**Tidings**

September 2019  
*A Monthly Sharing of our Mission and Ministry*

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**Labor Day Hymn Sing**

**Sunday, September 1, 9:00 am**

Come join in our annual hymn sing on Labor Day weekend! Find your favorite hymns, and mark down the numbers from our hymnal!

This all-ages worship celebration brings our old favorites and our new-to-me hymns to voice.

*Come ready to sing God our praises!*

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**Paint the Port**

**Friday, September 13, 4:00-8:00 pm**

Come make your mark on the streets of Freeport! Add your artistic spirit to our community!

St. John UCC is again a sponsor of this year’s third annual Paint the Port event in downtown Freeport.

*See p. 3 for more information*

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**Solar Energy Project**

After a summer of planning, design, and our Solar renewable Energy Project is underway!

Read all about it, and the capital fund campaign for its installation this October.

*See p. 4-5 for more information*

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**Rally Day Celebration**

**Sunday, September 8, beginning at 10:00 am**

Come share in our extravagant welcome as we return from summer’s days of fun!

Join in worship, sharing stories of God’s blessings for us all. Stay for the annual Rally Day Picnic and Yard Games. Share in community as we celebrate the radical hospitality of God’s all-embracing love!

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**Fall-to-Spring Gathering Time**

Beginning on September 8, our celebration of Sunday worship and Progressive Faith Formation for all ages will return to 10:00 am.

*Mark your calendars, and set a reminder today!*
ST JOHN UCC CHURCH COUNCIL

The Church Council did not meet in July, as there was no business to discuss.

The council is scheduled to meet on August 26, after the publishing deadline for this month’s TIDINGS.

SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE:

After a year of work, our associate pastor position, the Pastor for Faith Formation will be taking a break. We have officially put the search “On Hold” with the UCC., until the team regroups in January.

In the short term, the Church Council will pursue an interim pastor for a designated term (9-12 months) to cover the duties of the Associate Pastor position. This would be a contracted (not called) ministry position, and this person would be eligible to submit their profile for the permanent position.

If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Hank, Vanessa Hughes, or Tom Campbell-Outcault.

MUSIC MINISTRY AT ST. JOHN UCC

Music Ministry Rehearsals Resumed

Thursday, August 29

Do you have a song in your heart that praises your Creator? Is it waiting to be celebrated in worship with your unique style, voice, or instrument? We’d love to hear you! See Gina Bertram for more details, and join in rehearsals this autumn!

Thursday night is our main meeting day:

5:30 pm - Sounds of the Spirit
6:30 pm - Bell Choir
7:15 pm - Chancel Choir

Parents and Grandparents: Our Children’s Pop-Up Choir and St. John Winds will begin for the fall very soon! Keep an eye on your emails and the weekly bulletin.

There is a place for all, regardless of age, experience, or ability! Come make a joyful noise to God!

JULY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

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The deadline for submitting articles for the October TIDINGS is Tuesday, September 10th
Paint the Port is a family-friendly community beautification event held over the “Destination Freeport” weekend every September.

A stretch of Chicago Avenue from West Douglas Street to West Spring Street will be closed and marked into 4-foot-by-4-foot sections that become creative canvases for local street art.

This event grew to 300 painted squares and 800 participants and spectators last year.

St. John UCC is excited to announce that it is a sponsor of this year’s third annual Paint the Port event in downtown Freeport.

This year’s Paint the Port takes place on Friday, September 13 from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm.

We can’t wait to see you out spending time with our friends and neighbors in the community at Paint the Port! Come and join in the fun!

To learn more: visit www.painttheport.com

FALL SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Plans for the Fall Spiritual Retreat in October are shaping up! This year, the retreat takes place from Thursday 10/3 to Saturday 10/5, extending its time for an additional day.

Part one of the retreat will be Thursday afternoon to Friday afternoon. It will likely be more individually focused.

Part two will be Friday afternoon through Saturday afternoon following the usual large-group format. The two parts will continue the theme of experiencing the mystic spiritual path, yet not require attending both parts.

