

FIRST UNITED  
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# The Chronicle

A monthly newsletter of The First United Church of Christ, Congregational  
300 Union Street, Northfield, 55057  
An Open and Affirming, Just Peace Church

## Special Days During Lent

### Wednesday, March 3

3:45 p.m. Angel Choir  
4:30 p.m. Rainbow Choir  
5:30 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper  
6:15 p.m. Children's Musical Rehearsal  
6:15 p.m. Service  
Leader: John Barbour  
Musicians: The Hodel Family  
7:00 p.m. Council and All Boards & Committees Joint Meeting



### Sunday, March 7: Lent 3

Nursery: Kristie Stadler  
Bell Ringer: Pete Carlson  
Sound System: Henry Beimers  
10:00 a.m. Worship & Communion  
Focus: Who Is to Blame?  
Readings: Psalm 63:1-8;  
Luke 13:1-9



10:15 a.m. Multi-age Sunday School Class (ages 3-grade 3)  
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour  
11:15 a.m. Adult Forum  
11:15 a.m. Jr. H. Youth Group  
4:00-6:00 p.m. Confirmation: Worship & Sacraments

### Wednesday, March 10

5:30 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper  
6:15 p.m. Children's Musical Rehearsal  
6:15 p.m. Service  
Leader: Mary Carlson  
Musician: Kevin Peterson

### Saturday, March 13

8:45-10:00 a.m. Yoga and Spiritual discipline



### Sunday, March 14: Lent 4

2:00 a.m. Daylight Saving Time Begins  
Nursery: Grace Morris  
Bell Ringer: Greg Muth  
Sound System: William Beimers  
10:00 a.m. Worship  
Preacher: Ruth MacKenzie  
Reading: Isaiah 55:1-11  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour  
11:15 a.m. Adult Forum  
11:15 a.m. Jr. H. Youth Group  
Confirmation Field Trip

### Wednesday, March 17

3:45 p.m. Angel Choir  
4:30 p.m. Rainbow Choir  
5:30 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper  
6:15 p.m. Children's Musical Rehearsal  
6:15 p.m. Service  
Leader: Brad Hoff  
Musician: Arthur Campbell

### Saturday, March 20

8:45-10:00 a.m. Yoga and Spiritual discipline



### Sunday, March 21: Lent 5

April Chronicle articles are due in office  
Nursery: Christoph Hodel  
Bell Ringer: Leota Goodney  
Sound System: John Severson  
10:00 a.m. Worship, Spirit Voices sing  
Guest Worship Leader: Neal Hagberg  
Focus: Radical Forgiveness  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour  
11:15 a.m. Adult Forum  
11:15 a.m. Jr. H. Youth Group  
11:30 a.m. Sr. H. Youth Group  
4:00-6:00 p.m. Confirmation: Our Congregation

### Wednesday, March 24

3:45 p.m. Angel Choir  
4:30 p.m. Rainbow Choir  
5:30 p.m. Lenten Soup Supper  
6:15 p.m. Children's Musical Rehearsal  
6:15 p.m. Service  
Leader: Ross Shoger  
Musician: Christopher Brunelle

### Saturday, March 27

8:45-10:00 a.m. Yoga and Spiritual discipline



**Sunday, March 28:**

**Palm Sunday**

Nursery: Tate Maki-Waller  
Bell Ringer: Scott Richardson  
Sound System: Christoph Hodel  
10:00 a.m. Worship  
Focus: Emptied  
Readings: Luke 19:28-40;  
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29;  
Philippians 2:5-11  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour  
11:15 a.m. Adult Forum  
11:15 a.m. Jr. H. Youth Group  
No Confirmation Class – School  
Vacation

**Looking Ahead:**

**Maundy Thursday**, April 1:

5:30 p.m. Supper  
6:15 p.m. Communion Service  
around the tables will follow  
Supper

**Good Friday**, April 2:

8:00 p.m. Service

**Easter Sunday**, April 4:

10:00 a.m. Festival Service (only  
1 service this year)

