

# FCU WEEKLY E-NEWS

Join Zoom Meeting **Sunday, September 22 at 10:00am.**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89246438945?pwd=ZEsrduTODY2VTBjWVJWSndyZ3gvQT09>

Meeting ID: 892 4643 8945

**GRANDBABY NEWS!** Pastor Deb and LeeAnn have just received the news that Deb's daughter/son-in-law have the opportunity to adopt a newborn baby. They are heading to Michigan right away to welcome the little guy – Thomas – to their family. Congratulations and safe travels!

**SEPTEMBER 22 WORSHIP**

Usher	Bill Koellner
Candlelighters	
PowerPoint	Marci Dewar
Organist	Lori Brooke
Coffee Hour/Greeters	

**WAYS TO HELP!** **Lawn mowing this week, prior to September 22 worship:** Bill Koellner  
**Lawn mowing next week, prior to September 29 worship:** need a volunteer  
Sign-up sheets for worship helpers and lawnmowing are on magnetic board just outside of the church office door.

**THANK YOU!** Letha Ottaway was spotted using an edge trimmer on the church property this week. Thank you, Letha!

**WOW** **NO WOW ON SEPTEMBER 18 due to Homecoming**  
See you on September 25<sup>th</sup>! 5:30-7:00pm  
Register each child individually, online, using this link [WOW 2024](#)

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** 32 boxes of goodies are ready for children, thanks to the donations of items. However, cash donations of \$150.00 still needed to pay for the shipping. If this is something you can help with, it would be appreciated.

**SEPTEMBER NUMBERS**

September 1 attendance – 36	September 1 giving - \$3,704.00
September 8 attendance - 41	September 8 giving - \$260.00
September 15 attendance – 54	September 15 giving - \$3,380.00 (incl auto dep)
<b>Current monthly total - \$7,084.00</b>	<b>Needed each month - \$12,840.58</b>



Many thanks to the Stewardship team for establishing an easy way for all of us to support the church! <https://fcuwl.org/give/>

**CYG** Parents Night is this Sunday, September 22nd at First Church United. Information about plans for the year, mission trip presentation, and more are shared. Students in grades 6-12...come for fun, food, faith, and fellowship at **5:30PM @ First Church**

**DINNER OUT CELEBRATING FAIR SUCCESS** The congregation is invited to attend a "Night Out after the Fair" to be held Saturday, September 28, at Thirsty Camel Supper Club located at 18747 IA-70, Conesville, IA. Our reservation is at 5:30 and we will order off of the menu and each will be responsible for their own meal (Dutch Treat). Everyone is invited to celebrate our record setting year.

**"...WE ALL SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM"** The Congregational Life Committee invites everyone to an Ice Cream Social, immediately following the September 29<sup>th</sup> worship service. Stay a bit, enjoy the company of friends, and help yourself to an ice cream treat! 😊

**OFFICE  
ADMINISTRATOR  
VACANCY**

The Personnel Committee has expanded the search for a new Office Administrator. If you or someone you know is interested in this part-time position, please submit a resume and cover letter to Pastor Deb Mann at [firstchurchunited@gmail.com](mailto:firstchurchunited@gmail.com)

For more details and a complete job description, please [visit our website](#). Thank you for your support as we seek to fill this vital role in our church community.



Pastor Deb and the Koellner's started a grief support group on Tuesdays from 4:00pm-5:30pm at First Church United. GriefShare is a safe, welcoming group where people understand the difficult emotions of grieving the loss of a loved one. The group will meet for 13 weeks. If you or a friend would value help and encouragement, please register online at [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org) to 'Find a Church' or stop by the church office and fill out a registration form.



 The Christian Church in the  
Upper Midwest

An All Congregational Gathering of The Christian Church of the Upper Midwest (one of the two denominations we affiliate with) will be held at the Newton, IA Christian Conference Center on October 19<sup>th</sup>. Everyone with interest in fellowship, worship, and learning is welcome to attend.

The Endowment Committee is able to pay for the registration fee. Lunch will be provided. Childcare and programming up to age 11 will be provided during the Keynote session and workshops.

Register online at [www.uppermidwestcc.org/acg2024](http://www.uppermidwestcc.org/acg2024)