

# CARILLON NOTES



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In mid-September, there was a story about the Referral Center in the DeWitt Observer. It had a headline that was simple and desperate, “Referral Center: We’ve Run Out”. It was heartbreaking. An empty food pantry meant that families wouldn’t have enough to eat; people would have to skip meals. And hunger can have long lasting effects: parents become short tempered, kids do worse in school, people have a harder time at work. Like any kind of scarcity, hunger isn’t just about being hungry. It has a ripple effect that can affect every part of a person’s life.

Fortunately, people responded to the need. But that need isn’t going to go away.

It can be hard to see the tremendous need that exists in a community like DeWitt. We don’t meet panhandlers as we walk down 6th Avenue or see homeless people sleeping on benches in Lincoln Park. But the fact is that there is more need than we know about:

- Just over 13% of the population in Clinton County lives in poverty.
- Almost a quarter of the population lives in asset poverty, meaning they wouldn’t be able to stay at or above the poverty line for three months if they lost their income.
- Almost a third of the population lives in liquid asset poverty, meaning they wouldn’t be able to stay at or above the poverty line for three months if they lost their income without having to sell a major asset like a house or a car.

We are a church that helps people. To everyone who has given to the Referral Center, through the church or on your own; to everyone who reaches out a helping hand to someone in need; to everyone who has fed the hungry, welcomed the stranger, or visited the sick: thank you!

But also... as we move from summer into fall, as we move from fall into winter, please remember that there is more need than we can see. And I hope that as we move deeper into the year—and deeper into our vision process—we’ll explore new ways that we can serve the people in this community. And I hope we’ll explore ways to serve people who need help finding a meal, or finding a place to stay, or just making it until tomorrow.

Together, we can be the church that helps people. Or, to put that another way, we can be the church.



Grace and Peace,

Pastor Chris





# COMMITTEE MINUTES

from September meetings



◆ **Faith Formation:** Met Sept. 9  
 ~ Worship in the Park went well. Jen Froeschle did **Children's sermon to introduce this year's programs.**  
 ~ *Faith-in-Motion:* 8-week session, divided into two groups: 2-4<sup>th</sup> grade @ 5:30-6:30 and 5-7<sup>th</sup> grade @ 6:30-7:30 pm Sept. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 24 at Central Intermediate School gym. Oct. 17 will be a mission fair at the church. On Nov. 4 will go to Iowa ballgame. Activity follows Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) curriculum.  
 ~ *Sunday School- "Young Children's Church Time"* started Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> for PreK-1<sup>st</sup> grade will be a 30-minute program following "Children's Time" and then return to worship.  
 ~ *Christmas program:* Jen Froeschle is working on a new format and Cheri Mills has some ideas. Practice will start Nov. 4 with program during worship on Dec. 16.  
 ~ *Confirmation* class started Sept 5 @ 6 pm with 16 classes.  
 ~ *Bible Study:* led by Pastor Chris every Wednesday following confirmation at 7:15 pm (starting with Genesis)  
 ~ Discussed other programs/book club.  
 Next meeting: Oct. 21 at 8:30 am.

◆ **Trustees:** Met Sept. 10 with 9 attending.  
 Aug: income-\$7,316.99/ expenses-\$12,498.55  
 YTD: income-\$80,263.95 / expenses-\$96,452.55  
 ~ A new sanctuary window is ordered and Dennis will install  
 ~ Still have tables and chairs for sale. Will put on city-wide garage sale.  
 ~ Stewardship sub-committee met and set up a plan for this **year's program.**  
 ~ Narthex stained glass window is leaking. Looking for someone with expertise that can offer a solution.  
 ~ Tech comm. received bids for replacing multi media in sanctuary and Fellowship hall. Can be done in phases with sanctuary replacement phase 1. Endowment and Memorial committees approved money for the project.

◆ **Worship & Fellowship:** Met Sept. 11  
 ~ W&F working with FF for the Worship in the Park on Sept. 16 at Westbrook Park Lions Shelter. Will provide the meat for the meal and facilitate the worship service.  
 ~ Pastor Chris and Pastor Mariah are planning a pulpit exchange on October 14.  
 ~ Group will decorate for Christmas on Wed., Nov 28 at 6pm and have pizza following. Anyone can help!