**Monday**, April 5:

3:00-9:30 p.m. Church  
Directory

**Tuesday**, April 6:

3:00 -9:30 p.m. Church  
Directory

**Wednesday**, April 7:

3:00-9:30 p.m. Church  
Directory  
5:30 p.m. Children's Musical  
Rehearsal and Potluck

**Thursday**, April 8:

3:00-9:30 p.m. Church  
Directory

**Sunday**, April 11

Children's Musical

**Sunday**, April 18:

Spirit Voices

**Sunday**, April 25:

Fighting Apostles French Toast  
Breakfast  
St. Olaf Harp Ensemble

**Sunday, May 2:**

Confirmation  
Spirit Voices

**Sunday, May 9:**

Mother's Day  
Reception of New Members

**Sunday, May 16:**

Last Day of School Year  
Sunday School  
Chili Fundraiser



**In Our Prayers**

The Muth family, celebrating the arrival of a new cousin/niece, Marianna  
All the volunteers who make the Special Olympics possible  
Nora Demaster, now living in Washington, continuing health challenges  
Gratitude for the gathering of Sunday School parents  
Holly Fischer, whose mother is recuperating from a stroke  
Betty and Andrew Een, who celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary  
The intergenerational hand bell choir, which brought together novice ringers of every age  
The Mankato Symphony and other small arts organizations that face financial challenges (from Mary Hakes, who has played with this group for many years)  
Those looking for work, and those who are underemployed  
Joy in having children for greeters on Sunday morning  
Outdoor education programs like Wolf Ridge, that are at risk because of funding  
Ruth McKenzie's brother-in-law Brad, dealing with a post-operative infection  
The people of Haiti, and the people everywhere who are coming to their aid

**Church Office Hours**

June through September 4  
Monday through Thursday  
7:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

September 8 through May  
Monday through Friday  
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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## Dear Friends,

I always enjoy attending the Earl Lectures at Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley – and not just because they are an excuse to visit a warmer climate in late January!

This year I attended a workshop led by a young woman named Nichola Torbett. Nichola directs a project called “Seminary of the Streets,” which invites people from all walks of life to deepen their faith and develop their skills as spiritual leaders.

One class she teaches is about “Listening for Call.” Many of the people in her class are not church goers, so she uses language and exercises that appeal even to folks who are “Spiritual but not religious.”

The one that intrigued me most was called “Friction.” Nichola asked us each to write for 6 minutes about the areas of our lives where we are currently experiencing friction – which might mean conflict, disagreement, or frustration.

The point of the exercise is that one of the signs of the Spirit moving in our lives is the experience of *friction*. Friction is, after all, caused by two things rubbing against each other. So when an old way of thinking, acting, or being meets a new way – well, there is usually friction.

I love the idea of welcoming friction as a sign of life, growth, and the presence of the Spirit. It’s a way of reframing a “problem” into a “harbinger of things to come.”

I know that some of you are experiencing some “friction” as you think about my retirement and the process of calling a new pastor (that process was outlined in last month’s Chronicle).

Moreover, our church council is working on new ways for our ministries to be organized, and the trustees are assessing the needs of our beautiful and historic building. There are a lot of places where a little friction might be found.

So it will be helpful if we can all remember that these places of friction are also places of growth and places of blessing – opportunities for us to listen for the call of the Holy Spirit. They are signs of life!

Grace and peace, *Sandy*

## Yoga as a Spiritual Discipline

The Deacons are co-sponsoring Yoga as a Spiritual Discipline during lent. These classes will start at 8:45 a.m. with some meditation, and will go until 10:00 a.m., finishing with meditation time. All are welcome whether or not you have ever done any meditation or any yoga. The class which started during February will be offered on the following additional Saturdays: March 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup>. Please note that there will not be on March 6<sup>th</sup>. You are welcome to come to which ever classes fit your schedule, and you are encouraged to meditate on the Saturdays on which there are no classes. Questions to Bob, 645-9279.



