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"Living our faith in Jesus Christ through acceptance, service and love."

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RUMMAGE SALE

July 13 - 15

Daily: 9 AM - 12 PM



TWO FLOORS OF BARGAINS

**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE
MINISTRIES OF CCA**

**PLEASE BRING ALL DONATIONS
DOWNSTAIRS & LOOK FOR SIGNS**

Dear Friends,

It has been a year since we made the decision to emphasize nonviolence as the theme of our mission, and, I can say that our Ministry of Mission has done an amazing job of showing us different facets of how we can promote this in our community and world. More remarkable is the fact that they have kept the campaign in a positive light throughout while dealing with extremely difficult subjects.

And, still, it has been a year. In terms of attention span, it has been a very long time. In an article in Time magazine in 2015, Kevin McSpadden wrote: *The average attention span for the notoriously ill-focused goldfish is nine seconds, but according to a new study from Microsoft Corp., people now generally lose concentration after eight seconds, highlighting the effects of an increasingly digitalized lifestyle on the brain.* (Should I rethink my sermons? But I digress.) Before you let your attention focus on something else, please continue reading.



The campaign is not the goal for which our emphasis is striving. The goal is to make all realize that if nonviolence is going to be effective, then it begins in our lives; it is not left behind with posters, videos, and inspiring quotes. And that is not going to be easy.

And yet, if we are going to commit our lifestyles to incorporating nonviolence as an integral part, the challenging work will have to be with us.

Nonviolence is not a garment to be on and off at will. Its seat is in the heart and it must be an inseparable part of our being. (Gandhi)

Nonviolence is a permanent attitude we bring to the breakfast table and bring to bed at night. (Coretta Scott King)

Nonviolence leads to the highest ethic, which is the goal of all evolution. Until we stop harming all other living beings we are still savages. (Thomas Edison)

You will not be committed to nonviolence just because you have read articles that we gave you, nor because you have listened to a speech by the most gifted orator. You will not be committed to nonviolence because you have participated in a Bible Study on peace. These things are resources, given to us, to help us to reach a crucial decision: am I going to do all I can to promote nonviolence in the world? Am I going to change my point of view so that I am going to stop participating (even in my silence and passivity) in the violence that permeates our world?

The goal of the Ministry of Missions was two-fold: to give us resources to help us make these decisions, and to put us all in a position so that we cannot avoid making the decision (which means that doing nothing is a decision).

But now we must put it in your hands, and have faith that God will help it to grow in you. The Ministry of Missions has sown the seeds in you; now we wait to see how it takes root and grows. There is no way to be true to the gospel of Jesus Christ and not promote nonviolence. This is a message we need to take with us. What will you do? None of us needs to tackle the whole nature of nonviolence by ourselves. As the Ministry of Missions has shown us, we can take a small piece of it, even in our own back yard, and make a difference.

- Rev. Cope



On Improving Family Communications

Chances are that you are generally satisfied with the communication in your family. Most of the time you are able to communicate wants and needs effectively and perhaps even take it much for granted. On the other hand, you may have found yourself spending an excessive amount of time thinking about some aspect of your family life and whether it seems to need improving. When our communication is adequate, all is well. But sometimes some disturbing feelings, such as anger, depression or jealousy, to name a few, push us to relook at how and what we are communicating.

One important advantage of improving communications and how we relate to others is the development of a sense of physical and psychological well-being. Learning how to express our feelings can reduce stress and contribute to our over-all good health. Another benefit of responsible communication is the opportunity for personal growth. When we hold back our honest responses, we often deny others the chance to know us well. And how others see us is an element of our self-concept.

If you're not sure about the effectiveness of your communication, it might be time to get into some self-help resources or time to talk to someone. An impartial third party, such as clergy or a counselor, can help sort through and move toward some new perspectives.

Family communication can be improved. It might be the right time to do some refinement on the following skills.

- ◆ Effective Listening
- ◆ Expressing Wants Constructively
- ◆ Esteem Enhancement
- ◆ Cooperation and Negotiation
- ◆ Conflict Resolution

Blessings for the Journey...Rev Arn

Remember in Prayer

- as well as with a card, call, or visit, the following individuals who are not always able to be with us:

Betty Blair Clare Oaks Rehab Center 825 Carillon Dr. Bartlett, IL 60103	Edna McCormick Citadel Health Care Center 180 S. Staqte Street #142 Elgin, IL 60123-6429
Ed Brandwein Eastgate Manor 102 Eastgate Ct, #242 Algonquin, IL 60102	Frances Newberg Church Creek 1250 W Center Rd, #415 Arlington Heights, IL 60005
Louise Dahm 1005 South Rd. Fox River Grove, IL 60021	Thea O'Connor c/o Liberty Estates 2080 W. Navajo Dr. #341 Freeport, IL 61032
Marge Hanley 808 Menominee Drive Lake in the Hills, IL 60156	Helen Stauffer Room 102 2406 Hartland Rd Woodstock, IL 60098
Joyce Horn Alden Terrace 803 Royal Dr. McHenry, IL 60050	Claudette Treadwell 731 Longwood Dr. Algonquin, IL 60102
Erna Houdek Valley Hi 2406 Hartland Rd. Woodstock, IL 60098	Glen True Polo Rehab & Health Care 703 E. Buffalo St Polo, IL 61054
Betty Imhoff 731 Ocoola Drive Algonquin, IL 60102	Mary Westerbeck 1601 W. Queen Creek Rd #143 Chandler, AZ 85248
Claire Kent 865 Eineke Blvd Algonquin, IL 60102	Barb Whitaker Sunrise Assisted Living 751 Terra Cotta Avenue Crystal Lake, IL 60014
Donna Krueger Sunrise Senior Living 790 N. Plum Grove Rd. Schaumburg, IL 60173	Ethel Yamashita Sunrise Senior Living 790 N. Plum Grove Rd. Schaumburg, IL 60173

The following individuals were hospitalized in the month of **June**:

Louise Dahm
Betty Maicke



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PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

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|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Ben Sprouse | John (Jay) Hogrewe |
| Owen Ritsema | Cody Colbert |
| Jake Korbecki | Richard Dowdle |
| Dominik Kneip | Eric Hertel |

Do you know of persons who are currently serving in the military? Please let the church office know of their service, and their names will be included so we can keep them in our prayers.

