

Celebrating the Journey

July—August
2019

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“Living Our Faith in Jesus Christ Through Acceptance, Service and Love”

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The office is working on an improved Newsletter option during the summer months, which we hope to unveil in August. Keep your eyes peeled for periodic “Newsflashes”.



Rev. Brian Cope

Dear Friends,

This month, I am taking a risk of upsetting people, but I want to give my article over to a column in the journal ***The Guardian*** written in 2015 by Steven W. Thrasher, entitled, **“To put Harriet Tubman on the \$20 bill would be an insult to her legacy”**. Some background first: the US Treasury decided in 2015 to put Harriet Tubman on the \$20. It was set to be distributed in 2020. The current administration put the change on hold indefinitely. People, particularly in churches, are protesting and asking people to put a stamp of Harriet Tubman on their twenty-dollar bills in protest of the hold.



This is Thrasher’s response: “To African Americans, Harriet Tubman was our Moses, guiding the enslaved to freedom by faith and the light of the North Star. Why cheapen her by putting her on the face of the 20-dollar bill – the very symbol of the racialized capitalism she was fleeing?”

“When I first heard about Women on \$20s, the unofficial contest to get a woman’s face on a \$20 bill, I thought it sounded great: dudes have occupied greenbacks for centuries in the US. The female visages of Sacagawea and Susan B Anthony have been relegated to dollar coins no one gives two cents about.

“But now that Harriet Tubman has won the unofficial vote for which woman should replace Andrew Jackson, I am less thrilled. I don’t want to see an abolitionist icon as the face of American money. I am quite content with my mental image of her conducting the Underground Railroad, that secret antebellum network of other former slaves and abolitionists who risked their lives to smuggle slaves out of the United States and into Canada.

“I don’t want to see Tubman commodified with a price, as she once was as a slave. I don’t need to see hers as the face of the US treasury, being passed in transactions to underpaid retail workers and appearing in print ads for transnational banks.”

Thrasher goes on to say

“The roots of capitalist American slavery are not just found in long shuttered tobacco and cotton plantations, but in the entire business structure of the modern US economy. As historian Greg Grandin recently wrote: ‘Banks capitalized the slave trade and insurance companies underwrote it.’

“NPR pointed out that putting Tubman on the \$20 bill would be poetic because of ‘a special historical resonance: that’s the same amount she eventually received from the US government as her monthly pension for her service as a nurse, scout, cook and spy during the Civil War, as well as for her status as the widow of a veteran.’

“But Tubman wasn’t a sentimentalist, or an incrementalist. She was an abolitionist. Until they’re willing to talk reparations, leave the white guys on the money as a reminder that they created a national economy where men still get paid more than women and Tubman’s black and brown descendant daughters are hit the worst. ‘I freed a thousand slaves’, Tubman is believed to have said. ‘I could have freed a thousand more if only they knew they were slaves.’

“Putting Tubman’s face on the \$20 would only obfuscate how much exploitation there is still left to fight in America, among those in prison, nail salons – and those exchanging twenties daily who don’t even know it. We should not let her be used to distract black and brown people from our present economic bondage every time we pay for something”.

I pray that this article will make you think. This issue is about more – much more – than what is on our dollar bills. We have too great a tendency to mythologize historical figures, and then we end up fighting over our mythologies and forgetting about what people like Harriet Tubman actually did for us. It is the core issue in Christianity: we cannot get along as Christians because we can’t get over our myths of Christ to see the real Jesus.

Rev. Cope



Rev. Arn Schaper

LISTEN...LISTEN!

Listening is one the fine arts often not so designated. It can unlock many a door into life. “Listen, we say, and what good can it do just to learn to listen?”

Listening is being silent in a very active way. It is being alone. It is symbolically standing in the shoes of another person. It is opening one’s appreciation and gratitude. It does not need to control or censor.

A good listener is one who is usually secure within; one who knows where he/she stands or believes; one who doesn’t take on the feelings of another, as in not being easily upset or shocked. Active listening expands faith and confidence. The person who listens creatively is not passive, but rather, one who is confident to clarify and amplify what the speaker or circumstance is saying.

On another level, active listening is a kind of prayer, for as one listens he/she is able to go beyond ego and hear the greater Spirit which dwells in the heart of everyone.

To whom, then, do we listen? Actually, everyone and everything...all significant others in our lives, our friends and perceived foes, our employer or employees, the stranger, and on and on...How else can one know life and allow its best energy to flow through us?