**Committee Reports due Oct 11<sup>th</sup>**

◆ **Extravagant Welcome:** Meeting held Sept 23.  
 ~ Two events will be held in October. See *articles on pg. 4.* The first is a workshop on cultural humility on Oct. 3 presented by Dr. Chris Martin from St. Ambrose. Childcare will be available. Pastor Chris will create an event on Facebook and contact other churches. Jenny will contact DCDC & Observer for advertising.  
 ~ **Second event is "Mental Health 1<sup>st</sup> Aid" on Oct. 24 from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.** Registration is not necessary for Oct. 3. but you must register for the Mental Health class on Oct. 24. Lunch will be provided.  
 ~ Pastor Chris and Jenny Conard will speak at the Oct. Council meeting to request a rep from each committee to **take the online course: "Radical Welcome" and be involved** in structured discussion meetings.

◆ **Mission Trips:** Met Sept. 23 with 4 present.  
 ~ Will research UCC Disaster Ministries to see what kind of help is needed in the Carolinas following hurricane.  
 ~ Possible mission trip to Back Bay Mission in Biloxi. Will have information table in Narthex on Nov. 4 and Dec. 2.  
 ~ Contacting Cindy Broders for presentation on **ServeHaiti and UCC Mission Team's work in Grand Bois.**

◆ **Community Outreach:** No meeting in Sept.  
 ~ Food for Referral Center was delivered for August. Their shelves are empty and are in great need.  
 ~ Sheila Busch represented the church with an activity at the Autumn Fest.  
 ~ December 16 is the date selected for the collection and distribution of Cookie trays to shut-ins.  
 ~ CROP Walk is Sunday Oct. 7 at the Grand Mound United Methodist Church. Will need sign-up tables on Sundays, Sept. 23, 30 and Oct. 7. Registration is at GM UMC at 1pm with the walk at 1:30 pm.  
 ~ Mobile meals delivery schedule was: Oct-Sheila Busch, Nov-Jean Schmidt, Dec-Jen Claeys. *Possibly changed to: Oct-Jen, Nov-Sheila? per/Jen*

## October meeting schedules

Oct 01	6:30 pm	Community Outreach
Oct 08	7:00 pm	Trustees
Oct 09	6:30 pm	Worship & Fellowship
Oct 15	6:30 pm	Church Council
Oct 21	8:30 am	Faith Formation
Oct 21	10:30 am	Mission Trips
Oct 28	10:30 am	Extravagant Welcome

## OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

10/05 Aimar & Jean Schmidt	10/09 Ellis & Myrtle Barber	10/24 George & Margaret Claeys
10/06 Adam & Katie Gebhart	10/14 Rick & Gaylene Mangan	10/24 Jeff & Leta Fuller
10/07 Dave & Jen Claeys	10/18 Marty & Jenny Murrell	10/25 Charlie & Ellen Freese
10/08 Dan & Kathy Donahue	10/21 Mark & Leslie Howard	10/27 Ben & Carey Arndt

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



10/1 Lydia Ahrens	10/9 Tiffany Barr	10/22 Beckham Maricle
10/1 Sandra McLaughlin	10/9 Shannon Mentzer	10/23 Shayla Carlin
10/2 Caden Huff	10/9 Bailey Peters	10/23 Steve Thayer
10/3 Dennis Schnoor	10/9 Alexis Voss	10/26 Buck Mills
10/4 Tanner Clark	10/10 Tina Lively	10/27 Austin Becker
10/4 Zack Walker	10/14 Marilyn Nielsen	10/28 Josh Greubel
10/5 Alan Stampe	10/15 Doug Peters	10/28 Jeanne Grimm
10/6 Andy Andersen	10/16 Jenny Conard	10/28 Ellen Mayberry
10/6 Jen Froeschle	10/20 Kaytlinn Jansen	10/29 Darin Doerscher
10/6 Heather Ohnemus	10/21 Cody Meier	10/31 Kevin Berner
10/7 Matt Ohnemus	10/22 Caleb Barr	10/31 Judy Meyer

### Thank You....

Thank you for your support of DeWitt's 31st Annual Autumn Fest by providing a "Make and Take Craft" (Sheila Busch)! We had a beautiful evening and great attendance. Thank you for your part in making the celebration a success! It is just another example of the many great things that make DeWitt a vibrant community.

*Molly and Angela, DCDC*

### Reminder! Lions Ladies... need help with desserts!



Thanks for your continued help! Please keep them coming! Sign-up in narthex, call the office or contact Ruth Wilson.  
Thank you!!!

### Lions Ladies October/November 2018

Any questions, concerns or comments - contact:  
Jean Schmidt at 659-3439 or Ruth Wilson at 659-3940.