**Would you like a visit from Rev. Cope?
Call the church office at 847-658-5308 or email him directly at revcope.cca@gmail.com**

- ◆ Going into the hospital for surgery? He will pray with you before the surgery and during recovery.
 - ◆ Want in-home communion?
 - ◆ Have something troubling you?
 - ◆ Lonely and want someone to talk to?
- Don't think he is too busy or that you are interrupting him—this is an important part of his job as your minister. Call!

We also have members of the church who will come and visit or help you with transportation, food or errands.

HELP US HONOR OUR CHURCH MEMBERS

To help people who cannot come to church feel a part of our family, we are asking you for three things:

- ◆ Remember them in your prayers.
- ◆ Send them a note or card letting them know that you are thinking of them.
- ◆ If possible, call them to say “Hello.”

This month we are lifting up two of our members: **Donna Krueger** and **Edna McCormick**. You will find their addresses on this page. Let them know that they are a part of our family and that they are missed and thought about.

Our Group Studies Come in a Variety of Sizes!

At CCA, we are committed to studying the Bible and learning how we can live our faith meaningfully in our life. The following are our current group studies. Feel free to join us at any of the groups at any time!

CWS Blankets and Tools Offering

Will be received during the month of July - Sponsored by Teen Faith in Action



Contributions to the CWS Blankets and Tools offering means Church World Service will be ready to help families around the world recover from disaster and displacement, and build viable, sustainable lives and communities. \$10 can provide one blanket, sourced locally.

Watch for the teens in the 10am worship service July 9 to show you how much one blanket can help.



CWS Hygiene and School Kits

will be collected by the youth and children during the month of August

There is a full list of items that will be collected for these kits in the Narthex, or see any youth or child.



Faith, Fun & Friendship

Womens Fellowship

Wednesdays at 10 am
Conference Room

Women's Fellowship continues with **Israel's Mission – Becoming a Kingdom of Priests in a Prodigal World.** Ray Vander Laan takes you through Israel and into Jordan to place the lessons of scripture in the historical context in a way that invites you to live in the Bible as you learn to apply the lessons in your own life.

Yarn Works



We knit, crochet, and do all other types of handwork.

New people are always Welcome!

We have supplies to get you started, and absolutely lovely people to teach you, if you want to learn. Our work helps support our Prayer Shawl Ministry, Snug Hugs for Kids, and our own personal projects.

**Thursdays at 10:00 am
Fellowship Hall**

Bible & Brew

Join us in a relaxed atmosphere - get a drink, order some food and be a part of an exciting discussion about the Bible.

**2nd Thursday monthly
July 13, 2017, 6:30 pm**

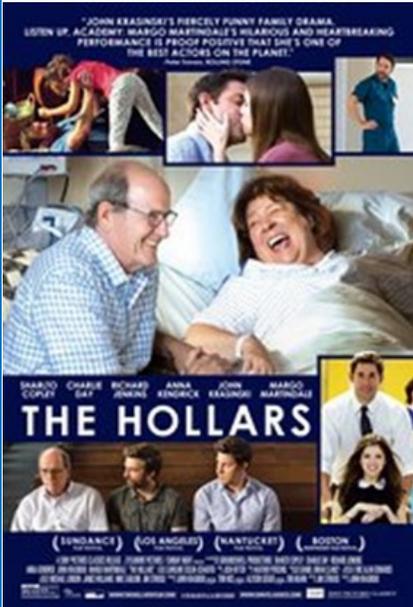
Algonquin Area Senior Center

TUESDAYS 9:00 AM – NOON

The Senior Center meets weekly at the CCA. It provides a gathering place for senior adults where fellowship, socialization, educational and enrichment opportunities are available. If you have any questions, please contact the church at 847-658-5308 and leave a message for WynnAnn Roggeveen.

MOVIES with Meaning

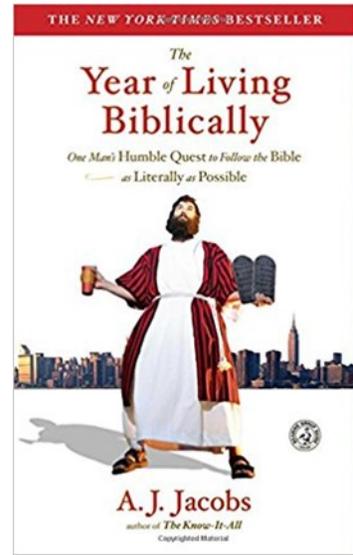
Saturday, July 8, 2017
1:00 pm



The Hollars, written by James C. Strouse and directed by John Krasinski, is a simple and familiar story brought vividly and beautifully by a cast of immensely talented actors who find every touching nuance of their characters and relax into them with authenticity and honesty, and with such warmth and affection, that the film's 88-minute running time feels like a mere cinematic blip.