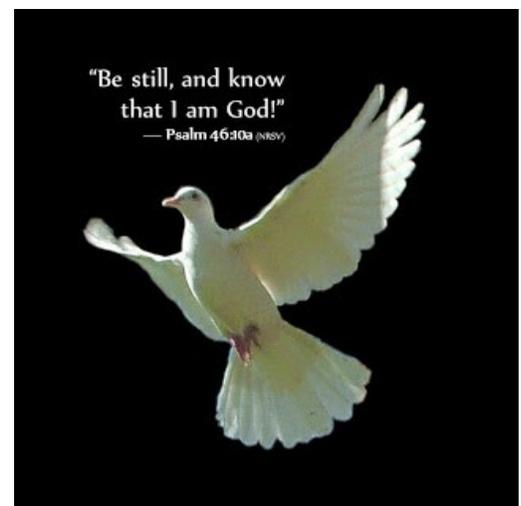
Listening is a way of life, a habit—opening up not only all relationships but receptivity to the world of Spirit as well. Perhaps such is the insight beneath the appeal of the prophet and the psalmist when they stated:

“The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before Him. (Hab 2:20)

“...be still, and know that I am God.” (Ps. 46:10)

As summer winds down and fall emerges, new invitations are always present to listen.

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:

<i>Betty Blair Clare Oaks Rehab Center 825 Carillon Dr. Bartlett, IL 60103</i>	<i>Claire Kent 865 Eineke Blvd. Algonquin, IL 60102</i>
<i>Ed Brandwein Eastgate Manor 101 Eastgate Ct. #242 Algonquin, IL 60102</i>	<i>Ollie Lindgren 1735 Heather Dr. Algonquin, IL 60102</i>
<i>Dorothy Bogaard 303 Friar Ct. #A Sun City Center, FL 33573</i>	<i>Thea O'Connor c/o Liberty Estates 2080 W. Navajo Dr. #341 Freeport, IL 61032</i>
<i>Louise Dahm 1005 South Rd. Fox River Grove, IL 60021</i>	<i>Richard Noxon 1610 Farmhill Drive Algonquin, IL 60102</i>
<i>Dede & Gary Gray 2001 W. Algonquin Rd #3416 Algonquin, IL 60102</i>	<i>Helen Stauffer Valley Hi Nursing Home Rm 105 2406 Hartland Rd. Woodstock, IL 60098</i>
<i>Joyce Horn Alden Terrace of McHenry 803 Royal Dr., Room 203 McHenry, IL 60050-4209</i>	<i>Mary Westerbeck Gardens of Ocotillo Sr. Living 1601 W Queen Creek Rd. Unit 146 Chandler, AZ 85248</i>
<i>Erna Houdek Valley Hi 2406 Hartland Rd. Woodstock, IL 60098</i>	<i>Ethel Yamashita Sunrise Senior Living 790 N. Plum Grove Rd. Schaumburg, IL 60173</i>
<i>Betty Imhoff Bickford Senior Living 717 McHenry Avenue Crystal Lake, IL 60014</i>	

Remember also our members and friends who were hospitalized and/or entered into or continue in rehab during the month of June: Tony Tarosas and Pat Hemmingsen.

Additionally, remember those who have lost loved ones recently:

Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. Prayer requests can be made at prayerwarriors109@gmail.com



Cody Colbert	Jake Korbecki
Richard Dowdle	Dominik Kneip
Eric Hertel	Cole Guenther
John (Jay) Hogrewe	Joey Mann
	Ben Sprouse

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.

Would you like a visit from Rev. Cope?

Call the church office at

847-658-5308 or email him 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 with? 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 visit or help you with transportation, food or errands.

LOVE OF NEIGHBOR



Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. - 1 John 4:11

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:

Joyce Horn & Erna Houdek

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.

*So, we who are many, are one body in Christ,
and individually we are members of one another.
Romans 12:5*

WELCOME

Join us in welcoming our Confirmation Class into Membership



Macy Barham is a legacy member, as her mom (Stephanie Hadler Barham) was raised and confirmed at CCA. Macy has participated in the life of our church as an acolyte, and through the Chocolate Fest, Teen Faith in Action group, and Feed My Starving Children. She enjoys sports, acting and singing. She lists “animal shelters and homeless” as the causes closest to her heart.

