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## REKINDLING OUR CONGREGATION (ROC)

Rekindling Our Congregation (ROC) is a program sponsored by Quad Cities Interfaith (QCI) which our Church Council has chosen to engage in this year. Our ROC Co-coordinators are Lisa Gaston and Scott Gehler. Scott and Lisa are being closely assisted by current Council Moderator Dave Reinders and Past Moderator Dr. Evangeline Lewis and Pastor Christine.

The purpose of ROC is to identify and develop pastoral and lay leadership resulting in a cohesive and active congregation whose goals are to; fully proclaim their faith in the public sphere, increase church membership, reach the un-churched, become relevant and significant in the community and have long term sustainability. Organizers will work with pastors and congregational leaders to make faith based organizing an integral part of their culture, build a core team and/or ministries of leaders who will make decisions and move the congregation into living their faith 24-7.

QCI is asking participating congregations in the ROC process to use the arts, attitudes and disciplines of faith based community organizing in an intentional and disciplined way such that there are “measurable” results that indicate a more “vital” congregation. There will be an intentional approach to develop the “spirituality” of the calling of “faith and values” in the public arena through weekend retreats. The ROC Team will initially consist of the Pastor, a ROC team Coordinator or Co-coordinators and an organizer (Leslie Kilgannon).

The ROC process includes a congregational survey, training of a listening team, an 8 week listening campaign where the listening team conducts one-to-one sacred conversations with every member of the congregation, an evaluation of lessons learned and development of an action plan, and finally a Celebration Covenant.

We will be taking time during worship on March 8 and 15 to allow you time to participate in the congregational survey. Please be in attendance and help us gather information vital to this process. Our one-to-one conversations will begin after Easter. You will hear more about ROC, Quad City Interfaith and ways to rekindle your faith and our congregation. So be on the lookout!

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# **M**inisterial Musings

Lent is the 40 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter, not counting Sundays, reflecting the 40 days that Jesus spent in the wilderness. In the early days of the Church, the season of Lent was a time of preparation for new converts as they readied their hearts to enter into Christian Baptism on Easter Sunday. Since these new members were to be received into a living community of Faith, the entire community was called to preparation. Today, the season of Lent is a time of prayer, fasting, self-examination, and penitence for all Christians as we prepare to celebrate Easter. This season reminds us how much we need grace in our lives in order to live a transformed life that reflects God's love. We are called to renew our commitments and our faith as we continually acknowledge our need of God's transforming presence with us.

I invite you to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and by reading and meditating on God's holy Word. Join us for Wednesday evenings – a time of song, prayer and quiet contemplation. Throughout Lent I will be in conversation with Sunday's scriptures about a question arising from those texts. I invite you to read the text and ponder the question yourself as well. What if, we joined in conversation together?

Peace to you, Pastor Christine

## **WEDNESDAYS, FEB 25 through MARCH 25**

5:30 Simple Supper, 6:00 Holden Evening Prayer Service

### **MARCH 1, LENT 2**

How can we understand losing our life as a way of gaining it?

Mark 8:31-38

### **MARCH 8, LENT 3**

In its brokenness and its beauty, how do we experience the body as a sanctuary?

John 2:13-22

### **MARCH 15, LENT 4**

Where is this season asking us to be open to God's healing, kindness and mercy?

Numbers 21:4-9; John 3:14-21

### **MARCH 22, LENT 5**

What seeds are we planting in our own lives and in the lives of others?

Jeremiah 31:31-34; John 12:20-33

### **MARCH 29, PALM SUNDAY** Mark 11:1-11; John 12:12-16

### **APRIL 2, MAUNDY THURSDAY** – 7pm Service of Communion

### **APRIL 5, EASTER SUNDAY**

**8:30am** Sunrise Service

**9am** Breakfast served by Mission in Motion

**10:15am** Worship

### **APRIL 12, HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY**

Did you hear the one where the devil thought he had won and then Jesus rose from the dead?

