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SERVING THIS WEEK OF January 25

Worship Leader: Marcia Higgins
Elders: Jack McKinnon (bread), Mary Stipanowich (cup)
Diaconate: Josh Butcher, Elise Cangro, Roselyn Chown
 Ron Vaughn, Jonelle Schauble, Sue Cangro
Balcony: Collin Reed, Shannon Reed, Rich Cangro
Preparatory: Joyce Randall, Barbara Markley, Cindy Moon
Greeters: **Front** LouAnn Herriman
Central East Karen Chatterton
Balcony South Jeanna Montgomery
Elevator Bob Sherwood
Sanctuary Superintendent(s): Gail & Joyce Randall
Children's Moment: Jonelle Schauble
Children's Church: Chris Dace
Soundboard Tech: Eric Reed
Coffee Fellowship Time: Jonelle Schauble
Acolyte: Natalie Workman
Hospital Caller: John Carden
Financial Escort: Dean Rockwell
Sunday Morning Office Staff: Dorothy Loop

Kelly Ingersoll,
Minister

Bill Froom,
Chancel Choir Director

Carol Harmon,
Organist

Annetta Holt,
Administrative Assistant

Paul Huff,
Custodian

Mariah Chapdelaine,
Youth/Children's Choir Director

Brandi Collins,
Nursery Supervisor



From Cob Webs to Clean Paint at Lake Nature Center

On Martin Luther King, Jr.'s designated birthday celebration day, 14 youth and adults from FCC did service to help spruce up at the Lakeview Nature Center near Spring Lake. Our own Esther

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Kelly's Korner

Sunday, Sunday SUNDAY!!! Have you ever heard the announcer on TV talk like that about big things happening on Sunday? This Sunday is big. The morning will bring the rededication of the sanctuary. Our regional minister, Dr. Teresa Dulyea-Parker, will be leading our service. We look forward to welcoming her. In the early evening, our annual State of the Church Address will occur. This will be a great time to share about the past year as well as look ahead to the year to come. Please plan to attend both events.

In a very real way, when we come to church this week, we are not just rededicating our sanctuary. We are rededicating ourselves. We will renew promises to worship God well in renovated space. We will also renew promises to live faithfully in every moment and place. What happens in the sanctuary is sacred, but so is our living outside the sanctuary walls. Let us be a renewed people, sharing a message of hope and grace and love with the many who so desperately desire to hear such good news. Now that the sanctuary work is complete, let us continue to renovate our souls. See you Sunday!

Peace,



State-of-the-Church

The State of the Church will be the topic of our gathering on January 25 at 5:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

There will be a meal and after the meal, a presentation will be given by Rev. Ingersoll.

The church will furnish maid-rites, hot dogs, buns, condiments, baked beans, drinks and table service. You are asked to bring a salad and/or dessert to share.

Please plan to attend. It will be interesting to hear what has been accomplished this year and what we can expect in 2015.



Sunday, January 25

Bill Butcher opens/closes church

John Carden drives the van

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship

10:30 AM Worship – Rededication
of the Sanctuary

5:00 PM State of the Church

Monday, January 26

5:30 PM Evangelism Comm

6:00 PM Property Comm

6:00 PM Worship Comm

7:00 PM Elders

Tuesday, January 27

6:00 PM Itoko Maeda @ Aurelio's
Meeting in Church Parlor

Wednesday, January 28

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, February 1

Dave Kentner opens/closes church

Dave Kentner drives the van

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship

10:30 AM Worship

1:30 PM Shut-in Communion

Elders: Mary Stipanowich

Patti Jones

Deacons: Rich & Sue Cangro

Birthdays & Anniversaries

24 Aaron Meunier

25 Rev. Kelly Ingersoll

29 Brixton Call

Sunday, January 25 **Third Sunday after Epiphany**

Sermon:

Scripture:

Other Lectionary Readings:

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Psalms 62:5-12

I Corinthians 7:29-31

Mark 1:14-20

Sunday, February 1 **Fourth Sunday after Epiphany**

Lectionary Readings:

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Psalms 111

I Corinthians 8:1-13

Mark 1:21-28

sanctuary Rededication

The sanctuary renovations are finished! It is beautiful and we are so pleased with all the work that has been done.

A rededication of the sanctuary has been scheduled for the morning service on January 25, 2015 at 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Teresa Dulyea-Parker, our Regional Minister, will be delivering the message on that day.

There will be refreshments after the service so plan to stay and visit.