Everyone is invited to join in this regular spiritual time, stepping out of our ordinary and into God’s extraordinary. In order to plan the most meaningful time, it would help to know how many people plan to attend, and whether for one or both parts.

A signup sheet is on the Narthex bulletin board.

Please sign up by September 15th.
Dear Members and Friends of St. John UCC:

God’s Grace and peace to you in these late sunny days of summer!

By now, we hope that you have heard about or read about our Solar Renewable Energy Project at the church. To start our conversation, we want to celebrate with you on the project’s plan:

We will honor our faith commitment as a Creation Justice Congregation by installing a Solar Electric System, producing over 65,000 kWh per year that provides 100% of our electricity, reducing our carbon footprint by more than 1000 tons over the next 20 years, and reducing our annual operating expenses by approximately $10,000.

We hope that our excitement about this project inspires the same level of hope and excitement in you!

In the coming days, you will receive a letter in the mail explaining the Solar Energy Project, and our Capital Projects initiative to fund this mission. With this letter, you will find two enclosures.

The first enclosure is a handout explaining the Solar Energy Project. This includes the details, including the necessary roof repairs, and the costs and benefits of the project (to both our congregation and for our Earth home!). The bottom line: The inclusive cost for this project is approximately $198,000.

With supporting grants and rebates, the final cost to our congregation will be between $85,000 and $105,000.

The second enclosure is a Pledge Commitment Card, which we hope you will use to add your financial support to your prayerful support for the project. We hope that through the information that has been shared at congregational meetings, in the TIDINGS newsletter, and in the pamphlet, a generous and excited Spirit has caught you in its light! Again, the bottom line:

If each of our member and friend households contribute $1 per day for the next three years (through a three-year pledge or single donation of $1,100), we will raise more than the cost of the entire project!

We know that everyone’s stewardship of our congregation’s mission is a personal and spiritual decision. You may be able to contribute more than the $1 per day. You may need to consider a more modest one-time gift. However the Spirit moves you, we thank you for sharing your resources as God’s generous gift.

We also know that the Solar Project isn’t the only one that is needed in our building maintenance, ministry growth, and outreach mission. We want you to know that funds received in this campaign beyond the expenses of this project will be reserved for other major capital projects in the Capital Reserve Fund.

Again, we hope that you are excited about what God is calling us to do and to be as a Creation Justice Congregation, and that this project inspires your faithful response. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact either of us, Church Council President Dale Priewe, or Rev. Hank Fairman.

May the warmth of Christ’s love empower your generosity!

Deb Scott, Tim Ebbers,
Co-Chairs, Financial and Resource Development Team
A History of Creation Care & Earth Justice

Beginning with research into the presence of toxic wastes in low-income and racial minority communities in the United States, the UCC has been working for environmental justice for over 30 years, and recognizes the opportunity for a shared mission campaign to live out our faith — in unity, as one church — for the sake of our fragile planet Earth.

Working with national partner organizations like Creation Justice Ministries, and local agencies like Illinois’ Faith in Place, congregations like St. John UCC continue to make an impact on carbon sequestration and reduction; waste reclamation, reduction, and recycling, and renewable and sustainable energy.

“Why would a church feel called to engage in this kind of ministry? How is creation care a church-thing?”

Rev. Brooks Berndt, the United Church of Christ Minister for Environmental Justice, puts it this way: “The word “creation” inherently evokes meanings that transcend artificial divides between the “human” and “nature.” “Creation” evokes the sacred story of origin that not only speaks to our common connection to each other but to our common connection to God.”

If the word “creation” signals the totality of relationships with God, then creation justice signals the movement toward right relationships among all of God's creation. There is nothing more God-honoring than our care for creation, or more neighbor-focused than our seeking justice for the Earth’s natural environment.

Owing our part in Creation Justice

Since the 1970’s, our commitment to stewardship of God’s creation has expanded as our understanding of the intricate web of life on our planet has grown.

