



First Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
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Week of September 12— 18, 2010

BRIDGES TO CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING



A community project fund of the Battle Creek community Foundation presents two insightful programs on Poverty this September:



Tuesday, September 14th—7:00-8:30 p.m.

“UNDERSTANDING POVERTY FOR BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS” Keynote speaker, Jerry

Mainstone, VP of Workforce Development & Community Relations at Goodwill Industries, will guide us through a discussion exploring the definition and perception of poverty, contributing factors, the hidden rules of individuals from poverty, middle class and wealth, family structure, resources and contributing factors to reducing/eliminating poverty. Could you negotiate living in the circumstance of poverty? Middle class? Wealth? Take a one page test on each economic level to see how well you would manage. Do you think poverty can be reduced? Come to learn the answers.



Thursday, September 23rd—6:00-9:00 p.m.

“POVERTY SIMULATION WORKSHOP”

Both events will be held at the First Congregational Church, 145 Capital Ave., N.E.

RSVP required, 962-2990



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2010

9:00 a.m.

\$30.00

Doug Wysockey-Johnson

**First Congregational Church
145 Capital Ave NE**

A 4-hour retreat on call that goes deep quickly, using reflective exercises, fresh content, and small group time. Register now at 965-1225 or www.fccbc.org.

AWESTRUCK “*All Awestruck Team Gathering*” will be Sunday, **September 19th at 11:45 a.m.** in the courtyard. Lunch will be served. Our purpose will be to connect with and brainstorm about our worshipping community. If you have any questions about the meeting, please call Emily Joye at 965-1225.



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH
&
the 3rd Saturday of each Month



The successful concert series from this year will continue in 2011. The dates of the concert series will be in your October “The Congregationalist” and future issues of the Sunday Supplement.



SHARING AND CARING: INVITATION

Several members of our congregation have expressed an interest in a small support group for persons with life threatening illness and their friends and families or for those who have experienced a loss due to a life threatening illness. This group would include written reflection and spiritual care. If you are interested, please contact Vickie in the church office at 965-1225.

Are you interested in taking your spirituality to the next level?

Please consider joining a small group focused on spiritual formation through prayer practices that span several protestant traditions including Quaker silence, lectio divina, journaling, and supportive faith based dialogue. This will be an experiential group: we will not study prayer, we will practice prayer.

If you are interested, please contact
Bob Manning at 210-415-0604 or
wrsmanning@gmail.com

Emily Joye at 965-1225 or emilyjoye@fccbc.org.



JR. HIGH LOCK-IN,
September 25th-26th

BRING A FRIEND FROM OUTSIDE THE CHURCH
6:00 p.m. Saturday until Sunday Morning
(bring clothing for worship)

Meet at the Church at 6:00 p.m. and we will go for pizza, putt-putt golf and a movie before returning to the Church for the evening. Please bring your sleeping bag, pillows and \$20.00 for pizza, golf and movie.

RSVP to Jim Jordan 968-0653

☺ **Women's Circle of Friendship**

September 14th at 10:00 a.m.

Bring a Sack Lunch

☺ **Parish Care**—September 23rd—10:30 a.m.

**SHOP FOR A CAUSE
FIND THE MAGIC OF GIVING BACK
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16TH**



Support our church and its mission by buying a \$5 shopping pass, which can be used on Saturday, Oct 16th at any Macy's store. It would be a good gift for friends and family who live near a Macy's store anywhere.



The pass will entitle you to:

- 20% off on most items
- 10% off on furniture, area rugs, electrics and electronics
- 25% off a single regular, sale or clearance fashion item for the entire family
- A chance to win a \$500 gift card

Members of Mary Daniels Circle will be selling the passes in the courtyard after Worship on Sundays (beginning September 12th) and from 5-6:30 before Awestruck on Wednesdays (beginning September 15th). You may also purchase them during the week from the church financial office.

DO YOU NEED TO TALK TO A PASTOR?

Hear of someone who has been admitted to the hospital, or someone who will be going to the hospital? Do you, yourself, need to talk to a pastor? If so, please call the church office at 965-1225. If the office is closed, the pastor is not in the office, or it is an emergency, please do not hesitate to call:

**Pastor Tom Ott - (269) 830-7288, or
Emily Joye McGaughy - (269) 832-9447**

PRAYER LIST

Because your prayer request cards are important to us, please drop them in the box across from the Sanctuary or leave them at the reception desk to be given to the front office .



