

MAY / JUNE BIRTHDAYS



May 19
Cynthia Woods

May 22
Linda Eifler

May 25
Chris Fleming
Joe Latorre
Wesley Owens

May 26
Chris Farthing

May 29
Steve Hyett
Kennedy Sobol

May 30
Alyssa Lindley

May 31
Lauren Mitchell

June 1
Dick Scrymiger

June 2
Dave Leeseberg
Tiffany Oken

June 4
Jim Fancher

June 5
Mike Ode

June 7
Joyce Trier

Upcoming Youth Time Events

This Sunday, Youth Time will be from 5:30 p.m. until 8:05 or so! Let's bring some donations for the animals: Here are some specific items to help us with the influx of kittens this time of year: Canned kitten food (pate style) any brand, Purina One Dry Kitten Food, Royal Canin Dry Baby Kat, canned adult cat food, Purina One dry cat food, Unscented scoopable litter, small round cat beds, wand toys for the cats. If you are looking for items that we need for the dogs here is are our most current needs: Authority, Wellness, ProPlan or Kirkland brand dry dog or puppy food, canned dog food (any brand), large-size Kongs, puppy teething toys, Charlie Bear training treats, Treat Stix brand toy, Galileo bones, Chuck-It Mega Ball Launcher. Yay! Our only dinner volunteer opportunity left is May 29. We are planning to have a fire pit area, so a campfire type menu would be great! Please reply to this email if you would like to help out. **5/21:** (Saturday morning) Tom is organizing a River Sweep for all! Bring families and friends! **5/22:** Let's learn about pet shelters! Please **come at 5:30 p.m.** for supper and then off to A.D.O.P.T. Pet Shelter to learn what they do and why! Take a tour, have a discussion and help socialize the animals! Thank you to Ron and Mike for dinner! **5/29:** Regular Youth Time with a **cookout! Dinner Volunteer Opportunity** (campfire type menu)! **6/5:** Picnic at McDowell Park! Rising 6th graders are invited! Families are welcome! **6/10-12:** All Church Tower Hill Weekend! **6/17-18:** Garage Sale to raise money for mission trip! We need youth to sign up to help out! **Reply let Lisa Mitchell know if you will be available to help! Friday afternoon and Saturday morning,** as we will be needing lots of help - especially if you are going on the Mission trip!! Reminders: Denver Mission Trip dates are July 30 - August 7! Register with the HS leaders ASAP! **The only dinner opportunity left is May 29 for a campfire type menu** for 10 - 15 people! Basically, you provide a simple, kid-friendly dinner with a vegetarian option to be at the church by 5:00 p.m. You are welcome and encouraged to stay as long as you'd like. Please email me to volunteer. A huge "Thank you!" to those who have already volunteered this year! See you Sunday!

Lisa Mitchell

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Shake it Up Café

June 27 - 30

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Pick up your child's registration form from the UVBS display outside the church office. Registration forms and general information are also available on the UVBS website: <http://www.wesleynaperville.org/Site/VacationBibleSchool.html> Volunteers are needed - sign up today! (Receive \$5 off your total registration cost for each volunteer registration included with your child's registration!)

River Sweep is Saturday May 21!

A volunteer project of The Conservation Foundation, more than 7500 volunteers have removed nearly 200 tons of garbage from DuPage County streams since 1991. We will meet at Knoch Knolls Park in southern Naperville, clean the river on **May 21** from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, then eat lunch along the river. Everyone is welcome to participate. Contact Tom Farthing for more information. It's a fun event and great chance to get to know other members of the church!

Tower Hill "Youth and Everyone Else"

End-of-the-Year Event: June 10-12

Join us for Swimming, Campfires, S'mores, Singing, Conversation, Games, Jigsaw Puzzles, More Conversation, Strawberry Shortcake... at Tower Hill Camp & Retreat Center in Sawyer, Michigan. **Indoor sleeping accommodations: \$60/person. Outdoor camping: \$25/person. Ages 4 and under \$4/person.** Cost includes Saturday meals and Sunday breakfast. Please contact Tom Farthing for more and to sign up.