On Monday, January 19, a group of adults and youth came to Lakeview Nature Center to give it a face lift. After cleaning up mouse droppings, painting the basement walls, dusting off the taxidermy, and sweeping the floors, Lakeview is ready for a spring full of programs.

A big thank you to Jan Rockwell for helping to organize this event. Thank you to Anne Ingersoll for guiding Jan to me. Finally, thank you to Kelly, Jack, Rod, Dean, Anne, Jan, Roselyn, Emily, Aaron, Griffin, Sam, Natalie and Brianna. All of your hard work helped make the work lighter for me. Your willing hands were well-used.

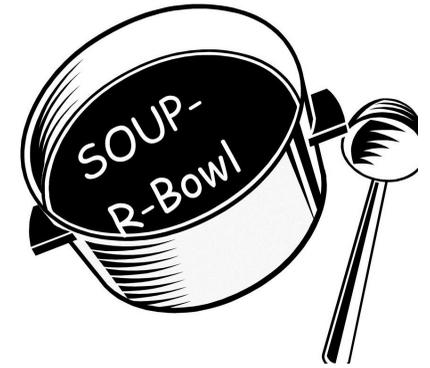
Esther Young
Program Coordinator
Lakeview Nature Center

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Young, program coordinator of the center, admitted to Anne Ingersoll that she could use help preparing the inside of the three level building for human visitors. Anne contacted the Action and Outreach Committee and the Christian Education Committee and the project became reality.

Lakeview Nature Center has many types of visitors who sign in when they arrive. The live animal neighbors over the fall had left their signatures that needed to be removed. The taxidermy wildlife that resides there needed cleaning. The loft and rafters became vacuumed, bathrooms scrubbed and all the lower level walls were painted. In two hours, the swarm of workers had turned the center upside down and left the place nearly ready for the first event of 2015 on Saturday. That program will be about hibernating animals and making ceramic mugs. There are a number of interesting programs Esther has planned with the Park District's art director, Natalie Shelly. You can ask Esther about them when you see her at church Sunday.

Jan Rockwell, Chair
Community Action and Outreach



FCC's Junior Youth Group and the Outreach Committee will join groups across America in Soup-er Bowl of Caring on February 1, Super Bowl Sunday.

We will be collecting soup cans to donate to Loaves & Fishes. We will report the number of cans donated to add to the national record of service donations by others across the country. You can give your cans to a young person who will be helping collect at each of the doors.

Help encourage our youth and those who need a helping hand by bringing cans of soup!



January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month

Did you know?

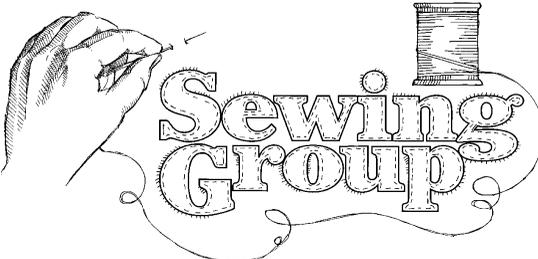
*In the U.S., an estimated 100,000 American children are at risk of being trafficked for commercial sex.

*The average age a girl enters the commercial sex trade is 12 – 14 years old. For boys, it is even younger, 11 – 13 years old.

*Sex trafficked victims run the risk of dying prematurely due to violence, STDs, or drug abuse.

MORE can be found at <http://traffickingresourcecenter.org/state> (National Human Trafficking Resource Center) ; www.truckersagainstrafficking.org (interstate organizations to fight human trafficking along interstates)

The Sewing Guild is working on a new project. We are making bibs for area nursing homes. We are in need of gently used terry cloth towels. The towels must be at least 22" x 26" in size. There will be a collection bin located outside Rev. Ingersoll's office labeled "Sewing Guild" for your donations. We would appreciate receiving your donations by February 15.



Thanks,
Everyone!



This is the first time in my life I have not sent individual "thank you" for gifts!

I am overwhelmed with how much time and/or gifts I have received. So I'm going to have to send "thank you" to everyone and hope you know how much each one of you mean to me.

Love,
Monill

Christian Friends:

It is time to hand the gavel to our next Board Chair, Larry Loop. Larry, thank you for making time in your life to serve our church.

Many words of thanks are written and spoken by the people that make up our church. I want to thank everyone for their willing spirit, for the special gift of the custom made chalice and plate, and the opportunity to work with Kelly and all the board members.

I am so humbled and honored. You have often heard me say by God's Grace, "Every day is a holiday and every meal a banquet"!

Always in Christ,
Bob Chatterton