# **Celebrating the Journey**

### August 2014

Congregational Church of Algonquin 109 Washington Street Algonquin, Illinois 60102 847-658-5308 "Living our faith in Jesus Christ through acceptance, service and love"



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## IT IS TIME TO MAP OUT OUR FUTURE!!! WHERE ARE WE HEADED?

We are going to get together for our first conversation to talk about where we are headed as we move forward. This conversation – the first in a series – is sponsored by the Ministry of Christian Education and will focus on

### <u>The Future of Family Ministries in our Church:</u> <u>Children, Youth and Adult Christian Education</u>

We need your input! Stay after church on Sunday August 24 (11:15 am) Bring a dish to share for lunch, and help us in this very important discussion Dear Friends,



I am giving my space this month to an important document that has been released by our National Denomination:

#### The Vision Plan of the National Setting of the UCC

### Core Purpose

Drawn together by the Holy Spirit, we are a distinct and diverse community of Christians that come together as one church, joining faith and action. In covenant with the church in all of its settings, we serve God in the cocreation of a just and sustainable world as made manifest in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

### Core Values

### **Continuing Testament**

Our faith is 2000 years old. Our thinking is not. God is still speaking,

### Extravagant Welcome

No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here.

### **Changing Lives**

Never place a period where God has placed a comma

### Bold, Inspirational Goals (BIGS)

### 1. Bold, Public Voice

The UCC is a bold, widely-known and respected public voice of Christianity in service of God's everunfolding mission.

### 2. Welcoming, Reachable Congregations

There is a welcoming UCC community of faith that is accessible to all — no matter who they are or where they are on life's journey.

### 3. Engaged Discipleship

Every UCC person is well-equipped to be growing in faith, biblically-literate, theologically conversant, and active in the national and global mission of the church.

### 4. Excellent, Diverse Leaders

The UCC has a wealth of prepared, excellent leaders that reflect the diversity of God's beloved community.

### Initiatives (as of May 1, 2014)

### **Reading Changes Lives**

A sustained all-church literacy initiative that acknowledges that literacy is a social justice issue and seeks to educate the wider church about literacy's impact on a wide range of social justice issues. An inaugural "One Read" will be launched in September 2014, followed by "March Forth for Literacy" in March 2015 with measurable goals. Additional events and projects will continue throughout 2015.

### Extravagance UCC

Launched in July 2013, Extravagance UCC is a new church start and online community that is accessible to all who want to experience and deepen their faith in relationship to the United Church of Christ, without regard to geographic location.

#### The Congo Initiative

The Congo Initiative is a programmatic emphasis of Global Ministries, the shared ministry of the United Church of Christ and the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Introduced in July 2013, this 18-month initiative addresses the Congo crisis by working with our churches and Congolese partners in the areas of advocacy, education, people-to-people exchanges and fundraising support.

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#### Justice Leaders Engaging & Developing (LED)

Justice Leaders Engaging & Developing (LED) is a flexible, biblically-grounded, non-issuebased justice curriculum and training program designed to engage and develop justice leaders for the church and community. The newly expanded program includes webinars focused on justice best practices and strategies to support individuals and congregations following their initial training.

### The Stillspeaking Leadership Institute

A unique leadership development network designed to equip, connect, and sustain lay and clergy leaders within the United Church of Christ of all ages and diversities with creative and cutting-edge leadership skills to further the mission and ministry of the church.

#### Intercultural Ministries Rising

An inspiring model of ministry approach toward Intercultural Multi-ethnic (I'M) Ministries that is led by prepared and committed clergy and laypersons. Extravagant welcome is demonstrated through justice engagement, and diverse practices of hospitality and accessibility, vibrant worship, and faith formation.

#### The Stillspeaking Worship Institute

An inspiring model of ministry approach toward worship, hosted by diverse local churches or other settings, with an emphasis on the experience of culturally diverse, accessible and replicable approaches to worship — with lived, shared experiences as the primary teaching tools. The first Institute will be held in fall 2014.