Abby Kapusinski is preceded by her two brothers (Scott Kapusinski & Joey Mann) in joining our church through confirmation. We mention her brothers because she lists one of her special talents as “driving her brothers nuts.” Abby has participated in the life of our church as an acolyte, and through the Chocolate Fest, Teen Faith in Action group, and Feed My Starving Children.



Madison Thornsberry has participated in the life of our church as an acolyte, and through the Chocolate Fest, Teen Faith in Action group, and Feed My Starving Children. She loves music. You can often hear her practicing the piano after service on Sunday mornings. She enjoys all kinds of arts and lists “animal shelters and helping people in need” as the causes she cares about most.



CONFIRMATION CLASSES

We will hold a Confirmation Class Pre-Meeting on

Sunday, August 25, at 11:15 in the Chapel.

If you are interested in registering your child for this class,
contact the Church Office so that we know we can expect you!

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 any of the groups at any time.

July and August Themes and Dates

GROUP STUDIES AND FELLOWSHIP AT CCA

Weekly

Christian L.I.F.E. Hour— off for the summer
Tuesdays with the Pastor—Tuesdays, 4:30—6:00 pm

Christian LIFE Hour and Shepherd U.
are off for the summer months.
Please join us instead for the
Summer Intergenerational Study, page 7.

Bi-Monthly

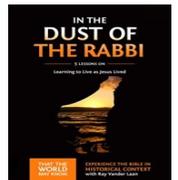
Monday Bible Study—1st and 3rd Mondays, 10:00 am July 1 & 15, and August 5 & 19
Women's Fellowship—2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 10:00 am July 10 & 24, and August 14 & 28
Teen Faith in Action— off for the summer
Social Justice Advocates—alternate Mondays, 10:00 am July 1 & 22 and August 5 & 19

Monthly

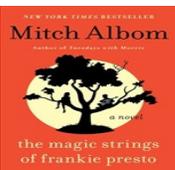
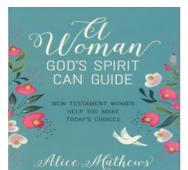
Women's Bunco—off for the summer
Men's Breakfast Fellowship—2nd Saturday, 8:00 am July 13 and August 10
Movies with Meaning—2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm July 13 and August 10
Bibles and Brew—2nd Thursday, 6:30 pm, Port Edward Not meeting in July August 8
Social Justice Advocates Roundtable Discussion July 21 and August 11



Monday Morning Bible Study — *Dust of the Rabbi*, During his ministry in Israel, Jesus called and trained disciples. His "talmidim". Their job would eventually be to bring the message of redemption to all the nations, Jew and Gentile. What would happen when they began to make disciples of their own and the gospel began to spread to a Greek and Roman world, two cultures completely unfamiliar with the God of the Jews? Follow the rabbi through Israel and Turkey as you explore what it meant to be the message of Jesus to all nations.

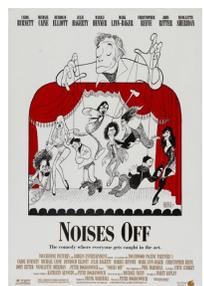


Women's Fellowship Bible Study — *A Woman God's Spirit Can Guide* by Alice Mathews—In this study, we will examine the lives of Dorcas, Lydia, Phoebe, and other women in the New Testament. In their stories, you'll see how the Holy Spirit led each one in various ways based on her abilities and gifts. You will reflect on what God has called you to do as you dig deep into the lives of these women who committed their gifts and talents to the Lord. Discover how God's Spirit can work in your own life to help you make wise choices and accomplish His will.



Bibles and Brew — (No July Meeting) We have chosen *The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto* by Mitch Albom for our August study. See Pastor for copies (\$6 each).
Mitch Albom creates his most unforgettable character, Frankie Presto, the greatest guitarist ever to walk the earth—in this magical novel about the power of talent to change our lives.

Movies with Meaning! - Saturday, July 13, 2019 1pm—**NOISES OFF** (1992) with Michael Caine, Carol Burnett, John Ritter and Christopher Reeve. A frantic, hilarious comedy about a play trying to make its way from Iowa to Broadway. Light fare for a summer's afternoon.



Get ready for SUMMER READING



Summer Fun

So many things to do in the summer, but what's more fun than just kicking back and reading a book!

