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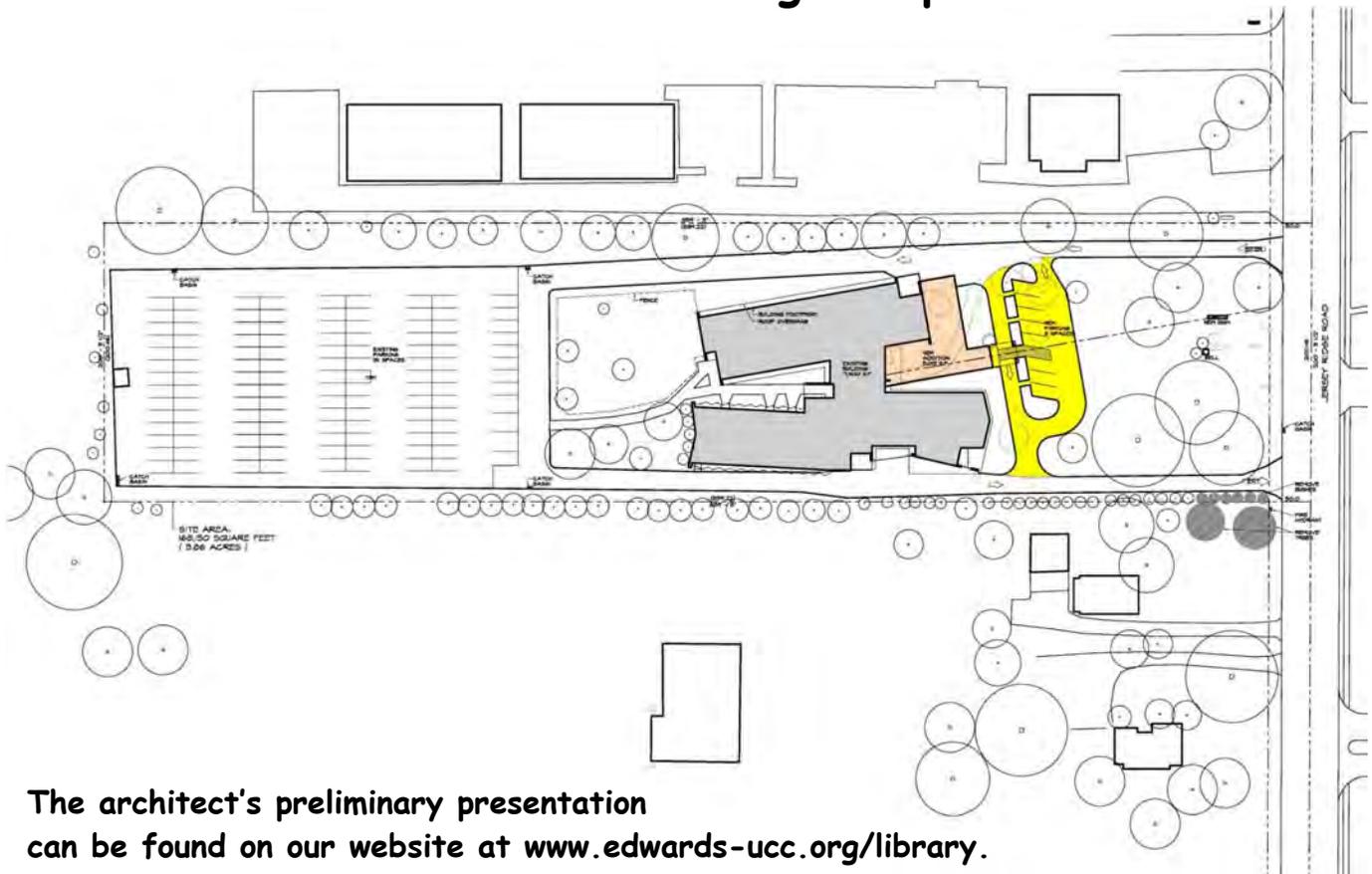
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~ Final Building Improvement Presentation ~ November 14th during the potluck



The architect's preliminary presentation can be found on our website at www.edwards-ucc.org/library.

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From Our Pastor's Desk...

Greetings to everyone and Happy Thanksgiving! I am Sue Harrington. I am sitting in for our pastor, Katherine Mulhern, while she continues on her sabbatical. I am very grateful and humbled by this opportunity to serve you, the members and friends of Edwards.

Recently, my brother from Indianapolis was driving through Davenport on a business trip to Williamsburg, IA. We both were able to steal a few hours from our busy schedules to spend some quality time together. It is always uplifting and rejuvenating for me to spend time with my brother. We spend the first part of our moments together catching up on what is happening in our lives. The rest of the time we are joking and laughing. In our departure on every occasion, we throw our arms around one another and say with great meaning, I love you.