#### Testimony!

Since 2006, more than 250 new UCC congregations have opened their doors, establishing progressive justice-minded faith communities across the United States. That equals more new congregations than at any other time since the 1960s. The Testimony! initiative is working to support even more new UCC congregations that are demonstrating great promise for growth and vitality. The initiative has already raised more than \$325,000 toward its initial \$1 million goal.

#### The "Faith, In" Project

Introduced in July 2012 at National Youth Event, the "Faith, In" Project is a missional "God is still speaking," ministry and marketing initiative that further positions the United Church of Christ in its engagement with God's movement in the neighborhoods, towns and cities where God calls us to serve. More than 150 congregations have already lifted up "faith, in" their local communities, and the project continues to bring focus to innovative and community-engaged ministries across the life of the UCC.

#### Mission 4/1 Earth

Mission 4/1 Earth was introduced, with measurable environmental goals, as an all-church mission initiative during the 50-day Eastertide period in 2013. During this short time period, congregations planted more than 140,000 trees, participated in more 600,000 hours of environmental care, and wrote more than 50,000 advocacy letters about environmental justice. Mission 4/1 Earth's initial event raised significant awareness around the church about climate change and environmental ministries. Congregations continue to participate in designated Mission 4/1 Earth projects and programs.

**Rev** Cope





### WHY MEDITATE?

Sometimes I hear the question: "Why meditate?" Put simply, it is a way to heighten our awareness of the divine within. In more traditional terms, meditation is LISTENING to the divine within (or God) and prayer is talking to God. Meditation is another way of allowing us to clarify our spiritual growth goals before we work at putting them into practice.

Some people think that special skills are required before one can effectively meditate, but not so! When we remember the purpose of meditation, it becomes clear how simple it can be. We meditate to open ourselves to the Divine, and receiving is one of the functions our minds seem to do best. So one needn't be at any particular spiritual level before meditating, nor do we need special knowledge or training. But one does need practice, practice, and practice at SILENCING the mind from the bombardment of external and internal chatter.

The point is that anyone can meditate. It's a personal adventure, something each of us approaches in his or her own way. Meditation ought NOT be viewed as a chore, but rather approached with eagerness and anticipation.

Soon after the practice of meditation becomes almost second nature, we discover that it is quite practical. It is from meditation that we heighten our awareness of the God presence within. And when we connect that awareness into action, we might be amazed at the result.

Keep the words of the prophet Isaiah near you:

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IN QUIETNESS, CONFIDENCE SHALL BE YOUR STRENGTH. (30:15)
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Blessings for the journey!



## A great big CCA welcome to our new Office Administrator for the Church Office, **Danae Walczak!**

Greetings!

My name is Danae Walczak and I am the new office administrator. I come to the Congregational Church of Algonquin with a background in film and broadcast media and many years working in that industry as an artisan and production associate. My work took me

all over the continent and I am grateful to have worked with such a broad spectrum of people who mastered such a variety of skills, trades and talents. Most recently I served as a project administrator for a Lutheran congregation in Lake County until budget constraints forced staffing reductions.

I was born and bred in northern Illinois with stops in the Pacific Northwest for my degree. Currently, I reside in Wauconda and hike and ride the trails in nearby Lakewood Forest Preserve.

In my free time, I sketch, paint just dreadful watercolors, create passable oil pastels and take fairly good photographs. I read a lot, write a bit, see a lot of films, attend performing and visual art events, enjoy almost all music genres and play guitar, badly.

My volunteer experiences include literacy and in-classroom mentoring, historical and civic projects, open land conservation, performing and visual arts access and promotion, food distribution to the needy, outreach and communication at my home church and scouting.

As office administrator, I endeavor to help you realize your dreams and aspirations for the Congregational Church of Algonquin and implore God's grace and guidance to fulfill them. I look forward to meeting all of you and serving your church with faith, hope and charity.