June 9—August 31

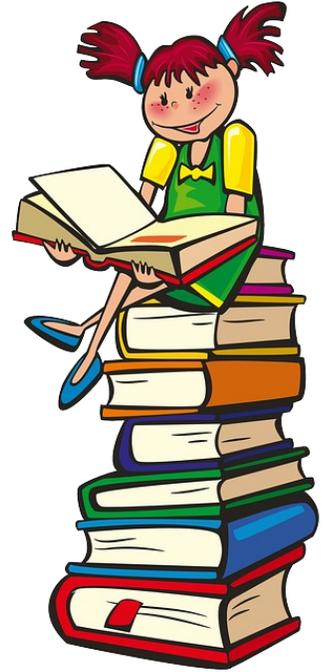
Read your book.

Log in your reading on Sunday morning.

Double points for faith-based books!

Triple points to adults who read *Evicted*.

Due to the theme of our All Church Read, *Evicted*, it is recommended that only adults should read this book.



Two feet of Christian Discipleship



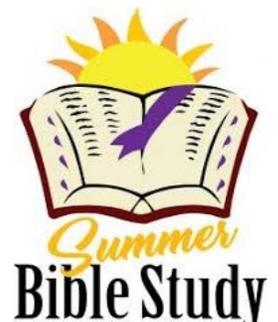
A Summer Intergenerational Study

The Christian Responsibility to the Poor

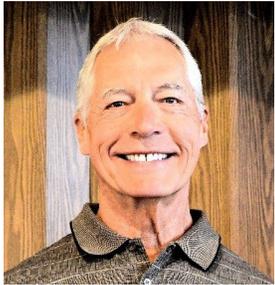
Sundays, June 30 – August 25

9:00 am

For all ages!!!



To the Congregation: Sandy Ferguson and Dick Elke will be members-at-large to the Church Council, beginning in July, serving in this position for one year.



Dick Elke

They are responsible for connecting directly with the congregation, listening to your concerns, suggestions, or other items of consideration, and bringing them to the Council. Sandy and Dick welcome you to talk to either of them, at any time. Your identity will be kept in confidence. If you do not want to talk to them directly, there will be a box on the table in the Narthex for your written comments.



Sandy Ferguson

Men's Breakfast Fellowship Sign up in Fellowship Hall



Saturday
July 13, 2019
August 10, 2019
8:00 am

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 lovely people to teach you, if you want to learn.

Our work helps support our Prayer Shawl Ministry, Snug Hugs for Kids, and your own personal projects. What would YOU like to get started on?

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



New Members Orientation

Learn who we are,
what we believe,
and how YOU can become a member
of this Church Family.

Classes:
Sunday, August 18 (9am) and
Wednesday, August 21 (7pm)

Contact the Church Office for more details.

IN THE EVENT OF A WEATHER EMERGENCY



1. Go to the Lower Level (take the stairs or the elevator)
2. Shelter in the Hallways or Choir Room.

Stay away from the windows.

Emergency Preparedness
Is ongoing.
Everyone should be doing it!



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.

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, or visit the websites for either of these agencies: elginliteracy.org & mchenry.edu/volunteer

The Literacy Connection Tutor Training

Course Schedule and Registration Volunteer Tutor Training is offered several times per year at a variety of locations. **You must start with Part A**, and it must be completed in person. Additional information about on-line training options are provided at that session.

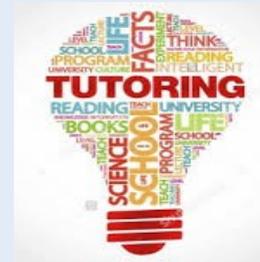
Registration is recommended, but walk-ins are welcome. To register: (1) by phone at **847-742-6565**, (2) online at <http://elginliteracy.org/how-to-help/become-a-tutor>, or (3) email info@elginliteracy.org with your full name, address, phone number, and the course date you plan to attend. You will receive a confirmation email within a couple of days.

Course Materials and Cost There is a **\$35 fee** to cover materials and a background check, and can be paid by cash or a check made payable to **The Literacy Connection**. Payment is collected at the first course meeting.
info@elginliteracy.org or www.elginliteracy.org