As I reflect on these moments with my brother, I realize how safe and nurtured I always feel around him and the rest of my family. We do a lot of laughing and cracking jokes at each other's expense, however, during those moments when I need my family they surround me with love.

Most of us have one or more people in our lives, whether they are family or friend, who we can connect with from a loving, nurturing place. It may be a

sibling, parent, a spouse or a significant person in our life who open their arms when we are in need of love.

Edwards Congregational United Church of Christ is also a place where I come to find nurturing and love. On Sundays when I begin the walk from the parking lot to the front door of the church, I begin to feel this sense of love and acceptance. No matter how I felt leaving my home in the morning, I have a smile on my face as I am met every Sunday by the joyous people of Edwards. It is a reminder of God's abundant love and a brother's embrace.

The members and friends of Edwards have been great stewards of God's abundant love. As we enter the season of Thanks-giving I ask each of you to prayerfully consider the ways and the means you can continue to be good stewards of the abundance that God has given to you.

Blessings,

November Scriptures

November 7:

Haggai 1:15b-2:9

Psalms 145:1-5, 17-21

Luke 20:27-38

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17



November 14:

Isaiah 65:17-25

Isaiah 12

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Luke 21:5-19



November 21:

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Luke 1: 68-79

Luke 23:33-43

Colossians 1:11-20



November 28:

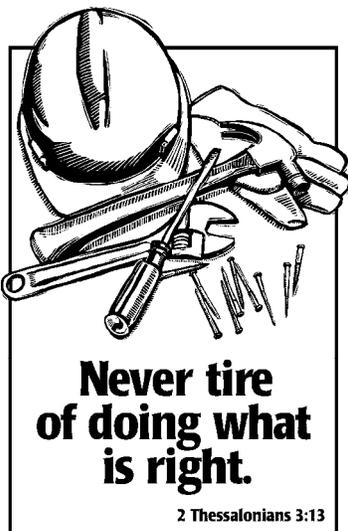
Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalms 122

Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:36-44

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ~ Acts 2:42



Thanksgiving as a Verb: The Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Temple Emmanuel, the Unitarian Universalist and Edwards Congregational United Church of Christ invite everyone to **The Interfaith Thanksgiving Service** on November 21st at 7pm. This year the service will be hosted by the Unitarian Universalist at 3707 Eastern Ave, Davenport. The focus for the service is the questions, "What do we as a congregation do to model Thanksgiving as a verb?" The speaker for this year's service is our very own Sue Harrington. Sue will be speaking about her experience working in street outreach with homeless veterans. There will be youth speakers from Edwards church, the Temple and the Unitarian church who will share their experiences of working with homelessness. The recipient of this year's offering will be the new youth drop-in center in Rock Island called "The Place2b."

Interfaith Thanksgiving

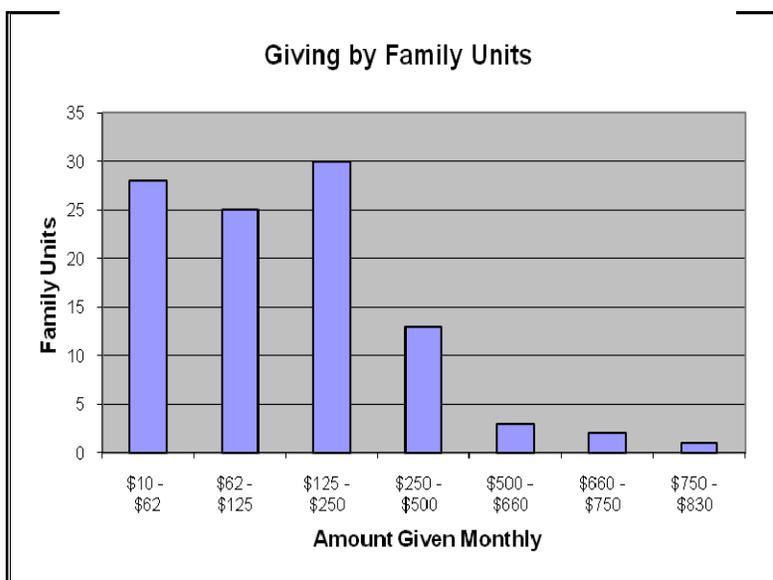




One Trustee's View of Pledging

With Stewardship Sunday coming on November 14th, I thought I would share my view of pledging. Some see it as a binding contract and therefore a scary little piece of paper. Truly it is just a planning tool used by the Trustees. When pledging is generous, we are able to choose which programs can be expanded, make repairs and improvements to the building, and consider increasing staff salaries. When times are tight, we are forced to consider where programs can be reduced and which repairs to the building are critical. If your financial situation changes and you want to increase or need to decrease your giving, please let the Financial Secretary know. We can then readjust our budgets. ~ Steve Wildemuth, Trustees