## 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

Louise Dahm 1005 South Rd. Fox River Grove, IL 60021

Marge Hanley 808 Menominee Drive Lake in the Hills, IL 60156

Joyce Horn Alden Terrace 803 Royal Dr. McHenry, IL 60050

Erna Houdek Valley Hi 2406 Hartland Rd. Woodstock, IL 60098

George & Betty Imoff 731 Oceola Drive Algonquin, IL 60102

Donna Krueger Sunrise Senior Living 790 N. Plum Grove Rd. Schaumburg, IL 60173 Janet Larsen Valley Hi 2406 Hartland Rd. Woodstock, IL 60098

Edna McCormick 1215 Geringer Road Algonquin, IL 60102

Frances Newberg (new) c/ Bob Newberg 532 S. Kennicott Ave. Arlington Heights, IL 60005

Ron Reed Florence Nursing Center 546 East Grant Hwy. Marengo, IL 60152

Glen True (new) c/o Claremont Hanover Park 2000 West Lake Street Hanover Park, IL 60133

Barb Whitaker Sunrise Assisted Living 751 Terra Cotta Avenue Crystal Lake, IL 60014

Ethel Yamashita Sunrise Senior Living 790 N. Plum Grove Rd. Schaumburg, IL 60173

### Would you like a visit from Rev. Cope?

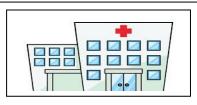
If you are going to have surgery, or would like Rev Cope to visit you at home, please contact him directly by calling the church office or his cell # at 224-535-1778. Whenever possible, he likes to have a word of prayer with you before you have your surgery. If you know ahead of time that you are having surgery, you may put a note in the offering plate.

You do not need to be ill or recovering from surgery to request a visit. Please call the church office or his cell number to request a visit. My Family of the Church,

### thank you Very Much

I would like to thank you for the scholarship for school! I am having a blast at the University of Wisconsin Green Bay! I am learning a lot and getting involves in their Church Program Cru, as well as, the Resident Hall and apartment association! This coming semester, I will be on the executive Board, as the leadership development director.

Thank you all for your faith in me as I grow in Jesus Christ! Jordan Guenther



The following individuals have been recently hospitalized and/or had surgery since our last newsletter:

Bob Blair Margaret Tatartinowicz George Imhoff George True

### HELP US HONOR OUR CHURCH MEMBERS

Not all of our church members can come to church. Through no fault of their own, circumstances force them out of the church building. Over the years, we have labeled them "Shut-Ins" or "Homebound" to identify them, but the labels themselves end up isolating them from our fellowship. What we want to know especially when we can't get to church is that our fellowship is not bound by space. We want to know that as a part of this congregation, we belong together as a family.

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: **Ethel Yamashita** and **Betty Blair**. You will find their addresses listed above. Let them know that they are a part of our family and that they are missed and thought about.

## August Anniversaries

10	Claire and Richard Kent
10	Greg and Bev Tipps
10	Donna & Neil Foss
10	Jean and William Hertel
11	Julie and Tony Bruno
12	Jamie and Michael Nicolas
15	Bob and Anna Benjamin
23	JoLinn and Michael Fack
25	David and Janet Aggen
25	Bruce and Cathy Thorne
29	Christie and Dan Drasler
30	Kathy and Kim Jamison
31	Janet and Robert Kelley

### PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR AN ALL CHURCH CALENDAR PLANNING MEETING AUGUST 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 11:15AM

All Boards, Committees and Groups are asked to attend and/or submit their list of requested dates to help us put together the 2014/2015 Calendar. To submit dates, please send to the Church email <u>algonquinucc@gmail.com</u> or drop them off at the Church Office.

## August Birthdays

2	Dick Roggeveen	17	Janet Aggen
4	Claire Roggeveen	18	Charles Jolitz
5	Gary Tipps	19	Helen Stauffer
5	Greg Tipps	19	Andrew Cope
5	Jeff Jolitz	19	Maxx Carpenter
5	Jay Scheske	20	Dave Carris
9	Ron Reed	20	Steve Wilson
9	Scott Phillips	22	Pat Thime
9	Leanna Smith	23	Loren Twarling
16	LoreAnn Sprouse	25	Warren Dahn
17	Kurt Boyer	29	Sally Cope
17	Kay Boyer	29	David Aggen

**Name Tags** with our beautiful Comma Logo are available for \$7.20. Each name tag is 3" x 1/5 "and has a strong magnet, so it never harms your clothing. Forms to

order your name tag can be found at the back of Fellowship Hall and at the Front Desk.