The story centers around John Hollar (Krasinski), a struggling New York City artist suddenly forced to navigate the smalltown ways he'd long ago left behind when his mother, played with her typical perfection by Margo Martindale, is struck by a serious illness that rocks the entire family including Ron (Sharlto Copley), her divorced son who lives in the basement, and husband Don (Richard Jenkins), whose business is simultaneously about to go under. The film works precisely because this ensemble cast acts like an ensemble. They find the authenticity in the relationships, the right touches of humor in the humanity, and a surprising degree of sweetness that elevates *The Hollars* above its familiarity and formula and into the realm of that rare dramedy that leaves you satisfied with the journey and appreciative of the time you've had with the family.

Tuesdays with the Pastor Every Tuesday 4:30 to 6:00 pm



... a fascinating and timely exploration of religion and the Bible. A.J. Jacobs chronicles his hilarious and thoughtful year spent obeying—as literally as possible—the tenets of the Bible.

Raised in a secular family but increasingly interested in the relevance of faith in our modern world,

A.J. Jacobs decides to dive in headfirst and attempt to obey the Bible as literally as possible for one full year.

He vows to follow the Ten Commandments, to be fruitful and multiply and to love his neighbor. But also, to obey the hundreds of less publicized rules: to avoid wearing clothes made of mixed fibers; to play a ten-string harp; to stone adulterers.

The resulting spiritual journey is at once funny and profound, reverent and irreverent, personal and universal, and will make you see history's most influential book with new eyes.

Please see Rev. Cope if you would like for him to order you a copy of the book



Heavenly Attic Resale Shop

307 South Main Street
Algonquin, IL 60102-2655
Phone: 847-854-4552

The Heavenly Attic Resale Shop stocks gently-used items and is open to the public. Proceeds from the Attic support the missions and ministries of the CCA.

Hours:
Tuesday thru Friday
10am to 4pm
Saturday 10am to 2pm

WHAT: PASTORAL CARE OF VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES: Healing the Wounds of PTSD & Moral Injury Seminar



DATE: Friday, July 21, 2017

TIME: 9:00 A.M. until 3:30 P.M. (Check-in begins at 8:15 a.m.)

WHERE: Advocate Condell Medical Center Conference Center, 801 S. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville, IL (Parking Available in Lots E, F, & G)

Join us for this six-and-a-half-hour, exceptional-learning opportunity about ministering to veterans and their families. At this seminar, we will explore four components: There is no cost to attend. Event includes free continental breakfast and lunch. Seating is limited to 60 participants.

Please RSVP by July 6, 2017 to Maria Martinez

at maria.martinez1@advocatehealth.com or 847-990-5879.



Fight summer boredom with a new board game from the Heavenly Attic

\$1.00 each while supplies last



Reiki Workshop July 30 at 11:15am

We are sponsoring a workshop on Reiki. Reiki is a Japanese technique for relaxation which promotes healing. The word "Reiki" means "spiritual energy" and "compassion." The Reiki precepts are one of the elements of the system. They are an instruction or guide and have been used as guidelines for conduct for centuries in

many spiritual and religious practices. Reiki is currently being used in hospitals in various ways, including Cancer clinics where it can assist with the effects of chemo-therapy. Reiki is a complementary therapy and one should not stop seeing their current physician or stop any prescribed medication. Please join us for this informative presentation.



Calling all Safe Church members!

It is time to update your requirements for taking care of our children!

It is mandatory that you attend one of the following dates.

Sunday July 30th at 11:15 am OR Monday July 31st at 7:00 pm.

Please sign up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. If you are unable to attend either of these dates please contact Michelle Tarosas.



BLUEBERRY PICKING

DUE TO HEAVY CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC ON I-94, THIS YEAR'S BLUEBERRY PICKING EVENT IS CANCELLED

Sustaining Creation



48 Steps to Living Sustainably -Actions We All Can Take

(Updated 3/28/17)

Toe – Dipping	Getting In Deeper	Immersed As A Way Of Life
Lifestyle		
1. Re-establish the ancient practice of Sabbath economics in your family's life. At this initial level keep it simple by avoiding purchasing anything on one specific day/week.	17. Skip the Christmas presents and use the money instead to help a poorer family save some energy this year through improving their home's insulation or lighting.	33. Divest your savings and retirement accounts from Fossil Fuel stocks & mutual funds. It's immoral to destroy the earth & it's immoral to profit from its destruction.
2. Educate yourself on Global Warming via books & websites from the recommended list of resources. (see page 2)*	18. Shop local Farm Markets, Food is healthier when it doesn't travel thousands of miles.	34. Develop "eyes to see" and "ears to hear" so that you can understand the urgency of the Climate Crisis through the lived experiences of others.
3. Go "meat-less" one day a week as meat has 10X the effect on the environment. (Meat-less Mondays?)	19. Add a second or even a third "meatless" day to weekly schedule or Give up red meat entirely as it has triple the cost on earth resources	35. Change diet to routinely eat more seasonally available local foods. Consider eating a more plant-based diet.
4. Walk or bike to close by destinations. Good for the body & the soul.	20. Use your Social Media Platforms and contacts to spread the critical message of sustainability.	36. Accept the difficult truth that endless economic growth on our one planet is not possible. We must live sustainably.
Transportation		
5. Adjust your driving habits to improve mileage. Easy on that gas pedal, combine trips. Ride share.	21. Time to trade in that gas guzzler for a car that gets 45+ mpg.	37. Technology is rapidly improving so seriously consider an electric vehicle purchase.
6. Use Public Transportation when possible. Pressure your local Government to make it "Carbon Free".	22. If you must travel by air then offset the pollution through tree planting. Contact A' Roche or others nonprofits to purchase.	38. Actively work to reduce your family's carbon footprint. Use carbon tracking tools available on-line.
Home		
7. Lower the temperature setting on your hot water tank. Wash laundry in cold water.	23. Change all home lighting to energy efficient lamps. Consider LED lamps.	39. Time to invest in high efficiency appliances, hot water, furnace, and air conditioning systems.
8. Switch your electrical utility supplier to one that is sourced from wind or solar power.	24. Install smart thermostats and timers on energy using devices throughout your home.	40. Install a source of renewable energy on your house i.e. Solar Panels or sponsor someone.
9. Change your thermostat by 3 degrees, up in Summer & down in Winter.	25. Conduct an energy audit of your home and correct deficiencies. Seal those window and door leaks.	41. Time to consider downsizing your home? Do you really need all that space and the energy it requires?

