



New Disciple News



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Sunday Worship Service:

9:30 AM at 3100 F Ave NW

11:30 AM at Kingston Hill
Multilingual

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday

9:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Mailing Address:

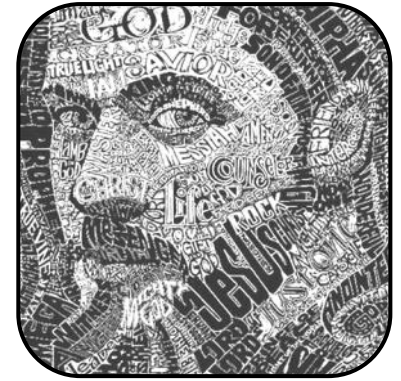
1930 Wiley Blvd SW #8659

Our theme for Lent 2018

“Titles for Jesus”



Palm Sunday - join us as we celebrate Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem and the start of Holy Week. The 1st Wednesday Kids will be singing, too!



Good Friday - Take part in an intimate, reflective time as a community to meditate on the crucifixion of Jesus. There will be special music, poetry reading, times of silence, prayer, communion, and Scripture reading.

A Prayer Vigil will begin at 10:00 AM and run until 1:00 PM, then from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM in half hour long increments. There will be a sign up sheet. The **Good Friday service** will be offered twice; once at 1:00 PM and then at 7:00 PM, both in the Grant Wood Worship Space at Kingston Hill on Friday, March 30th.



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Attend General Assembly 2019!

We are so excited to host the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)! Yes - it is in Des Moines, Iowa in 2019! Make a commitment in your heart to attend today!

There are several ways to attend the General Assembly:

- ✦ Use it as a vacation and attend as many events as possible between July 20 and July 24th. Don't forget to register when registration becomes available in the fall!
- ✦ Attend one or more evening worship services - for free!
- ✦ Attend one or more worship service, class, and/or business session at a one day registration cost.
- ✦ Volunteer and receive a discount on your registration!
- ✦ Attend evening worship services online from your home.



No matter how you plan to attend, mark it in your memory that July 20 - 24th, 2019 is a special time for our church!





New Disciples Family: We Pray for...

Allan Jerry Janetta Ricardo Ron Candi Mary
Alex Ann Kyle Martin Annie & Theodore Mark
Janelle Glenda

Friends of New Disciples: We pray for...

Kenny Vickie Logan Bob Brandi Sheila Dave
Lisa Jay family members

New Disciples: We ask for our church family...

- ▼ that God will protect us with spiritual armor.
- ▼ to experience spiritual and numerical growth.
- ▼ to catch God's vision for our future.

Other: We pray for...

- ▼ financial health and surplus
- ▼ safety for all travelers.
- ▼ solutions to the mass violence problems.
- ▼ God to bring healing to our land.
- ▼ hope for those who are overwhelmed with life.
- ▼ encouragement for those in AA's 4th step.
- ▼ salvation and light of the Lord for hurting people who hurt others.
- ▼ those battling mental illness.
- ▼ all those in care centers without the support of family and friends.

Grief: We ask for comfort and strength for ...

- ▼ family of Lee Smith Jr. (Debby Smith's brother-in-law).
- ▼ the family of Rev. Billy Graham and all impacted by his spiritual legacy.
- ▼ Sonny Winnermark's family, Tim Wise's cousin.
- ▼ Pam Gibbs and Tai Lee Wilcox at the passing of cousin Vicki Jo Peterson. Also at the loss of their beloved dog.
- ▼ friends and family of Lillian Eige at her passing.
- ▼ Ron and Dianna Bremer at the passing of Ron's mother, Rita Mae and her sister.

Our Homebound: May God surround you with His love...