The Literacy Connection			
July-August 2019 Tutor Training Schedule			
For more information about the training schedule, contact: Literacy Connection at the Gail Borden Public Library, 270 N. Grove Avenue, Elgin—847-742-6565.			
Part	Date	Time	Location
A	Wed, 7/10	9:30 am—12:30 pm	Gail Borden
B	Sat, 7/20	9:30 am—12:30 pm	Gail Borden
C	Wed., 7/24	9:30 am—12:30 pm	Gail Borden
D	Sat., 8/3	9:30 am—12:30 pm	Gail Borden
A	Sat., 8/10	9:30 am—12:30 pm	Gail Borden
B	Thur., 8/15	6:00 pm—9:00 pm	Gail Borden
C	Sat., 8/24	9:30 am—12:30 pm	Gail Borden
D	Thu., 8/29	6:00 pm—9:00 pm	Gail Gordon



Tutoring Update



Today while my learner and I looked at the calendar and planned our class time for the next month, Independence Day, or the Fourth of July, came up. We chatted about the history of this day and compared it to Mexican Independence Day in September. Then he shared with me the plans he was making for the Fourth - a trip to Chicago. He was going to take a train to Chicago and then use an Uber to go to Millenium Park and Navy Pier. He was excited to tell me that he and his family had already made that exact trip on Memorial Day, but it had rained too much to enjoy the park so they wanted to go back.

The trip to Chicago last month was my learners first, although he has lived only forty miles away in Carpentersville for 15 years! He said he was able to plan the trip and go because he was able to read the train schedule and order an Uber in English, something he could not do before being tutored. He also said he felt more confident using English and was able to ask for directions when needed. It seems like such a small thing being able to use public transportation, but being able to speak and understand English made the world a little bigger for my learner. What a gift knowing that I had made a difference in his life! So this coming Independence Day consider the gift of language and the independence it provides; become a tutor!

JoAnn Schindler



MISSION: POSSIBLE

A Tale of Love in Action



Dan Reebel volunteers at the Heavenly Attic Resale Shop

Dan Reebel and his wife Nancy have been members of our church for two years. During that time, they have become very involved in the church's internal ministries as well as community missions.

Dan volunteers at the Heavenly Attic on Saturdays, working at the cash register and helping customers. He enjoys meeting and getting to know people who shop there. He says, "It's a fun place to volunteer!"

Dan feels that the Heavenly Attic is a significant mission and outreach to the community: "In addition to proceeds going to local mission organizations, customers in need can find many items at greatly reduced prices. The Attic represents our church and its message of love to the community."

Dan is also beginning a year as CCA's Vice Moderator.

*The Heavenly Attic sells gently used items
and is open to the public.*

Volunteers are needed! 847-854-4552

Sandy Ferguson for the 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?

Please put your item into the **mail slot**
marked **Missions Bulletin Board**

Please include your name

Ministry of Missions



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
persons so that you may bend their
ear on a regular basis about those
issues that concern you.

Social Justice Advocates



Heavenly Attic Resale Shop

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. You may place
donated items for the Heavenly Attic in the
marked cart by the elevator on the main floor.

Watch for our sale ads!

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

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

Emergency preparedness
involves everyone!



Go the Extra Mile and Give More!

We have been challenging ourselves to do just that. Towards this goal, we post monthly the needs of a few of the groups with which we are currently working to serve the needs of our community.

VARIOUS DONATION BOXES AND BINS ARE LOCATED THROUGHOUT THE CHURCH!

In the Multi-Bin Area in the Coatroom

- Pop Tabs
 - Inkjet Toner Cartridges **ONLY!** Inkjet are the little ones.
- Our ability to find a source that will accept laserjet cartridges is too restrictive; shipping is too costly. You can drop off at Office Max in Crystal Lake or Cartridge World on Mercy Drive in McHenry.**
- Eye Glasses

Please note we can no longer take batteries as we have nowhere to take them. Most alkaline batteries can be thrown into the regular trash.

Also in the Coatroom

- Styrofoam—picked up weekly by our volunteers
- Plastic Grocery Bags—T-shirt style bags (no newspaper or other plastic bags)
These are used by the Heavenly Attic and ALITH Food Pantry
- Donations for PADS—on the shelves you face as you enter the Coatroom
- Donations for TLS Veterans (see below)



Beside the Elevator you will find 2 carts

- Food Pantry Donations (note ongoing & monthly requests are noted here)
- Donations for the Heavenly Attic Resale Shop



Algonquin / Lake in the Hills Food Pantry

The Food Pantry always welcomes donations of personal care items:

- Shampoo / Conditioner
- Soap
- Toilet Paper
- Disposable Razors / Shaving Cream
- Deodorant (men's and women's)
- Laundry Detergent
- Diapers
- Feminine Hygiene Products

**Immediate Needs for July & August
Canned Meats (Tuna, Chicken, Salmon)
Instant Potatoes**

Items for the Food Pantry may be left in the cart on the main floor, near the elevator.