**Cookies Still Needed for the June 3
UCC Annual Meeting!**

Greg and Mark and our delegates, Diane Herr and Bill Hall will be going to the Annual Meeting, and we can deliver your scrumptious COOKIES! Besides regular cookie favorites, we also need some sugar-free cookies. If you can bake some up, please call or email Barbara in the church office (churchoffice@loveandjustice.org / 630-355-1024), or contact Rev. Greg, your FCC Cookie Coordinator! **Please deliver your cookies by Thursday, June 2, to our church kitchen**, and we will transport them to the meeting. Please tell us as soon as possible if you can do this, so we can report to the Conference's Cookie Conference Coordinator. THANKS!

Summer Musicians Needed!

The summer season is almost upon us and the Worship Committee is looking for musicians from the congregation to provide an anthem during **June, July and August**. We ask that you thoughtfully consider your music selection, as our goal is to provide music which is worshipful and liturgical. Your music should be an enhancement to the service and to the mission of "advancing God's love and justice." The focus should remain on the worship experience, rather than on the performance. Well-known hymns and anthems are always appropriate. As a guideline, the length of the anthem should be 3-4 minutes maximum. If you have any questions or would like to provide an anthem, please contact Vicki Keller. Thank you!

The Worship Committee and Vicki Keller

A Bouquet of Thanks!

For several years, Roger and Judy Malmberg (Jacobsen's Florists) have generously provided the Sunday flowers for the altar table. The beautiful arrangements have decorated our Sanctuary, have been enjoyed by the congregation during the worship service, and have gone on to bring further enjoyment to recipients throughout the week. With their commitment, the donation for altar flowers has been able to be appropriated for Missions,

increasing their gift beyond the walls of our church. As this wonderfully generous gift to the church comes to an end, the First Congregational Church family would like to thank you, Judy and Roger, for the bounteous talents, the time, and the beauty you have shared with so many!

Evening Circle

All women are welcome to join us for our end-of-the-year salad celebration at the home of Joyce Trier on Wednesday, **May 18 at 6:30 p.m.** Please bring a salad to share - note the earlier meeting time. We'll also do some brainstorming about future meetings, so come with ideas for programs. This is always a wonderful evening so don't miss it! Questions, please contact Karan Schmitz.

CHURCH STAFF

Co-Ministers

Mark Winters
Greg Schneck-Skiba

Sue Flaatten, Organist

Barbara Bailey, Secretary

Dana Merker,
Bookkeeper

Gabriel Salgado,
Custodian

Volunteer Music Staff

Carol Fancher,
Gospel & Chime
Choirs

Diane Herr,
Youth Choir

Moderator

Christopher Lorimer

Stephen Ministry Leaders

Tom George
Sylvia Leeseberg

LOOKING AHEAD:

Tues. May 17	7:00p	Dances of Universal Peace (Community Room) Development Team Meeting (Library)
Wed. May 18	6:30p	Evening Circle (J. Trier's home)
	7:00p	PADS (Community Room)
Thurs. May 19	9:30a	Men's Discussion Group (Library)
Fri. May 20	6:30p	Confirmation Dress Rehearsal (Community Room)
Sat. May 21	8:30a	Council of Ministries (Community Room)
	9:00a	DuPage River Sweep
Sun. May 22	9:30a	Worship / Confirmation Sunday
	5:30p	Youth Time
Tues. May 24	7:00p	Stewardship Meeting (Library)
Wed. May 25	7:00p	PADS (Community Room)
Sun. May 29	9:30a	Worship
	5:00p	Youth Time
Mon. May 30		Memorial Day - Church Office Closed
Wed. June 1	11:30a	Old Goats (Quincy's Restaurant)
Thurs. June 2	9:30a	Men's Discussion Group (Library)
	11:30a	Ladies Do Lunch (Colonial Restaurant)
Sun. June 5	9:30a	Worship / Last Day of Sunday School
	5:00p	Youth Time (Picnic at McDowell Woods)

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