Two years ago, the UCC launched its “3 Great Loves” initiative, addressing our love for children, our neighbors, and yes—Creation.

The Environmental Justice “Green Team” at St. John UCC has taken up the call to embrace our mission in creation care. Adding to our recycling program, the carbon-sequestration garden, “low-E” lighting, and “Earth-smart” investing; our solar project makes a strong public witness to our faith commitments to creation care and justice.

From the “GREEN TEAM”

“Not everything that is faced can be changed. But nothing can be changed until it is faced.”

--James Baldwin

We have chosen to boldly face the future and embrace the need for nurturing a healthier planet and the lasting benefits that come from that.

Having chosen this path of environmental justice, we affirm God’s nascent pronouncement upon the newly completed creation: “…and indeed, it was very good.”

Our choice and ensuing action will need your financial support. Thanks in advance for helping us bring this bold move into reality.
The Durgapur Dioceses of the Church of North India is involved in a number of ministries that care for all ages and members of the community.

These ministries include a thriving medical hospital and eye clinic, a nurse training program, an anti-human trafficking program, homes for children at-risk of being trafficked, gardening projects, emergency relief programs, and income-generating projects.

The anti-trafficking programs of the Diocese continue to grow and the Diocese runs six child development centers and four residential homes.

Each center provides a range of opportunities including formal education, gardening, string instrument lessons, nutritional meals, medical check-ups, sports, sewing lessons, and more.

More than 350 children attend programs at one of the centers of the anti-human trafficking program, and many others are awaiting admission into one of their residential homes.

The Diocese of Durgapur raises funds for their anti-human trafficking programs through local and international relationships so they can continue these much-needed services and open additional centers.

Global Ministries is a partnership ministry between the United Church of Christ and the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). For more information, please visit: www.globalministries.org

RED CAN OFFERING

Personal Care and Household items are always in high demand at the FACC Pantry. You can help provide these items with your financial support in the FACC Red Can on the first Sunday of each month. Please make checks payable to St. John UCC.

FOOD PANTRY

In September we will be collecting Canned Tuna

Please drop your donations off in the grocery carts located in the entryway.

CHICAGO AVENUE MISSION DINNER PROGRAM

It’s almost that time again to start signing up to help provide Wednesday dinners to the guests at the Chicago Avenue mission. Your generous gift of time and love fills hungry people with food and friendship! We give thanks for Dan King’s creative leadership and expansive menus! We give thanks for every volunteer who has cooked, served, and shared their time.

We’ll be back in the kitchen in October 2019!
Mark your Wednesdays now!
Godly Play begins its third year, sharing God’s word with our Pre School through 3rd Grade youth. Our certified teaching team shares the building-block stories of faith using Montessori-style and models. Drop in and meet our inspiring teaching team:

Kelly Priewe, Olivia Shaffer
Marla Kreger, Sylvia Bomgarden, Andrea Schrock

Each week the youth will be invited on a wonderful journey into the bible. Each session will include time for a story and a time for the kids to engage that story through play.

Kids’ Worship gathers our 4th-7th Grade youth as they begin to creatively reflect on what God’s still-speaking word is sharing in their lives.

Their journey is aided by Connect, a curriculum designed to meet the youth at a fun, age-appropriate place. It was selected by our Faith Formation Team to help youth relate their faith to everyday life.

Come and spend time with our great teaching team:

Tommy Priewe & Tara Boddie (and friends!)

Each week, the group will encounter a new way to understand how God guides our lives, and how we are called to respond to life’s decisions with faith and hope.

The 2019-2020 HELIX Youth Outreach year will begin the week following Labor Day!

We’re working with FSD 145 to get information to all Carl Sandburg School (5th-6th Grade) and Freeport Middle School (7th-8th Grade) youth and families, and welcome the youth to our fellowship!

HELIX Youth Outreach is an outreach of St. John United Church of Christ that seeks to provide a safe place for teens to grow in their self-awareness, social-awareness and emotional learning, and build positive relationships with peers and adult mentors. This program is for all teens looking to be loved for who they were created to be and to serve our community and others with compassion and kindness. While it is hosted by our congregation, it is intentionally non-religious in nature, relying on the state’s social/emotional learning guidelines for its direction and content.