Christian Materials Wanted

Your donation of used Bibles, Study Guides, Sunday School Materials, etc. is greatly appreciated for "Love Packages", an organization that will distribute them in areas of need. We have sent 10 boxes of materials to support this mission since we began this collection in May, 2018.

USE THE COLLECTION BOX LOCATED IN THE LIBRARY



There is a bin for these items in the Coatroom. Thank you for your help!

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| Canned Meats | Nuts | Peanut Butter |
| Beef Jerky | Canned Fish/Chicken | Crackers w/Cheese or Peanut Butter |
| Sardines | Toilet Paper | Paper Towels |
| Hats | Gas Cards | Protein Bars |
| Gloves | Hygiene Items (shampoo, razors, soap) | |

Roots of Injustice, Seeds of Change

A Native American Workshop,
Presented by Joan Fenton

We hope you will join us for this event, designed by Native Americans and Quakers in Boulder, Colorado.

When we enter the workshop area, we will hear flute music playing from a CD by world-renowned Navajo musician, R. Carlos Nakai. Our meeting space will have become Turtle Island, the name given by some native peoples to what we now call the United States.



We will begin by meeting our four speakers: the European, the Historian, the Native American and the Narrator. Each of these speakers has a story to share, a part of our history to relate. We will be on Turtle Island, as they move us swiftly through 500 years of shared history, leaving us with a greater understanding of what we were and are, and perhaps planting seeds of ideas for improvement and change.

At the end of the speakers' section, we will have time to discuss our reactions, and receive a seed of Mandan corn, the same corn that was grown in Native communities.



We warmly invite you to visit Turtle Island with us, a place you've never been before, and one you will likely never forget.

Invite those who would like to increase their knowledge about our country and its original residents. Advance registration is helpful, but we will try to accommodate those who have not registered.

**Sign Up in Fellowship Hall
Sunday, July 28, 2019
11:15 pm**

Join the next meeting of our GREEN TEAM

SUNDAY July 14 11:15AM

OUR GOAL: *TO CREATE, IN OUR OWN BACKYARD,
A MISSION FOR GOD'S CREATION THROUGH ACTION & STEWARDSHIP.*





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



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



Dear Congregational Church of Algonquin. Thank you so much for giving me this continuing education scholarship. With this money, I will be continuing at ECC, taking some summer classes in the hopes that I can graduate earlier. I am still majoring in accounting and plan to take my CPA exam in 2021. Thank you again!

Maxx Carpenter

Thank You



**Treasurer's Report
May 31, 2019**

<i>If you would like a copy of the entire monthly Treasurer's Report, please contact the church office</i>	Total Operating Fund Income	
	Month of May	\$21,196.86
	YTD	\$110,716.76
	Total Operating Expenses	
	Month of May	\$21,707.73
	YTD	111,535.96
	Mortgage Balance *	\$137,416.96

*The mortgage with Home State Bank was paid off on December 28, 2017. The "NEW" mortgage balance represents the amount taken from the Endowment Investment account (approved by the Congregation) to pay off the mortgage. The balance reflected above is to repay that loan to ourselves. For more information, contact the Church Treasurer.

Donations presented to CCA during May / June

Donated By	In Memory of
Verna Lee Scheffler	Donna Krueger
Greg & Bev Tipps	May Lehnert`
Lawrence Kozlowski	May Lehnert

Quarterly Memorial Committee Report

Event	In Memory of
Easter Bell Choir	Bill Soto
Contemporary Musicians	William Poulsen
Phase III Kick-off	Joanne Martens

Please submit all items for the Newsletter to the Church Office for SEPTEMBER edition no later than Monday, August 12, 2019



Worship Assistants for July

Date	Ushers	Greeters	Announcer	Acolyte	Liturgist
7/7	Ron Martens Nidia Kulack	JoAnn Schindler	Betty Paldauf	TBD	Betty Paldauf
7/14	Ron Martens Lori Martens	Dan Reebel	Pat Hemmingsen	TBD	Barb Weitz
7/21	Ron Martens Barb Weitz	Sandy Ferguson	Heather Wilson	TBD	Joan Ryckman
7/28	Ron Martens Dave Carris	Judy Stauffer	Sally Cope	TBD	Michelle Tarosas

Coffee Hour



- 7/7 Venzon & Ash Families
- 7/14 Hertel & Maicke Families
- 7/21 Scheske & Varhula Families
- 7/28 Sprouse & Stengel Families

We are now using the 2019-2020 Coffee Fellowship Hour Roster. If you need to make any changes, do not hesitate to call the Church Office. Thank you for your service!