## **Edwards Worship...**

### **March 1, 2015 ~ Communion Sunday**

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Psalms 22:23-31

Romans 4:13-25

Mark 8:31-38 or Mark 9:2-9

### **March 8, 2015 ~ No Potluck**

Exodus 20:1-17

Psalms 19

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

John 2:13-22

### **March 15, 2015 ~ Special Offering**

Numbers 21:4-9

Psalms 107:1-3, 17-22

Ephesians 2:1-10

John 3:14-21

### **March 22, 2015 ~ Food Pantry Sunday**

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalms 51:1-12 or Psalm 119:9-16

Hebrews 5:5-10

John 12:20-30

### **March 29, 2015 ~ Palm/Passion Sunday**

Liturgy of Palms

Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16

Psalms 118:1-2, 19-29

Liturgy of Passion

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalms 31:9-16

Philippians 2:5-11

Mark 14:1-15:47 or Mark 15:1-39, (40-47)

### **Easter Flower Orders**

If you would like to purchase lilies, tulips and daffodils to be used in decorating our sanctuary for Easter, order forms are now available in the narthex and at the end of the newsletter. Lilies are \$11.00, Tulips & Daffodils are \$14.00. **The deadline to order is 9am - March 23<sup>rd</sup>!!** Please make checks payable to "Edwards UCC" with "Flowers" in the memo line. Place your order and payment in the envelope on the narthex table or in Kathy Bowerman's mailbox.



One Great Hour of Sharing is the Lenten Offering of the United Church of Christ that supports disaster, refugee, and development actions. This offering makes the love of Christ real for individuals and communities around the world who suffer the effects of disaster, conflict, or severe economic hardship, as well as for those who serve them through gifts of money and time. Today, projects are underway in more than 100 countries, including the United States and Canada. We will observe this important offering on **Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**.

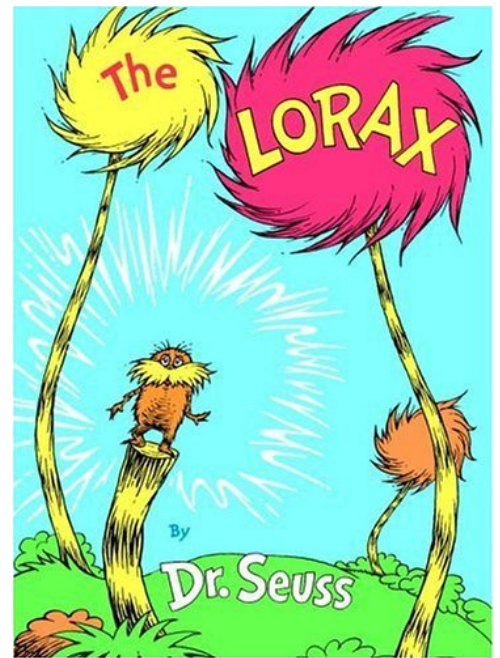
### **Altar Flowers**

Sign up on the weekly announcement sheet if you would like to provide Sunday altar flowers! You can also email [kathy@edwards-ucc.org](mailto:kathy@edwards-ucc.org) to reserve your date. Flowers are sometimes offered in memory of loved ones or in celebration of a special day or event. Providing flowers is also a nice way to surprise a member of the congregation by honoring them for their commitment to church work or for their outstanding volunteer work. Order flowers from the florist of your choice and have them delivered between 9am and Noon on the Friday before church.

## Faith Formation ...

### THE LORAX PROJECT

On Wednesday nights during TouchStones, our midweek program for children preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, we have been participating in “The Lorax Project.” We have studied nature in the Bible, we’ve learned more about recycling, we made sock puppets out of our old holey ones, and last week, we took the “Lorax Pledge.” If you look at the Faith Formation Bulletin Board in Baxter Hall, you will see the environmental pledges we have all made and plan to keep during the season of Lent. Some of us will try harder to turn off lights, some of us will be kinder to our houseplants, others will recycle. It should be a fun and meaningful practice during Lent. Parents, we hope you will encourage your kids to keep up with these.



### THE LORAX PLAY

At the end of February, we started using Wednesday nights during TouchStones to rehearse for “The Lorax.” I have adapted the Dr. Seuss classic “The Lorax” into a play that will be performed on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> after church (12:15pm). We invite parents, friends, family and congregation members to attend. Tickets will be sold for a small fee and proceeds will go to an environmental cause of the children’s choosing. An earth friendly cookie-and-punch reception will follow.