Lois Roger & Mary Steve Mary Jane Helen Ann
Allan LaVerne Alice Berdine Laureen Ben
Gisela Roland

Missionaries/Community Workers:

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) regional staff
Alain Imani Habinamwisho & Tantine Kapila
Savanna Phillips - XPlor Robert S. King - Mission of Hope
Joanines Adorno-Diaz – India New Disciples Staff
Daniel Reed - Hope Builders Monica Liddle–East Timor
Karen Campbell-Nelson–Indonesia
Ricardo Mayol–Guatemala Victor Makari–Israel/Palestine

Military Personnel:

Daniel Ruhd - Lynette Lubbock's grandson - N. Carolina
Phillip Stenberg - Mary King's grandson & family - In US
Seth Hall - Phil & Jean Goodall's grandson - Montana
Kyle Stallman - Kim Stallman's son - In US
Tyler Edler - Nancy Wise's nephew - South Korea
Eli Walters - Helen Christopherson's g-g-son in law - Georgia
Kaylee Graves - Garland Waddilove's granddaughter -California
Iowa National Guard members deployed throughout the world.

Pray, we as a Christian community ...

- ▼ We keep Christ first in all we do.
- ▼ We become the church God desires us to be.
- ▼ We bear spiritual fruit for the Kingdom of God.
- ▼ We bear witness to God's love in our interactions with members of the community.
- ▼ We be a community of health and healing as God defines those terms
- ▼ We remain flexible to the Spirit's leading.
- ▼ We worship God with all our strength, minds, hearts, and souls.

Upper Midwest Region Prayers

Mitchellville Christian Church, Mitchellville, IA
First Christian Church, Nevada, IA
Chuuk Island Fellowship, Sioux City, IA
Highland Park Christian Church, Des Moines, IA
First Christian Church, Mount Ayr, IA
First Christian Church, Perry, IA
Indianola Heights Christian Church, Des Moines, IA
First Christian Church, Muscatine, IA
First Christian Church, Panora, IA
Park Avenue Christian Church, Des Moines, IA
First Christian Church, Woodbine, IA

Monthly Financial Report

If you have any questions or would like to see a more full report, email finance@newdisciples.org
January 2018

Income	\$6442.30
Expense	\$6912.15
Net Revenue	-\$439.75

Building Fund Giving Update:

January giving: \$2863.90



Coming Home To Freedom Check-In

Our Goal: \$300,000

Current Pledge Total: \$323,773.80 OUTSTANDING!

If you have not yet pledged please consider doing so.

January Total Received: \$5671.35 Thank you!

Honored Pledges: \$5,647.35

Anonymous: \$24.00



Honoring the Pledges started January 2018. If you pledged to give **Monthly** or **Weekly**, please remember to do so. Annual Pledges may be given any time before January 1st 2019.

Thank you again!

Mental Health First Aid - Training Opportunity!

Building Stronger Communities

Mental Health First Aid Teaches You:

- Signs of addictions and mental illnesses
- 5-step action plan to assess a situation and help
- Impact of mental and substance use disorders
- Local resources and where to turn for help

The Abbe Mental Health Center and Penn, Inc. will be offering a Mental Health First Aid Training (MHFA) in your community. The MHFA programs teach community members skills on identifying and responding to a person who may be experiencing a mental health issue. This is comparable to learning first aid training for physical health, but instead will focus on mental health. This program has been developed by the National Council for Behavioral and further information can be found on their website at www.MentalHealthFirstAid.org.

Upon completion of the training you will receive a certificate and a manual. You must attend the entire training to receive a certificate.

When: March 13 and 15, 2018

Time: 5-9:15pm

Where: Abbe Center

520 11th St NW

Cedar Rapids, IA 52405

Cost: FREE

To Register: Email tmineart@abbehealth.org

Space is Limited-Register Today!



Who Can Be a Mental Health First Aider?

- Caring Citizens
- Consumers and Family Members
- Members of Faith Communities
- Social Workers
- Substance Abuse Professionals
- Policymakers
- Mental Health Authorities
- Police/First Responders/Security Personnel
- Nurses/Physicians Assistants/Primary Care Workers
- Volunteers





Building Updates! Things are moving ahead...our church building is happening! We are continuing to move forward with the building process, Terracon has done some testing on the ground to complete necessary steps prior to building. We are working with both the architect Mark Thiessen and contractor Point Builders to ensure that we stay on track with a projected spring ground breaking.