To the Ladies of CCA:

Hello Everyone,

Thank you for serving such a delicious luncheon in honor of Bob Blair. Bob would have had at least two pieces of pie and a full plate of other goodies. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. We are grateful for so many terrific memories - Bob was a character through and through...a great life to celebrate.

With Warm Regards, Betty Blair and family Bob Jr., Rick & Janet

## WEEKLY/MONTHLY ACTIVITES - PLEASE JOIN US ANYTIME!



## Men's Fellowship Breakfast

8:00 am, August 9<sup>th</sup>

During our Construction period, we will continue to meet at Church. All men of the Church are welcome to join us.

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**Disclaimer:** It is our policy to print the pictures of events and fellowship activities of our members and not to include personal names. If any member/friend of the church does not wish for their image to be used in our media publications, it is their right to request that their image is removed or not used. A file will be maintained in the church office to keep all posters on behalf of CCA informed of those who wish to decline participation in Social Media.



Tuesdays 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm

We invite you to join us every Tuesday from 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm. All are welcome for a stimulating study and discussion.



If you wish to have a date put on the calendar, please use the **New Form** for adding/changing/cancelling an event. The Church Calendar is available on line for all to see at any time. Just go to our website <u>algonquinucc.org</u> and choose the "Calendar" page and that is where you can

see an up to date calendar of events for the Church year.

Using the forms, will indicate to the office your needs for the meeting and allow the Church Office to keep our meetings up to date and make sure you have a room when you need one.



Women's Fellowship Wednesday, 10:00 am Will not be meeting during August



### TUESDAYS NOT MEETING DURING RENOVATION

The Senior Center will not be holding their regular meeting due to our rennovation project. Please check again in September.

## **CCA BULLETIN BOARD**

PLEASE CONTINUE TO REMEMBER TO RECYCLE:

- Aluminum tabs
- Used ink cartridges
- Old eye glasses
- Old cell phones
- Batteries
- Styrofoam containers
- Batteries
- Plastic Grocery Bags

All the items listed above can be brought to the church and put in the recycling bins in the coat closet room.



### Fair Trade

Stop by and shop Sunday, August 10th, for some wonderful Fair Trade products. We have some tasty new strawberry jam,

teas and coffees for iced drinks to keep you cool this summer. There's plenty for our choclaholics, too!

Remember that 15c per pound goes to support Franklinton Center in one of the worst food deserts in the country.

We're on the church website: algonquinucc.org

Equal Exchange's mission is to build long-term trade partnerships that are economically just and environmentally sound, to foster mutually beneficial relationships between farmers and consumers and to demonstrate, through our success, the contribution of worker co-operatives and Fair Trade to a more equitable, democratic and sustainable world.



Dear Choir, Sally and All, Thank you so much for all your thoughtfulness, help, support and friendship. I really enjoyed our years together and

miss my church family....particularly the music. We are attending Christ U.M. Church here. Jim is comfortable there and has been going with me. They are a large congregation but have been amazingly warm and friendly. They have 3 services, one blended (traditional w/some praise songs thrown in) and 2 contemporary. Thanks Michelle—I actually know some of those songs. The choir which numbers about 25-30 sings at the blended service. So far everything they have done has been pretty traditional-miss all that jazz, a lot... The frame and church picture are the only pictures out right now.

Moving has been a joy (LOL) I figure we will be unpacked by Christmas. Please continue to pray for us as we get settled. It has been great going to the kid's games and having them visit so often. Of course that means I have to have ice cream in the freezer all of the time.. If anyone is travelling down 165 in the Lafayette area, please feel free to stop and visit. We are only 2 miles from the 165/Rte 26 interchange. Our contact info is Viv and Jim Plassard, 5013 Saddle Drive, Lafayette, IN 47905, 248-854-3687, plassardiim@amail.com

plassardjim@gmail.com,,,,we would love to hear from you.

Thanks again for all your love, prayers and joyous memories. Blessings and Peace of Christ always, Viv (Plassard)

**Yarn Works** will continue to meet after the renovation work starts. While we are displaced, we will meet at Jo Martenson's home, 120 Riverview Drive, Algonquin, IL

If you want to carpool or need directions, please see Jo or Sally Cope, or call the Church office.