*For children not interested in acting in the play, there will be opportunities to help with costuming and set design.*

Rehearsal Schedule:

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| 3/4 Lorax Rehearsal                             | 4/1 No TouchStones (Holy Week)           |
| 3/11 No TouchStones (Pastor Kendra out of town) | 4/8 Lorax Rehearsal                      |
| 3/18 No TouchStones (Spring Break)              | 4/15 Lorax Rehearsal & final TouchStones |
| 3/25 Lorax Rehearsal                            | 4/17 Dress Rehearsal (Friday)            |

### LENT IN CHILDREN’S CHAPEL

For Lent this year in Children’s chapel we will explore different aspects of prayer and spiritual practice. Hopefully this will make the season of Lent a holy time for all. The children will also create a page in a tiny journal each week to remember this season by.

Here are the topics by Sundays:

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|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 2/22 Praying | 3/8 Walking  | 3/22 Serving |
| 3/1 Writing  | 3/15 Singing | 3/29 Giving  |

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: nursery**

As you may have heard, we are going to a volunteer-run nursery at Edwards. Danielle, bless her heart, has agreed to stay for Sunday mornings and board nights on Tuesdays once a month. We still need Wednesday night nursery care from 6-7pm. Contact Marilyn Riedesel or Pastor Kendra if you are available.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: set design**

Bob Riedesel and Tom Kenneke have agreed to help with the set design for our play The Lorax. It might be nice to have a few more. Are you available on Wednesday nights this spring? Do you like hands-on projects? If you are interested, contact Tom, Bob or Kendra.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: musicians**

On Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup>, our focus in children’s chapel will be “singing.” Pastor Kendra will be out of town (we will celebrate baby Joe’s first birthday in Texas!) and she is not much of a singer anyway. Are you interested in leading children’s chapel with music and fun? If so, contact Pastor Kendra.



## YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT

Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> We're going to the Scott County Humane Society at 1 pm. If it's nice outside we should bring garden gloves for working outside; otherwise we just need to show up. It sounded like the work would mostly be housekeeping / cleaning type stuff.

**THE PLAN:** Eat lunch together after church & have some fun! Caravan to the Animal Shelter to arrive at 1pm. If you want to meet us there at 1pm that's super!



## *Fellowship Opportunities...*

### WOMEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

Join us at Riefe's Restaurant (1417 W. Locust St., Davenport) on **Monday, (first Monday each month)** at 10:00 am for brunch/lunch and fellowship. Join in and bring a friend!!

### WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT

This month we will be meeting on **Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>** at Mo Brady's, 4830 Brady St., Davenport at 6:00pm. Bring a friend!!

### POTLUCK SUNDAYS CHANGE

We will no longer be having regular Potluck Sundays on the second Sunday of each month. Instead, we will be having them quarterly and for special occasions. Be on the lookout for our next one!

## *Service Opportunities ...*

### SPRING IS ON IT'S WAY!!

It's getting to be that time of year... Spring and Garage Sale Season are just around the corner!! YAY!! During these last cold days of winter is good time to stay inside and clean out cupboards, closets and basements and setting aside your unwanted "stuff" (clothing for all ages, furniture, bikes, games, books, children's toys, antiques, knick-knacks, dishes, small appliances, bedding, linens, etc.) for the annual Edwards UCC May Garage Sale. Watch the April Editor for more details about drop-off dates and times.



### BLOOD DRIVE COMING SOON!!



The spring blood drive is approaching. It is **Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**. If you are older than 16, weigh more than 110 pounds and are in good health, you probably are eligible to help save up to three lives. It will feel great to help 3 people in less than an hour. To sign up for a time or to get your questions answered, please call Dorothy Hammond 309-797-2321 or Julie Henke 563-508-4220. You can also sign up on the sheet in the narthex or the weekly announcement sheets on Sundays. Thank you for your time and for supporting your community.



## **ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT GOING TO BILOXI THIS YEAR?**

This year's trip is still many months away, but if you have been thinking about joining the Edwards crew this year for our annual mission trip to Biloxi, please let Carol Ogletree or Tom Kenneke know ASAP. Emmanuel UCC of Seabring, Florida, where former Edwards member Tracy Miller is now a member, is interested in joining us during our time there this year (September 26-October 4, 2015), so you can really help us with our planning by letting us know whether to 'pencil you in' to one of our 15 spots. Thank you!

