Newaygo Congregational United Church of Christ

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Rev. Jonathan Riedel, Pastor

"An Open and Affirming Church"

"THE CHURCHMOUSE"

August 2022

Who Is NCUCC?

Who is NCUCC? What do they do? How are they involved in the community? What do they believe? These and more, are questions someone researching us as a possible church to attend might ask. Unfortunately, the answers to some of these questions are not available to those doing the research.

In an effort to attract new people to our church, we are looking into ways to better define and promote ourselves.

Instead of formatting our worship services and community activities to attract certain demographics, it would serve us better to define ourselves and welcome to worship with us, ALL who believe as we do, no matter what demographic they come from.

We are looking into ways in which our website can be modified to better define who we are, what we believe, how we help in the community and how our building is used for more than just Sunday worship. Our goal is to have this information in a way that is user friendly to both current church members as well as first time users who may be looking for a new church to attend.

At our upcoming meetings, we look forward to discussing the ideas Pastor Jon gathered from other churches during his sabbatical, and has listed in his July 25 Travelogue. These are ideas on how we could possibly use our building to fulfill needs of the community

If anyone has any comments regarding any of the ideas Pastor Jon has listed or if you have ideas of your own on how we can help in the community and/or better promote ourselves online or by other means, please contact any Administration or Council member.

Administration and Council

What's Happening at NCUCC August 2022

Events, Anniversaries and Birthdays

Worship is in person and on ZOOM at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84864699096 or phone 1-312-626-6799 ID: 848 6469 9096

Pastor Jon's Tuesday noon class is in person. Will also be on ZOOM by request or due to bad weather. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84229731057 or phone 1-312-626-6799 ID: 842 2973 1057

Wednesday Night Prayer Time 7:00 pm. Call 978-990-5000 then 283560#

Mo. 1: Mo. 15: Tu. 2: Sherry L. b'day Tu. 16: Paul P. b"day We. 3: Prayer Time 7:00 pm (phone-in) Karen V. b'day Th. 4: Circles 6-8 pm We. 17: Prayer Time 7:00 pm (phone-in) Dawn A. b'day Th. 18: Circles 6-8 pm Fr. 5: Kimberly T. b'day Sa. 6: Greg & Nancy M. anniv. Fr. 19: Su. 7: Worship w/Communion 10 am Sa. 20: Paul & Anna P. anniv. **Guest pastor: Rev. Forrest Hoppe** Su. 21: Worship 10 am Mo. 8: W&PC 10 am (phone-in) Guest pastor: Rev. Bruce Roller Nathan & Theresa V. anniv. Mo. 22: Tu. 9: Sue J. b'day Tu. 23: Ben R. b'day We. 24: Prayer Time 7:00 pm (phone-in) We. 10: Prayer Time 7:00 pm (phone-in) Th. 25: Circles 6-8 pm Fr. 26: Theresa V. b'day Th. 11: Circles 6-8 pm Sa. 27: Allen & Sheila R. anniv. Denise V. b'day Su. 28: Worship 10 am Fr. 12: Guest pastor: Rev. Beverly Zell Mo. 29: September NEWSLETTER DEADLINE Sa. 13: Tu. 30: Su. 14: Worship 10 am **Guest pastor: Rev. Maurice Fetty** We. 31: Prayer Time 7:00 pm (phone-in)

Members and friends in need of Prayers: Family of Audrey E., Allen R., Dorothy R., Ed R., Marilyn S., Carolyn S., Fred V., Karen V., Gloria W.

^{***}Deadline for information to be printed in the September newsletter is Monday, August 29***

Evening Prayer

On Wednesdays at 7:00 pm we will join over the phone for a time of meditation and prayers for ourselves and others. To join us, dial 1- 978-990-5000 then 283560#.

The prayer service will continue as scheduled during Pastor Jon's sabbatical.

Noon Forum

There will be no Tuesday noon classes in August while Pastor Jon is on his sabbatical. Classes will resume Tuesday, September 6.

Ways to Worship with Us

Here is a reminder of the different ways that our worship services are available to you.

- Everyone is welcome to attend our services in-person every Sunday at 10 am.
- You can also access a live audio/visual broadcast using ZOOM on your computer or smart phone by using the following link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84864699096
 Those without internet access can call the following phone number and Meeting ID: 1-312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 848 6469 9096.
- If you would like to access the services on your own schedule, they are added to our website www.newaygoucc.org and Facebook page following each service.
- Links to Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve services are provided as needed.

Treasurer's Report Jun 16 – Jul 15, 2022

Income:

June 20 \$1,185.00 June 27 \$ 540.00 July 4 \$2,665.00 July 11 \$ 143.00 Total \$4,533.00

Expenses \$5,604.93

Difference (-\$1,071.93)

Phillips Fund \$ 161,760.06 Down approximately \$25,000.00 since Jan 1, 2022

Family Fund \$68,054.11 Down approximately \$13,000.00 since Jan 1, 2022

Ukraine Relief money \$7,500.00 has been sent to World Central Kitchen

Thanks to everyone for sharing all you can and all you do to keep our church alive.

Dawn Anderson Treasurer