A couple of notes:

- ✦ Asbestos Testing results are back (We are clean from asbestos)
- ✦ Have 3 company's lined up to bid on the demolition of the existing buildings
- ✦ If you have anything in your home from either Cedar Christian or First Christian that you are storing for use in the new building, please let us know ASAP. Contact Lisa Phillips or the office. We won't have a lot of extra storage in the new building so we need to know what's still out there.

Our Homebound really appreciated the carolers and gifts in December. In visiting, it was clear that visits are appreciated but all too infrequent. (See 1 Timothy 5:1-16) Enjoy chatting and meeting with older folk? Feel called to care for the homebound? Join our new **Homebound Visiting Team**. All it takes is about 30 minutes of your time a few times a month. We already have several individuals interested in this; you won't be the only one. Both men and women are welcome. You will be able to share Communion with them if you wish. We also need creative ideas for caring for the homebound/elderly in the congregation. Interested? Questions? Contact Dick Goodall at 319-845-3049 or catch him after service. You can also contact the office and Ellen will pass on your interest.



Stop by sometime...check out a Disciple Group!

- Men's Bible Study - Tuesdays at 1 PM. Open to newcomers.
- Dan's Disciple Group at Kingston Hill - Thursdays at 6:30 PM. An Open Group.
- Pathways Discipleship Group at Kingston Hill - Thursdays at 6:30 PM.



If anyone is interested in starting a new group, please contact the office to promote it and add it to the Church Calendar.

Fibromyalgia and Chronic Pain Support Group will be held the first Thursday of every month at 7 PM at Curves on Edgewood Rd. SW. The next meeting is March 1. If you have either of these concerns, or you wish to learn more, please join us!



Dan's Disciple Group meets on Thursdays at Kingston Hill at 6:30 PM. We intend to meet weekly. Our new topic will be the Ten Commandments. Each week we will watch a DVD lecture on one of the Commandments and then discuss the presentation. No homework is involved. Each lecture stands alone so there is no loss if a session is missed. All are welcome.





Opportunities to Volunteer at General Assembly 2019! General Assembly is taking place July 20 - 24th, 2019 in Des Moines, Iowa.

One great way to attend the General Assembly of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) is by being a volunteer! It provides many great opportunities to meet people from across the country and you get your registration at a decreased cost!

Volunteers are needed in the following roles:

- ✿ Deacons
- ✿ Communion Preparers
- ✿ Ushers
- ✿ Hospitality Subs (Pastor Stasia's Team - Back-up in case a volunteer calls in sick.)
- ✿ Tabulators (must be able to pass financial background check)
- ✿ Registration Desk (must be very comfortable with modern technology & have a friendly/patient disposition)
- ✿ Lost and Found Assistants
- ✿ Special Needs Assistants (help with scooters & refrigeration of medication)
- ✿ Preschool Workers
- ✿ Elementary School Ministry Helpers
- ✿ Security for Technology during Breaks
- ✿ Chapel helpers.
- ✿ Communicators & Promoters throughout the Region
- ✿ New Disciples Representative & Promoter
- ✿ Meal Ticket Distribution

If you are interested in volunteering, please let Pastor Stasia know and she will connect you with the appropriate volunteer coordinator.

Possible Adult Motorcycle Ministry



The Region been contacted by a gentleman in one of our Des Moines area churches who has been dreaming about putting together an adult motorcycle retreat. This weekend event would be for adult riders and take place at and around the Christian Conference Center. Participants would gather at the CCC for fellowship, ride around the Newton area, and stay in one of the camp cabins. They are currently trying to gauge interest for such an event. If you would like to serve on the planning team for the motorcycle retreat, please email Tiff Williams at tiff.umw@gmail.com or call Tiff at the Conference Center office at 641-792-1266.



News from the Christian Conference Center in Newton

Hey all! We are excited to be building a cabin again at the Christian Conference Center in Newton Iowa: Our Holy Ground/Camp and Conference Center. This one is located in Chi Rho Area and will also serve as a new Tornado shelter for the camps in our Rustic area.