## ***Caring For One Another...***

Because of privacy concerns related to information available on the internet, Edwards has chosen to remove the names of those for whom we are praying from our on-line newsletter.

We lift in joy those moments of celebration in our lives – anniversaries, births, and marriages. We continue to pray for those in the hospital, those who are home-bound, and those who battle illness. We lift up those who grieve the loss of a loved one and remember those who carry heavy burdens. We trust that as we lift one another in prayer, God's presence brings strength, hope and wholeness to us all. Amen.

## ***Supporting Our Ministries...***

### **A SOCIAL JUSTICE BOARD MOMENT...**

An article in the Quad City Times Friday, February 15, 2015 states that, "Every year about 8.8 million tons of plastic ends up in the world oceans, a quantity much higher than previous estimates." You can make a difference. Take your own reusable bags to the grocery store! In doing this, you can cut down on the 350 bags the average American uses each year and reduce needless deaths of marine life caused by plastic bags that end up in our streams, rivers and oceans.

## ***Church Council Highlights***

Here are some highlights from the most recent Church Council meeting...

- Christine gave Council an update on the Rekindling Our Congregation (ROC) effort that will begin soon. Its purpose is to strengthen our Church through building stronger relationships amongst ourselves. This effort is being facilitated by Quad Cities Inter-Faith, and is likely to become a cornerstone of our ongoing 5-year planning process.
- Christine reported that the confirmation class is going well.
- There are a number of musical opportunities coming our way in the next few months:
  - March 1 – Culver-Stockton Choir & wind ensemble in worship;
  - April 25 – St. Louis Community Choir; and,
  - May 2 or 3 – Libana concert accompanied by Hersong, although scheduling this concert is still in its tentative stage.
- Council evaluated the Annual Meeting and a number of suggestions were made for improvements for next year's annual meeting.
- The Share the Vision capital campaign continues to run about \$50,000 behind budget. This gap has remained basically unchanged for the past year. By this time next year, Council will need to come up with a plan to deal with the shortfall.
- Quite a number of board and officer positions have been successfully filled, but there are still opportunities for interested members, particularly on Worship and Membership Boards.
- Membership Board and Fellowship Board pretty much have their plans in place for honoring Geri and Dick at Dulaney Day on February 22.
- Fellowship Board reported the need for more coffee hour hosts. Without more volunteers, there may be Sundays without coffee.
- There will not be a potluck in March.
- Climate change will be the next discussion and action topic taken on by the Social Justice Board.

If you would prefer to read the Council minutes in their entirety, please contact the church office or the Church Clerk for a copy.

## ***Thank You, Thank You, Thank You !!***

Dear Pastor and People of Edwards Congregational UCC,  
Connections are an essential component of living systems.  
Connections – relationships, common projects, and – yes – financial support! – make a church system living and robust or in the absence of that support, puny and ineffective.

I am profoundly grateful for the OCWM support that your church commits for the vitality of the United Church of Christ in Iowa, across our nation, and into the world. Thank you.

My staff and I work very hard to advance the health and vitality of our member congregations. Your gift of \$22,944.00 in 2014 helped make that possible.

God bless you as your ministry – and our common ministry – unfolds in 2015! Thank you so much and God bless you!

With gratefulness and hope,

Rich Pleva

Conference Minister

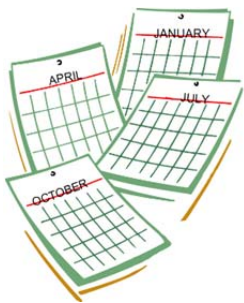
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Thanks  
Many Thanks  
Thanks  
Thanks

Dear Edwards Congregational UCC,  
Thank you for the gift of \$75, the honorarium for Dr. Evangeline Lewis passed on to support our work at Café on Vine. Please express to her how grateful we are for this help to fulfill our mission of serving the poor and homeless of our community.  
Even though a few days have been hard, as winter moves along and we see the severity of the season in other parts of the country, our guests regularly express their gratitude in being spared these extremes. This is good to see and hear and we join them. One of the blessings of this time of year is the bounty we receive in the summer and fall of garden produce. We are using it now to make soup and casseroles. It helps to have such good food during these long months of cold weather.  
God bless you for continuing to join us in this important work of feeding the hungry.  
Sister Ruth E.

