

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC

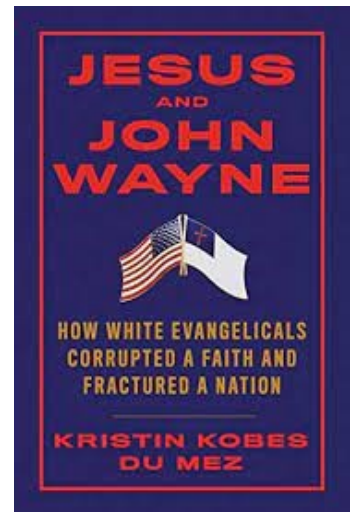
South Haven, MI

February 2022

NEW BOOK STUDY COMING!

Chris Valentine will be leading a Book Study on the book, "Jesus and John Wayne", which was written by Calvin University professor Kristin Kobbs DuMez. The subtitle is: "How white evangelicals corrupted a faith and fractured a nation." It is a controversial look at the history of the evangelical movement from Billy Graham to Donald Trump.

Join in the Zoom discussion on February 24th, March 3rd and 10th, at 1 p.m. Contact Pastor Mike at michaeljamestupper@yahoo.com for the Zoom invite.



Young Adult Ministry

All young adults from 18-55, and their families, are invited to join us for a Pre-Ash Wednesday Zoom gathering on Sunday, February 27th at 6 p.m. We will have a time for sharing and a time for worship.

Contact Pastor Mike at michaeljamestupper@yahoo.com for the Zoom invite.

New carpet in Children's Sunday School Room



A new carpet for the room was possible with some of Carolyn Willobee's memorial money. I think Carolyn would just love it. She always liked colorful things.

*Prayers for continued healing
of our church family:*



Greg O'Niel
Elaine Stephens
Lori Tupper
Joan Gruber
Dave Wellever
Sharon McNicholas
Danah Peterson

Tony Cochran
Ross McNicholas
Jeffrey Dick
Bonnie Deke
Margaret Guimond
Elsie Hoffman



Please come help!

Contacts

Mike Nelson 214-6846
Bob Linderman 214-2550

The Youth Group from the church, and the Cub Scout Pack 188 and BS Troop 188, sponsored by First Congregational Church, are the only ones doing the Paper Truck these days.

Any, and all help, would be appreciated. Give Bob Linderman a call to find out when you can help.

If you know of any group/organization that is looking to raise some funds, please have them call Bob Linderman.



WORSHIP

Our theme for February is: Prayer our Good-byes. A look at how biblical individuals said goodbye and what we can learn from them.

February 6th: Jesus at the Last Supper
Communion will be celebrated
Music by Diane & Lisa Van Deurzen Otey and Adam Peterson.

February 13th: Israelites struggle with saying goodbye
This is also Scout Sunday and we will recognize our Scouts.
Music by Nancy Nelson, Chancel Choir, and Adam Peterson.

February 20th: Moses says goodbye
Scripture: Deuteronomy 32-34
Music by Ann Habicht and Bell Choir, David Veenstra and Mike Nelson.

February 27th: Paul says goodbye
Scripture: Philippians 1



Looking Ahead to Lent

Ash Wednesday is March 2nd. Drive through ashes that morning. More info to follow.

The **Children's Sunday School**, led by Sarah Peterson, will be meeting every Sunday morning, after our time with children in the worship service. This is for all children who are not yet in seventh grade.

End of the Year financials are out! You can pick one up in the Narthex.

New **address/phone directories** will be out soon in the narthex as well.



Cub Scout Pack 188 Pinewood Derby

This will be held on Saturday, February 19th, Noon to 3 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. You are invited to come and watch.

Church Office Hours

Victoria is on vacation from February 7th–26th. During this time the church office will only be open Monday, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from 9:30 to Noon.

Please feel free to call the church and leave a message. Although Pastor Dick won't be in his office you are welcome to call him at 214-8924.

THANK YOU'S TO FCC

Thank you so much for your support of the Good Shepherd Orphanage this year!

-The GSO Staff and Board

(a new picture and letter have been posted on the board in the entry hallway to FH)

Thank you so very much for the generous donation of the much needed snowpants. We will put them to good use!

-Kim Cross, Principal at Maple Grove

Looking at February

-LAY ASSISTANTS-

06– Doug Gruber
13– Ann Habicht
20– Dave Murphey
27–

(call Elaine Fluck in the church office if you'd like to be a lay assistant)

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Nancy Daugherty
Jerry Gruber



Birthdays

02/02 Ray Abbe
02/12 Lillian Jones
02/13 Jacquelyn Bennett
02/14 Paul Rood
02/15 David Murphey
02/18 Chris Arms
02/18 Sophia Cochran
02/24 Kady Hoyt
02/25 Robert Sollman
02/25 Bob Gabel
02/25 Chloe McNicholas
02/26 Elaine Kitchin

Anniversaries

02/06 Chuck & Nancy Garber