Rev. Dr. Terry Gallagher

Email: terrencegallagher@hotmail.com WebSite: www.sustainingcreation.org Facebook: [Sustaining Creation](#)

Sustaining Creation

Toe – Dipping	Getting In Deeper	Immersed As A Way Of Life
10. Give up the disposable plastic water bottle habit and then move on to eliminate other disposable products.	26. Consider whether to repair an item rather than replacing it with something new. Take an initial step away from our disposable consumer society.	42. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle becomes a daily practice in your life. Special emphasis on the “Reduce” part which often gets skipped.

Community

11. Tell Family, friends & neighbors why the Climate Crisis is an issue of real concern to you.	27. Challenge your Faith Community to become a Center for Climate Justice. Be a visible sign of these 48 steps.	43. Start a Neighborhood Vegetable Garden and/or even better start a Community Solar farm
12. Join a group which explores life sustainability issues. You will need to support one another’s efforts. No local group? Start one	28. Change your personal economics to support local based business such as Community Co-Operatives & Credit Unions etc.	44. Supremacy of the Individual is a mistaken value of our society. Become a voice lifting up the needs of the community.
13. Support one of the groups that are advocates for a sustainable world such as Sierra, Earth Justice or NRDC. There is power in numbers.	29. Begin a sharing cooperative with neighbors, church, club and/or family members. Does everyone really need all the same tools and garden equipment or can we share?	45. Live your life in such a way as if your kid’s & grandkid’s future depends on it because it actually does.

Advocacy

14. Call your Congress Rep. & say you believe Global Warming to be an issue significant enough to affect how you will vote.	30. Write Congress monthly on the urgent need for Federal measures to reduce the emissions of CO2	46. Democracy is not a spectator sport so periodically visit your Congress Reps. local offices with a message on the need to act now.
15. Actively pressure your local Government to install renewable systems such as public car charging stations	31. Advocate for an economic pricing system that includes the total environmental cost of a product in its price.	47. Be a visible sign! Consider participating in Non-Violent Protests & Civil Disobedience direct actions
16. Get involved, join Citizens Climate Lobby to actively Lobby for a Carbon Tax or join one of the groups such as 350.org that are working hard to get Colleges, Churches, etc. to divest from Fossil Fuel Companies.	32. Recognize that this is an issue of Climate Justice as the world’s poor experience the first & worst of the terrible affects. So advocate for greater USA contributions to the UN based “Green Carbon Fund”.	48. Understand that at its heart this is an issue which requires global political answers in response to a human induced global crisis. Support global efforts to strengthen & speed up the Paris Climate Accord.

The Sustaining Creation – A Faith Journey series is an ongoing project of “Telling It Forward” ministries. “Telling It Forward” is a ministry of Ecological Justice which uses the art of storytelling to envision the path forward to a sustainable future on this one Earth that we must share with all of God’s Good Creation. It uses Video Messages & webinars to explore various elements of this critical issue of Sustaining Creation; Preaching, presentations & for both Faith & Secular groups from 5-500 are available.

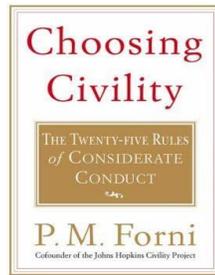
Rev. Dr. Terry Gallagher

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Need more Info? Try these Reading and Web Resources

Storms of My Grandchildren by James Hansen; **Eaarth** by Bill McKibben; **The Madhouse Effect** by Michael Mann & Tom Toles; **Wired Wisdom** by Susan Thistlethwaite; **A New Climate For Theology** by Sally McFague; **Reinventing Fire** –Amory Lovins & Rocky Mountain Institute; **Cooler-Smarter-Practical Steps For Low Carbon Living** – Union Of Concerned Scientists; **350.org**; **Climate Progress.org**; **Yesmagazine.org**; **Sierra Club.org**; **CitizensClimateLobby.org**; **Climate Reality.org**; **Union Of Concerned Scientists.org**; **InsideClimateNews.org**

The Twenty-Five Rules of Considerate Conduct



From Choosing Civility by P.F. Forni

Every month in 2017 we list two of the 25 rules.

14. Respect Other People's Time

Arriving on time is a basic rule of considerate behavior. Also, while you are meeting with someone or talking on the phone, do not take a phone call, open a text, or take someone calling in, unless you know that this is an emergency. If you know that an important call is expected, inform the person you are talking to at the beginning of your conversation.

Demanding immediate attention is uncivil and ineffective. If you do realize that you are being ignored, speak up, firmly and politely.

15. Respect Other People's Space

Leave enough room between yourself and others so that they won't feel uncomfortable or intimidated. Pay close attention to making physical contact with someone you are in conversation with. Respect people's territories as well as their space. Don't read over shoulders, listen in on other's conversations, or look through items on someone's desk or workplace.



Tuna



Disinfectant

TUESDAYS WITH THE PASTOR study group is challenging themselves and the congregation to "Go the Extra Mile, and Give More" whenever possible. Towards this goal, we are choosing two items every month for us to give above our regular giving to the Algonquin/Lake in the Hills Food Pantry and the Home of the Sparrow Women and Children's Shelter. **Items for the food pantry can be left in the basket near the elevator. Please leave items for Home of the Sparrow in the basket in the coat room.**



Sunday, July 9

We just passed the 5-Year Anniversary of selling Equal Exchange products! Our sales continue to average nearly \$200 each month.