*David Brophy
Doug & Sue Neilson
Margaret Skidmore
Linda DeLisle
Tootie Johnson
Pat Allen
Vern Reynolds*

AWESTRUCK SERVICE WEDNESDAY at 6:30 p.m.

AWESTRUCK DINNER

Wednesday, September 15, 2010 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.



Summer's End Tailgate

Please Sign Up Today

MEMBER MAIL—sometimes we receive mail addressed to our members. When this happens, we will attempt to contact you if we have something and your mail will be left at the reception desk for you to pick up at your convenience.



NEW MAILBOXES—There is a mailbox for **AWESTRUCK** in the copy room. Also there is a mailbox for **PARISH CARE (Deb Miller)**.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12—SOUP OUTREACH

10:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
10:00	Church School	Chapel
11:00	Fellowship / Brunch	Courtyard
11:30-2 p.m.	Chin Baptist Classes/Worship	Legacy/Jubilee/Chapel
11:30	Gathering the Multitude Luncheon For Young Families	Harmony

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2010 OFFICES CLOSED

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2010

9:00 a.m.	KIT	Jubilee
10:00	CIR Cooking	Lg Kitchen
10:00	WCF Meeting	Legacy
1:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting	Jubilee
5:00	Burmese Community Mtg	Heritage
6:00	Community Garden	
7:00	BFCU	Sanctuary
(Bridges Out of Poverty—Strategies for Professionals and Communities)		

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2010

9 - 5	USAC	Game
10:00 a.m.	Piecemakers	Legacy
1:30 p.m.	Visit North Pointe Woods	
5:30	Awestruck Dinner	Courtyard
6:00	I Too rehearsal	Sanctuary
6:30	Awestruck Worship	Sanctuary
7:30	Study Forum	Harmony
7:30	I Too rehearsal	Sanctuary

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2010

9 - 7	USAC	Game
10:00 a.m.	\$2 Book Club	Cinema
12:30 p.m.	Mary Daniels Circle	Harmony
6:00	CIR Dance	Courtyard
6:30	Community Garden	
7:30	Chancel Choir rehearsal	Signature

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2010

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2010

8:45 a.m.	Habitat for Humanity Workday	
9:00	Community Garden	
9:00	Luminos Retreat <i>Light for Your Journey</i>	Courtyard
10:00	CROP Rock	Cracker Barrel

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2010

10:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
10:00	Church School	Chapel
11:00	Fellowship	Courtyard
11:30-2 p.m.	Chin Baptist Classes/Worship	Legacy/Jubilee/Chapel
11:45	All Awestruck Teams Mtg	Courtyard

WORSHIP NOTES

Our RADIO BROADCAST is given:

. . . in loving memory of Martha A. Dewey for her birthday anniversary, September 14th, by her husband, Charlie.

Support for the Flower Ministry is given:

. . . in loving memory of Mr. Arthur T. Palmer for his birthday anniversary, September 15th, and Helen L. Palmer, by gifts to her memorial fund.

Flower Delivers Today are: Church Council. Laurel Macon

Greeters Today are: Karen Parker, Laura Macon, Lisa, Emma, and Maggie Farrell

OUR USHERS this week are: Jack Gray, Allen Harmon, Jerry Harmon, Reg Mahoney, Al Mumford, Jim Payson, Bob Sackrider, Carlyle Sims, and De Davis, Head Usher

AUDIO TECHNICIANS are: Brent Reid and Chip Davis

At the WELCOME CENTER today is: Diane Dickey

KITCHEN RESOURCE PEOPLE are: Dorothy Bosse, Susan Jordan, Nanc Schimmel, Delite Budas, Vicki Swisher, Martha Langridge, & Linda Ryan

Coffee Service COORDINATIONS are: Mary Jo Harmon, Cheryl Humbarger, and Sandy Wehling

COFFEE SERVERS today are: Barbara Gray and friends

Today's Hymns are used by permission of CCLI # 1466300.

PLEASE be sure to let Deb Miller know of any parish care needs.

Debbie Miller (964-8283)

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