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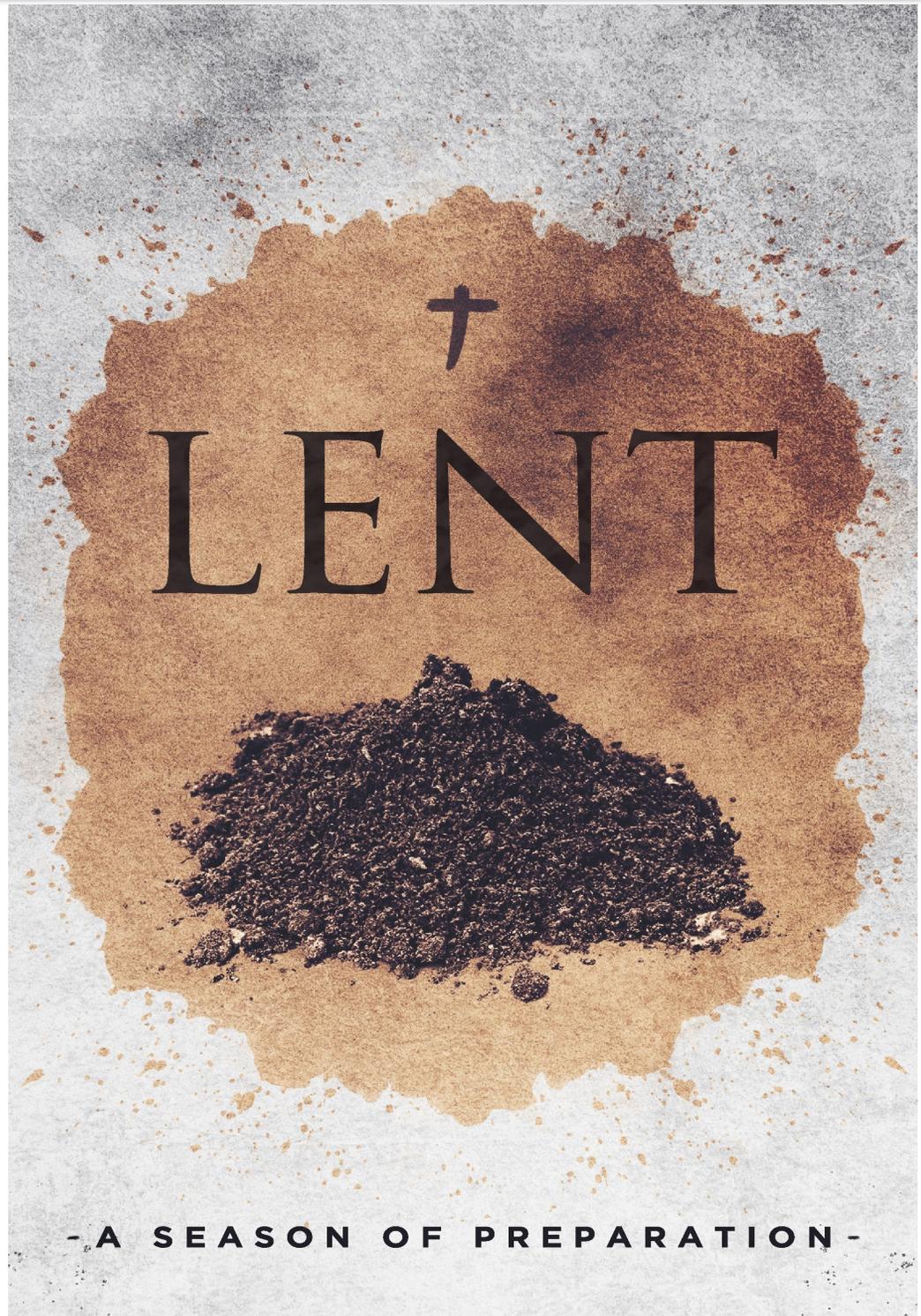
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**Join us for the Ash Wednesday Services**

**March 1, 2017 10:00 am & 7:30 pm**

*Rev. Brian Cope*



Dear Friends,

Wherever you stand politically, it is difficult not to feel a sense of foreboding concerning the future of our world. As a former Russian leader recently said – it seems that the world is on the brink of another world war. It would be nice to think that we can ignore the signs, but that would be irresponsible as Christians. Instead we have to stand up to the growing fog of violence if we are to teach the way of peace as Jesus taught it.