A Snapshot of Edwards current giving:



Building Improvements

In preparation for the final building improvement presentation on **Sunday, November 14th**, please be sure to familiarize yourself with the architect's preliminary presentation found on our website at www.edwards-ucc.org/library. There will be updated drawings and financial information presented during the **November 14th** potluck that follows worship. Architect Greg Govey, along with the task force, will also be available for questions. At that meeting, we will also be hearing from the financial task force about funding possibilities. Please plan on attending this very important time in the life of Edwards Congregational United Church of Christ.

Time and Talent Survey

Enclosed in this Editor is a Time & Talent Survey. This survey helps identify the talents of members and friends of Edwards and provides opportunities for participation in the life of our church. Take a moment to prayerfully consider the categories, and check everything and anything that interests you. Please return the sheet to the church office as soon as possible.



**SHARE YOUR TIME,
TALENT AND TREASURES**

Children's Faith Development

Children's Chapel is held during Sunday morning worship and is offered to children ages 3 through 11 immediately following the Children's Story. While children are always welcome to worship in the sanctuary, **Children's Chapel** offers our young people a time to experience worship in ways that engage their spirits and reflect their faith development.

Children's programming on Wednesday evenings begins with a **Simple Supper** at 5:30, **TouchStones** from 6:00-7:00 and **Music and Movement** from 7:00-7:30. **TouchStones** and **Music and Movement** are faith formation programs specially designed and written for children Pre-K through 5th grade. **TouchStones** in November will focus on Stewardship and the scripture, "*For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*"

TGIF: Movie and a Meal

Friday, November 19th, 5:30-8:00. It's a double feature! We will have two screens showing box office favorites. On the G-rated screen will be *How to Train Your Dragon*. Our second feature is yet to be announced, but it will be for youth and adults. Watch for it in the Sunday bulletin.

Cookies, Chili, & Cocoa

It's that time again! On **Sunday, Dec. 5th**, the Board of Christian Education will sponsor a Cookie Walk immediately following worship. Plates of 20 cookies (your choice!) can be purchased for \$10. Our hope is to sell 100 plates - that means we need 2000 cookies! Difficult, but not impossible! Please bring your cookies and recipe to church no later than **Friday, Dec. 3rd**. If possible, drop a copy of your recipe off earlier in the week so we can include it in the recipe booklet we will distribute during the Cookie Walk. In addition to the cookie walk, we will enjoy a chili lunch, drink cocoa and welcome the coming of Christmas.

Music Rehearsals

Alleluia Ringers

Monday nights 6:30 - 8 pm

Chancel Choir

Wednesday nights 7 - 8:30 pm

Friends in Faith Band

Tues., Nov. 9th 5:30 - 6:30 pm (no set up)

Liturgical Dancers

Sunday mornings following worship

Special Music in November

The Chancel Choir sings each week, but in addition, other musicians are leading music at the 10:15 am Sunday service:

November 7th ~ Mona Terry, harp

November 14th ~

The Alleluia Ringers, Sandy Reinders, director

The Edwards Children, Susan Chesley, director

November 21st ~ The Friends in Faith Band

Interfaith Thanksgiving Choir

Join the MASS CHOIR for the 67th Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service with the Unitarian Universalist Church and Temple Emmanuel! Rehearsals are Wednesday, November 17th, 5:45-6:45 pm and Sunday, November 21st, 6 pm at the Unitarian Church. Call the church or SIGN UP on the tear off sheet so you can get your music from Jean for this grand annual event.



TECT Team...

This month has gotten off to a great start! The TECT team has had some nice time to develop communal bonds by sharing some Starbucks coffee. We also had some great time to reflect theologically on some important topics, such as what do the words "God", "Jesus", "Scripture" and "Apocalypse" mean and explore what these terms bring to mind and heart. Our inquiry into these theological terms will cause us to reflect the next few months on some weighty issues such as what it means and does not mean to "believe" as well as what significance we find in the belief in Jesus' second coming.