Our plan is designed around the social and emotional learning (SEL) standards, provided by the Illinois State Board of Education. Its goal is to engage youth in making positive decisions by reflecting on their core beliefs and principles. And of course, we’re going to have LOTS OF AMAZING FUN!!

For questions, or to register a youth for this year’s meetings, send an email to:

helix@stjohnuccfreeport.org
LEARNING OUR FAITH (LOF)
Sunday Mornings, 11:15 am
LOF Class will resume our weekly meetings after worship starting on September 15th. We will be using a book called *The Cup of Our Life* by Joyce Rupp. Please contact Sarah Knapp for the books. Copies will be distributed before our first meeting.

ADULT FORUM
Sunday Mornings, 11:15 am
Come discuss the week’s topics, current events, and how our faith guides us in action and witness.

BIBLE STUDY
Wednesday Mornings, 9:00 am
Enjoy a mid-week break with an incredible group of thoughtful Christians. This month, we will continue reading and discussing Ken Gire’s book, *The Divine Embrace*. Anyone is welcome to join at any time.

RESOURCE GROUP-Thursdays, 9am
Coffee, treats, friendship, and more!
We will assemble the October *TIDINGS* on 9/26

PING PONG
Every Tuesday, 9am, Room S 6B

MEN’S MINISTRY
First Saturday of the Month, 8:00 am
Come join the next gathering of the Men’s Ministry. Join the lively group in the Chapel Hearth Room as we share a few jokes and cover any number of topics in the spirit of good fellowship. Coffee and donuts are provided.

PRISM
First and Third Mondays, 6:30 pm
PRISM is a facilitated group, providing a safe space and confidential community group for LGBTQ youth, adults, and those who love and support them. PRISM meets on the first and third Mondays (with the exception of Labor Day, September 2).

For more information on PRISM, our outreach to the LGBTQ community, please visit our webpage:

stjohnuccfreeport.org/open-affirming/prism

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING
Every Wednesday, 6:00pm
St. John UCC is pleased to welcome the Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) group to our building. AA is a fellowship of men and women who have had a drinking problem. Their stated purpose is to enable “members to stay sober and help other alcoholics achieve sobriety." The group is led by Michael Linck.
THANKS AND CELEBRATIONS

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/02 Claire Biesemeier, Mike Queckboerner, Lisa Schubert
9/03 Roger Swanlund, Marilyn Underwood
9/04 William Condie
9/05 Michael Deboer
9/08 Carol Ahrens
9/11 Heath Atz, Michael Weaver
9/14 Galen Bertram, Olivia Shaffer
9/15 Bryce Bicksler, Alexandria Schrock
9/17 Kayleigh NewKirk
9/19 Deb Scott
9/20 Arnold Eder
9/22 Roger Bingner
9/23 Elliot Fairman, Barbara Luedeke, Jeri Nieman
9/24 Kael Eckert
9/26 Maxen Hughes
9/28 Tim Ebbers, Carter Young
9/30 Drew Dawson, Don Franz

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

9/02 Denny & Judy Garkey
9/03 Jack & Jill Gastel
9/08 John & Paula Rawleigh
9/09 Steve & Lisa Schubert
9/10 Jerald & Jacqueline Watson
9/16 Tom & Sharon Hull
9/16 Eric & Krista Manus Lantz
9/19 Donald & Victoria Franz
9/23 Terry & DeLeana Atz
9/24 Tim & Lisa Ebbers
9/25 Steve & Kathleen Monte
9/25 Floyd & Vivian Schlickman

OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

The following is a list of our friends who cannot leave their residence and may love a visit or a card from those thinking of them.