## The BIG One: All Boards and Committees Meet Together

That’s right: all the members of all the boards and all the members of all the committees and all the members of all the sub-committees are invited to a gathering on Wednesday, March 3 at 7:00 p.m.

Here’s what we want to accomplish that evening:

- Coordinate calendar events for 2010
- Go over administrative procedures that help everyone’s work to go more smoothly
- Connect groups that have overlapping programs and responsibility so you can work together better.

So really – if you are on any board or committee, we want you to come to this! Really.

## Spring 2010 Inquirers' Classes

An Inquirer’s Class for those who wish to know more about our church and/or for those wishing to join will be held in the Parlor on Sunday, April 18, at 11:15 a.m. (after worship).

For those wishing to join, New member information forms, for those wishing to join, will be due in the office by Sunday, April 25. Those planning to join will meet with their sponsors at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday evening, May 2. Childcare will be provided.

New Members will be welcomed into membership during Worship on Mother’s Day, Sunday, May 9.

## Neal Hagberg returns, March 21, for worship and adult education.

Continuing our Lenten theme, "Hard Hearts and Grace," Neal Hagberg will explore forgiveness through story and song. In preparation, or as part of your Lenten reflection, please consider these questions:

1. What are stories of grace in your life, both big and small, this month and in the past? Tell someone you trust.
2. In taking the phrase "Understanding Is The Beginning Of Compassion" (Thich Nhat Hanh), where can we begin to empathize with someone who has different values and beliefs than we do., or someone who angers or irritates us? Seek someone out who you identify as different from you and hear their story, without judgment.

The theme "Hard Hearts and Grace" will guide our Lenten worship services. Remember supper is at 5:30 p.m., worship at 6:15 p.m.

### A note from Neal

Dear First UCC Congregants,

I wrote Sandy and the staff who have brought me in, and realized I would like to share part of that note with you.

Thank you for your welcome Sunday. I learned much in my time with you.

My favorite part of the whole service was "Your prayer is our prayer now." That made prayer make sense to me in a whole new

way. I will carry that with me wherever I go from now on. Thank you. And thank you for allowing me to be a part of your congregation during these two Sundays in Lent.

I appreciate your willingness to work beside me with these themes, to live in the discomfort (and, hopefully, some new insights and compassion) this may bring. If anyone of you has discomfort with what I am bringing up, please know I wrestle with these things, too, each time I am invited in to share through my songs and stories. I'm grateful to be wrestling with them at First UCC. And I also welcome any correspondence regarding any or all of my work with you. I can be reached by email at [neal@nealandleandra.com](mailto:neal@nealandleandra.com).

I am already looking forward to our next time together March. 21.

*Neal*

### It's Time to sign-up...

Sign-ups have started for our new pictorial directory! Sign up today while there is still a good selection of appointments, either at church or on line at [www.firstucc.org](http://www.firstucc.org). Once you enter your home information click "save" and the available times will be displayed for you. You may also call 1-800-866-2263, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Central Time to schedule or change an appointment. If you sign up on-line you will receive a confirmation e-mail soon after words. Each household that comes for photography and portrait viewing will receive a

complimentary directory and 8x10 custom color portrait. Additional portrait options will be available for purchase. Please participate – it won't be complete without YOU.

### Sign up times

Monday, April 5: 3:00-9:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 6: 3:00 -9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 7:  
3:00-9:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 8: 3:00-9:30 p.m.

### Living our "Open & Affirming" Commitment

In 1994, our congregation voted to be an "Open & Affirming" Congregation (usually abbreviated ONA), welcoming all people to the life of our church. Our constitution calls for an "Open & Affirming Coordinator" to provide leadership for this commitment.

For the last several years the position of ONA Coordinator has gone unfilled – and we're hoping that there will be someone in the congregation ready to take on this role.

Here's a great way to start: we have a new book called [50 Ways to Support Lesbian and Gay Equality](#). A new ONA Coordinator could use these ideas to nudge the congregation into renewed vitality on these important issues.

If you feel a call to this work, please contact Pastor Sandy.