We are having a Blitz build kick off Weekend on April 27-28. We hope to put up walls for both floors. We need around 30-40 workers for Saturday the 28th. Please share this and contact the Church Office if you are interested in helping.

If you can't make the blitz build you are welcome to bring your group out anytime until we finish. Again, let the Church Office know. *For a virtual tour, go here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h6-0yYDPo60&authuser=0>*

Thank you!

Blessings, Rev. Bill Spangler-Dunning, Regional Minister & President



Anne Gregory Visit Extended - January 10 - June 23, 2018

Anne is YOUR Missionary, serving through the financial gifts you give in your Disciples Mission Fund and directly to her ministry. She will be speaking about her experiences through the Region during her stay. Please welcome her home from the mission field and find an opportunity to hear her stories.

Anne Gregory serves as Co-Pastor of English-Language Ministries at Wattana Church, a historically Chinese-Presbyterian church in the 6th District of the Church of Christ in Thailand. She has served in this position for the last three years.



A visit by Anne Gregory to FCC Vinton is scheduled on **Wednesday, March 14**. They will host an open luncheon at noon and Anne will be visiting with their Youth Group at 5:30 PM. We wish to invite anyone to join them for lunch to come at 5:30 PM and sit in on our Youth Group. They do ask if you are anticipate more than two or three people coming from church that we give them an estimate of numbers so they can adjust their hospitality accordingly!

Passion Play Tour



Jerry and Rev. Sue Woods are hosting a Disciples trip to see the 2020 Passion Play. Since 1634, the oldest and most famous Passion Play has been held in Oberammergau, Germany every 10 years. The Passion Play depicts the final week of the life of Christ. The 12 day trip would also include a cruise of the Danube River, visiting Austria, Hungary, Germany, and Slovakia.

There will be an informational meeting on March 26th starting at 7:00 pm at Ankeny Christian Church. Feel free to attend to learn more about this Disciple pilgrimage. If you are unable to make the March 26th gathering but want more info, contact Sue or Jerry at 515-577-4543, or email rev.woods.sw@gmail.com



CROP Walk Rally



We are having a rally for the CROP walk on Sunday, March 18th at 4:00 PM at Kingston Hill. Join us for more information and how you can get involved

and cheer on the New Disciples Team!! The walk itself is Sunday, May 6th at 2:00 PM at Cherokee Trail on Midway Dr. NW. For more information, contact Nancy Wise.

Save the Dates for Summer Camp 2018!!

Grand Camp (age 4 - grade 2)

June Session: June 22-23

July Session: July 13-14

Family Camp (all ages)

Session 1: June 8-10

Session 2: August 17-19

Beginner Camp (grade 2)

July 1-3

Junior Camp (grades 3-5)

Session 1: June 10-15

Session 2: June 24-29

Session 3: July 8-13

Session 4: August 5-10

Chi Rho Camp (grades 6-8)

Rustic Session 1: June 10-15

Rustic Session 2: June 17-22

Rustic Session 3: June 24-29

Rustic Session 4: July 8-13

Cabin Chi Rho: August 5-10

CYF Camp (grades 9-12)

Session 1: June 17-22

Session 2: July 22-27

ADAM Camp (grades 6-12)

July 15-20

Adventure Camp (grades 6-12)

July 29- August 3

Young Adult Mission Trip (Ages 19-25)

May 20-25 We will leave from the CCC to travel together to Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Senior Adult Retreat (Retirees)

July 1-3

(All grades indicate the grade to be completed by the end of the 2017-2018 school year.)





Wanna learn more about God? Wanna study the Bible?

Wanna grow in your Christian faith?

Wednesday, March 28th - Who is Jesus?

Wednesday, April 25th - Who is the Holy Spirit?

Wednesday, May 23rd - Who is the Church?

Wednesday, June 20th - Why Baptism?

Wednesday, July 25th - How do we Grow Spiritually?