Yarn Works Thursdays 10am-12noon Beginners are always welcome

## CCA BULLETIN BOARD-page two



We are looking for someone to learn how to manage the Crop Walk for our Church.

There are 4-6 other

churches who have walkers, and for this year you would have someone working with you and "showing you the ropes", if you want. We have hosted the last 4 years, but not this year! The walk will be in Dundee on Oct. 19. The tasks involved are: tracking who is getting forms for their sponsors; collecting money at the walk from our people, and a little that comes in after; posting information to promote the walk and asking for other volunteers if needed; and reporting the results to the congregation. The groups who receive the local portion of the money are excited and are helping promote the walk, so it may better than ever! For information ask the Church Office, email

<u>nancykneip@yahoo.com</u>, or call my cell phone 847-337-2860. (The number in the directory is not longer in use)



### **OCWM: Help is Blowing in the Wind!**

Save your Electric bill, bring it in on Sunday, Aug 31, and we will help you convert your source of electricity to 100% wind energy through Ethical Electric. No more coal or nuclear to power your toaster or tooth brush! What does that have to do with OCWM? Well, Ethical Electric will reward us for each referral with \$50, which we will contribute to OCWM. It's good for our environment and the church. And it feels really good, too! See Dennis Kneip with questions.



I would like to express my gratitude to the congregation for your many years of support as well as the Endowment Committee for my scholarship. I will be attending Loyola University in Chicago this fall. I hope to carry the church's mission with me wherever I go. The members of this church have had such an impact on my life, I will always remember you and the life lessons you've taught me. In Christ,

Andrew Brown



A word of Thanks...

Our sincere gratitude for the sympathy and support extended to our family during the recent hospitalization and unexpected passing ouf our wife, mother, grandmother and greatgrandmother, Anita Sue Jolitz.

Please know that she was especially proud of, and felt truly blessed, to be a part of such a wonderful church and the group of people that together made up her "Church Family", both of which always held a special place in her heart.

Also, we are exceedingly grateful to everyone that helped with both the services and the wonderful luncheon held at the Church.

God Bless you all.

The Norman Jolitz Family

### **New Member Orientation**

Sunday, September 21, 9am or Tuesday, September 23, 7pm

Come learn more about the UCC, how to join and meet some really nice people. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.



## **COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE**

August 3	Stengel Family
August 10	The Woertendyke Family
August 17	Gloria Bowski, Ann Armato
August 24	Wilson Family, Brandwein
	Family
August 31	Hertel Family & Betty Maicke



Ushers Greeter				
AUG. 3 Main	Ron Martens	Desk Sandy Ferguson		
Corner	Ed Brandwein	Main Door Bob Benjamin		
AUG. 10 Main	Ron Martens	Desk Sally Cope		
Corner	Bob Benjamin	Main Door Anna Benjamin		
AUG. 17 Main	Ron Martens	Desk Sally Cope		
Corner	Nidia Kulack	Main Door Lore Sprouse		
AUG. 24 Main	Ron Martens	Desk Dede Gray		
Corner	Ed Turk	Main Door Lois Carpenter		
AUG. 31 Main	Ron Martens	Desk Sally Cope		
Corner	Shirley Basler	Main Door Nidia Kulack		



## ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

August 3 Ian & Marian Wilson August 10 Robert Woertendyke August 17 Scott Kapusinski August 24 Hanna & Nolan Pociejewski August 31 Andrew Sprouse



## LITURGIST SCHEDULE

August 3 Liz Albandia August 10 Pat Hemmingsen August 17 Sandy Ferguson August 24 John Novak August 31 Don Schmidt



Items currently needed:

Potato Side Dishes

Our Tuesday with the Pastor Bible Study wants the congregation to join with them to help support the Algonquin-Lake in the Hills Food Pantry. For the month of August, in addition to our regular giving of food or financial donations, join us ingoing an extra mile and bringing in: Potato Side Dishes. Please put the items in the grocery basket in the Fellowship Hall.



