three days: Tuesday- Thursday. Set-up will be on Sunday, June 8. Call Karen Tennesen 987-3835 with questions. We need three volunteers to help. The theme will be The Good Shepherd.

Youth Group reported by Karen Tennesen

The flamingo drive is just beginning.

The youth group also had a very successful work day in our community. They were rained out the first weekend,

but tried it again and succeeded in doing lots of good hard work for our friends and neighbors.

Other Business

Andrea Wilson has done a great job serving in the Nursery during worship. The position was funded for 9 months. We voted to extend the funding through June and check on the summer attendance then make a decision to fund it in July and August.

Nancy moved to adjourn the meeting. Kandy seconded the motion. Everyone agreed it was time to go home.

Reader Schedule

The final updated reader schedule is listed here. Please be sure to make note of which Sunday you are scheduled to read. If you find that you have a conflict, please let Heather know (987-2025)

Respectfully Submitted by Nancy Schmit

Beginning Balance: \$74,584.71

Income 7,687.37

Expenses 8,960.82

	August		November	
	1	Kandy Keuler		
	8	Anna Schmit	7	Barb Fitzsimmons
	15	Teresa Gibbons	14	Chris Heins
	22	Greg Wilson	21	Deb Ivey
	29	Jessie Potterton	28	Kandy Keuler
June				
6		Chuck Steudel		
13		Greg Wilson		
20		Barb Fitzsimmons		
27		Nancy Schmit		
July				
4		Phil Crawford		
11		Jessie Potterton		
18		Gov Dodge camp		
25		Soldiers Memorial		
	September		December	
	5	Chuck Steudel		
	12	Phil Crawford	5	Teresa Gibbons
	19	Nancy Schmit	12	Jessie Potterton
	26	Holly Allen	19	Anna Schmit
	October			
	3	Linda Griffiths	24	Karen Tennesen
	10	Chuck Tennesen	26	Chris Heins
	17	Greg Wilson		
	24	Nancy Schmit		
	31	Karen Tennesen		

Mission/Partnership Notes June 2010

Food Resource Project: Our 2010 projects are underway at the Dunndale Swiss Farm and the Robert and Jill White farm. These are an animal project and a soybean project. We have some initial sponsors, but do need some additional financial support to keep our project moving ahead. Please Contact Rev Beryl Melcher or Dick Josh with any questions.

Heifer Project: We are wrapping up this year's project, Please forward your contribution to Marla, or forward a pledge ASAP if you have not done so.

Iowa County Food Pantry: our local food bank continues to need your help, no matter how you are able to support them. We have a collection basket, they are also welcoming your financial support, your fresh produce (contact the pantry office to connect)
Thanks for your help.

Bethany Youth Group/Ohio: We have learned that there will be no visit this year from the Bethany Youth Group, they are planning to return in 2011.

Partnership: We will be having a new representative at the SW Association partnership committee, Karen Tennessen. We appreciate her agreement to serve, and appreciate the years of service by Karen Crawford as our representative. If you have any questions to be forwarded, please contact Karen Tennessen.

"One larger Project": the committee continues to discuss ideas for a larger scale project that we might take on. Ideas that have come up include: local food pantry; a holiday dinner; bed race as fundraiser for a local charity; local Hispanic outreach; Habitat for Humanity; Pennies for Peace. If you have any thoughts about any of these, or other ideas, please contact Dick Josh.

Strengthen the Church: STC is a UCC ministry that supports development of new congregations, and revitalizes existing congregations, as well as providing training resources for pastors and lay members. Our collection was received on May 23rd, you may forward your donation to Marla, earmark for "STC".

Thank you Letters received: for Haiti relief, for our donations of \$1173.00 and \$500.00.

Visiting Card List

Mae Kinsman
Sienna Crest Asst Living
210 Copper St
Mineral Point, WI 53565
987-7456

Merton & Alice Baker
975 N 5th Ave #107
St Charles, IL 60174
(630) 524-5248

Bob & Evelyn Ivey
730 Center St
Mineral Point, WI 53565
987-2116

Marge Johnson
Mineral Point Care Center
109 N Iowa St
Mineral Point, WI 53565

Prayers Requested

Patty Johnston's son, Jerry, is going through stem cell treatment. Prayers and cards are welcome. There is also a caring bridge link:
www.caringbridge.org/visit/jerryjohnston/
journal
Stanford Hospital
300 Pasteur Drive
Bone Marrow and Stem Cell Unit
Jerry Johnston, Rm # E123
Stanford, CA 94305

June 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Worship 10:30 am Childcare provided		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Ushers & greeters

6 Kandy Keuler Dick Josh Bill Buckingham Lois Buckingham
 13 Maxine Tibbits Dick Ivey Mary Sue Radtke
 20 Fritz Aschlimann Wanda Aschlimann Don Bennett
 27 Warren Howard Lisa Howard Sandy Weitzel

Lay Readers

6 Chuck Steudel
 13 Greg Wilson
 20 Barb Fitzsimmons
 27 Nancy Schmit

You are welcome here

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From Junk to Jonquils

The UCC Rummage Sale will be from June 12 - June 19 from 10:00 to 4:00. There will be a bake sale on the first Saturday. Proceeds will help the Church garden. We need people to work, set up and clean up. Please bring baked goods on Friday or Saturday. Call Karen Tennessen or sign up on the form in the chapel. Thanks!

Our mission at the Congregational United Church of Christ is to celebrate God's love. As disciples of Jesus Christ we celebrate that love by responding to the needs of our congregation, community and the world through worship, education, fellowship, and service to all.