#### Schedule:

Jean Schmidt - Oct 04	Dottie Burrichter - Nov. 01
Christi Fulwider - Oct 11	Christi Fulwider - Nov. 08
Gaylene Mangan - Oct 18	Gaylene Mangan - Nov. 15
Jean Schmidt - Oct 25	Jean Schmidt - Nov. 29

### THOSE WHO COULD USE A WORD OR SMILE

#### **Evelyn Barber**

Grand Haven, 201 E Franklin St, Apt. #410  
Eldridge, Iowa 52748

#### **Rose Galitz**

Grand Haven, 201 E Franklin St, Apt #216  
Eldridge, Iowa 52748

#### **Jeanne Grimm**

West Wing #33, 1118 11<sup>th</sup> St., DeWitt, Iowa 52742

#### **Lois O'Connor**

Wheatland Manor Nursing Home  
316 E Lincolnway, Wheatland, Iowa 52777



### CROP Walk - Oct. 7

The Sunday, Oct. 7 CROP Walk will be held in Grand Mound at UMC with registration at 1:00 pm. The walk starts at 1:30 pm.

CD delivery in OCTOBER:  
Carol Hansen



**REMINDER... News Deadline  
for the Nov. Newsletter  
is October 22<sup>nd</sup>**

# EXTRAVAGANT WELCOME

The Committee for Extravagant Welcome will be hosting an educational program:

What: "Cultural Humility: A Foundation for  
**Extravagant Welcome**"

Who: Dr. Chris Martin

When: Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm

Where: 1st Congregational UCC

*Cultural humility involves approaching another person with openness to learn, asking questions instead of making assumptions, and striving to understand rather than inform. It requires a commitment to lifelong learning, comfort in "not knowing," recognition of power/privilege imbalances, and willingness to reflect on one's assumptions and practices.*

This event is open to our congregation and the community.

Childcare will be available.

Registration appreciated by not necessary.

Call or text Holle at 563-210-3715.

## Chancel Choir

It is time again to raise our voices in song! The Choir sings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month and practice those Sundays at 8:45 am and again, following the worship service.

We would love to have you join us!

*Open to all ages... high school and older.*



everyone is welcome

all voices are needed

no experience

is necessary

to sing!

**JOIN  
THE  
CHOIR TODAY!**



### Classes for All Ages

## Wednesday Night Programs for All Ages!

Church programs began again in September and we are off to a great start!

Confirmation started Wed., Sept. 5 with 8 participants. The students will follow 16 sessions including classroom, experiential learning, time with a mentor and exploring their Christian faith with their family. All this will conclude with the Confirmation on June 2, 2019.

Bible Study with Pastor Chris follows the confirmation class at 7:15 pm and is open to all ages. The schedule of readings are found on the church website and starts with the Abraham cycle of Genesis.

Faith-in-Motion, 7-wk-Fall-session, following the (FCA) Fellowship of Christian Athletes curriculum, is led by Will Froeschle. It is held at the Intermediate school gym with: 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade at 5:30 pm and 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade at 6:30 pm. Volunteers: Chris Maricle, Cory Huff and Matt Ohnemus.

The Young Children's Church (Pre-K thru 1<sup>st</sup> grade) started meeting every Sunday morning following Children's Time on Sept. 23. Children will go to the classroom for a 30-minutes session immediately following the Children's sermon during worship. They will then return to church before the closing prayer.

## Mental Health First Aid

Sometimes First Aid isn't a bandage, or CPR or calling 911. **Sometimes, First Aid is YOU.**

What: Mental Health First Aid course

When: Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>

Time: 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Where: First Congregational UCC

*A person you know could be experiencing a mental health or substance use problem. [Learn an action plan to help.](#)*

*You are more likely to encounter someone in an emotional or mental crisis than someone having a heart attack. Learn how to help a friend, family member, coworker or neighbor in need. Get trained in Mental Health First Aid.*

Take a course. Save a life. Strengthen your community.