## Pastoral Ponderings

When my children were young, one of their favorite stories was “Stone Soup”. As we’d read, they’d join in on the line, “Soup from a stone....fancy that.” Throughout much of my adult life, I’ve often revisited the ideas from this little story. There have been times when I’ve seen the story as an example of cooperation/of working together for the common good. At other times, I have seen it as an example of the difference one small act of generosity can make to an effort or cause.

Today, I am revisiting the story in a new way. I’m seeing the soup as a work in progress. There’s a little bit of this, then a little bit of that, a little cooking/processing, then some more of this and that. Isn’t this concept also true of our spiritual lives? I lived my first fifty years in the faith of my parents and my childhood. I raised my own children in that faith. I now see that as my stone or my soup base. It was the catalyst that started the mix going. At midlife I realized that my soup—my faith—needed some additions. Since then I have added flavor and zest with some new ingredients: a different faith, devotions, meditation, readings, groups, etc. My initial faith started the process. I am still building on that.

Lent is a great time to try adding some new ingredients to your spiritual stone soup. Try out some new spiritual practices and different forms of prayer, invite a friend to share his/her spiritual journey with you, or just sit in silence and listen....let things simmer a bit. The end result may

be a deeper and richer connection with the God of your heart; fancy that!

Peace always, *Cathy*



## Church Finances

Here’s a brief overview of First UCC’s finances, specifically our local operating budget (excluding OCWM and other missions). For 2010, budgeted expenses total \$361,522, allocated for staff (78%), administration (3%), building operation (13%), and programs (6%). The funding to support these ministries and operations budget comes primarily from donations (80%) and endowments (10-15%), with the remainder from building rent and miscellaneous income.

Donations, both pledged and unpledged, are budgeted at \$291,000 in 2010. Last year we exceeded our projected net donation budget, signifying that all are doing their best to fulfill their pledges. We know that there are many competing calls for your money and appreciate that you are making the church’s operations a priority. Thank you.

Most of the remaining funds to sustain our local ministry come from the Annual Budget Support fund on the balance sheet. This was created to replace the elapsed Howland family endowment; the vision was to have an ongoing reserve equal to two years of support (\$60 - 90,000), to be replenished as gifts became available.

On its current course, the Annual Budget Support fund will reach a

zero balance by the end of 2010. If we fail to deal constructively with this gap, and soon, it will have a significant impact on the 2011 budget.

Outside of the operating annual budget, the situation is the same with the capital reserves in the building fund, and we are faced with needs for major building improvements as well as an unanticipated \$27,000 in Special Assessments for the city street project. Other restricted fund balances have dropped 35% between 2006 and 2009.

Clearly, to replenish our vital reserves we must face these challenges with faith and determination. Throughout its history, this congregation has risen to such challenges and we are confident it will again. We can point to other promising aspects: 1) We have seen recovery in our investments from a year ago. 2) Unlike many congregations, we carry no debt and have a beautiful church building and other key assets. 3) First UCC exhibits abiding grace and generosity in its Missions Giving (OCWM and other Special Offerings) — our 2009 total of \$82,181 means we continue to be a national leader in giving. We are optimistic that the process ahead will lead to growth and enhanced financial stability as we discern our needs and develop a plan to support the ministries of our church in the long term.

*Phil Kasten, Treasurer*

## The Congregational Care Council Annual Report

(This report was not printed in the Annual Report for 2009 – but will be included in the final copy.)

Members: Cathy Cammack, Arthur Campbell, Barbara Crouter, Sarah Entenmann, Margit Johnson, Cynthia Lund, Sue Mieska, Bobbie Peterson, Charlotte Smith

The Congregational Care Council endeavors to provide nurture and care for members, especially in times of difficulty. Often this takes the form of coordinating efforts from the wider congregation to offer care for individuals in need of food, rides, or visits. It's a special privilege to deliver shawls that have been made by the prayer shawl knitters. The council strives to support Cathy Cammack, the Coordinator of Pastoral Care. Volunteer cards were distributed (and are available in the office) to update lists of those available to assist in this ministry to one another.