Oakley Courts: Betty Mathews
Manor Court: Dorothy Ness
Hawthorne Inn: Jack & Marge Criddle
Parkview: Claire Biesemeier
Walnut Acres: June Nagel, Betty Remmers
Heritage Woods: Betty Carpenter
Provena: Jackie & Jerry Watson, Joyce Bloyer
In their homes: Shirley Durrstein, Karen Salter, Shirley Fritzenmeier, Arlene Kreeger, Ben Lee, Stan Bomgarden, Carolyn Moyer

PRAYER CHAIN

Please Pray For: Sandy Dutcher, Jeannine Gastmann

I want to thank all my St. John UCC family and friends for taking the time to help me celebrate my 85th birthday. It was so wonderful to see everyone and visit. Thank you! Mavis Clark

Dear St. John UCC, thank you so much for the scholarship you have given me! It will come in handy when I have to buy textbooks and school supplies. Thank you for helping me while I am on a new journey of life. Jacob Priewe

St. John UCC, thank you so much for selecting us as recipients of the Kampmeier Scholarships. Tara & Levi Boddie
SERVING IN SEPTEMBER

USHERS
9/01 Tim Ebbers, Jim Drew, Dale Priewe, Shan MacAdam
9/08 Phil & Barb Copus, Dennis Jochum, Tom Campbell-Outcault
9/15 Ray & Jeri Nieman, Brett & Michele Piefer
9/22 Jack & Diana Fox, Dan King & Robert Mayfield
9/29 Mary Frazee, Shirley Ifert, Lyle & Jane Krug

GREETERS
9/01 Donnley & Sandy Dutcher
9/08 Sandy DeBoer & Sharon Simler
9/15 Janet Piefer & Donna Klapp
9/22 Mary Geary & Jeanne Koch
9/29 Shan & Vicki MacAdam

WELCOMERS
9/01 Marsha Boll & Connie Orde
9/08 Bonnie Gennusa & Edith Rosenstiel
9/15 Tim & Tom Campbell-Outcault
9/22 David Crowell & Shawn Killingbeck
9/29 Sandy DeBoer & Sarah Priewe

INFANT AND TODDLER ROOM
9/01 Pam Wessel
9/08 Carla Meyer
9/15 Jill Kuntz
9/22 Pam Wessel
9/29 Need Volunteer

COMMUNION SERVERS
9/01 Anita Bicksler, Thompson Brandt, Tom Outcault-Campbell, Lisa Ebbers, Phil & Barb Copus, Mike Smith, Bill Condie

SEPTEMBER HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS

On Sunday mornings, we gather for coffee and treats in the Narthex area and Fellowship Hall to socialize. If you would like to find a place to sit and talk, there is plenty of room in the Chapel Hearth.

If your name is on the list below for this month, please bring in a treat to share. Some ideas are: 3 dozen cookies, treat bars, mini muffins, fruit, etc. Also, please plan to help share in clearing the hospitality station at the end of the hour.

To ensure everyone has an opportunity to share, dates are assigned alphabetically from the members and friends directory. If you are unable to help at this time, please let the church office know.

9/01 Hank & Christina Fairman, Mike & Susan Feagan, Jack & Diana Fox, Mary Frazee, Dennis & Judy Garkey, Jack & Jill Gastel, Mary Geary
9/08 Bonnie Gennusa, Laura Hartman, Becky Hebert, Linda Heidenreich, Keith Hinrichs, Vanessa Hughes, Shirley Ifert
9/15 Dennis & Diane Jochum, Sally Kahler, Dan King & Robert Mayfield, Donna Klapp, Hugh & Sarah Knapp, Jeanne Koch, Dan & Marla Kreeger
9/22 Lyle & Jane Krug, Jill Kuntz, Ben & Lucille Lee, Jane Lehman, Shan & Vicki MacAdam, Jean Mahon, Pam Manus
9/29 Lorraine McMurray, Carla Meyer, Ray & Jeri Nieman, Ruth Olson, Connie Orde, Lee & Nancy Otte, Diane Peterson
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Resuming September 8:
Sunday Worship & Children and Youth Faith Formation 10:00am • Adult Formation 11:15am