Tom Cornell has been involved in the church and nonviolence since the sixties. He writes:

**Authentic nonviolence must be revolutionary because the social, political, economic order we live under violates the human person in fundamental ways – body, mind, and spirit. The present order . . . kills and maims the body by war and by withholding the means to life from the poor. It violates human intelligence because it thrives on lies. And it violates the human conscience, which instinctively shrinks in horror from killing our own. The principal weapon of nonviolence is dialogue. Genuine dialogue assumes the good faith of partners and avoids invidious language and ad hominem argument. Dialogue may be suspended at an impasse, but resumption is always a goal. The nonviolent armory includes protest, public dissent, noncooperation, and active resistance, but always with the purpose of re-establishing dialogue. Civil disobedience is the last weapon to be used, not the first, and should be undertaken after careful discernment under spiritual direction. Christian nonviolence is a way of life, not a tactic. (The Future of Christian Non-violence Should Every Church Be a Peace Church? By Tom Cornell)**

Another author committed to non violence, Daniel Hunt offers seven behaviors to incorporate so that we can build a culture of resistance to the violence of our culture:

**We start by defying the times inside of ourselves. We stop behaviors that feed the hype, like using greater and greater levels of urgency as the means to provoke people into action. And we encourage responsible behaviors that fuel long-term movement resistance.**

**1. I will make a conscious decision about when and where I'll get news — and what I'll do afterwards.** Our goal is to understand what is happening in our world fully enough to be able to engage with it. Much of the information we need comes not from the news, but from the world around us, i.e., observable natural and human capacities, so it is critical to pay attention to those as well.

**2. I will get together with some people face-to-face to support each other and make sure we stay in motion.** Recognizing when you are frozen is important because the longer you stay stuck the harder it is to move, take care of yourself, and be an agent of change. Of course, the goal isn't just a fight or flight survival response, but linking that to our higher brain functions and bigger strategic actions. The support of others helps us do that.

**3. I will pray, meditate or reflect on those I know who are being impacted by oppressive policies, and extend that love to all who may be suffering.** Learn to cultivate love. One starting point may be holding compassionate space for your own pain or the pain of those close to you who are being impacted by the policies and politics of the time. In that reflective space you can give yourself space to be, feel loss, grief, anger, frustration, helplessness and conviction. Then hold your love and extend it beyond, to others you may not know who are also suffering. And lastly, take time to notice that this is not all of your reality: You also need joy in your life. Whether surrounded by beautiful music, love from family or friends, or beauty around you, take delight in creation. Joy in the face of hard times is not a luxury, it is a necessity. We have to learn to hold the emotions of these times, and continually grow our hearts to be in touch with the suffering of others, both within and beyond our own circle. Without extending our love to others, we are in no spiritual position to defend and struggle with them. (continued next page)





*Rev. Arn Schaper*

### **...TOWARD A LIFE PURPOSE**

Helen Keller is reported to have said that “true happiness is.....attained through fidelity to a worthy purpose...”

Someone has also said that there is a difference between having a purpose in life and having a job (or profession) in life. Each of us has been given a capacity or potential for a talent or skill or gift to be shared with the rest of the world. This is not meant to be our job, but a purpose to be lived.

Finding where we fit, what we are called to do, what it is our heart seeks is both the task and the measure of a happy life. Life with a purpose greater than ours and because of others makes the world a better place.

If one wants to know how to find a real purpose in life, ask what needs to be done, and begin doing it. What is it you hope for in this century: A sustainable planet? A world where every child has enough food and a decent shelter? A world where women are treated as equals? The preservations of oceans? A world without war? The end of pollution?

To find a purpose in life that engages us in mind and heart and body, we must begin. Or as the Apostle Paul once wrote: “Press on toward the goal of the higher calling in Christ Jesus...” (Philippians 3:14)

Blessings for the journey....

Rev. Arn

### **Continued from Pastor Cope's Article**

**4. I will read, listen to, or share a story about how others have resisted injustice.** Millions have faced repression and injustices and we all can learn from them. Stories may be from ancestors, contemporaries in this country, or lessons from those around the globe who have faced more severe and repressive governments. The goal is to become a student of history so that you can take inspiration and deepen your understanding of how to struggle and thrive.