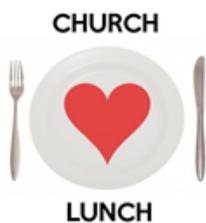
Thank you for trying new products, and especially for repeat purchases of your favorites!

This July 9th we will be sampling a new tea, Vanilla Rooibos, which we are preparing iced. A lot of our teas are wonderful mixed with juices or coffees for interesting variety.

The growers we support enjoy consistent income and assistance with methods for controlling disease and insects, and business practices for small farms and coops. We can be proud to continue this ministry.



Please submit all items for the newsletter to the church office no later than the 15th



We need you! Looking for 3-4 people to work together in organizing the **funeral lunches** at our church. You will take turns being the leader of the lunch, determined by your availability. This format will allow multiple members to help so that we can avoid having one person with the sole responsibility. We will have an organized check list for you to follow to make the job nice and easy!

Please call Michelle Tarosas for questions and to volunteer!



St. Charles Paddlewheel Riverboats

We have the opportunity for a Dinner Cruise on the Fox sponsored by the Events Committee. Mark your calendar for **September 16**.

The cruise will leave from St. Charles. We will be organizing carpools closer to September. The cost for the trip will be \$32.00, including dinner and tip. The boat is accessible and everyone is welcome.

To reserve your spot, have a check made payable to CCA for \$32.00 by August 15, 2017

The Sign Up Sheet is on the Bulletin Board in Fellowship Hall

SAVE THE DATE: CCA will be heading to Jubilee Farms on October 7, 2017



Watch for more details

visit JubileeFarmsClinton.com for more information about them



CROP HUNGER WALK
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, October, 15, 2017. This year our church will be hosting the annual Cardinal Cropwalk. The money that is raised in our walk will be used to feed the hungry locally, nationally and globally. There will be many opportunities to participate. We need walkers, pledgers, refreshments, set-up and take-down crew, registration people, an emergency car driver, and cheerleaders. Walkers can invite their friends, bring their dogs, ride their bikes or skate. Even hula-hoops are welcome! Let's have fun as we help! If you can help in any way, please contact Barb Erion (berion750@aol.com 847-658-8252).

Our event is only three months away...
Save the Date!



Calling all Artists!

If you paint or draw or take artistic photographs, and would like to donate several of your works of art to fundraising for a local charity, you might like to join our art show.

(A Faith in Action Project)

What: Fine Art Show

When: Sunday, November 5

9:00 am—1:00

Where: Fellowship Hall

Please contact Sandy Ferguson if you are interested:
815-276-1299, sbergferg@gmail.com

MISSION: POSSIBLE

A Tale of Love in Action



Pat Thime delivers hot meals to seniors as a volunteer for Golden Diners

One of life's necessities is food, and Pat Thime brings that lifeline to seniors age 60 and over who are either unable to go out to get food for themselves or to prepare it. Meal delivery often makes it possible for them to stay in the homes they love. Pat has been delivering hot, nutritious meals for Golden Diners for over six years because she "enjoys seniors and loves helping people."

The meal delivery is also an opportunity to see that the senior is up and functioning: a well-being check. "Sometimes they welcome a short visit. We get to feeling like friends over time," says Pat. She recommends this form of volunteering, "which is not difficult and offers great rewards to the volunteer."

Volunteers from our church are responsible for meal deliveries, Monday through Friday, in February, June and October each year for the Salvation Army's Golden Diners. In February of 2017, eight CCA volunteers delivered 224 meals. Nancy Kneip coordinates the scheduling of our church's volunteers.

The Salvation Army's Golden Diners Program headquarters is in Geneva, IL. They provide hot, nutritious meals that meet one-third of the required daily allowance. Meals include a protein, starch, vegetable, fruit and milk. Most menus are low fat, low cholesterol and diabetic friendly. More information is available on their website at www.salarmychicago.org/services/goldenDiners.



Fifth Sunday Birdhouse Offerings

April 30 - \$70.01 – Was sent to
TLS Veterans, McHenry, IL

TLS provides temporary housing and support services to homeless veterans.

Next Fifth Sunday Offering – July 30

Will be collected for

ReHome Center, Geneva, IL

ReHome provides household items donated from comfortable homes to needy families.

We have extended the time for our collection of items for ReHome until the end of July. Please see the list on the Narthex Desk, or contact Rev. Cope.



Do You Want to Know?

Do you want to know more
about a charitable organization?

Look in the Charity Research Notebook in the church office!
If the charity is not there, fill out one of the forms in the display holder near the Missions Bulletin Board and place it in the Missions mail slot...

Please be sure to sign your name. Ministry of Missions



The Ministry of Missions
is looking for items of interest
for the Missions Bulletin Board

Do you have an article, a letter, a notice, or a photo related to missions of our church? Please put your item into the mail slot marked

Missions Bulletin Board

Please include your name



Help us sponsor two children in India!

Our church sponsors two children at King’s Matriculation School at the Family Village Farm near Vellore, India. Their families cannot afford to send them to school, and our gifts cover tuition and lunch for them each school day.

Sheeba is a hard-working girl whose favorite subjects are math and English. Velmurugan is an energetic, attentive boy who is cheerful and highly motivated. Their pictures are on the Missions Bulletin Board in the hallway outside of the office.

While the members of the Faith in Action group contribute to the sponsorship fees (\$20 per child per month), we are asking the whole congregation to participate with us. There is **a can on the desk in the narthex**, and anyone who would like to help us is encouraged to drop a few dollars or even your loose change into the box. **Or you may write a check** payable to CCA and designate it for “Child Sponsorship.”

