



PARKSIDE COMMUNITY  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

# NEWSLETTER

*News & updates from our church for our community*

## Congregational Meeting Minutes

Congregational Meeting - Sunday, November 19th, 2023 11:00 a.m.

Meeting called to order: Heather Rogge

Open with prayer: Pastor Laura

Motion made by Joan to accept the February 19th, 2023 Congregational meeting minutes, second by Ingrid N. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Present the annual budget for 2024. Motion by Gail to accept the 2024 annual budget as presented, second by Sandy D. Motion passed.

Notes from the Church President: the YMCA wants to renew their lease for another five years possibly looking to expand to other spaces when food pantry moves out. A Place to Be would also like to renew their one year contract, discussions will continue at Council meetings.

Missions Update: Thank you to the missions committee for all of your hard work towards this! They have narrowed the choices down to four nonprofits to support from the tithe of the parsonage sale. Will donate \$24,000 over the next two years (\$12,000 each year so \$3000 per nonprofit per year). After the first year we would ask the nonprofit to provide an annual report to see how the donations were used. Review of the first year before being sent the \$3000 for the second year. The four nonprofits recommended are: 1. Franciscan PeaceMakers (Human Trafficking), 2. Lakeshore Regional Childhood Advocacy Center (children & abuse), 3. A Place to Be Spirituality Center, 4. RUBIES (vulnerable youth). Motion made by Kathy Q. to approve the tithe to the four different nonprofits presented, seconded by Ron, motion passed.

Council Positions: Before discussing open council positions, vote to change the bylaws to allow Heather to continue as President past her current term maximum (1 year term for 3 years maximum). Motion made by Ingrid, seconded by Sandy, motion passed. Treasurer: Matt D. volunteered for the treasurer position, motion made by Sandy and seconded by Bill. motion passed. Treasurer is a three year term with a two term maximum. Members at large: Joan will help Matt with treasurer position and stay on council as representatives, Wally will also continue his term as representative, motion made by Ron and seconded by Sandy, motion passed.

Motion to adjourn by Diane., second by Joan. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.

# Caring Ministries



Thank you notes were sent to:

- Council members for their work
- Ingrid Newlin for planning a wonderful Yankee Swap Christmas party this year
- Bill Karrels for his faithful running of the AV system
- Carrie Rydzewski for all her amazing work
- Ed Haynes for his work on the new AV system
- Jean Hamilton and Jane Elbe for their card missions
- Kathy and Wally Quade for Sunday counting

Happy  
New Year

Pizza scrips were sent to our college students during finals.

Our Prayer Team's prayer list is updated every month. Please let Gail Weigel know if you are interested in this mission. You are asked to pray for a specific portion of the list in whatever way you are comfortable. Information is sent via email so you do not need to pass it on.

Thank you for supporting Caring Ministries through the purchase of handmade cards. We are no longer included in the church budget so we appreciate your support with card sales. And thank you to Gail Weigel for sharing her talents making the beautiful handmade cards!

## **Prayer Families of the Week for the Month of January:**

January 7 | Karen Welton

January 14 | Pastor Laura & Alex Blanco

January 21 | Derek, Natalie, Oskar, and Ingrid Schaefer

January 28 | Richard Duran

To protect our members' privacy we cannot publish mailing addresses. If you need a family's address, please contact the church office at [saukvilleucc@att.net](mailto:saukvilleucc@att.net) or 262-284-0588 and we can email or mail you an updated membership list with addresses.

# *Happy Anniversary & Birthday!*

Apologies for the misprint in the December newsletter with regards to the December birthdays and anniversaries. To make sure we didn't miss anyone's celebrations, the December & January anniversaries and birthdays are listed below. Note there are no January anniversaries.

## **December Birthdays**

December 7 | Bill Karrels  
December 9 | Penny Fransee  
December 13 | Giorgio Fuentes  
December 16 | Denise Golownia  
December 18 | Steve Beck  
December 21 | Garrett Steigerwald  
December 21 | Ian Steigerwald  
December 22 | Emily Roberts  
December 24 | Ingrid Newlin  
December 26 | Gloria Miller (86 years!)  
December 28 | Bethel Flynn  
December 29 | Jane Elbe

## **January Birthdays**

January 3 | Gail Weigel  
January 4 | Elizabeth Saler  
January 8 | Ty Golownia  
January 8 | Patty Gilbert  
January 8 | Sue Sarver  
January 12 | Rev. Ron Newlin (82 years!)  
January 13 | Chip Elbe  
January 22 | Connie Saler  
January 25 | Marla Race  
January 28 | Herb Muecke (87 years!)

## **December Anniversaries**

Marla & Daniel Race  
Married on December 3, 1983

Rev. Susan Drake & Rev. Julie Jennings  
Married on December 31, 1999

Dan & Gail Weigel  
Married on December 28, 1966





SUBMITTED BY KAITLYN BECK

Council Meeting - Tuesday, December 12, 2023 6:00p.m.

Council Members Present: President: Heather Rogge, Vice President: Sue Sarver, Treasurer: Joan Brecke, Secretary: Kaitlyn Watry, Wally Quade

Open with prayer by Heather.

Secretary Report: Motion made by Joan to accept the November meeting minutes, seconded by Wally. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Motion made by Sue to accept the November treasurer report, seconded by Wally. Motion passed. The money from the sale of the parsonage that was put into a CD has increased \$2000.00, will renew the CD.