As many of you know, we are quickly approaching the season of Advent in the church calendar. During Advent, the church enters a season of waiting - waiting for Christ, that is. In the season of Advent we eagerly await the birth of the One who brings us light amidst the darkness in this world. However, we are not only celebrating the birth of Jesus in Advent, we also celebrate the second coming of Jesus as WE eagerly await his coming, again! For many Christian circles Jesus second coming is a time characterized by fear but what we often miss is Scripture's allusions to the second coming of Jesus as a time of hope and reconciliation - a time of restoration and wholeness, NOT FEAR. We are going to delve into what it means to wait for Jesus, a second time, in the next coming weeks in TECT team.

On Wednesday, October 20th, Katy Strzepek, member at Edwards and Director of Women's Studies at St. Ambrose gave a wonderful and informative presentation to our youth about body image. So, before we delve into the theological implications of the second coming of Jesus, we will discuss a theology and spirituality of body and body image as a follow-up to Katy's wonderful presentation. This presentation, by the way, was nicely attended by our TECT team and confirmation youth as well as the confirmation and youth group from Hope UCC in Moline and several young ladies from the Wittenmeyer campus of Family Resources. The TECT team is most grateful for Dave VanDerKamp, Sandy Reinders, and Fran Wolfe for volunteering their help and services Wednesday evening. The body image event would not have been possible without their work. We are planning to volunteer for the upcoming blood drive, as well.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns, or suggestions for TECT team.

Peace and Joy to you all,
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With Our People and Fellowship Opportunities...

Keep In Our Prayers

- + Diane Anderson, recovering from a car accident
- + Jennell Bergwell, completed chemotherapy
- + Nancy Bolyard, continued health concerns
- + Cec Chapman, grieving the death of a friend
- + Sue Curl, health issues
- + Dick Dulaney, brother David recovering from back surgery and sister Joan recovering from ovarian cancer surgery
- + John & Nikki Keraus, grieving the death of John's mom, **Rosemary Clemmensen**
- + Don & Gilly Miller, continued health concerns
- + Katherine Mulhern, on sabbatical
- + The Neavor family, grieving the death of **Jean Neavor**
- + Pat Sterk, her mom, Dorothy Clapp, at Clarissa Cook
- + In Care or Assisted Living Facilities: **Sandy Carlson, Don Carroll, Rose Marie Edgerton, George Gallaher, Betty Murray, Nelda Paustian and Joyce Swarts**

Moveable Feast to Resume

Moveable Feasts are back!! Edwards' version of the progressive dinner, Moveable Feasts, will start again in January 2011. Beginning on the **fourth weekend** in January, they will continue each fourth weekend of the month thereafter through May. Small groups of six to eight members and friends of Edwards church will gather in someone's home for a delicious meal and great conversations. This is a wonderful way to get to know your church family! Be on the look-out for more info in the weekly Sunday bulletin or call Ann Kovacs if you have any questions (309) 788-1754. Be sure to sign up by November 30th - they are a lot of fun!!

November Birthdays

- 2 Merlin Bachellor
- 5 Jesse Knudson
- 6 Woody Perkins
- 6 Rob Fuller
- 7 Nancy Bolyard
- 7 Tim Mandell
- 8 Zack Schony
- 9 Gavin Verdick
- 9 Kade Verdick
- 11 Julie Henke
- 12 Addison Steinich
- 12 Dave Wilbricht
- 15 Michelle Hukvari
- 17 Fran Wolfe
- 18 Chris Medina
- 18 Becky David
- 19 Ray Ball-Trevor
- 20 Karter Holdridge
- 23 Penny Hubbard
- 23 Milo Smith
- 24 Keith Thess
- 24 Rich Weyman
- 25 Maddie Schony
- 27 Ryley Zippe
- 28 Bob Williams
- 29 Joel Sullivan
- 30 Vince Holdridge
- 30 Ron Springer
- 30 Keegan Smith
- 30 Alexis Azure



Wish These Friends a
"Happy Birthday!"



Women's Night Out

On Thursday, November 18th, we will be meeting at The Lodge at 5:30 to take advantage of the early bird specials. All of the women of Edwards are invited!!



With Our People Continued...

Welcome New Members

Our church family continues to grow. Sunday, October 17, 3 persons united with Edwards Church. They are:

Brad & Lisa Hixon

The Hixon family comes to us from Arkansas and most recently, Germany.

Brad served 25 yrs in the Army and is currently employed as an Inspector General at the Rock Island Arsenal. In his spare time, he enjoys most sports, especially bowling.

Lisa was raised in Dallas, TX. She has been an English teacher and is an active participant in Social Justice. In her spare time, she enjoys reading and traveling.

Their daughter, Jewell, is an active 3rd grader at Rivermont Collegiate Academy where her favorite subject is science. In her spare time, she enjoys "Harry Potter" and riding horses.