If you would prefer to help in another way, we need people willing to write to the children. If you are interested, please see Rev Cope.

We sponsor the children through the United Church of Christ Global Ministries Child Sponsorship Program. All of the money that we raise goes directly to the support of the children; there are no administrative fees.

Faith in Action

Justice and Peace Bulletin Board

Be sure to check out our bulletin board in Fellowship Hall for news about climate change and issues of concern for people of faith. In addition, you will find the names and contact information of congress persons so that you may bend their ear on a regular basis about those issues



Literacy and ESL Tutoring (English as a Second Language) Do You Wish To Tutor?

You only need to be certified. You can do that by taking tutor training classes, available through:

>The **Literacy Connection of Elgin** elginliteracy.org (12 hours of free instruction, plus \$25 purchase of textbook) **Note – They will then assign you to a learner in or south of Algonquin.**

>**McHenry County College** - mchenry.edu/volunteer classes will resume soon. See the Tutoring Display in Fellowship Hall or visit mchenry.edu/volunteer. **MCC has learners north and west of Algonquin.**

Brochures are available at the **Literacy Tutoring Display in Fellowship Hall** that explain more about the classes and tutor/learner assignments. Questions? Please talk to Pastor Cope or JoAnn Schindler.



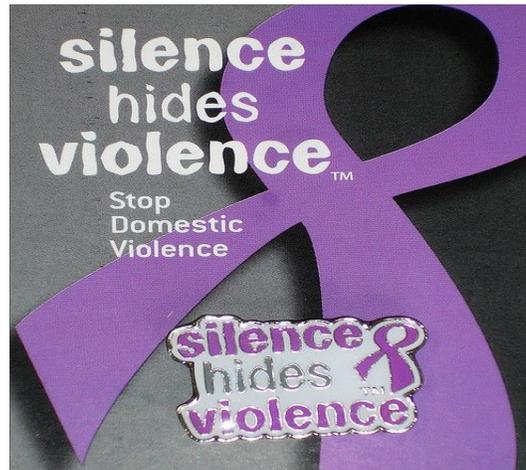
Tutoring Update

June is the month of finals and graduations and our literacy students are no exception. Although tutoring takes place in a much less formal setting than most class rooms, expectations are that students will show growth over a year. It is for this purpose the Literacy Connection of Elgin arranges to test students who have been in the program for at least twelve months. Also, a celebration and recognition of all the hours put in by tutors and students alike took place this month at the Gail Borden Library. The highlight of the event was the speech given in English by one of the literacy students. June has come and gone. As we enjoy the rest of summer, our literacy learners and tutors get back to the work at hand.

July

Domestic Violence

"Breaking the Silence"



"To Promote Nonviolence"

Vision Statement for 2017

RECOGNIZING THE WARNING SIGNS THAT SOMEONE IS BEING ABUSED

Warning Signs of Abuse: People who are being abused may:

- Seem afraid or anxious to please their partner
- Go along with everything their partner says and does
- Check in often with their partner to report where they are and what they're doing
- Receive frequent, harassing phone calls from their partner
- Talk about their partner's temper, jealousy, or possessiveness

Warning signs of physical violence: People who are being physically abused may:

- Have frequent injuries, with the excuse of “accidents”
- Frequently miss work, school, or social occasions, without explanation
- Dress in clothing designed to hide bruises or scars (e.g. wearing long sleeves in the summer or sunglasses indoors)

Warning signs of isolation: People who are being isolated by their abuser may:

- Be restricted from seeing family and friends
- Rarely go out in public without their partner
- Have limited access to money, credit cards, or the car

The psychological warning signs of abuse: People who are being abused may:

- Have very low self-esteem, even if they used to be confident
- Show major personality changes (e.g. an outgoing person becomes withdrawn)
- Be depressed, anxious, or suicidal

If you suspect that someone you know is being abused, speak up! If you're hesitating—telling yourself that it's none of your business, you might be wrong, or the person might not want to talk about it—keep in mind that expressing your concern will let the person know that you care and may even save his or her life. Talk to the person in private and let him or her know that you're concerned. Point out the things you've noticed that make you worried. Remember, abusers are very good at controlling and manipulating their victims. People who have been emotionally abused or battered are depressed, drained, scared, ashamed, and confused. They need help to get out, yet they've often been isolated from their family and friends. By picking up on the warning signs and offering support, you can help them escape an abusive situation and begin healing.

Do:

- Ask if something is wrong**
- Express concern**
- Listen and validate**
- Offer help**
- Support his or her decisions**

Don't:

- Wait for him or her to come to you**
- Judge or blame**
- Pressure him or her**
- Give advice**
- Place conditions on your support**

Source: *NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence*

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



- 07-16 George & Carol Roby
- 07-20 Stephanie & Eric Barham
- 07-23 David & Jackie Alexander
- 07-25 Joseph & Diane Scheske
- 07-30 Bill & Kelly Hellyer

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| 01 Ed Church | 19 Hannah Elliott |
| Jenny Misner | |
| 04 Ronald Martens | 20 Barb Hess |
| 05 Pepi Carroll | 21 Louise Dahm |
| 08 Beth Pocijewski | 22 Jamie Nicholas |
| 11 Patricia Kramer | 23 Brian Cope |
| | Donald Krueger |
| 12 Elsie Fry | 25 Bonnie Lancaster |
| | Anthony Szekely |
| 16 Robert Thomason | 26 Ed Turk |
| Russ Brown | |
| 18 Timothy Hellyer | |
| Marian Wilson | |

TREASURER'S REPORT

If you would like a copy of the entire monthly Treasurer's Report, please contact the church office.