Senior Choir begins on Wednesday, August 27th. We are looking for members to join us in sharing musical talent and enhancing the worship experience. Here are some details:

The Senior rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 - 9:00 pm and sings three to four Sundays per month from September to May.

- Membership is flexible; if you need to take some weeks off for any reason just return when you can - we always love to see you!
- We always work 3 4 weeks ahead on material so even if you have to miss a rehearsal or some Sundays you won't get behind.
- The music, folder and robe are all furnished so all you have to do is show up and sing!

Our Senior Choir is an important asset to the church. Our stewardship is sharing our music and it is a stewardship that is fun because of the people we have. We hope you will consider joining us..... its not a huge commitment, costs nothing, has led to many wonderful friendships and adds greatly to the worship experience. We hope you will join us for another great year of making music.... the more the merrier!



### Food Pantry Help Needed!

Volunteers are needed to do light cleaning at the Algonquin-LITH Interfaith Food Pantry. If three or four helpers alternate, each can take one week per month to clean the space during off hours. If you can take a shift one week per month, contact the Pantry's volunteer building manager, Sal Maggio, at 847-458-1004.



This painting was a gift to Steven Thime (Ken and Pat Thime's son) A grateful artist made this a gift after Steven and his fellow firefighters saved her Colorado subdivision from certain destruction. At this writing, Steven is again fighting fires in the Northwest. Please keep Steven and his fellow firefighters in your prayers.





Turn in your Pledge Cards for the Long Range Plan-Phase I, Building Renovations.

Watch the "Ladder Up" Bulletin Board each Sunday as we report our progress.

If you need a pledge card, you can find them in the Church Office, in the Lobby on your way to worship, or call and we will be happy to mail one to you.

## Long Range Plant-Phase I, Building Renovations

Here is where we are as of 7-24-2014:

We are happy to report now that we have received **69** pledges to date for just over **\$120,206**. The Ministry of Trustees have agreed to move any projects up to Phase I from Phases II and III, since we were able to exceed our goal. Watch this space and we will keep you as up to date as possible. Also, in Fellowship Hal,I there is a bulletin board that charts our progress. In between newsletters you can check that bulletin board to see how things are going. Don't forget to pray for the Ministry of Trustees and their additional volunteers. They have been and will be spending many hours (and blood, sweat and tears) to insure that the work is done properly and that we all have a building that to proudly serve God into the future.

Here is a recap of the work that is slated for Phase I: Red is updates at this writing
Church Interior -Carpeting (sanctuary and stairs) estimate completion time 6-8 weeks from start date. -Repaint Sanctuary The carpet is all up, painters and floor men are working to patch and repair. Before the next issue, painting will begin.
-Upholster Pew Pads and chairs (Pew pads and chair pads have been removed)
Church Exterior -Siding-repair and replace; repair/repaint fascia, soffit, gutters and downspouts.
-North Door-Awning at entrance
-Insulation in done!
Church Property/Grounds-Remove stumps and paver brick at rear driveway (partially completed)
-Sidewalk repair (Algonquin Village will cover partially)
Parsonage: Upstairs bathtub replaced. Retile Bathroom (bids still being secured) Rewire entire house.
-Exterior: Siding Repair
Heavenly Attic: -Exterior: Repair Front Steps

### Jn Memoriam

Memorial Gifts were received from the following individuals to glorify God and honor **Robert Blair, Sr**. Per the family's request the gifts have been donated to the Memorial Fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bakley **Betty Blair** Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Boyer Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brandwein Brian and Sally Cope Kurt and Rose Engle Jim and Barb Erion Sandra Ferguson Gary and Dede Gray Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hunter Patricia Kramer Susan Kreibich Mr. and Mrs. Krist Larsen Verna Loacker Betty Maicke Lori Martens Ron Martens William Noxon Thea O'Connor Michelle and Tony Tarosas Ken and Pat Thime

Memorial Gifts were received from the following individual to glorify God and honor **JoAnne Martens**. Per the family's request the gifts have been donated to the Memorial Fund.

