

# FCU WEEKLY E-NEWS

Worship this Sunday will be **ON ZOOM AND IN PERSON.**

Join Zoom Meeting **Sunday, January 21 at 10:00am.**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89246438945?pwd=ZEsrUUtODY2VTBjWVJWSndyZ3gvQT09>

Meeting ID: 892 4643 8945

Zoom worship services are recorded. If you would like to watch a service you missed, please contact the church office.

## JANUARY 21 WORSHIP

Usher	Leon Larson
PowerPoint	Shaun Kruger
Zoom Camera	
Candlelighting	
Organist	Marianne Phelps
Speaking Elders	Bill & Jan Koellner
Servers (Need 4)	
Coffee Hour	

[Sign Up Here](#) if you are able to help during worship this week.

## JANUARY NUMBERS

January 7 attendance - 40	January 7 giving - \$220.00
January 14 (Zoom) - 38	January 14 giving - \$0
<b>Current monthly total - \$220.00</b>	<b>Needed each month - \$12,840.58</b>

## JANUARY CALENDAR

**GREAT NEWS!** The new A/V equipment is being installed TODAY. We owe gratitude to Brenda Miller for seeing this project through.

WOW returns to the church schedule on Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> and will run through Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.

Choir rehearsals will return to normal schedule on Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>.

Confirmation classes begin on Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> and will go through May – with confirmation occurring on May 19<sup>th</sup>. The class is open to those in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and older who are interested in joining the membership of the church. Please contact the office by January 19<sup>th</sup> to help in our planning.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS

First Church United will conduct its annual business meeting on Sunday, January 21, immediately following worship. We are blessed to have so many who are willing and able to share their time volunteering for a committee. Thank you all.

There will be a potluck in the Fellowship Hall after the annual meeting.

## LENTEN STUDY

During Lent, Pastor Deb will be leading a 6-week study, after worship until approximately noon, beginning February 18. She will be using *The Call: The Life and Message of Apostle Paul* by Adam Hamilton. Please let Pastor Deb know if you are interested in joining in so that books can be ordered, and also if you will be needing a nursery attendant.

## MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

As the colder winter temperatures continue to bear down, temporary work hours are reduced, and the holiday bounty has worn off. Our community members less fortunate continue to stress financially. The WL Ministerial Association would benefit from additional financial donations, if your household has the capacity to do so.

The United Methodist Church will be hosting a soup luncheon on Wednesday, February 14 from 11am-1pm, the proceeds of which will go to Ministerial Assn.

### **ZOOM CAMERA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Brenda Miller is looking for a few people to rotate into the schedule to help manage the zoom camera for Sunday morning services. Brenda will train you on how to run the camera. Volunteers are not asked to run the sound system, just the camera. Please talk to Brenda if you can help in this way.

### **CELEBRATION OF LIFE**

The family of Ken Minor invites the First Church United family to a Celebration of Life for Ken Minor, who passed away in Arizona in December. The event will be held at the West Liberty Country Club on Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM.

<https://hendersonbarkerfuneralhome.com/tribute/details/1169/Ken-Minor/obituary.html>

### **SUMMER CAMP**

Some of our church families are already receiving emails from the denomination summer camps about signing up for summer 2024 church camp! We are so fortunate to have the ability through the Endowment Fund to contribute to the faith development of our youth. Beginning in 2024, the Endowment Committee plans to have the family out-of-pocket expense be \$100 per child registered, with endowment money covering the balance that would be due for each child. The "You and Me" camp, which is a 24-hour camp experience for an adult and child together, will be fully funded by endowment dollars. A more detailed plan will be shared after the Endowment Committee Chair talks to camp representatives about the registration/transaction process. Watch the newsletter for details, and an information piece will be sent home with WOW later in the winter.