The family resides at 2305 Forest Rd., Davenport, IA 52803 (563/514-2928) hixons3@yahoo.com

Sponsors: Chris, Michael, and Michaela Fessler

Angela Janssen

Angela is married to Mark Janssen and has 2 sons, Jack and Niklaus. She is currently employed as a Project Engineer with the US Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island. The family enjoys outdoor activities together with their 2 dogs, Mac and Gunner.

Angela and her family reside at 909 E. 32nd Avenue, Milan, IL 61264 (309/756-0813). majanssen@mchsi.com

Sponsors: Joel & Wendy Shaw-Sullivan

Brad, Lisa, and Angela - "Welcome Home to Edwards". We are blessed to have you join our Edwards family.



National Friend-Raising Weekend

WHO: YOU... inviting friends to worship with you during the UCC Stillspeaking Ministry's National Friend-Raising Weekend.

HOW: On Friday, November 5, the UCC's new video message, *Uniquely UCC*, will be released via the internet to introduce people to the distinctive qualities of the United Church of Christ: continuing testament, extravagant welcome and changing lives.

The beautiful video, music, and narration of *Uniquely UCC* will create an enticing invitation for you to share with potential visitors.

WHEN: Friend-Raising Weekend, Nov. 5-7
The video will be released Friday, Nov. 5 at 9am ET. 10am Iowa time.

The 65,000+ Keeping You e-Posted subscribers will receive it first. (Anyone can sign up for Keeping You e-Posted at www.ucc.org/news/keeping-you-eposted/)

It will also appear on ucc.org and the UCC's Facebook, Twitter, MySpace and YouTube pages.

In addition to posting the video on your own Facebook page, forward "Uniquely UCC" to your friends, along with a personal invitation to join you for worship on Sunday. Let's share our extravagant welcome!!

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You !!

As a veteran, I would like to thank every veteran for the service they have provided our country. November 11 is Veteran's Day. We not only remember our veterans on this day but also the families of our service members who provide support and love along the way. So if you know a vet, say thank you. **Sue Harrington**

Thank you to **Chris, Michael & Michaela Fessler** and **Joel & Wendy Shaw-Sullivan** for sponsoring our new members.

Many thanks for all your generous donations of cash, checks and purchases of T-shirts during the fundraiser for baby Lorelei!! We sold 117 shirts and after expenses raised \$1,763!! Thank you Edwards!! Also, special thanks to **Kim Fortman** for working with the shirt company, and to **Kathy Bowerman** and **Julie Henke** for keeping track of sales. Our prayers continue for baby Lorelei and the Gephart family.

Thanks to **Steve Wildemuth** for fixing the lights in the Music Room and along with **Marilyn Riedesel** for creating music storage hammocks for the new chairs.

Thank you to **Mona Terry**, harp; **Elaine Lippert** and **Norma Wren**, organ and piano; for assisting with weddings and funerals and accompanying the choir; **Chuck Collins**, **Robert Riedesel** and **Chris Zippe** for being the small but mighty wind ensemble; and **Kailan Lafrenz** for flute accompaniment.

Thank you to the weekly volunteers bringing wonderful help to the world of music at Edwards: **Sandy Reinders**, Director of Alleluia Ringers; **Michelle Hukvari**, Music Librarian; **Kathy Lafrenz**, Director of Liturgical Dancers; and **Dave VanDerKamp**, sound engineer.

Thanks to **Elyse Dye** and **Michaela Fessler** for their interpretive presentation of the Widow and the Judge parable during worship.

Thank you to **Martha & Richard Jirus**, **Ann & George Kovacs** and **Fran Wolfe**, as well as our Edwards family for being a part of my birthday celebration. With much appreciation, **Terry Fortman**

Thanks to **Michael Fessler** for providing clean-up after Wednesday evening programming.

Thanks to **Jewell Hixon**, **Michaela Fessler**, **Isaac Penzol**, **Carter Sullivan**, **Annah Eberhardt** and **Robert Norwood** for serving as Acolytes.

Thanks to **Mila Smith**, **Brad** and **Lisa Hixon**, **Katie Van Blair**, **Pat Baxter-Rebal** and the **Norwood Family** for providing supper during Wednesday evening programming.

Thanks to **Dennise Weyman** and **Wendy Shaw** for teaching TouchStones with **Cathy Wetzel** and **Susan Chesley**.

Dear Edward's Family ~ We would like to say thank you on behalf of Rosemary Clemmensen for all your kindnesses over the past two years. For Bell choir, rides to church, conversations, visits and prayers; for giving her a larger world than she might have had otherwise and helping her to miss less, the larger world she had lost. You gave her an extended family with so many of the things that made her life interesting for her.

