



Norwalk United Methodist Church

Connecting Norwalk with God's purpose and Christ's love

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SEPTEMBER 2022

Upcoming Events

Mon, Sept 5th- Labor Day
Office Closed

Tue, Sept 6th
Serendipity Starts

Wed, Sept 7th @ 10:00 am
Women's Bible Study
Add'l 14th, 21st, 28th

Sun, Sept 11th- After Worship
Fall Kick-Off Breakfast and
Congregational Meeting

Tue, Sept 13th @ 10:00 am
Coffee, Cookies, and Conversations

Wed, Sept 14th @ 6:00pm or 7:15pm
Youth Group Restarts
Add'l 21st

Wed, Sept 21st @ 6:30 pm
Board Meeting- open to everyone

Sun, Sept 25th- during service
"Noisy Can" Offering

Join us for Worship

Sunday:

9:00am In-person & Live Stream via Facebook

Faith Formation classes for PK thru 5th grade during service

Adult classes available after the service

Pastor Karen's Corner

We are going to hold a fall kick-off on Sunday, September 11th. During worship, we'll give thanks for and bless all those who are participating in Faith Formation/Sunday Education classes. Following worship, we'll have a shared meal of breakfast casserole, fruit and cinnamon rolls.

Then, Beth will lead activities for the children while we hold a congregational meeting and conversation time. Though I am still holding conversations with individuals - similar to the small group meetings of last fall - it is time for me to begin sharing with you what I have been learning about our congregation.

We'll have time for table discussions and feedback: Is what I'm sharing reflective of our church? What are our hopes and dreams for the future? Where do we see God leading us?

We are now in the second year of our intentional interim time, and this year we'll be working on defining our congregation's values, discussing and determining how we want to work together and resolve difficulties, and revisiting our mission and vision statement so it is reflective of who we believe God is calling us to be. Our Sept. 11 gathering will be our first step in this discernment process; we can trust God to be with us and bless us on the journey. We will have fun and joy along the way, too!

September 14-20, I will be on vacation. Phyllis Kellar will preach on the 18th, Steve Jacobson (515-981-4197) will be available for pastoral care needs, and Pastor Nate from New Life Lutheran will be on call for emergencies. Please pray for them; I am grateful for their partnership in ministry.

Happy September!
Pastor Karen

We want this newsletter to enhance communication within our faith community; if you have information/events/ideas to include, please send them to norwalkumc@norwalkumc.org, and put "newsletter" in the subject line

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Warrior Giving

Sept 1 - Sept 14

Laundry Supplies

Detergent, stain remover, dryer sheets, quarters

Sept 15 - Oct 12

Household Paper

Toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, napkins

Thank you from NAMA

On behalf of the Norwalk Area Ministerial Association, thank you for all your contributions for this summer's projects! Lunch in the Park, Shoe Love, and the School Supply Drive were all a huge success and we were able to bless numerous Norwalk families. Thank you!

Sandy Bahr is our church's representative for NAMA. If you'd like to volunteer with NAMA or have any questions, please contact Sandy at 515-729-1239.

Contact Updates

We would love to update your contact information. If you have a change of/correction to your address, email, phone number, or if you see your birthday or anniversary missing, please contact the church office so we can update your information. 515.981.4251
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Upcoming Scripture Readings

SEPTEMBER 04 |

Jeremiah 18:1-11; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18;
Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33

SEPTEMBER 11 |

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28; Psalm 14; 1 Timothy 1:12-17;
Luke 15:1-10

SEPTEMBER 18 |

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; Psalm 79:1-9; 1 Timothy 2:1-7;
Luke 16:1-13

SEPTEMBER 25 |

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16;
1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

New Group Starting

"CCC"

(Coffee, Cookies, and Conversations)

A new group for retirees is starting this month! The kick-off event will be Tuesday, September 13th at 10:00 am in the church. The initial plan is to meet monthly for coffee, cookies and casual conversations! Hope you check it out!

Family Survey

A family survey will be sent out, (available at our fall kick-off and after) to get a better idea of the types of programs and support that our church families are looking for. Honest input and opinions are encouraged! Please keep an eye on your email after September 11th.

Youth Group Restart

Youth group will restart on Wednesday, September 14th. 6th-8th graders will meet from 6:00-7:00 and 9th-12th graders will meet from 7:15-8:15. Weather permitting, we will meet at the fire pit for s'mores and games. Bring a lawn chair and a friend. Contact Beth with any questions (319-573-9688)

Note

Beth Greiner will be gone from Sept 23rd-Oct 1st

September

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Nicki & Tommy Bomstadt- 2nd
Lynn & Ron Karnatz- 3rd

Mike Riggs- 2nd

Ella Johnson- 4th

Sandy Bahr- 6th

John Stroh-6th

Laura Staples-7th

Sydney Colorado- 12th

Kevin Potratz- 12th

Carson Fenster-13th

Jim Grant- 13th

Ronda Beck- 14th

Ali Bruner- 14th

Emily Bruner- 14th

Carolyn DePriest- 16th

Merrill Beck- 17th

Kennedi Wright- 17th

John Staples- 18th

Natalie Grant- 20th

Donavon Greiner- 22nd

Ashley Rensch- 23rd

Terry Rosonke- 25th

Devon Sadler- 26th

Jim Dougherty- 28th

Austin Grant- 28th