As of May 31, 2017

Total Operating Fund Income

Month of	\$18,291.89
May	
YTD	\$103,108.57

Total Operating Expenses

Month of	\$19,068.75
May	
YTD	\$103,919.38

Mortgage Balance

\$126,358.58

In Memory of

Donations received by CCA in memory of Viola Colbert

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| Barcus Family | Cynthia Imhoff |
| Connie Bos | Pat Kramer |
| Kay Boyer | Kristensen Family |
| Bredthauer Family | Kuroghlian Family |
| Doris Combs | Verna Loacker |
| Rev. & Sally Cope | Janet Matausek |
| Devlin/Walters Families | Martens Family |
| Deegan/ThiCao Families | Nesser Family |
| Heavenly Attic | Suzanne Seeling |
| Hecht Family | Tarosas Family |
| Erna Houdek | Martha Wallace |
| | Whitney Family |
| | Anonymous Cash (2) |

Florida Relatives: Dee Hansen, Lori Spatz, Kim Walters, Tina Gale and Dorothy Bogaard

A donation was also made to CCA in memory of Adeline Bartlett by The Whitney family

To My Church Family,

With true appreciation and warmest thanks to you all. Thanks you for all of your thoughts, prayers & kindness. Love,

Debbie Carris



Thank You!



Want to learn more about who we are and what we believe? The New Member Class is the perfect time. We have a brief presentation, then there is time for questions, and we wind things up by taking a tour of the building. There is never an obligation to join. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. For more information or to register, contact the church office: 847-658-5308.

New Member Classes:
Wednesday, 7/19/2017 at 7:00pm or
Saturday, 7/22 at 11:00 am



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNES.	THURS.	FRIDAY	SAT
						1 SOTO FUNERAL 11:00am Memorial Srvc Noon Lunch
2 PASS THE PIGS  8:00am Worship 9:00am Intergenerational SS 10:00AM Worship	3	4 Celebrate THE FOURTH	5 10:00am Women's Fellowship 5:00pm Tutoring 7:00pm NA	6 9:30am Tutor 10:00am Yarn Works 12:30am Staff Conf Class 5:30 pm 7:30am AA	7 Set up for Men's Fellowship	8 8:00am Men's Breakfast 1:00pm Movies with Meaning
9 Fair Trade Sunday BLANKET SUNDAY 8:00am Worship 8:45am Min Trustees 9:00 am Intergenerational SS 10:00am Teen FIA 10:00am Worship 11:15am MinFinan	10 7:00pm Trails Swim Team	11 10:00am Tutor 1:30pm Lego Robotics 4:30pm Tues w/ Pastor 5:00pm WW Martial Arts	12 10:00am Women's Fellowship 5:00pm Tutor 7:00pm Boy Sct Comm Mtg 7:00pm NA 7:00pm Pre-school Bd Mtg	13 9:30am Tutor 10:00am Yarn Works 12:30pm Staff Conf Class 5:30 pm 6:30pm Bible & Brew 7:30pm AA	14	15  Deadline for Newsletter Submissions
SET UP FOR RUMMAGE SALE			RUMMAGE SALE 9am to noon Thurs – Sat			
16 8:00am Worship 9:00am Intergenerational SS 10:00am Worship 11:15am Ministry Christian Ed 11:15am Ministry Missions	17	18 9:00am Sr Ctr 10:00am Tutor 1:30 pm HA Bd 1:30pm Lego Robotics 4:30am Tues w/ Pastor 5:00pm WWMA	19 10:00am Women's Fellowship 1:00pm Pastorl. Rel. Committee 4:00pm Tutor 5:00pm Church Grow 7:00pm NA 7:00pm New Member Class	20 9:30am Tutor 10:00am Yarn Works 12:30pm Staff Conf Class 5:30 pm 7:30pm AA	21	22 10:00am Faith in Action 11:00am New Member Class
23 8:00am Worship 9:00am Intergenerational SS 10:00am Teen FIA 10:00am Worship-Receive New Members	24 7:00pm Ministry of Deacons	25 9:00am Sr Ctr 10:00am Tutor 1:30pm Lego Robotics 4:30pm Tues w/ Pastor 5:00pm WWMA	26 9am  10:00am Women's Fellowship 5:00pm Tutor 7:00pm NA	27 9:30am Tutor 10:00am Yarn Works 12:30pm Staff Confirmation Cl. 5:30pm 7:00pm Quilt 7:30pm AA	28	29
30 5th Sunday Bird-house Offering 8:00am Worship 9:00am Intergenerational SS 10:00am Worship 11:15am Reiki Workshop 11:15 Safe Church	31 7:00 pm Safe Church Training			WWMA = Westwind Martial Arts Academy HA—Heavenly Attic		