We would also like to say thank you for the meal when we were in crisis. It was just what we needed. And to everyone who played a part in her memorial service, whether in preparation or by attending, we are grateful. So many people from outside the church commented on the beauty of the service and the caring nature of our church community. We were happy to tell them that this was nothing unusual but rather just the Christ-like way Edwards works.

We know that Rosemary's love of music will continue in the kind and generous contributions which were made to her memorial fund which will go to the music program which she loved.

Thank you, thank you, thank you ~ **John & Nikki Keraus** and extended family.

Janie and **Lyle Stratton** wish to thank the church community for support on our very special day. For all who attended our wedding, helped us plan, gave us prayers, good wishes, and helped us keep our stress level manageable. One of the important gifts of Christ's resurrection is *community*, and we have it here at Edwards--in abundance! Thank you!

Thanks to **Mila Smith** and **Michael Fessler** for volunteering at confirmation camp.



Habitat for Humanity

Lunch Providers ~ Individuals, groups and businesses are needed to provide lunch to construction volunteers on Saturdays in November, December, January, February and...

If you would like to provide lunch with a group from Edwards please contact Sandy at 332-2637 or skreinders@gmail.com.

There are many ways to volunteer - committees, construction, lunch providers, site hosts, and office assistance. If you would like to volunteer on your own, please contact Terry Timmerman, H4H Volunteer Coordinator at 359-9066 or terry.timmerman@habitatqc.org from 8:00 to 5:00 weekdays. Terry coordinates the number of workers at each site at any one time. Too many volunteers and folks just stand around AND there may not be enough food. So please, give Terry a call before you show up.

Construction site workers must attend a one time volunteer orientation. The next orientation session will be held November 13th, 7-8 pm at First Congregational UCC, 2201 7th Ave, Moline.

Winnie's Place Needs



13 & 30 gallon trash bags, paper towels, miracle whip, boxed potatoes, 1 lb. packages of hamburger, knife sharpener and grocery store gift cards. Please place items in the donation box located in the Narthex.

Blood DRIVE

Reminder!!! - Fall Blood Drive will be Sat., Nov. 6th from 7am to 11am. To be able to give blood at this blood drive, the last time you have given blood must be before Sept.

19th. We also need donations of cookies, juice and fresh fruit. To reserve a time, call Julie Henke (508-4220) or Dorothy Hammond (797-2321), sign-up at the table in the narthex or on the tear-off in the weekly bulletin.

Volunteers Needed

The American Cancer Society is looking for volunteers for its Road to Recovery program to help transport ambulatory cancer patients to and from their treatment in Scott County. For many patients, a lack of transportation can be their greatest barrier to beating cancer! Volunteers use their own vehicles and must have a safe driving record (subject to a background check), a valid driver's license and the state's minimum required liability insurance. Volunteer drivers may devote as much time as they wish. For more information on the program, or to register for training, please call Teri Elsbury at 1-877-422-9055 ext. 14 or 641-422-9085 or teri.elsbury@cancer.org.



SOCIAL JUSTICE ISSUES:

Death Penalty

In September Terry Fortman attended Churches United seminar titled The Death Penalty Why and Why Not? The Social Justice Board agrees that the death penalty is incompatible with Christian faith because it:

1. asserts that the power of death rules over the power of life
2. destroys reflections of the divine image and denies possibilities for reconciliation
3. promotes human vengeance as a means to resolve disputes

Additionally, statistics indicate a high proportion of those on death row are among the poor and minority status, sometimes unjustly convicted due to defects in the system or inadequate defense. Terry reported that the seminar recommended that the following steps could be helpful:

- join anti-death penalty organizations,
- write letters to legislators objecting to the death penalty,
- do advocacy in one's church or other community organizations.

In all cases, one advocates life imprisonment with no possibility of parole as the alternative to the death penalty. The need for this advocacy is spotlighted when one recognizes that Illinois still has 16 people on death row. The Illinois Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty would be the organization of choice.



Fair Trade

There is now a Fair Trade store in Davenport! *Sis International Shop* is located at 1605 N Harrison. While some stores may have some small sections noted for fair trade, this store has only fair trade certified items for sale. (It is located across the street from *Greatest Grains*) It is a great choice and huge selection for various gift items. (While the church does not advertise retail outlets, fair trade is an important social justice issue and therefore we are providing this information to you as an option to consider as a social justice-minded consumer!)



Fair Trade at Edwards

A Greater Gift (SERRV): A Greater Gift is a program of SERRV International, a nonprofit organization that works to build sustainable livelihoods for artisans in developing regions of the world by marketing their products in a just and direct manner. Each year Edwards sponsors a fair trade sale with products from around the world. Your purchase of these goods helps to alleviate poverty and empower low-income people through trade, training and other forms of capacity building as they work to improve their lives. The SERRV table will be open for business in the Narthex throughout December.