**5. I will be aware of myself as one who creates.** The goal of injustice is to breed passivity — to make us believe that things happen to us, events happen to us, policies happen to us. To counteract this, we need to stay in touch with our sense of personal power. One goal is to see ourselves as people who create, whether it's cooking a meal, organizing a dazzling dramatic action, knitting a hat, making a sign, or playing the piano. We are more than consumers, and our humanity must be affirmed.

**6. I will take a conscious break from social media.** Instead, fill the time with intentional and direct human interaction. You could take a full day a week away from social media as a healthy minimum, but you decide what is right for you. The research is clear: staying on social media leads to more anxiety, more disconnection, and more mental distress. The exposure to graphic images and reactionary language too often keeps us in our reptilian (fight or flight) brain. That's not to deny the power of social media, but for our own well-being; we must find healthy boundaries.

**7. I will commit to sharing with others what's helping me.** This is not a complete list, but rather a baseline for maintaining emotional well-being in hard times. These are keystone behaviors that can help generate new patterns and consciousness. If we do these behaviors, they will start crafting space inside ourselves to get out of reactive mode, fostering habits that keep us centered and build connection. From a strong foundation we can be more creative, dream big and craft strategies that defy the times.



# 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 1215 Geringer Road Algonquin, IL 60102
Vi Colbert 101 Eastgate Ct. Apt. 104 Algonquin, IL 60102	Frances Newberg Church Creek 1250 West Central Road Apt 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	Claire Kent 865 Eineke Blvd Algonquin, IL 60102
Joyce Horn Alden Terrace 803 Royal Dr. McHenry, IL 60050	Helen Stauffer Brookdale Senior Living Solutions, Inc. 1515 Barrington Rd. Apt. 220 Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
Erna Houdek Valley Hi 2406 Hartland Rd. Woodstock, IL 60098	Claudette Treadwell 731 Longwood Dr. Algonquin, IL 60102
Betty Imhoff 731 Oceola Drive Algonquin, IL 60102	Glen True Polo Rehab & Health Care 703 E. Buffalo St Polo, IL 61064
Donna Krueger Sunrise Senior Living 790 N. Plum Grove Rd. Schaumburg, IL 60173	Barb Whitaker Sunrise Assisted Living 751 Terra Cotta Avenue Crystal Lake, IL 60014
Mary Westerbeck 1601 W. Queen Creek Rd #143 Chandler, AZ 85248	Ethel Yamashita Sunrise Senior Living 790 N. Plum Grove Rd. Schaumburg, IL 60173

The following individuals were hospitalized or in a rehab center in February:

Bill Soto  
Robert Woertndyke



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# PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ben Sprouse   John (Jay) Hogrewe   Dominik Kneip

Owen Ritsema   Cody Colbert   Eric Hertel

Dale Navigato

*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.**

- ◆ 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.**

CHURCH OFFICE

## 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: **Vi Colbert & Louise Dahm**. 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 lives. The following are our current group studies. Feel free to join us at any of the groups at any time!



## Faith, Fun & Friendship

Womens Fellowship

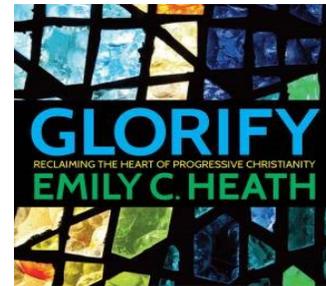
Wednesdays at 10 am  
Conference Room

Following the **Faith Lessons** series of **Ray Vander Laan**, we are currently studying "In the Dust of the Rabbi – Becoming a Disciple" – a video series that looks at the complete Bible at the actual places where Jesus walked.

## Christian LIFE Hour

Conference Room  
Sundays 9:00 AM

**GLORIFY | RECLAIMING THE HEART OF PROGRESSIVE CHRISTIANITY**



**Glorify: Reclaiming the Heart of Progressive Christianity** – sometimes practical, sometimes spiritual, and always glorifying the Gospel of Jesus Christ, which Heath asserts is the true way to change the world.



