



New Disciple News



**New Disciples
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Cedar Rapids

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
Cedar Rapids, IA 52408

Advent Theme - Gifts of God

Sunday, 3rd - Gifts of God: Spiritual
Sunday, 10th - Gifts of God: Patience
Sunday, 17th - Gifts of God: Joy
Sunday, 24th - Gifts of God: Jesus



Hanging of the Greens



**Hanging of the
Greens Party**

Join us as we
decorate for
the Advent
season on
Saturday,
December 2nd from 2:00 -
4:00 PM at Kingston Hill.

**1st Wednesday
Family Worship Night
Wednesday , December 6th**
It is that time again... This month
we'll be talking about the story of
Jesus' birth! Join us for
dinner at 5:30 PM.
Worship & Program
begin at 6:00 PM.




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Mark your calendar and plan to join the Ladies of Caring Hands Ministry of New Disciples as they host the annual **Holiday Luncheon** on Thursday, December 14th, at 11:30 AM at Leonardo's, located at 2228 16th Ave SW in Cedar Rapids. You will be ordering off the menu. A sign up sheet is available. Seating is limited...sign up soon! Questions? Contact Donna Lewis or Karen White.



**Join us in sharing Christmas cheer
as we go Christmas caroling!**

When: Sunday, December 17th at 3:30 PM.
Where: Meet at Kingston Hill, 202 12th Street NW. We will then carpool to Methwick and the homes of our homebound church members.
What to bring: Warm clothes and a positive attitude.



CAROLING



December

Christmas Eve Services Sunday, December 24th

The morning will be our regular service. Both the 9:30 AM worship service and the 7:00 PM candlelight Christmas Eve service will take place at Teahen. The 11:30 AM multilingual service will take place at Kingston Hill. Christmas Eve Worship will be simple and focused on singing Christmas carols together.





Stop by sometime...for a Disciple Group!



Men's Bible Study - Tuesdays at 1 PM. Open to newcomers.
 Caring Hands Women's Group - 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 1 PM. *On hiatus till March.*
 Dan's Disciple Group at Kingston Hill - Thursdays at 6:30 PM. An Open Group. *On hiatus till January.*
 Recommended New Group Topic— Freedom in Covenant: Reflections on the Distinctive Values and Practices of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) by Robert D. Cornwall

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 December 7. If you have either of these concerns, or you wish to learn more, please join us!

Want to send Savanna Phillips a card, letter or care package? She can receive mail at:

Savanna Phillips
 740 Easy Speedway Blvd
 Tucson AZ 85719



She is serving at the Marana Community Food Bank in Tucson, AZ (www.communityfoodbank.org/) and living at the Tucson-Marana XPLOR house in Tucson.



Food Drive! Hope Builders Christmas food collection is coming. We're looking for non - perishable food or gift cards for perishables to help those in need and bring to worship on December 17th. Questions? Contact Daniel Reed.

Dan's Disciple Group meets on Thursdays at Kingston Hill from 6:30 to about 8:00 PM. The plan for each week is to hear via DVD a prominent theologian speak on a topic (about a half hour of presentation each week) and then discuss the presentation and the topic among ourselves.



On hiatus until January!



Do you love to send Christmas cards? A list of families in the church for Christmas cards is available following worship and in the office. Feel free to pick one up and spread the holiday cheer!



Wanted: Separate Checks! Because we now have a separate bank account for the building fund, we ask that checks written with money marked to go to the building fund be kept separate from checks written for the other funds. This will greatly help us with book keeping. It is still okay to combine contributions towards the general fund, music ministry, etc. on one check.

Thank you in advance! Kelly Carr, Financial Secretary



What is Advent? The word "Advent" comes from the Latin word adventus, which means "coming" or "visit." Advent begins Sunday, December 3rd, and ends Christmas Eve. It is the time before Christmas when Christians prepare for celebrating the birth of Jesus. Join in our celebration!! If you are interested in helping with readings, skits or music, please contact Pam Gibbs, or Janelle Lauer.



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Announcing:

A New Disciple Group - The Discipleship Path

This new group will meet weekly during the 2018 calendar year for spiritual growth together. We will start with a 5-week series learning more about the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). This will include reading and discussing a very simple book "Freedom in Covenant" by Robert D. Cornwall. We will meet



in the evenings starting around 6:00 or 6:30 p.m. The day of the week that we meet is up for discussion based upon who expresses interest and their availability. This group will be co-facilitated by Pam Gibbs (lulee_50238@yahoo.com) and Pastor Stasia Fine. If you are interested in joining this spiritual adventure, please contact one of these women by Sunday, December 17th to sign up.

Make your wishes known by attending the free MedQuarter Speak Up Series.

It's about conversations; it's about decisions; it's about how we care for one another.

December 7 • Spiritual Perspectives - Ask questions and participate in conversations about how personal values affect end-of-life planning. A panel of Christian, Humanist, Jewish and Muslim leaders will lead discussion.

First Lutheran Church 1000 3rd Ave SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52403

Each event will be held from 6:30 – 8:00 PM.

FREE ADMISSION AND OPEN TO ALL

themedquarter.com/speakup





New Disciples Family: We Pray for...