SERRV

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

	November 7	November 14	November 21	November 28
	Friend-Raising	Stewardship Sunday	Thanksgiving Sunday	Food Pantry Sunday
Preacher	Sue Harrington	Sue Harrington	Katherine Mulhern	Katherine Mulhern
Chancel Set-up	Marilyn Riedesel	Sandy Reinders	Carol Hart	Pat Cresap
Acolytes	Jewell Hixon Michaela Fessler	Elyse Dye Molly Dye	Chloe Van Blair Kassidy Holdridge	Emma McCormick
Scripture Reader	Mila Smith	Brian Dugan	Ryan Dye	Steve Chesley
Communion Servers	Marilyn Riedesel, Cathie Miller, Steve Wildemuth, Dave Wymore, Curly Curl			
Special Music	Mona Terry	Alleluia Ringers Edwards Children	Friends in Faith Band	
Sound System	Dave VanDerKamp	Dave VanDerKamp	Dave VanDerKamp	Dave VanDerKamp
Nursery	Sarah Kenneke	Sarah Kenneke	Sarah Kenneke	Sarah Kenneke
Visitor Guides	Membership Board	Membership Board	Membership Board	Membership Board
Greeters	Sandy Sohr Kathy Vance Bonnie Walling Ned Walling	Ruth Bowers Carol Carroll Bill Coker Judy Collins	Pat Cresap Sue Curl Curly Curl Pam Edmond	Edith Egly Sally Egly Angela Elliott Dick Vallandingham
Ushers	Steve Wildemuth Dave Wymore Michael Ball-Trevor Curly Curl	Barb Bleedorn Curly Curl Becky David Dick Dulaney	Judy Collins Pam Edmond Sally Egly Ollie Gallaher	Mary Hein Dee Hillyer John Harnung Susan Harnung
Coffee Hour	Pat Cresap Ardis Kasper	Potluck	Elisabeth Norwood	Lois Larew
Lock-up	Ann Baker-Caligaris	Woody Perkins	George Kovacs	Steve Wildemuth
CareGivers On Call	Ruth Bowers Kay Stiles	Fran Wolfe Ann Kovacs	Dick Dulaney	

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

Calendar of Events...

NOVEMBER 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 Reformation Sunday 9:00 AM Any-age Christian Ed 9:00 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal 10:15 AM Worship 10:30 AM Children's Chapel	1 All Saints Day 6:30 PM Alleluia Ringers Rehearsal	2 6:30 PM Building Improvement Task Force Meeting	3 5:30 PM Simple Supper 6:00 PM Confirmation Class 6:00 PM TECT Team 6:00 PM TouchStones 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM Music & Movement	4 6:30 PM Steps to Serenity Al-Anon Meeting	5	6 7:00 AM Blood Drive
7 Daylight-Saving Time Ends Friend-Raising - Bring a friend to church 9:00 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal 10:15 AM Worship 10:30 AM Children's Chapel	8 6:30 PM Building Improvement Task Force Meeting 7:30 PM Alleluia Ringers Rehearsal-Note time change	9 5:30 PM Friends in Faith Rehearsal 6:30 PM All Board Meetings 7:30 PM Council Meeting	10 5:30 PM Simple Supper 6:00 PM Confirmation Class 6:00 PM TECT Team 6:00 PM TouchStones 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM Music & Movement	11 Veterans Day 6:30 PM Steps to Serenity Al-Anon Meeting	12	13 10:00 AM Decorate sanctuary & narthex
14 Stewardship Sunday 9:00 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal 10:15 AM Worship 10:30 AM Children's Chapel 11:30 AM Potluck after Worship 11:45 AM Architect's Final Presentation during potluck	15 12:00 PM NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 6:30 PM Alleluia Ringers Rehearsal	16 5:30 PM CareGivers Meeting 6:30 PM Task Force Meetings	17 5:30 PM Simple Supper 5:45 PM Interfaith Thanksgiving Choir Rehearsal at Unitarian Church 6:00 PM Confirmation Class 6:00 PM TECT Team 6:00 PM TouchStones 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM Music & Movement	18 5:30 PM Women's Night Out - Note time change 6:30 PM Steps to Serenity Al-Anon Meeting	19 5:30 PM TGIF - Movie and a Meal	20
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SAVE THESE DATES!!