Committee Reports:

Faith Formation/Youth: no updates

Lighthouse: no updates

Stewardship: no updates

Worship: There will be fellowship following the 10:00am service on Christmas Eve but there is no fellowship after the 4:00pm Christmas Eve service.

Pastor Laura vacation has changed and she will be available for Holy Week 2024. Will start to plan Lent services and ecumenical Lent services.

Building & Grounds: outlets need to be installed for use of security cameras, Wally will contact an electrician

Caring: no updates

Missions: a letter and check is being sent to the four nonprofits decided on at the Congregational meeting from the tithe of the parsonage sale

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SUBMITTED BY KAITLYN BECK

Council Meeting - Tuesday, December 12, 2023 6:00p.m. (CONTINUED)

New Business:

Facility rental for a baby shower on February 17th, 2024.

Congregational meeting with annual review will be on Sunday, February 18th, 2024. Have any information for the annual report to Carrie by February 1st, 2024.

A Place to Be would like to renew their contract for 2024, rent will remain at \$850.00 a month for 12 months.

Christmas vacation request for Carrie approved, she will be out of office December 23 - January 1st. Regular office hours will resume January 2nd. The January newsletter will come out the week of January 2nd.

List of Holiday off for office administrator will not include the Friday after Thanksgiving, but they can request to have off that day.

Heather will talk about the advised incentive agreement that was presented with Carrie.

Waiting on an updated Maintenance Trust Fund statement, should be coming soon.

Donations (monetary and non-monetary) that members want to contribute to their 2023 giving should be turned in to the church office by December 26th for a final count.

Heather met with the YMCA and they would like to renew their contract for another five years, their current contract will end July 31, 2024. Looking to potentially use some of the spaces the food pantry was in, discussions will continue about monthly rent.

The Food Pantry will begin moving out in January 2024. Heather will do a final walk through with the food pantry before they leave.

Motion to adjourn made by Wally, seconded by Joan. Motion passed.

# JANUARY Worship Schedule

7 JAN, SUN

Accompanist: Mike Chapel  
Altar Flowers: Heather Rogge  
AV: Bill Karrels  
Communion Setup & Cleanup:  
Fellowship Time: Sandy Habersetzer  
Pulpit Supply: Rev. Laura Blanco  
Reader: Gail Weigel  
Record Service: ?

14 JAN, SUN

Accompanist: Mike Chapel  
Altar Flowers: Kathy Quade  
AV: Bill Karrels  
Fellowship Time: Ingrid Newlin  
Pulpit Supply: Rev. Laura Blanco  
Reader: Marla Race  
Record Service: ?

21 JAN, SUN

Accompanist: Mike Chapel  
Altar Flowers: Joan Brecke  
AV: Bill Karrels  
Fellowship Time: Matt DeGross  
Pulpit Supply: Rev. Laura Blanco  
Reader: Ron Newlin  
Record Service: ?

28 JAN, SUN

Accompanist: Rev. Laura Blanco  
Altar Flowers: Jessica Lemberg  
AV: Bill Karrels  
Fellowship Time: Sandy Dickmann  
Pulpit Supply: Rev. Laura Blanco  
Reader: Sandy Dickmann  
Record Service: ?

***We are thankful for  
all of our volunteers!***

***Why not add your  
name to the  
rotation?***

***If you would like to  
volunteer to help  
with worship  
services, please  
contact Carrie in the  
Church office at  
saukvilleucc@att.net  
262-284-0588.***

***We ♥ our  
Volunteers***





# LIGHTHOUSE

## YOUTH MINISTRY



To kick off the new year, Lighthouse Youth Ministry will once again be putting together “birthday kits” and they need our help! They will be collecting items such as cake mix, frosting, candles, etc., which the youth group will then assemble into bags and donate to the Port Washington and Saukville food pantries. These kits will help ensure that pantry guests can enjoy a birthday celebration on their special day.

They have put together a brightly colored birthday cake poster and each candle has a specific item request written on it. You can help by taking one or more candles off the cake and going shopping for those items. Then, simply return the items to the marked container here at church by Wednesday, January 17th. Let’s see if we can “blow out all the candles” on the cake as a congregation and collect all the items needed! The goal is to get enough supplies between the 5 Lighthouse congregations to be able to assemble a total of 125 kits.

Thank you for helping Lighthouse spread some birthday cheer to our neighbors!

### January 7th from 6:00-8:30pm - Skateland

Join us as we “roll” into 2024 with a skate party at Ozaukee Skateland! We’ll meet at Lighthouse at 6:00 and carpool to Cedarburg together. Admission and skate rental is included, but feel free to bring a few \$ for snacks if you would like.



### January 21st from 6:30-8:00 pm – Video Games and Birthday Kits

Show off your skills and enjoy some friendly competition with a variety of group-friendly video games such as Mario Kart or Wii Sports. Plus, while you’re waiting for your turn to play, we will be assembling birthday kits to donate to our local food pantries.

Lighthouse events are open to all students in grades 5-12

Have questions about Lighthouse or want to get involved?

Contact Director Christin Flucke at 262-483-9582 or [christin.flucke@lighthouseyouth.org](mailto:christin.flucke@lighthouseyouth.org)



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## A Place to Be Art Regatta



A Place to Be is holding an art  
regatta fundraiser on  
January 26, 2024.

Tickets are now on sale at  
[aplacetobesc.org](http://aplacetobesc.org)

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