Lori Martens

Rev. Cope and Church Family,

Thank you for making Jack's baptism so special. It meant so much to us that we could have it at the Church that is so special to our family. The gifts were so wonderful and I know will mean so much to Jack when he is older. The blanket is unbelievable and we were touched that Grandmas Sue had such a big part in everything. She loved you all and I know she was proud that Jack would be baptized with you. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. God Bless,

> Kait, Bran and Jack Sanford Jack is Sue Jolitz's great grandson

Memorial Gifts were received from the following individuals to glorify God and honor **Anita Sue Jolitz**. Per the family's request the gifts have been donated to the Endowment Fund.

Algonquin Lioness Club Dave and Janet Aggen Elenore M. Allanson-Donoho Kathy Andersen Merle and Nancy Bettenhausen Sandra Bradshaw Kurt and Kay Boyer Brian E and Sally Cope James and Terri Dawson Nancy and Michael DeTomaso Judy Dietrick Jim and Barb Erion Gary and Dede Gray Jerry Glogowski Scott Green Susan Hall Constance Jacobsen/Kari Carpenter Patricia Kramer Susan Kreibich Ellen Green Kuroghlian Marlene Lantz **Betty Maicke** Lori Martens **Ron Martens** Wendy and CJ McCarthy William Noxon Nila and Lola Pohlman Michelle and Tony Tarosas **Cynthia Thornton** Martha Wallace **Phyllis Walters** Mary Westerbeck Bruce and Patricia Zange



AUGUST 2014								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
27 Renovation Project in Progress 8:00 AM Worship Service 9:00 AM Mission Quest 10:00 AM Worship Service	28 Renovation Project in Progress	29 Renovation Project in Progress 1:45 PM Feed My Starving Children 4:30 PM Tuesday with the Pastor	30 Renovation Project in Progress 9:00 AM Blueberry Picking	31 Renovation Project in Progress 9:15 AM Newsletter Folding 10:00 AM Yarn Works 7:30 PM AA	1 Renovation Project in Progress	2 Renovation Project in Progress 2:00 PM Memorial Service 7:00 PM Smore's and Stories		
3 Check Your Calendar 8:00 AM Worship Service 9:00 AM Mission Quest- last session 10:00 AM Worship Service 11:15 AM ALL CHURCH CALENDAR MEETING	4 Renovation Project in Progress 7:30 PM Finance Subcommittee	5 Weekday Bible Studies Studies Studies Studies Renovation Project in Progress 4:30 PM Tuesday with the Pastor	6 Renovation Project in Progress	7 Renovation Project in Progress 10:00 AM Yarn Works 1:00pm Music & Worship 7:00 PM Faith in Action –Parsonage Backyard 7:00 PM Scout Master Meeting 7:30 PM AA	8 Renovation Project in Progress Set up for Men's Fellowship	9 Renovation Project in Progress 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast 11:00 AM Scouts		
10 8:00 AM Worship Service 8:45 AM Trustees 9:00 AM Deacons 10:00 AM Worship Service 11:15 AM Free Trade Sunday 11:15 AM Christian Education 11:15 AM Ministry of Finance 2:00 PM Scouts	11 Renovation Project in Progress 6:30 PM Fund Raising 7:00 PM Swim Team Meeting	12 Renovation Project in Progress 4:30 PM Tuesday with the Pastor	<b>13</b> Renovation Project in Progress 7:00pm Alg Preschool Board Meeting 7:00pm Boy Scout Committee Meeting	14 Renovation Project in Progress 10:00 AM Yarn Works 7:30 PM AA	<b>15</b> Newsletter Deadline Renovation Project in Progress	<b>16</b> Renovation Project in Progress <i>Tables and Chairs are</i> <i>loaned out</i>		
17 8:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Worship Service/Baptism 11:15 AM Investment Committee 11:15 AM Ministry of Missions 1:00 PM Scouts	<b>18</b> Renovation Project in Progress	<b>19</b> Renovation Project in Progress 1:30 PM Heavenly Attic Board Meeting 4:30 PM Tuesday with the Pastor	20 Renovation Project in Progress 5:15 PM Church Growth	21 Renovation Project in Progress 10:00 AM Yarn Works 7:30 PM AA	22 Renovation Project in Progress	23 Renovation Project in Progress		
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## About CCA and the UCC

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.

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