



NOVEMBER

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF ROCHESTER, WI

Life Line

This month is the beginning of the most festive time of the year. As inheritors of the Pilgrim mantle, we will proudly keep Thanksgiving as a sacred and joyous national holiday. The very next Sunday following - is the first Sunday in Advent, which take us into the spirit and celebrations of Christmas.

Other important happenings include the Fall Business Meeting of the Congregation, which is scheduled for Sunday, November 13th after the Worship Service. On the Sunday before Thanksgiving (20th) we will be receiving new members into the congregation, and that service will be followed by our annual Thanksgiving Dinner in the downstairs. All are very welcome!

We are hopeful that the flooring will be completed in the basement prior the Madrigal's performance on the first Friday in December (2nd), which is usually a full house event - with cookies and cider following.

On the Sunday December 18th the Sunday School will be gracing our worship hour with a program - similar to last year's very successful presentation.

At 7:00 pm. on Christmas Eve we will have our traditional Candlelight service with readings, carols, and Choir anthems. It will be an inspiring and beautiful time that will make your Christmas bright.

As has been the practice of our Congregation, we do not meet when Christmas lands on a Sunday, and that is the case this year. We sincerely hope that the Christ Child will be remembered - as you and your family enjoy being together on this very holy day.

There certainly are a great many activities ahead for us. But aside from church concerns, I strongly urge every eligible citizen of our community to exercise the privilege of voting on or before November 8th. We are blessed of God with the freedom to choose those who govern our state and nation. It is therefore a a sacred right, and a civic duty that should be taken seriously. Vote according to the best dictates of your conscience.

May God bless you and yours in the days to come. May God bless this nation. And let there be peace on earth, and goodwill among men and women everywhere!

Pastor Paul (Good to be back from Vacation)

November 2022



Worship Hour continues to be broadcast Facebook page and a recording of the latest service will continue to be posted weekly to the church's website www.fccrochesterwis.org.

Bible Study - Evening Bible study meets on the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Monday at 7:00 pm.
We are studying the book of Genesis.



Sunday School

Sunday School will be every 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month.

Choir Practice

Choir practice will meet each week
on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm.
11/9, 11/16, 11/23, 11/30

Please contact Vicki Will, Choir Director,
at 262-343-1326, if you would like to join and sing
or if you have any questions.



Sunday, November 6th, (Daylight Savings Time changes) 10:00 am Worship Hour. Church Choir sings.

Sunday, November 13th, 10:00 am Worship Hour and Children's Sunday School. Special Music by Joy Trio. Following the service we will have the Congregational Fall Meeting in our Fellowship Hall. A Coffee Hour and refreshments will be served.

Sunday, November 20th, 10:00 am Worship Hour. New Member Sunday. Church Choir sings. Our annual Thanksgiving Pot Luck dinner will follow the Church service in the Fellowship Hall. Come and join us for a Thanksgiving feast! Please bring your favorite dish to pass.

Monday, November 21st, 6:30 pm Church Council Meeting.

Thursday, November 24th, Happy Thanksgiving!

Sunday, November 27, (First Sunday in Advent) 10:00 am Worship Hour and Children's Sunday School. Special Music by Jubilee Band.



Lectionary Readings



11/6 Job 19:23-27; Psalm 17:1-9, Haggai 1:15, 2:9; Psalm 145:1-5, 17:21. 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5; Luke 20:27-38

11/13 Malachi 4:1-2; Psalm 98; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

11/20 Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 46; Luke 1:68-79; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43.

11/27 Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:36-44.



Prayers and Concerns



COVID19 Responders and Caregivers

Victims of Terrorism

Victims and volunteers of natural disasters worldwide

Our Nation's Leaders

All military personnel and their families

Casa Bernabe Orphanage

Rachel Frashingbauer

Julie Gren

Oscar Jacobs

Tom and Lynn Koeper

Neely McNeal

Debbie Mohr

Dan Medkalf

Stephanie Mutz

Matthew Olson

Julie Pagan

Torin Philips

Agneta Ray

Reid Shamus

Jack and Jeanie Smith

7 year old Clinton

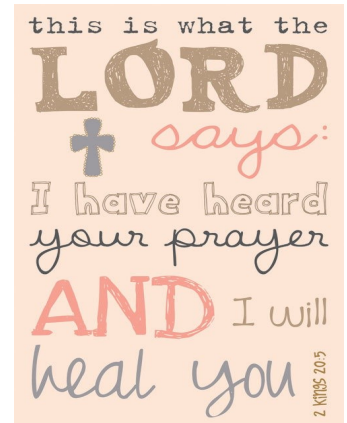
Barbara

Lois

Pray for the Ukrainian people.

Health Care Facilities:

Jean Moyer has returned to her old address.
Oak Park Place 1700 Tuet Road
Apt. 1118
Burlington, WI 53105



COUNCIL MINUTE HIGHLIGHTS

Next Council Meeting is Monday, November 21, 2022



Treasurer's Report

- September net income of \$2,061.

Worship Committee

- Worship Committee continues to fill Sundays with special music through December.

Fellowship Commission

- Sunday, November 13th Coffee Hour for Fall Meeting in Fellowship Hall.
- Sunday, November 20th is the Thanksgiving potluck.
- Friday, December 2nd Madrigals, Cookies served afterwards in Fellowship Hall.
- Sunday, December 4th Communion and Coffee Hour.

Education Commission

- Sunday School is doing well. We are having a good attendance.

Mission Commission

- Final number for rummage sale is \$2,183.
- Operation Christmas Child packing location: Our Savior Lutheran Church, 417 Kane St., Burlington
- Packing: Saturday, November 5th, 9am to 2pm
- Received thank you notes from Love Inc. for \$200 donation. And Casa Bernabe for \$725 donation.
- Participation form submitted to Love Inc. for "Adopt-a-Family" for Christmas.
- Finance Commission approved \$1,000 donation to Samaritan's Purse relief for the victims of hurricane Ian in Florida.

Buildings and Grounds:

- Rusty Road Landscaping looked at front corner of church lot with intentions to simplify landscaping less upkeep. A quote for \$2,500 was given. \$2000 would be donated by anonymous donor and \$500 would be covered by church.



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*"For where two or three are gathered in my name,
there I am in the midst of them."
Matthew 18:20*

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

		1	2	3	4	5
6 10:00 am Church Service Choir Sings	7	8	9 7:00 PM Choir Practice	10	11	12
13 10:00 am Church 10:00 am Sunday School Special Music by Joy Trio Fall Congregational Meeting following service. (Coffee Hour)	14	15	16 7:00 PM Choir Practice	17	18	19
20 10:00 am Church New Membership Sunday Choir Sings Annual Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner after the service in the Fellowship Hall.	21 Council Meeting @ 6:30 pm	22	23 7:00 PM Choir Practice	24 	25	26
27 10:00 am Church 10:00 am Sunday School Special Music by Jubilee	28	29	30 7:00 PM Choir Practice			

Pastor Ray's Office Hours are Monday through Wednesday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

