

# Community Congregational Connection

**December 2024**

Our Mission at

Community Congregational Church is to:

Acknowledge

Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior

Affirm

the worth of One Another in a Christian Caring Community

Encourage

the Development of Fully Devoted Disciples.



‘Behold the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel’

Matt 1:23



## BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Monday, December 9, 2024

at 6:30 PM

A Service of Hope and Healing!

A reception of refreshments will follow the service.



## CCC CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Tuesday, December 24th Candlelight Evening Service

at 7:00 PM

Our Traditional Christmas Eve service includes the lighting of real candles to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus.

The Choir will be singing each Sunday in December and will be performing on Christmas Eve.

Come and join is in the celebration!

## **FACILITY DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**

We have a revised proposal from Creative Signs and some preliminary sketches from Rice Engineering.

Thanks to Paul Jirtle for working with City of Kewaunee and Dennis Shimanek working with Rice Engineering as we continue to move forward on these projects.

The Church Council moved to support the Trustees in spending the \$10,000 allocation as approved at the All Church Meeting and support the additional allocation of up to \$5,000 in the purchase of the church sign. (as stated in Article 6 section 4 in the CCC Constitution).

A Facility Committee Meeting will be on Wednesday, December 11th at 6:00 PM with both of the above items on the agenda.

Any one is welcome to attend these meetings.

Mary Murphy bags  
her first buck!

She says she just  
recently started  
hunting and  
loves it.

Congratulations  
Mary!



## TEEN GOOD NEWS CLUB

Teen Good News Club which meets the first Sunday of the month at CCC is an opportunity for young people to connect with Jesus Christ.

And also to connect with each other.

Games and pizza are part of the fellowship!

The next meeting is January 5, 2025 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.



**SUNDAY MORNING  
ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

Adult Bible Study will be taking a short break over the holidays.

Leo hopes to resume by January 12, 2025.

There will also be a post Holiday Fellowship on Sunday, January 5, 2025 at 9 A.M.

All are welcome to attend!



The holiday season is upon us and we all look forward to hearing from friends during this time and our homebound church family members look forward to getting cards and notes too. If you would like to reach out to any of these folks, please contact Lisa at the church office for a list of names and addresses.

Thank you!





# Christmas Boxes 2024

Once again we will be joining with Holy Rosary in the Christmas Giving Tree Project. We will be providing Christmas Food Boxes for families in need in Kewaunee County.

The boxes are given out during December at the same time as Toys for Tots. You can fill your box with nonperishable food items, personal care items, and even some special Christmas treats. Plastic boxes and cardboard boxes can be decorated and filled to hold your goodies!

Consider all of the families in need and help make their Christmas a little brighter!



### Personal Care Items

Shampoo with Crème Rinse, Soap, Kleenex, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Hand/Body Lotion

### Food Items (All must be nonperishable please)

Canned tuna, chicken, beef stew, spaghetti with meat, ravioli with meat, baked pork and beans, peanut butter	Protein
Canned green beans, corn, carrots, peas, yams Canned peaches, pears, fruit cocktail, applesauce, bottled/canned juice	Fruit and Vegetable
Boxed crackers, saltines, graham, pasta noodles, mac and cheese, instant rice, hot cereals, cold cereals	Grain

### Christmas Treats

Packaged cookies, hot chocolate, fresh oranges, mixed nuts, and chocolates

**Please have your boxes  
to the church by  
Sunday - December  
15, 2024!**





## FAIR SHARE

Community Congregational Church is a member of the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches (NACCC). As part of our membership, our church pledges to be a Fair Share Church. We commit \$13.00 per active member per year to NACCC to support the Association's operations, programs, and services. This donation assures the continuation of educational programs, church resources, fellowship opportunities and administrative support that is valuable to our local Congregational church. If you would like to help our church fulfill this commitment, place your donation in one of our offering boxes and make sure the envelope is marked 'Fair Share.' While \$13.00 is the suggested amount, please feel free to give as you feel led.



## COMMUNITY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 10TH ANNUAL COOKIE WALK

Our Cookie Walk at CCC will take place on  
Saturday, December 14th from 9:00 am-11:00 am

Fill a box with homemade cookies for \$9.00 per pound.

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO  
LAKESHORE COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY!**



## Birthdays

- 1 Abigail Shimanek
- 1 Tavia Derrig
- 3 Chris Kuehl
- 4 Donna Wallace
- 11 Mary Harrell
- 18 Kyrsten Derrig
- 22 Judy Draeger
- 25 Jesus of Nazareth
- 29 Eugene R. Nemetz
- 31 Helen Jackson
- 31 Mary Koch
- 31 Julie Lamack



## December 2024 Meeting Schedule

**Sun., December 1, 11:30 a.m. Church Council Meeting**

Tues., December 10 5:00 p.m. Diaconate Meeting

Wed., December 11 6:00 p.m. Facility Development Meeting

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### USHERS

### SNACK N' CHAT

Dec. 1 Paul & Debbie Jirtle/**open**

Dec. 8 Judy Oftedahl & Lisa Hulien/ the **Dammens**

Dec. 15 Dennis & Debby Shimanek/**open**

Dec. 22 Brenda Gasparika & Nancy Lamack/**open**

**Dec. 24 Usher Volunteers needed-Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**

Dec. 29 Brian Kuehl & Adam Kuehl/**open**