Tuesdays with the Pastor  
Conference Room  
4:30 - 6:00 PM

## Shalom: A Study of the Biblical Concept of Peace

*Shalom* shines biblical light on the issues and unsettled mood of our times. Today, more than ever, we cry out for *shalom*. See what the Bible says. Old Testament scholar Donald E. Gowan unravels the multiple biblical threads of this eternal quest in this masterful exploration of the Hebrew concept "*shalom*" and the Greek "*eirene*." Peacemaking is a central concern of the church and the world today.



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

Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 6:30 PM  
Port Edward Restaurant



## 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 in  
Fellowship Hall**

## Heavenly Attic Resale Shop



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

**Hours: Tuesday thru Friday  
10am to 4pm**

**Saturday 10am to 2 pm**

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.

## 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.

## 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 for members of congress so that you may bend their ears on a regular basis about those issues that concern you!



## MOVIES WITH MEANING

**Saturday, March 11 at 1:00 pm**



When mysterious spacecrafts touch down across the globe, an elite team - lead by expert linguist Louise Banks - is brought together to investigate. As humanity teeters on the verge of global war, Banks and the team race against time for answers - and to find them, she will take a chance that could threaten her life, and quite possibly humanity.

Green is the color of the  
month of March  
at  
Heavenly Attic Resale Shop  
307 S. Main Street Algonquin, IL  
847-854-4552  
Tuesday - Friday 10 am to 4pm  
Saturday 10 am to 2pm

Catch the  
"Luck of a Leprechaun"



when you come in to find your  
new Spring outfit  
or maybe your  
"Pot Of Gold"



**Women's Bunco  
Friday, March 10th  
Fellowship Hall  
7:00pm**



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



Macaroni & Cheese

Infant  
Car Seats

**TUESDAYS WITH THE PASTOR** study group is challenging itself 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 Shelter. **Items for the Food Pantry may be left in the basket near the elevator. Please leave items for Home of the Sparrow in the basket in the coat room.**



# Volunteers Needed

## Heavenly Attic Resale Shop

*We can use your help once...*

**or on a regular basis.**

**Call the church office...**

**847-658-5308**

**or contact Peg Schwab**



**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*



## Fair Trade Sunday, March 12th



We would like to thank everyone for a big month of sales in February. Our coffees and chocolates were big sellers. We hope you are enjoying them.

Next month, in April, we will have the Fair Trade sale a week early, April 2nd. Since March is a long month, we hope this works okay for everyone to restock their favorites..



## 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



## Tutoring Update

New tutor training has been scheduled for 2017. You may choose from three different classes:

### March

Saturdays, March 11\* & 18  
Gail Borden Public Library  
270 N. Grove Avenue, Elgin, IL 60120  
9:30 a.m.-4:30p.m.

### April

Mondays, April 3\*, 10, 17, 24  
Fox River Valley Public Library  
555 Barrington Ave, East Dundee, IL 60118  
5:30-8:30 p.m.

### May

Mondays and Wednesdays,  
May 8\*, 10, 15, & 17  
Gail Borden Public Library  
270 N. Grove Avenue, Elgin, IL 60120  
6-9 p.m.

\*The first hour of this session is an orientation.

Registration is recommended, but walk-ins are welcome. To register, complete the online form <http://elginliteracy.org/how-to-help/become-a-tutor>, call 847-742-6565, or email [info@elginliteracy.org](mailto:info@elginliteracy.org) with your full name, address, phone number, and course date you plan to attend. You will receive a confirmation email within a couple of days.

There is a \$25 fee to cover the textbook, LITSTART: Strategies for Adult Literacy and ESL Tutors, materials and a background check. Cash or a check made payable to The Literacy Connection is collected at the first course meeting.





## PRAYER WARRIORS WANTED!

Would you like to be part of a newly forming prayer team? Its purpose is to expand beyond the church's present Prayer Chain list to handle more immediate concerns and issues of the day. If you have questions, please contact Barb Weitz and let her know that you are interested. The plans are to put new technology to use to engage this prayer team.