Coffee Fellowship

2017-2018

Sunday	Family	Sunday	Family
July 2, 2017	Roggeveen	January 7, 2018	Elke/Pociejewski
July 9, 2017	Blackman/Twarling	January 14, 2018	Stauffer / Roby
July 16, 2017	Lois & Kari Carpenter	January 21, 2018	Jolitz
July 23, 2017	Ministry of Missions FOUNDERS DAY	January 28, 2018	Hemmingsen/Haug
July 30, 2017	Wilson		
August 6, 2017	Woertendyke— All Church Calendar Mtg	February 4, 2018	Stengel/Szekely
August 13, 2017	Scheske/Weitz	February 11, 2018	Hellyer DIXIELAND SUNDAY
August 20, 2017	Christian Ed—Fall Kickoff—Luncheon	February 18, 2018	Tarasos/Jazwinski
August 27, 2017	Reebel/Thime/Kreibich	February 25, 2018	Ministry of Trustees
September 3, 2017	Paldauf / Hadler	March 4, 2018	Schwab/Basler/Dittmann
September 10, 2017	Hertel/Maicke	March 11, 2018	Erion
September 17, 2017	Kapusinski	March 18, 2018	Ed Turk
September 24, 2017	Boyer/Evans/Loacker CHOIR RETURNS	March 25, 2018	Ministry of Finance PALM SUNDAY
October 1, 2017	Hellyer	April 1, 2018	Wilson EASTER SUNDAY
October 8, 2017	Chili Cookoff	April 8, 2018	Women's Fellowship
October 15, 2017	Kneip/Schindler	April 15, 2018	Games Day—Potluck
October 22, 2017	Elke/Lindgren	April 22, 2018	Wodziak/Sanders/Kelley
October 29, 2017	N. Kulack/Aggen/D. Brown	April 29, 2018	Guenther/Carney
November 5, 2017	Min of Deacons HERITAGE SUNDAY	May 6, 2018	Hinkle/Krueger/Martenson
November 12, 2017	Roggeveen	May 13, 2018	Drasler/Wright MOTHERS DAY
November 19, 2017	Confirmation Class	May 20, 2018	Boyer / Loacker
November 26, 2017	Noxon/Hess/Wallace	May 27, 2018	MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND
December 3, 2017	Fry/Martens	June 3, 2018	Thime/Kreibich
December 10, 2017	Benjamin/Carris	June 10, 2018	Venzon
December 17, 2017	Sigrist/S. Twarling	June 17, 2018	Albandia/Barham/Thornsberry FATHERS DAY
December 24, 2017	No Coffee Hour CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES	June 24, 2018	Schwab / Armato
December 31, 2017	No Coffee Hour		

Ushers
&
Greeters
Ministry

Date	Ushers	Greeters
July 2	Ron Martens Dick Elke	Ed Turk
July 9	Ron Martens Lori Martens	Donna Brown
July 16	Ron Martens Dave Carris	Sandy Ferguson
July 23	Ron Martens Bob Benjamin	Lynn Brown
July 30	Ron Martens Ed Turk	Lois Carpenter



July 2	A.J. Albandia
July 9	Scott Kapusinski
July 16	Macy & Ella Barham
July 23	Madison Thornsberry & Abby Kapusinski
July 30	Nolan Pocijewski



July 2	Michelle Tarosas
July 9	Sharon Stengel
July 16	Dave Aggen
July 23	Jan Jazwinski
July 30	Sally Cope



July 2	Ann Armato
July 9	Whitey Hemmingsen
July 16	Michelle Tarosas
July 23	Sandy Ferguson
July 30	Liz Albandia



Date	Nursery Staff	Volunteer
July 2	Brittany Mainiero	Barb Schmidt
July 9	Pam Elliott	Kris Panzloff
July 16	Brittany Mainiero	Nancy Kneip
July 23	Britany Mainiero	
July 30	Pam Elliott	Ian Wilson



July 2	Roggeveen Family
July 9	Armato Family
July 16	Lois & Kari Carpenter
July 23	Ministry of Missions
July 30	Wilson Family

The new schedule for 2017-18 is on page 18. If you cannot make your scheduled date or would like to volunteer for a Sunday, please contact the church office

**"Service is what prayer looks like when it gets up off its knees and walks around in the world."
-Michael J. Graham, SJ**



New UCC logo reflects, complements denomination's Purpose, Vision, Mission Statements

June 06, 2017 Written by UCC Staff Reports (to see the whole article go to UCC.org)

Beginning July 2017, the United Church of Christ will begin the transition to a new logo for the denomination. The logo, last re-designed in 2004, has been updated to reflect both tradition and innovation within the church as it faces the challenges and opportunities of Christian witness in the coming decades.

The new logo's design and colors are intended to complement the graphic representation of "[A Just World for All.](#)" developed to illustrate new Purpose, Vision, and Mission Statements adopted by the national setting of the church last fall.

In addition to the comma, the UCC retains its original emblem for use by congregations and other entities of the denomination: the traditional "cross, crown, and orb" graphic, including the words "That they may all be one" (John 17:21), which dates from the founding of the United Church of Christ in 1957—a statement of the UCC's intent to be a "united and uniting" church.

"It's never easy to move on from a familiar and well-known logo—especially in the church, and especially when the old logo meant 'God is still speaking' to many of us," said Tina Villa, UCC communications director. "While those words are as fresh as ever—which is why we are retaining them—our logo itself needed a visual update. And it needed to reflect the new directions the church is headed in, while not abandoning the core beliefs that anchor us: 'God is still speaking,' and 'that they may all be one.'"



About CCA and the UCC

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Teri Franklin**

The Congregational Church of Algonquin is a congregation affiliated with the United Church of Christ. It is one of the oldest churches in McHenry County. Members have been worshiping in its current sanctuary since 1868.

The church is located a block east of Main Street (Route 31) and a block south of Algonquin Road (Route 62) in downtown Algonquin.

The United Church of Christ is a denomination with over 1.4 million members in nearly 6,000 congregations. The UCC was founded in

1957 by uniting several different Christian traditions. From the beginning we were a church that affirmed the ideal that Christians did not always have to agree to live together in communion. Our motto - *"that they may all be one"* - is Jesus' prayer for the unity of the church. The UCC is one of the most diverse Christian churches in the U.S.

Affirming that Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church, the UCC claims as its own the faith of the historic church expressed in the ancient creeds and reclaimed in the basic insights of

Protestant reformers. Yet the UCC also affirms the responsibility of each generation and community to make faith its own in reality of worship, in honesty of thought and expression, and in purity of heart before God. It looks to the Word of God in the Scriptures, and to the presence and power of the Holy Spirit to prosper its creative and redemptive work in the world.

For more information about the United Church of Christ, go to www.ucc.org.



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