Ricardo Roland Rick Kathi Berdine

Friends of New Disciples: We pray for...

Debby Evelyn Kenny Anne Dennis Michael
Sally Dave Jennifer

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

- ✦ to experience spiritual and numerical growth during the Advent season.
- ✦ to catch God's vision for our future.

Other: We pray for...

- ✦ God's assistance in helping those who have left us to find a new church home .
- ✦ the healing of relatives.
- ✦ time off of work for those who need to visit family or friends.
- ✦ joy and hope filled vision for the future for those struggling with depression.
- ✦ safe travels for everyone during the upcoming Christmas celebrations.
- ✦ people to find Christ's redeeming grace in the midst of the truth coming to light in our society.

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

- ✦ the family of Tom Stack, friend of Lisa Phillips.
- ✦ the family of Lloyd, Dean Hunter's brother.
- ✦ Garland Waddilove and family at Iris' passing.

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

Lois Lillian Roger & Mary Steve Mary Jane
Helen Ann Allen LaVerne Alice Berdine
Laureen Ben Gisela

Missionaries/Community Workers:

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) regional staff
 Alain Imani Habinamwisho & Tantine Kapila - local African outreach
 Elena Huegel - Mexico
 Savanna Phillips - XPlor Brigette Eale - Kenya
 Robert S. King - Mission of Hope New Disciples Staff
 Daniel Reed - Hope Builders Maria Baklian - Thailand
 Bruce Van Voorhis - Hong Kong
 Michael Joseph - Colombia

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
 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

Corning Christian Church, Corning, IA
 First Christian Church, Sac City
 First Christian Church, Corydon, IA
 Luther Christian Church, Luther, IA
 Runnells Christian Church, Runnells, IA
 Broadway Christian Church, Council Bluffs, IA
 First Christian Church of St. Paul, Mahtomedi, MN
 First Christian Church, Creston, IA
 Christian Church Disciples, Rock Rapids, IA



Monthly Financial Report

October 2017

Income	\$6375.00
Expense	<u>\$8209.00</u>
Net Revenue	-\$1834.00

October 2016

Income	\$11255.00
Expense	<u>\$15737.00</u>
Net Revenue	- \$4482.00

Building Fund Giving Update:

October giving: \$336 .00



Wanna learn more about God? Wanna study the Bible?

Wanna grow in your Christian faith?

Wednesday, December 20th – What is the Bible?

Wednesday, January 31st - Who is the Image of God?

Wednesday, February 28th - Why is there Suffering in the World?

Wednesday, March 28th - Who is Jesus?

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

Wednesday, May 23rd - Who is the Church?

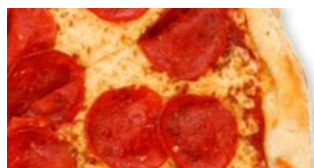
Wednesday, June 20th - Why Baptism?

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:

December - Christmas Story

January - The Lord’s Prayer

February - Love One Another

March - Easter Story

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

May - Pentecost Story (the Church)



See page 1.



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.





December Service Opportunities

Service	December 3	December 10	December 17	December 24	December 31
Welcoming Greeter (Side Entrance)	Martin Evans	Martin Evans	Martin Evans	Martin Evans	Martin Evans
Welcoming Elder (Entry to Worship Space)	Lisa Dice	Dick Goodall	Pam Gibbs	Kevin Livengood	Lisa Phillips
Welcoming Deacon (Front Door)	Dan Dice	Shirley Sedore	Rick Sutphin	Glenn Healy	Dan Dice
Children's Sermon					
Worship Leader	Kay Galvin	Betty Graham	Lynn Moss	Phil Goodall	Donna Lewis
Pulpit Elder	Dan Mineck	Lisa Dice	Dick Goodall	Pam Gibbs	Kevin Livengood
Serving Deacons	Dan Dice, Debby Krivanek, Heidi Haney & Scott Niskanen	Shirley Sedore, Betty Graham, & Kim Stallman	Rick Sutphin, Don Phillips, Jonathan Williams & Stephanie McGaffee	Glenn Healy, Tim Wise, Lynn Moss & Ricardo Larios	Dan Dice, Debby Krivanek, Heidi Haney & Scott Niskanen
Communion Prep	Vicki Ehrenberger	Lynn Moss	Jean Goodall	Vicki Ehrenberger	Lynn Moss
Worship Tech					
Tabulators	Heidi Haney	Scott Fine, Lisa Phillips	Sandy Halliburton, Glenda Denning	Heidi Haney, Sydnee Phillips	Kelly Carr, Lynn Moss
Coffee Fellowship	Mark and Mary Fiala	Lorene Cook			The Phillips Family
Scripture	1 Corinthians 1: 3-9	2 Peter 3:8-15a			
Worship Theme	Gifts of God: The Spiritual	Gifts of God: Patience	Gifts of God: Joy	Gifts of God: Jesus	
"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 - need two more!	Need volunteers

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

Staff:

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



December
2017



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 -
December 6th**



Advent Schedule

*See first page.
Lots happening;
don't miss out!*

*'tis the season...
TO ROCK
UGLY
SWEATERS*