## The Twenty-Five Rules of Considerate Conduct

*From Choosing Civility by P.F. Forni*

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

### Rules 5, 6 and 7

#### Rule 5 – Be Inclusive

A lapse in civility can be anything but trivial when we look at it from the receiving end. It is easy to mindlessly spoil someone's happy moment. One of our strongest yearnings is to be accepted by others. We love being welcomed by others and we delight in the feeling of belonging to a group. Part of our identity is shaped by and within groups. However, we cannot allow ourselves to draw the boundaries of those groups too strongly. We owe it to both ourselves and others to become good at defining and protecting our own spaces – but we should be careful never to engage in self-serving, unfair and mean-spirited strategies of exclusion.

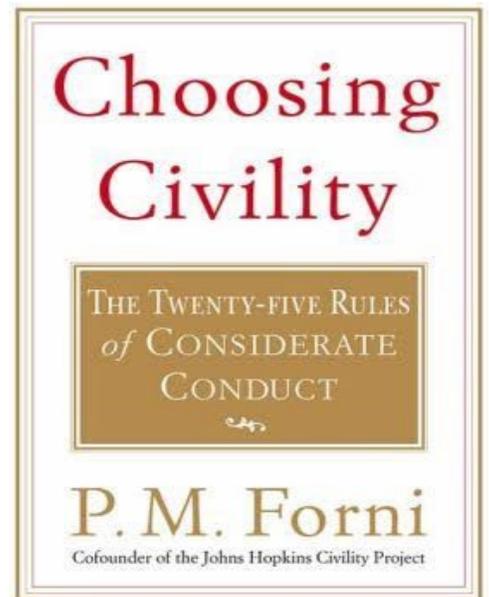
#### Rule 6 – Speak Kindly

*Kindness is the language the deaf can hear and the blind can see. Mark Twain.*

Speaking with consideration and kindness is at the heart of civility. To speak kindly, you need to be aware constantly that you are speaking to living, breathing, vulnerable human beings. Speaking with kindness will improve the lives of people around you. Don't forget to speak kindly with your body language as well as your vocal language. Smile, turn your body towards the person you are speaking to, and maintain eye contact.

#### Rule 7 – Don't speak ill

One definition of gossip is anything that is said about another person who is absent at the time of the speaking. Why do people speak ill of another? Insecurity, attempting to make our self feel good, revenge, raise our standing in the group by putting someone else down, are among the reasons why people engage in gossip. Two things that we have to keep in mind when we choose to gossip is that the people listening to the person gossiping will judge them harshly, and that everyone knows, as the old saying goes, *Anyone who will gossip to you, will gossip about you.* In other words, your listeners will be unlikely to be civil to you when you engage in gossip.



**SAVE THE DATE!!!**

**ILLINOIS CONFERENCE  
ANNUAL CELEBRATION**

**June 9 & 10, 2017**

Elmhurst College  
Frick Center  
190 Prospect St.  
Elmhurst, IL 60126

Panel Discussion  
Friday Afternoon.

Friday worship led by  
Nayiri Karjian

Saturday worship led by  
Jeanne Santucci Murawski



**Registration materials will be sent Spring 2017!**

Each church shall bring one (1) adult delegate and one (1) youth delegate. Churches with 800 or more members shall have one (1) additional adult delegate and one (1) additional youth delegate. Youth delegates need only pay for their meals, the meeting and lodging (i.e. Youth Lock-In) are free.



We have the opportunity for a Dinner Cruise on the Fox sponsored by the

Events Committee. Mark your calendar for September 16<sup>th</sup>. The cruise will leave from St. Charles, and we will be organizing carpools closer to September. The cost for the trip will be \$31.10, including dinner and tip. The boat is

accessible and everyone welcome.



**You are here**



In the midst of suffering, where is God? He is here! **YOU ARE HERE!** Your support through One Great Hour of Sharing enables the United Church of Christ, along with other partnering organizations and individuals, to reach people and communities affected by disaster, displacement and poverty. God created us

to love Him and one another. When God's love abides in us, we are moved to respond with our own material goods to the needs of other members of God's family. Matthew's gospel reveals our responsibility: "Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

Please let us act together as the body of Christ. Bring your OGHS donation envelope by April 9th, Palm Sunday, when we be joined by our guest speaker, Phyllis Richards, from UCC Headquarters in Cleveland. She will share good news of how our funds are used to do God's works.