## ***This and That...***



### **EVENTS, REHEARSALS, MEETINGS, ETC.**

If you are scheduling a meeting or rehearsal, planning a church event or would like to **use any church space**, it is **necessary** to call, email, or stop by the church office to check the building reservation binder for room availability and to make a reservation. This makes for efficient room scheduling and prevents conflicts. (Most building use reservations are posted to the online calendar of our website.) Please contact Kathy Bowerman (563-359-0331 or [kathy@edwards-ucc.org](mailto:kathy@edwards-ucc.org)) to reserve your meeting time, location, and room set-up needs.

**FREE PIANO!!** 1950's Wurlitzer Spinnet piano. Needs refinishing and tuning, but all keys work. We have piano moving equipment, but will need several strong backs to move it. Contact Carol Hart at 563-594-0608.



### ***Daylight Saving Time begins on March 8<sup>th</sup>!!***

Don't forget to "spring forward" and set your clocks ahead one hour!!

### **LAST CHANCE FOR DINING TOUR BOOKS!!**

We still have some of the Quad Cities Dining Tour books for sale for the next couple of weeks. Contact Kathy Bowerman in the office if you would like to purchase one. They are \$35 each.



## Who... What... When... Where...

	<b>March 1</b>	<b>March 8</b>	<b>March 15</b>	<b>March 22</b>	<b>March 29</b>
	<b>Communion</b>	<b>NO POTLUCK</b>	<b>Special Offering</b>	<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
Preacher	Christine Isham	Christine Isham	Christine Isham	Kendra Thompson	Christine Isham
Chancel Set-up	Dick Dulaney	Judy Stouffer	Jennifer Jordening		
Altar Flowers					
Scripture Reader	Pat Hixon	Kristin Van Heyningen	Tim Huey	Mary Hein	Dick Dulaney
Special Music	Culver-Stockton		Promised Land		
Audio	Terry Schlabach	Lyle Stratton	Terry Schlabach	Lyle Stratton	Terry Schlabach
Video	Lyle Stratton	Terry Schlabach	Lyle Stratton	Terry Schlabach	Lyle Stratton
Ushers	Ray Ball-Trevor Anne-Marie Gephart John McDowell Kristin Van Heyningen	Mike Augspurger Curly Curl Angela Reier Marilyn Riedesel	Mike Ball-Trevor Tim Reier Terry Schlabach Sara Verdick	Barb Bleedorn Elyse Dye Tom Kenneke Gail McPike	Deena Miller Dave Reinders Milo Smith Rob Tubbs
Greeters	Gehler Family Reier Family				
Coffee Hour	Pat Baxter-Rebal	Joyce Paustian	Sandy & Dave Reinders	Ann & George Kovacs	Treva & Mindy Brown and Lori Routh & Tracey Hustad
Lock-up	Tracey Hustad	Sandy Reinders			
Snow Removal (starts on Monday)	Dick Dulaney	Jay Kyte	Steve Wildemuth	Robert Riedesel	Richard Jirus
Caregivers On Call	Marilyn Hamilton	Carol Hart	Sandy Reinders Fran Wolfe	Martha Jirus	Lois Larew