Register at: [info@lifeconnectionsrecovery.org](mailto:info@lifeconnectionsrecovery.org)

For more information, visit  
[www.MentalHealthFirstAid.org](http://www.MentalHealthFirstAid.org)

## USHERS/GREETERS - OCT/NOV 2018

Head Usher for October ANGIE AHRENS

- Oct 7** Bob & Carol Hansen, Marie Hoffmann, Nancy Hughes  
**Oct 14** Randy Hunt; Chris & Holle Maricle, Martha Mullen  
**Oct 21** Nancy Aiken, Annette Mohr, Denny & Janelle Schnoor  
**Oct 28** Buck & Cheri Mills, Mark & Brenda Ohnemus

Head Usher for November STEVE THAYER

- Nov 4** Jen, Brandt, Klaire, Brady Petersen  
**Nov 11** Bill & Tami Petsche, Matt & Heather Ohnemus  
**Nov 18** Bim Prichard, Ellen Schau, Roger & Jan Rittmer  
**Nov 25** Jean Schmidt, Becca Schroeder, Scott & Kelly Siegel

## LITURGISTS FOR OCTOBER

- Oct 7** Becca Schroeder  
**Oct 14** Jen Claeyes  
**Oct 21** Karey Carlin  
**Oct 28** Jen Claeyes

## ACOLYTES FOR OCTOBER

- Oct 7** *No schedule received...*  
**Oct 14** *Watch for assignment in Sunday*  
**Oct 21** *bulletin or Wed. E-news*  
**Oct 28** *or call Brenda Ohnemus.*

## PROJECTIONISTS FOR OCTOBER

- Oct 7** Moira Murrell  
**Oct 14** Kyle Fox  
**Oct 21** Jen Claeyes  
**Oct 28** Rory Maricle

## NURSERY FOR OCTOBER

- Oct 7** Delaney Barber  
**Oct 14** Taylor Huff  
**Oct 21** Caden Huff  
**Oct 28** Brady Andersen

## ORGANIST FOR OCTOBER

- Oct 7** Marilyn Ahrens  
**Oct 14** Jody Smicker  
**Oct 21** Cheri Mills  
**Oct 28** Jody Smicker

## COMMUNION FOR OCTOBER

- Oct 7** Angie Ahrens and Becca Schroeder

## LECTIONARY FOR OCTOBER

- October 7** Enfolding Love  
Mark 10:2-16; Job 1:1, 2:1-10; Ps 26  
or Gen 2:18-24; Ps 8; Heb 1:1-4, 2:5-12
- October 14** What Must I Do?  
Mark 10:17-31; Job 23:1-9, 16-17;  
Ps 22:1-15 or Amos 5:6-7, 10-15;  
Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-16
- October 21** Great Service  
Mark 10:35-45; Job 38:1-7, (34-41);  
Ps 104:1-9, 24, 35c or Isa 53:4-12;  
Ps 91:9-16; Heb 5:1-10
- October 28** Take Heart  
Mark 10:46-52; Job 42:1-6, 10-17;  
Ps 34:1-8, (19-22) or Jer 31:7-9;  
Ps 126; Heb 7:23-28



### Flu Clinic held Oct. 25

On Thurs, Oct. 25 from 4-6:00 pm the Genesis VNA will be giving Flu Shots in Fellowship Hall. Medicare Part "B" will cover the cost if you bring your Medicare card and ID. All others will be charged. Remember to wear loose clothing or short sleeves.

### Vocalist / Instrumentalist

Share your special music  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays  
for the 9:30 am worship services  
If interested, contact:  
Becca Schroeder 659-8235 to schedule



### ALTAR FLOWERS and BULLETIN SPONSORS

Sign up to provide Sunday altar flowers  
-OR- sponsor the Sunday bulletin for \$15.00  
Sign-up sheets are on the office door, or call Pam.

### AUDITORS FOR OCTOBER

- Oct 7** Josh Greubel and Laurie Wildes  
**Oct 14** Jack Wiese and Scott Siegel  
**Oct 21** Will Froeschle and Marilyn Ahrens  
**Oct 28** Heidi Barber and Dennis Schnoor





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**RUTH WILSON, MARILYN AHRENS  
AND CHERI MILLS**

**Childcare Provider**

**SHANNON EDWARDS**

**Treasurer**

**MIKE WILDES**

**Custodial Staff**

**KEVIN FOX**

## Coming in... **October**



*CROP Walk  
Extravagant Welcome programs  
Youth programs  
Hosting Flu Clinic*

### LOOKING AHEAD...



- Oct. 03 Educational prog. at 6:00 pm
- Oct. 07 CROP Walk - GM UMC
- Oct. 13 Retired Teachers Luncheon here
- Oct. 24 Mental Health 1st Aid class - here
- Oct. 25 Flu Clinic here at 4-6:00 pm
- Nov. 04 Practice for Children's Christmas prog.
- Nov. 06 General Election polls here 7am-9pm
- Nov. 11 Cont. Christmas prog. practice/ every Sun.
- Nov. 18 Harlan Fischer anniversary here
- Nov. 18 Ecumenical Thanksgiving service
- Dec. 16 Children's Christmas program