**Memorials were given in honor of Ron Reed from**

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| Dave & Marilyn Balch | Lynn & Russ Brown       |
| Verna Loacker        | Jane McKenzie           |
| Sandy McLain         | Lloyd Mueller           |
| Myrtle Parkinson     | Javier Placencia        |
| Jim & Kathy Potts    | Tom & Carol Seeman      |
| Dianne Sharma        | Michelle & Tony Tarosas |
| Ken & Pat Thime      |                         |

**Memorials were given in honor of Gerhard Stengel from**

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| Dale & Genevieve Hertel | Brian & Sally Cope |
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**A Tale of Love in Action**



**Carol Haug rescues animals with special needs**

Carol Haug has loved animals for her entire life. She brought injured animals home to “fix” when she was very young. She has had rescue dogs all her life and hung out in the barns at her husband’s family farm. She has been involved in dog & cat feral rescues for 22 years.

“I am used to being assigned animals with medical needs due to my critical care nursing background,” she says. “I’ve tube fed two-day-old kittens, cared for post-op dogs and spent many, many nights bottle feeding baby animals every three hours.”

Carol is involved with all aspects of rescues, participating in events to raise funding as well. “Our needs are great and my top priority is finding temporary rescue homes who will foster so that more wonderful dogs and cats can get ready for their forever homes rather than be euthanized.”

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**“For every animal of the forest is mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills.” Psalm 50:10**



# March



## Birthdays

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|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 01 Robert Woertendyke | 02 Joe Scheske    |
| 05 Pat Maggio         | 05 Judy Stauffer  |
| 10 Jessica Stengel    | 05 Martha Wallace |
| 12 Kim Szrama         | 16 Liz Albandia   |
| 17 Betty Maicke       | 22 Verna Loacker  |
| 27 Don Schmidt        | 30 Anna Benjamin  |
| 30 Jennifer DeLeon    |                   |

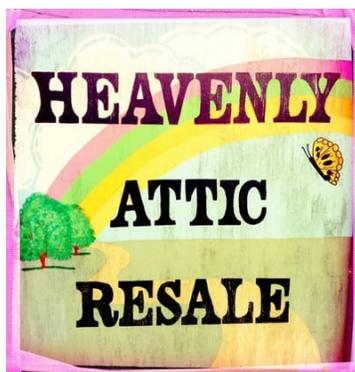
## Anniversaries

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| 3-31 | Richard and Barb Elke |
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### From the Heavenly Attic Board A report on recent giving:

Proceeds from the Heavenly Attic, in February, went to the purchase of one of the new chairs in the conference room and the Emergency Welfare Fund.

Proceeds from the Heavenly Attic, in March, will be going to PADS. Each month money is given to the Church's general fund for utilities at the Attic.



If anyone has suggestions on a local charity that could use a little help, please let one of the Heavenly Attic Managers or Board members know.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

As of January 31, 2017

### Total Operating Fund Income

Month of January	\$18,383.25
YTD	\$18,383.25

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



### Total Operating Expenses

Month of January	\$24,159.55
YTD	\$24,159.55

### Mortgage Balance

\$129,923.27



**Please submit all items for the newsletter to the church office no later than the 15th of the month!**

### A Note from Rev. Cope—

My service to you is one of the most important parts of my ministry. To make an appointment with me, it is best to call or text me (use my cell # 224-535-1778) or email me at [revcope.cca@gmail.com](mailto:revcope.cca@gmail.com). You can stop in the office—if I am not in a meeting, come in. So many people say they do not want to interrupt me. If the door to my office is open, you will not interrupt me. That is a promise!

**Make  
Connecting  
with others a  
Daily  
Priority**

• John Maxwell

RUNWEIGHT.NET



# March

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## *Connecting to Avoid War*

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**Working to avoid war through connecting with  
our fellow human beings**

