

The Messenger

A Newsletter for Members and Friends

Union Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

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February 2017 Interim Pastor: Rev.Chuck Maney Sunday: Worship 10:00 a.m. Our Church office is staffed the following days: <u>Pastor</u>: 9-3 Tuesday and Wednesday 3-5 Thursday <u>Secretary:</u> Monday 9-3 Tuesday 9-3 Wednesday 9-3 Friday 9-3 Friday 9-3 **February Calendar of Events** 5 8:50 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10 a m. Worship with the Lord's Supper

	10 a.m. Worship with the Lord's Supper
	Sunday School
12	8 a.m. Trustees meet
	8:50 a.m. Adult Sunday School
	10 a.m Worship
	Sunday School
19	8:50 a.m. Adult Sunday School
	10 a.m. Worship
	Sunday School
26	8:50 a.m. Adult Sunday School
	10 a.m. Worship
	Sunday School
28	4:30-6 4th Tuesday Dinner at Somonauk Baptist

■ D Moving? notify the church with your new address/phone # .

Adult Sunday school. It will resume February 5.

-Turn Down the heat/ air conditioning If you're last to leave the building & also please make sure that all doors are locked.

-Reminder to officers & boards: be sure to check & empty your office mailbox regularly

-Coffee Hour Hosts: Sunshine Band hosts in February and Trustees in March.

-Miss a Sunday? You can read Pastor Chuck's sermon online. Go to http://humsandwords.blogspot.com

Church Website: our new website is up and running at somonaukucc.org to check it out.





From our Pastor: will return next month

Keep Us Informed: If you or a family member is ill or hospitalized, we're not always aware of it. Please let the church know. by calling the church office at 815 498 2277 or call Pastor Chuck directly at 815-433-3732. or 815-252-2792

Remember in Prayer

Gail's grandson Llewyn Burke	Duane Lackey	
Ron Hawkins	Laureen Hash	Don Miller
Brad Kraus	Pam Morton	Sara Taylor
Nancy Nixon	Jim & Helen Wood	Tom Egan
Rev. Dave Bateman		•

* For family and friends of Linda Lackey, who passed away. Linda was Duane Lackey's sister in law.

*For soldiers serving our country overseas or away from families: Peter Boecker, Kimberly Cole, Jacob Fisher, Troy Garlock, Jack Hinterlong, Brian Johnson, Gary Klemm, Noah Loveless, Eric Muelhausen, Katie Reiss, Shaun Walters

Newsletter Mailing: It is not too late to get on the list to have yours emailed to you. If you're willing to receive it email and have not provided your email address please do so. The church email address is <u>unioncongchurch@aol.com</u>.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Congratulations:

-We are very grateful to everyone who worked to get our offices remodeled. Many people pitched in to plan this project, move things out and then back in again and get everything put back away. If you haven't seen the results stop in and take a look.

-We are also grateful to those who signed up to deliver Meals on Wheels in February. We got the whole schedule filled. **Sunshine Band** does not meet in February and there also is no Lions Club dinner in February.

Musings of the Moderator will return soon.

4th Tuesday Fellowship Feast will be Tuesday, February 28 at Somonauk Baptist Church. Our church is to provide desserts. There will be a sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall. This free dinner will be served from 4:30-6:00 p.m. and all are invited to attend.

Financial Report for December

General Fund \$ 10,674.24 Benevolence \$ 1132.50 Money needed each month to meet our budget:

Mark your calendars: March 1 Ash Wednesday Soup supper at 6 p.m. and worship at 7 p.m.

March 8 Soup Supper at 6 p.m., then Pastor Chuck gives a presentation about his Holy Land trip.

"EPIC Needs YOU! Thank you to everyone who provided meals for 2016. As we cruise into 2017, we will continue to rotate monthly to each of the churches, meeting on Wednesday evenings from 6:00- 7:30 for a time of food, fellowship, games, and Bible study. We are in need of meals at this time, so if you would like to provide a meal for a Wednesday, please see the Meal Train website for details and to sign up (<u>https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/1505o3</u>) OR contact Autumn Battaglia at 815-685-8448 or <u>BattagliaAN1@gmail.com</u>"

Epic will meet at the United Church of Sandwich in February.

--On Friday, April 7 from 8 to 9:30 PM EPIC will be going to volunteer at Feed My Starving Children. This opportunity is open to EPIC youth and members of the congregations. If you would like to do this please contact Autumn: Autumn Battaglia, 815-685-8448, or email her at <u>battagliaAN1@gmail.com</u>. They have 30 spots reserved as of now but if there are more wanting to go she needs to get the extra spots lined up soon.

Annual Reports If you were not able to attend our Annual Meeting January 29 but would like to read the Annual Report booklet, copies will be available in the Narthex for a couple more weeks.



February Birthdays

- 3 Scott Herzog; 4 Pat Carpenter, Ginny Kroening; 5 Nancy Nixon;
- 6 Dan Grandgeorge; 9 Don Miller; 10 Barb Borton, Evelyn Sypin;
- 14 Wayne Bagwill; 15 Cory Ledesma; 20 Laura Stinson;
 - 21 Keith Johnson; 25 Bev Anderson, Mary Carpenter

February Anniversaries:

- 2 Don & Doris Miller
- 14 Tim & Nancy Nixon
- 15 Dealas & Connie Wiley

If you would like to be included in our birthday or anniversary lists, please give the information to the church office.

Ongoing Missions here at Union Congregational Church

*Alcoholics Anonymous meets here every Monday evening downstairs in the large Sunday School room. *Bring your empty aluminum cans here for recycling. All proceeds from recycling goes into our Angel Fund *You can also bring used printer cartridges for recycling . There's a bin in the church office. They are donated to Habitat **for** Humanity in DeKalb to help them raise funds.

*Sunshine Band provides Fair Trade Coffee for Sale. We don't make any money on this, it's just to make this coffee available

Address for Katie Reiss: She is still stationed at the same base but is now living off base.

Kaitie Reiss 5855 Valley Dr Unit 1078 North Las Vegas, NV 89031

Around our Communities:

-Somonauk Jr. Women's Club will once again host a Senior Citizens Bingo Night here at Union Congregational on Thursday, February 9th.

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