December 5th ~
Cookie Walk
December 12th ~
Christmas Pageant



For the most current up-to-date
calendar information go to
www.edwards-ucc.org
and click on the calendar link



Food Pantry Sunday **November 28th!!**

Non-perishables are greatly
needed by the food pantries.
Fill an Edwards bag to share
with hungry families.

EDWARDS CHURCH STAFF

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Rev. Jean Norton, Minister of Music
Susan Chesley, Minister of Christian Education
Crystal McCormick, Youth Director
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EDWARDS TIME & TALENT SURVEY

BOARDS & COMMITTEES

- Christian Education
- Endowment Committee
- Media
- Membership
- Mission
- Pastor-Parish
- Personnel
- Social Board
- Social Justice
- Stewardship
- Trustees
- Worship

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- Assist./Sub. Teach
- Camp Counselor
- Facilitate group discussions
- Leader a Youth Group
- Mentor Confirmand
- Provide Transportation
- Teach Church School
- Teach Jr. / Sr. High
- Teach VBS

WORSHIP

- Altar Guild / Decorating
- Communion Prep.
- Lay Speaker
- Liturgist
- Scripture Reader
- Serve Communion
- Tell Children's Story
- Usher

CAREGIVING

- Make Hospital Visits
- Prepare / Deliver Meals
- Serve Communion to Homebound
- Provide Transportation
- Visit Homebound
- Call/Phone Homebound

CHILD CARE

- During church activities
- Sunday Nursery

FELLOWSHIP

- Coffee Hour Host
- Greeter
- Kitchen Help
- Potluck Help
- Provide baked goods
- Reception Help
- Sponsor New Members
- Visitor Guide

CHURCH OFFICE

- Answer Phone
- Assemble Annual Report
- Assemble Bulletin
- Assemble Newsletter
- Prepare bulk mailings
- Vacation Coverage
- Typing / Data Input

MISSION PROJECTS

- Adopt-a-Highway
- Annual Garage Sale
- Biloxi Trip
- Blood Drive
- Community Kitchen
- CROP Walk
- Habitat for Humanity

FUN & FELLOWSHIP

- 21+ Gatherings
- Family Retreats
- Moveable Feasts
- Women's Day Out
- Women's Night Out

MUSIC

- Chancel Choir
- Children's Choir
- Friends in Faith Band
- Guitarist
- Handbell Choir
- Instrumental _____
- Liturgical Dancer
- Organist
- Pianist
- Violinist
- Vocalist

BUILDING & GROUNDS

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Gardening
- Landscaping
- Mowing
- Painting
- Plastering
- Plumbing
- Snow Removal
- Trimming

GROWTH

- Bible Study
- Book Studies
- Faith Development
- Leadership Retreats
- Men's Group
- Prayer Group
- Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Spiritual Retreats
- Women's Bible Study

SPECIAL SKILLS

- Arts & Crafts
- Audio Equipment
- Audit Books
- Banner Making
- Bookkeeping / Accounting
- Calligraphy
- Computers
- Drama
- Finances
- Photography
- Poster Making
- Power Point
- Sewing
- Telephoning
- Typing / Data Input
- Video Equip. Knowledge

Other gifts, talents or skills you would like to share:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

A time to give thanks... A time to give to others...

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Sharing Our Blessings... An Edwards' Tradition

To fill 50 baskets we will need:

Fifty

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Pumpkin pies | Gravy (packs or jars) |
| Containers of Cool-whip | Cranberry sauce |
| Milk (gal.) | Large can sweet potatoes |
| Butter (lb.) | French fried onions |
| Rolls (pkg. of 12) | Cream of mushroom soup |
| Paper towels | 5 lb. bags of potatoes |
| Napkins | Laundry baskets |

One Hundred

- Canned fruit
- Canned or bottled juice
- Canned green beans
- Canned corn
- Stuffing (bags or boxes)
- Large boxes Jell-O

Or...Can you write a check?

- Stuff a Turkey \$25.00
- Fill a Cornucopia \$15.00
- Adopt a Ham \$10.00



Poinsettia Order Form

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia to be used in decorating our sanctuary for the Advent / Christmas season, please complete this form and turn it in to the office or place it in the collection plate.

We will receive orders through Monday, Dec. 6th

	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Total</u>
Red	_____	\$8.00	\$_____
White	_____	\$8.00	\$_____
Total Amount Due			\$_____

Your Name: _____

Please make your check payable to "Edwards UCC" and write "Poinsettia" on the memo line.

Please print clearly

Given by: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of _____

Bring non-perishable items to church now through Nov. 19th. Bring perishable items on Nov. 21st. For information, call Susan Chesley @332-2300

For Office Use: \$_____ paid by cash / Check #_____ on _____