**“To Promote Nonviolence”**

Vision Statement for 2017

*Ministry of Missions*



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>26</b> 8:00 AM Worship Service 9:00 AM Christian L.I.F.E Hour 9:00 AM Confirmation Class 10:00 AM Shepherd University 10:00 AM Worship Service-Senior Choir-DIXIELAND 11:15 AM Milestones School Age	<b>27</b> 7:00 PM Ministry of Deacons	<b>28</b> 6:00 AM Election 10:00 AM Tutoring 2:30 PM Tutoring 4:30 PM Tuesdays w/ Pastor 5:00 PM Westwind Martial Art Academy 6:45 PM Boy Scout Troop 151	 <b>1</b> 10:00 AM Ash Wednesday Service 5:00 PM Tutoring 6:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM NA 7:30 PM Ash Wednesday Service	<b>2</b> 9:30 AM Tutoring 10:00 AM Yarn Works 12:00 PM Footsteps Adult 2:30 PM Tutoring 3:00 PM Tutoring 7:30 PM AA	<b>3</b> 5:30 PM Preschool Spring Fling 8:00 PM Woodstock Opera House Group	<b>4</b> 1:00 PM Blue & Gold Banquet
<b>5</b> 8:00 AM Worship Service 9:00 AM Christian L.I.F.E Hour 10:00 AM Worship Service-Senior Choir	<b>6</b> 10:00 AM FIA-FAP 7:00 PM Trails Swim Team	<b>7</b> 9:00 AM Senior Center 10:00 AM Tutoring 2:30 PM Tutoring 4:30 PM Tuesdays w/ Pastor 5:00 PM Westwind Martial Art Academy 6:45 PM Boy Scout Troop 151	<b>8</b> 10:00 AM Women's Fellowship 5:00 PM Tutoring 6:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Boy Scout Committee Meeting 7:00 PM NA 7:00 PM Preschool Board 7:30 PM Senior Choir	<b>9</b> 9:30 AM Tutoring 10:00 AM Yarn Works 2:30 PM Tutoring 3:00 PM Tutoring 5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal 7:00 PM Girl Scouts 7:30 PM AA	 <b>10</b> Set up for Men's Fellowship 3:00 PM Meckel and Meister Wedding 7:00 PM Women's Bunco	 <b>11</b> 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast 1:00 PM Movies with Meaning
<b>12</b> Fair Trade Sunday 8:00 AM Worship Service 8:45 AM Ministry of Trustees 9:00 AM Christian L.I.F.E Hour 9:00 AM Confirmation 10:00 AM Shepherd U 10:00 AM Teen FIA 10:00 AM Worship Service-Senior Choir-Baptism 11:15 AM Footsteps-Teen 11:15 AM Ministry of Finance 11:15 AM MoM	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 9:00 AM Senior Center 10:00 AM Tutoring 2:30 PM Tutoring 4:30 PM Tuesdays w/ Pastor 5:00 PM Westwind Martial Art Academy 6:45 PM Boy Scout Troop 151	 <b>15</b> Newsletter Deadline 10:00 AM Women's Fellowship 5:00 PM Church Growth 5:00 PM Tutoring 6:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM NA 7:30 PM Senior Choir	<b>16</b> 9:30 AM Tutoring 10:00 AM Yarn Works 2:30 PM Tutoring 3:00 PM Tutoring 7:30 PM AA	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
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March 5	Schwab/Basler/Dittman
March 12	Erion Family
March 19	Corned Beef & Cabbage
March 26	Ministry of Fianance

*If you cannot make your scheduled date, please contact the church office.*



Date	Ushers		Greeter
March 5	Ron Martens	Lori Martens	Sally Cope
March 12	Ron Martens	Ed Turk	Lore Sprouse
March 19	Ron Martens	Dick Elke	Nidia Kulack
March 26	Ron Martens	Lori Martens	Sharon Stengel



March 5	Madison Thornsberry & Abby Kapusinski
March 12	Nolan Pociewjewski
March 19	A.J. Albandia
March 26	Scott Kapusinski



March 5	Norm Stengel
March 12	Sue Kreibich
March 19	Lore Sprouse
March 26	Betty Paldauf



March 5	Dave Aggen
March 12	Jen Jazwinski
March 19	Sally Cope
March 26	Michelle Tarosas



Date	Nursery Staff	Volunteer
March 5	Pam Elliott	Marian Wilson
March 12	Brittany Mainiero	TBD
March 19	Pam Elliott	Peg Nesser
March 26	Brittany Mainiero	TBD



March 12	Liz Albandia	Alice Woertendyke
March 26	Teacher needed	Catie McMahon



# About CCA and the UCC

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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 worshipping 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.

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