The year began with an organizational retreat. The Council then had monthly meetings.

Some special events were organized:

\*the CCC focus Sunday (June 21) - an opportunity to recognize the work that is being done and encourage others to participate in this ministry

\*the Strawberry Fest (June 23) - a gathering at the church to share strawberry desserts, fellowship, and a music program given by Holly Fischer

\*Christmas luncheon for our members at the Northfield Care Center (December 21)- providing a festive meal featuring favorite foods of the guests

\*The Longest Night Service (December 21)- a contemplative service of music, readings, and candle light, especially for those who may be experiencing sadness during the holiday season.

Members are not elected to the Congregational Care Council. Several people in this group are ending their terms. Those interested in learning more about this ministry could speak to any of the current members.



Each March, FoodShare directs the largest food drive in the state (known as March Campaign) and restocks more than 260 food shelves across Minnesota. It recruits thousands of congregations, corporations, schools and civic groups to run local food and fund drives to aid in the effort.

Year-round FoodShare educates the public about Minnesota's hunger problem and lobbies the state legislature and congress to lend a compassionate and logical public policy debates that impact families living in poverty.

Here in Northfield, the Community Action Center Food Shelf serves primarily our most vulnerable populations, children and the elderly. Sixty four percent of food shelf households have children under 18, while thirty percent house senior citizens.

The Service and Social Responsibility Committee urges our congregation to be generous in both food items and monetary gifts. There are collection boxes located near the north entrance. Checks should be made out to the Community Action Center, with FoodShare in the memo line.



Service and Social Responsibility Committee seeks Meals-on-Wheels Volunteers.

Thanks to all who helped with our first period of this important program during late February. Once again, the committee will need drivers for the period March 21 through April 3.

Meals-on-Wheels is a hospital-supported, volunteer organization dedicated to meeting the nutritional needs of the community through home-delivered meals. The SSR Committee is seeking volunteers who can devote an hour to picking up the meals prepared by dietary staff at the Northfield Hospital and delivering them to homes throughout the city. This is a good opportunity for families to work together on a valuable community service, as there are three weekends included in our church's commitment.

If you have questions about Meals-on-Wheels, or would like to volunteer, please contact Jan Shoger ([jshoger@rconnect.com](mailto:jshoger@rconnect.com)) or 645-5236 or Jane McWilliams ([jmcwilli@charter.net](mailto:jmcwilli@charter.net)) or 645-8423).

## U. S. Census

Please complete the census form you will get in the mail during March. Minnesota's population may not be large enough to continue to have eight members in the House of Representatives in Washington, so it is vital to have all Minnesotans accounted for in the census. Also, the census numbers are used to determine allocation of funds from state and federal programs. Respondents are not subject to investigation by Immigration or other federal authorities, so don't hesitate for that reason.

## Food, Faith and Ecology: A Christian Call to Justice & Sustainability – March 20

The Minnesota Episcopal Environmental Stewardship Commission invites our participation in a workshop featuring Michael Schut, author of *Money & Faith: The Search for Enough*. Several of our members have read and discussed this book, and/or his anthology called *Simpler Living, Compassionate Life*. The session will be held at the Cathedral of Our Merciful Savior in Faribault from 9:00 a.m. to noon, and the \$10 registration fee includes lunch. If interested in attending, please contact Jan Mitchell (645-5634).

## Joint Religious Legislative Coalition – Day on the Hill – March 25

This all-day event will underscore concerns about policies including minimum wage, universal health care, retention elections for judges, funding public defenders, and progressive tax reforms. Rabbi Harold Kravitz will give the keynote address, and participants will have an opportunity to meet with our legislative delegation. Registration is \$30 if completed before March 10. If interested, please contact Jan Mitchell (645-6734).

## 2010 Hanging Spring Flower Baskets Senior High Mission Trip Fundraiser



We will be taking orders (with prepayment only ) on Sunday, February 28, March 7, and March 14. You may also fill out this form and place it in the Sunday offering plate (by Sunday, March 15) with your payment. Please make your check payable to First UCC, Marked Senior High Baskets.