Wednesday, August ? Date to be determined. - What is the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)?

Join us at 6:00 PM at New Disciples – Kingston Hill - 202 12th Street NW

Children/Youth are all welcomed!



pizza
with
the
pastor

Proposed Themes:

March - Easter Story

April - Flesh vs. Spirit (Fruit
of the Spirit)

May - Pentecost Story (the Church)



Volunteer Opportunities

1. Provide an interactive station of your design related to that month's theme for parents and children to interact with following the sermon. You are welcome to volunteer in an occasional basis.
2. Be an adoptive uncle, aunt, or grandparent for a family of children who need an adult to bring them and be with them for family night.
3. Donate meal supplies or help prepare or serve meal.
4. Clean up team - tidy up Kingston worship space following family worship event.
5. Provide activity scholarships to help cover or reduce price of monthly outings.





March Service Opportunities

Service	March 4	March 11	March 18	March 25	April 1
Welcoming Greeter (Side Entrance)	Martin Evans	Martin Evans	Martin Evans	Martin Evans	Martin Evans
Welcoming Elder (Entry to Worship Space)	Pam Gibbs	Kevin Livengood	Lisa Phillips	Jonathan Williams	Lynn Hills
Welcoming Deacon (Front Door)	Kim Stallman	Rick Sutphin	Glenn Healy	Dan Dice	Kim Stallman
Children's Sermon					
Worship Leader	Tim Wise	Betty Graham	Phil Goodall	Betty Graham	
Pulpit Elder	Dick Goodall	Pam Gibbs	Kevin Livengood	Lisa Phillips	Jonathan Williams
Serving Deacons	Kim Stallman, Betty Graham, Scott Fine & Kyle Taylor	Rick Sutphin, Don Phillips, Jonathan Williams & Stephanie McGaffee	Glenn Healy, Tim Wise, Lynn Moss & Ricardo Larios	Dan Dice, Debby Krivanek, Heidi Haney & Scott Niskanen	Kim Stallman, Betty Graham, Scott Fine & Kyle Taylor
Communion Prep	Vicki Ehrenberger	Shirley Sedore	Lynn Moss	Jean Goodall	Vicki Ehrenberger
Worship Tech					
Tabulators	Kim Stallman, Sharon Gladwin	Glenda Denning, Heidi Haney	Sharon Gladwin, Sydnee Phillips	Scott Fine, Lisa Phillips	Kim Stallman, Sharon Gladwin
Coffee Fellowship					
Worship Theme	Name of God: Jehovah-Rohi	Name of God: Jehovah-Rapha	Name of God: Bread of Life	Name of God: Jesus is Savior	Name of God: Jesus is Lord
"Temple Movers" Set Up / Tear Down	Team Gershon - Glenn Healy: Scott Fine, Pastor Stasia - need one more!	Team Kohath - Phil Goodall; Shirley Sedore, Scott Niskanen - need one more!	Team Levi - Jonathan Williams; Dan Dice, David Krivanek, Debby Krivanek, Ricardo Larios	Team Merari - Tim Wise; Kelly Carr, Kyle Taylor - need one more	Team Gershon - Glenn Healy: Scott Fine, Pastor Stasia - need one more!

NEW DISCIPLES OF CEDAR RAPIDS
P. O. BOX 8659
CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52408

Staff:

Pastor: Rev. Stasia Fine
Pastor: Alain Habinamwisho
Music Director: Janelle Lauer
Office Administrator: Ellen Johnson
Nursery: Candi Snider
Nanga Kirimbe



March
2018



Visit our website: <http://www.NewDisciples.org>

Find us on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/NewDisciples>



**New Address, Email Address or
Phone Number?**

Contact the Church office to
update your information.

**First
Wednesdays -
March 7th
"Easter Story"**



It was one
of those
March
days when the sun shines hot
and the
wind blows cold:
when it is summer in the
and winter in the
light,
shade.

~Charles Dickens

Lent 2018

Begins Wednesday, February 14. Ends Saturday, March 31.

