

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rev. Dawn Garrett-Larsen, Pastor
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Kathy Ward, Lay Reader**

July 23, 2023

Worship 9:30 AM

PRELUDE *Elegy* John Rutter

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

A WORD FROM MARY CLARK THOMPSON

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Gracious God, for your love for us, gentle as a shower, healing our pain, binding our wounds, we give you thanks.

People: For your love for us, sure as the dawn, transforming our darkness, revealing your truth, we give you thanks.

Leader: For your love for us, mercifully steadfast, calling us to you, raising us up, we give you thanks.

People: For your love for us, encouraging questions, open to doubts, making us vulnerable, we give you thanks.

Leader: Urge us on, O Christ, to find wholeness through serving you by serving others, in the power of your Spirit.

People: Empower us to support each other in all we do. Amen.

*HYMN # 507 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

*INVOCATION

Touch us, O God, through the ministry of melody, through the sounds and senses of song, through the wordless wonder which fills our souls with heaven, through the spirit which teases our feet to dance and causes our hearts to overflow, that we might be absorbed in the mystery and magic of music, and that in this moment of oneness our lives will be bonded by each other and to you. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI # 734

SPECIAL MUSIC *Festive Bells* John Rutter
Special Music in Honor of Marlin Potter

HEBREW BIBLE LESSON *Psalms 54: 1-4* Pg # 503

*HYMN # 136 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

MORNING PRAYER

EPISTLE *Acts 18: 1-4* Pg # 127

SERMON *Supporting One Another* Rev. Dawn Garrett-Larsen

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY # 34

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We bless you, O God, and remember your steadfast love and mercy. We have heard your challenge to us on behalf of our sisters and brothers who are oppressed. With these resources, we would minister to people who suffer in cruel surroundings. With our personal efforts, we would make way for our glorious reign among us. Bless our offerings of self and substance to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

*HYMN # 529 *For All the Saints*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Tuba Tune in D Major* C. S. Lang

***Please stand if you are able.**

Call to Worship reprinted from The Green Heart of the Snowdrop, Kate McIlhagga; Invocation reprinted from Touch Holiness edit by Ruth Duck and Maren Tirabassi; Prayer of Dedication reprinted from Fresh Winds of the Spirit, Book 2 by Lavon Bayler

*Ushers This Morning: George Herren, Preston Pierce, Bonnie Maguire, Curt & Molly Bailey
Live Stream This Morning: John Maguire
Coffee Hour Host: Special Events/Hospitality Committee*



If you are visiting with us, welcome!

Please fill out a green card and place it in the offering plate.

If you would like to use our hearing assistance system please see an usher.

Happy Birthday

24 Matt McGuire
26 Rick Mullen
27 Marilyn Clary ~ Arlo Leasure
29 Don Raw Sr. ~ Karen Noonan ~
Sarah Alling ~ Bella Wilt

Prayer List

Ancy & Family (Fred Henry's friend); **Carol Birx** (friend of the Casellas Family); **Marjorie Case**; **Cheryl** (Jennifer Maxfield's sister-in-law); **Judy Clark** (friend of the Casellas Family); **Abby Coons** (Carl & JoAnn Reed's friend); **Betsy Cox**; **Nick, Carol & Kent** (Karen's friends); **Cathy Coots**; **Bob DeSantis** (Dorice & Don Raw, Sr.'s friend); **Jerry Diver**; **Max Grossman** (George Herren's friend); **Carin Herren**; **Barb Iglewski**; **John** (Lin's nephew); **Sue Kotalik**; **Ron & Lu Krahl**; **Michelle List**; (friend of Joann Reed); **Dennis Maxfield**; **Paul** (Dennis Maxfield's brother); **Frank McAlpin** (Patrick McAlpin's father); **Okke Postma**; **Chris Pritchard** (Rick & Cindy Mullen and George Herren's friend); **Don Raw, Sr.**; **Pat Smith**; **Dr. Steven Smith & Family** (Jessica & Dan Casellas' friends); **Family of Shirley Stadler** (relative of Debbie and Betty Lyon); **Josh Yeo** (Barb Stahl's friend); **Jason Zeller** (Kathy Ward's son);
Jim Ziegler

Calendar

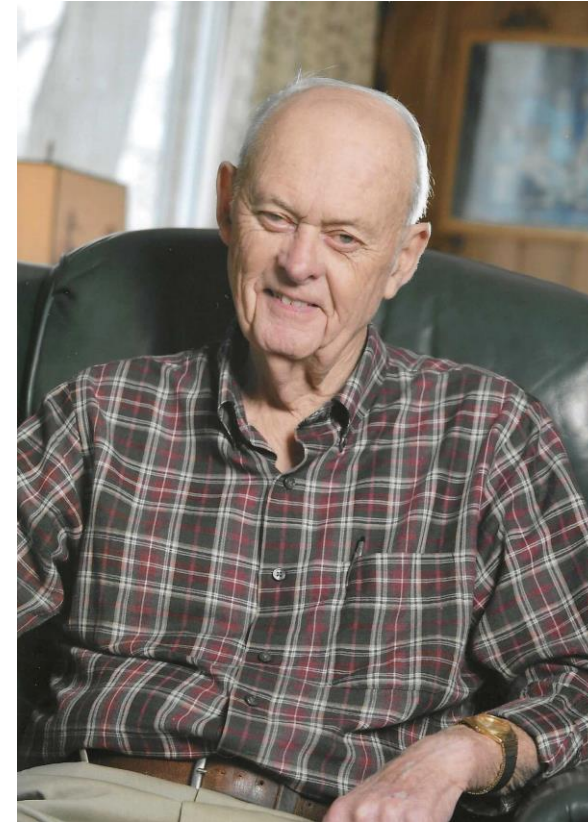
Sun Jul 23	9:30	Worship In-Person & Live Stream featuring special music in honor of Marlin Potter
Mon Jul 24	7:00	Pastor Parish Committee
Tue Jul 25	8:00	Men's Group
	10:00	Rug Hookers/Assembly Room
	7:00	Bed Race at County Fairgrounds
Wed Jul 26	10:00	TOPS/Assembly Room
		<i>Dawn Away July 27 – August 12</i>
Thu Jul 27	10:00	Literacy Volunteers
	12:30	Ladies Luncheon/Ray's Restaurant
Fri Jul 28	3:00	Mary Clark Thompson Commemoration/Woodlawn Chapel
Sun Jul 30		<i>We Welcome Rev. Ryan Henderson</i>
	9:30	Worship In-Person & Live Stream

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We're a Different Kind of Church

- ❖ We value and respect diversity in the ways we express our faith.
- ❖ We enjoy thoughtful dialogue about faith issues.
- ❖ We encourage each other to work for justice and to care for people in need in our community and in our world.