Each basket will have 3-5 plants.

We have also been assured of first plantings this year so we will be receiving mature plants.

\_\_\_\_ Number of 12 inch diameter baskets for sun @ \$25.00 each.

\_\_\_\_ Number of 12 inch diameter baskets for shade @ \$25.00 each.

Total amount attached \$ \_\_\_\_\_ .00

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Ordered baskets will be available for you to pick up after worship on Sunday, May 2, and Sunday, May 9 (Mother's Day). Sorry – but flower baskets not picked up by/or on Sunday, May 9 will be resold or donated.



## Pilgrim Point Camp

Check out Pilgrim Point Camp, opportunities for all ages at <http://www.pilgrimpoint.org>. Brochures are also available, on the bulletin board near the office.



## Children

### Childcare

- infants through age 2, 9:45 a.m.-11:15 a.m.
- infants through grade 6, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

### School Year Sunday School Ages 3-Grade 6

- after children's time in worship; return for worship closing
- 40 more hygiene kits for Church World Service have been sent - Thanks!
- Thanks to all who supported our grade 4-6 class fundraising efforts for Haiti, by purchasing their "rainbow bean soup"

### First Sunday of the Month

- Multi-age Class, ages 3 through Grade 3, [www.godlyplay.org](http://www.godlyplay.org)
- Grades 4-6 participate in worship with family.



## Junior High Youth

Grades 7 & 8

### Sundays at

11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Thanks to the junior high leaders and youth for making the tasty coffee hours treats and doing the faith formation practice of hospitality! We also appreciate

your leadership shared during worship.

## Senior High Youth

Grades 9-12 (check email for updates)

### Senior High Youth Group

Sundays at 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

- March 5-7, MN Conference UCC High School Youth Event. Faith and Politics
- March 21, meeting after worship
- April 16: Night on the Street @ Plymouth Congregational, Minneapolis, St. Paul. RSVP to Cher by March 15. A Night on the Street, an educational youth sleep-out to help end homelessness.
- SUMMER: July 23 - August 2, 2010 Senior High Mission Trip (9<sup>th</sup> year) to Alamosa, Colorado serving Habitat for Humanity and La Puente. Please support our hanging basket fundraiser (order with form in Chronicle or after worship through March 15). We have been awarded a grant for our UCC Conference Ashley Ministry to support our time of service in Colorado. Thanks Minnesota Conference UCC!

Confirmation each Sunday from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

March 7 - Barbara Leonard is spiritual director at Loyola Center for Spirituality in St. Paul and a professor of nursing at the School of Nursing at the University of Minnesota. She will be discussing the work of epidemiologist, Jeff Levin, on the connection between our faith and health outcomes.

March 14 - *Haiti After the Earthquake* with Paul Miller leading the conversation.

March 21 - Neal Hagberg returns with a discussion of some of the topics covered during today's worship service.

March 28 - Topic to be announced

## Andrea Een's adult education forum

Information about Andrea Een's adult education forum on Sunday, February 14, 2010, is available on the stand in the church foyer.



## Women's Spirituality Group

The group meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. Because there are five Mondays in March, please remember our next group will be on Monday, March 22, at 7:00 p.m.

We will discuss Chapters 9-14 of *Take This Bread*, by Sarah Miles.


All women of First UCC are invited. Guests are welcome.


## Flower Power


This year the flower power fund will be used to purchase flowers or plants on certain Sundays and occasions when needed. If you would like to designate a Sunday or specify that you are giving in honor or memory of someone, please fill out this form. Thank you for your generosity.

Please make your check payable to First UCC and return with this form to: First UCC, 300 Union Street, Northfield, Minnesota 55057 or place them in the Sunday offering plate.

I have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to help purchase plants/greens (at \$15.00 each) to decorate the church.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be used at Easter 

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be purchased when needed 

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be used at Christmas 

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Given by *(your name as it should be printed in the bulletin)* \_\_\_\_\_

Your phone \_\_\_\_\_ Your E-mail \_\_\_\_\_