If you would like to be added to this roster, call the church office—we'd LOVE to include you.

Styrofoam Recycling	Week Beginning	Volunteer
	7/7	George Roby
	7/14	Lori Martens
	7/21	Art Nesser
	7/28	Sue Kreibich



The Church Offices will be Closed on Thursday, July 4



Shepherd U. is off for the summer months. Be sure to participate in the Summer Reading Program

Childcare is available each Sunday from 9:45-11:15



Date	Nursery Staff	Volunteer
7/7	Cory Kirkpatrick	Needed
7/14	Pam Elliott	Kim Carney
7/21	Cory Kirkpatrick	Peg Nesser
7/28	Pam Elliott	Needed

We follow Safe Church Standards. Without both of these people in place, we cannot offer this Nursery option.

Please share our events on Facebook.

It is a free way to promote the happenings at our fantastic church. If you need help with Social Media, contact the Church Office. We will set you up with a tutor for a customized course to help you get started.



**ALL CHURCH
CALENDAR MEETING
SUNDAY, AUGUST 4,
11:15 AM**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 8:00 AM Worship 9:00 AM Intergen'l Study 10:00 AM Worship 11:15 AM Council Mtg 11:15 AM MoM	1 10:00 AM Bible Study 10:00 AM Social Justice Advocates 4:00 PM Tutoring	2 10:00 AM Tutoring 12:00 PM Tutoring 3:00 PM Tutoring 4:30 PM Tuesdays w/ Pastor 5:00 PM WWMA 6:00 PM Staff	3 5:00 PM Tutoring 7:00 PM N.A.	4 OFFICE CLOSED 7:30 PM AA	5	6
7 First Sunday Food Pantry Offering 8:00 AM Worship 9:00 AM Intergen'l Study 10:00 AM Worship	8 4:00 PM Tutoring 7:00 PM Trails Swim Team	9 10:00 AM Tutoring 12:00 PM Tutoring 3:00 PM Tutoring 4:30 PM Tues w/ Pastor 5:00 PM WWMA 6:00 PM Staff	10 10:00 AM Women's Fellowship 5:00 PM Tutoring 7:00 PM NA 7:00 PM Preschool Board Meeting	11 9:30 AM Tutor 10:00 AM Yarn Works 7:30 PM AA	12 Set up for Men's Fellowship	13 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast 1:00 PM Movies with Meaning!
14 Fair Trade Sunday 8:00 AM Worship 9:00 AM Min Trustees 9:00 AM Intergen'l Study 10:00 AM Worship 11:15 AM Min Fin 11:15 AM Green Team Meeting	15 10:00 AM Bible Study 4:00 PM Tutoring	16 10:00 AM Tutoring 12:00 PM Tutoring 1:30 PM HA_Bd 2:00 PM Newsletter Committee 3:00 PM Tutoring 4:30 PM Tuesdays w/ Pastor 5:00 PM WWMA 6:00 PM Staff	17 1:00 PM Pastoral Relations Commit 4:00 PM Tutoring 5:00 PM Church Growth 7:00 PM NA	18 9:30 AM Tutor 10:00 AM Yarn Works 12:00 PM Website Editorial Meeting 1:30 PM Prayer Team 7:30 PM AA	19	20
21 8:00 AM Worship 9:00 AM Intergen'l Study 10:00 AM Worship 11:15 AM Min CE 11:15 AM Round table Discussion	22 10:00 AM Social Justice Advocates 4:00 PM Tutoring 7:00 PM Ministry of Deacons	23 10:00 AM Tutoring 12:00 PM Tutoring 3:00 PM Tutoring 4:30 PM Tues w/ Pastor 5:00 PM WWMA 6:00 PM Staff.	24 10:00 AM Women's Fellowship 5:00 PM Tutoring 7:00 PM NA	25 9:30 AM Tutor 10:00 AM Yarn Works 7:30 PM AA	26	27
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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 worshiping in its current sanctuary since 1868.

The church is located a block east of Main Street 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's prayer for the unity of the church. The UCC is one of the most diverse Christian denominations 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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