**Where there are blanks, we may need your help!!  
Please call the church office to sign up.**

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Custodian

# March 2015 Calendar...

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 9:00 AM Bible Study 10:15 AM Worship 10:40 AM Children's Chapel 11:30 AM Coffee Hour 11:30 AM Liturgical Dance Practice 11:30 AM Promised Land Rehearsal	<b>2</b> 10:00 AM Women's Breakfast Group 6:00 PM Diversity AA Meeting 6:30 PM Alleluia Ringers	<b>3</b> 8:30 AM Donuts & Hammers 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Meeting 6:00 PM Room 4 Reserved 6:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting	<b>4</b> 5:30 PM Simple Soup Supper 6:00 PM Confirmation 6:00 PM TouchStones 6:00 PM Vespers 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM Promised Land Rehearsal	<b>5</b> 10:00 AM Staff Meeting 12:30 PM Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting 6:30 PM Diversity AA Meeting	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 9:00 AM Bible Study 10:15 AM Worship 10:40 AM Children's Chapel 11:30 AM Liturgical Dance Practice 11:30 AM Promised Land Rehearsal 1:00 PM All Youth Service Project	<b>9</b> 6:00 PM Diversity AA Meeting 6:30 PM Alleluia Ringers	<b>10</b> 6:00 PM Room 4 Reserved 6:15 PM Prayer Time 6:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting 6:30 PM Board Meetings 7:30 PM Council Meeting	<b>11</b> 5:30 PM Simple Soup Supper 6:00 PM Confirmation 6:00 PM Vespers 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM Promised Land Rehearsal	<b>12</b> 12:30 PM Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting 6:30 PM Diversity AA Meeting	<b>13</b> 3:00 PM Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall Reserved	<b>14</b> Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall Reserved
<b>15</b> 9:00 AM Bible Study 10:15 AM Worship 10:40 AM Children's Chapel 11:30 AM Coffee Hour 11:30 AM Liturgical Dance Practice 11:30 AM Promised Land Rehearsal	<b>16</b> 9:00 AM <b>Newsletter Deadline</b> 6:00 PM Diversity AA Meeting 6:30 PM Alleluia Ringers	<b>17</b> 8:30 AM Donuts & Hammers 12:00 PM CareGivers Meeting 6:00 PM Room 4 Reserved 6:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting	<b>18</b> 5:30 PM Simple Soup Supper 6:00 PM Vespers 7:15 PM Chancel Choir 8:15 PM Promised Land Rehearsal	<b>19</b> 12:30 PM Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:00 PM Women's Night Out 6:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting 6:30 PM Diversity AA Meeting	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
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For the most current up-to-date calendar information go to [www.edwards-ucc.org](http://www.edwards-ucc.org) and click on the calendar link.

# Embracing Life's Seasons

## Women's Day of Renewal

No matter where you are on life's journey, God walks with you.

This basic truth easily gets lost in the tumult and stress and everyday life. Yet we crave the space to slow down and rediscover a life centered in the Divine. Join your presenters Rev. Becky David and Michelle Watters, for this day of soulful reconnecting to that which nourishes, encourages and enlivens, no matter where in life you find yourself.

Reflection, sharing and gentle movement will guide our journey to a more balanced and centered approach to managing whatever changes life throws our way.

**Saturday, April 11, 2015**

at Edwards Congregational UCC  
3420 Jersey Ridge Road, Davenport, IA

8:30 – Registration / 9:00 – 4:30 – Program

Cost: \$55 / *includes continental breakfast and lunch*

To register: [www.blackpearlcoaching.com](http://www.blackpearlcoaching.com)

### Your Presenters:

**Rev. Becky David**, MPS, MDiv, CPCC, ACC is a certified spiritual director, coach and owner of Black Pearl Coaching, LLC. A sought after presenter, Becky offers spirituality experiences that are engaging, thought-provoking and humorous. *Embracing Life's Seasons* is part of her ongoing Diving Deep Women's Spirituality Series.



**Michelle Watters**, LMHC Michelle Watters is the Director of Spiritual and Health Integration and a Licensed Mental Health Counselor at Hillcrest Family Services in Dubuque, IA. She is a certified and registered 200-hour yoga teacher. Michelle is currently a student with Phoenix Rising Yoga Therapy where she will complete her 500 hour YTT this summer. Michelle's style of teaching is described as calm, inviting, smooth-flowing and accepting of all levels.

### The Wheel of Life

This medieval piece of art is our portal for this day of discovery. Working our way around the wheel we will glean ancient wisdom on how to appreciate every season that life presents to us and how God uses each season for our spiritual awakening.



# Easter Flower Order Form

If you would like to purchase lilies, tulips or daffodils to be used in decorating our sanctuary for Easter, please complete this form and turn it in to the office or leave it in the collection plate.

**We will receive orders until 9 am ~ Mon., March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
Lily	_____	\$11.00	\$_____
Tulips	_____	\$14.00	\$_____
Daffodils	_____	\$14.00	\$_____
Total Amount Due			\$_____

**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to “**Edwards Church**” and write “**Flowers**” on the memo line.

**Please PRINT clearly**

**Given by:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**In Memory of:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**In Honor of** \_\_\_\_\_

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