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Our Mission Statement

The mission of Heidelberg United Church of Christ is to know our Savior and to let Him work through us as we reach out in worship, service, and witness to all.

Our Vision Statement

As Heidelberg United Church of Christ, we hear God calling us to accomplish the vision He has provided through: broadening the base of His church's membership within our own congregation; communicating His gospel more effectively; serving the local community with greater commitment; to grow and strengthen in the faith with which God has entrusted us; and, in obedience to His command and call, ministering in those ways that will assure the growth and enrichment of congregational identity and Christian discipleship.

We Welcome You to
Heidelberg United Church of Christ, Hatfield ...
... A Faith Community With a Place for You
Sunday, January 28, 2024 10:45 a.m.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS/BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE

**Those who are able, please stand.*

*** OPENING HYMN: "I Love Thy Kingdom Lord"NO.280**

*** SOLEMN DECLARATION**

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

NO. 42

"Seek Ye First"

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you Alle-lu, a- le- lu- ia!

Ask and it shall be given unto you, Seek and ye shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you Alle-lu, a- le- lu- ia!

INVOCATION (ALL)

God of the prophets, help us to recognize your voice among
the competing claims of our day. Raise up in our midst
authentic witnesses to your truth. Be present with us now to
guide our prayers and praise. Let us not presume to know
your message without careful listening or to speak your word
without discerning the spirit. Light your fires within us so
we may heed your summons and give our best in your
service. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION (PASTOR)

We are called to confession if we have distorted God's word, knowingly or unknowingly. We are invited to repent if our freedom in Christ has led others astray. We join in prayer together because the church is not yet the perfect body of Christ. Let us seek God's forgiveness.

(Moment of Silent Prayer)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (ALL)

Faithful God, we have claimed to have more knowledge than we really possess. We have presumed to judge others on the basis of our limited understanding. We have grasped for freedom without taking full responsibility for our actions. Our witness is weak, and is directed primarily toward those whom we prefer to associate. By our actions, some of our sisters and brothers are excluded, some are misled, and some are justly accused. If we have violated another's conscience, if we have caused someone to fall, we are deeply sorry. For failing to do all Christ expects of the church, we repent and seek your forgiveness. Amen.

Kyrie:

Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Christ, have mercy upon us.

People: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Pastor: Lord, have mercy upon us.

People: Lord, have mercy upon us.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON (PASTOR)

All who love God are known by God, whose intention is that we live by eternal values, in loving relationship with one another. God applauds our efforts to rid our lives of pseudo-gods we create, habits that destroy, and prejudices that divide. We count on God to understand us, to free us from bondage to sin, and to dwell among us, transforming our lives. Praise God forever and ever!

“Gloria Patri”

* APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hades; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

COLLECT

ED KACHINSKY

Psalm 111

I Corinthians 8:1-13

Mark 1:21-28

SERMON: "Expiration Dates"

* SERMON HYMN: "Set My Soul Afire"

NO.294

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (ALL)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

OFFERING

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE

No. 625

“Doxology”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (ALL)

By giving away some of the wealth we cherish so much, we keep ourselves focused on who we are, gracious God, and on what you expect of us. As the body of Christ, we seek to be a healing force in our world. May the offerings we present be used in ways that encourage healthful behaviors among us in the church, within our community, and as far as our influence can reach. Receive us and our gifts, we pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

* BENEDICTION

* FOUR-FOLD AMEN

* CLOSING HYMN:

No. 211

"O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"

We carry the light of Christ into the world.

* POSTLUDE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January 29: Fred Capanna

January 30: Joan Heller

Welcome to Heidelberg!

It is a pleasure to have you with us, and we hope your worship experience with us is meaningful. If you are a visitor, please see an usher for a “Welcome” packet if you did not already receive one. We want to get to know you!

**** A N N O U N C E M E N T S ****

The **Live Stream Sponsorship** for January is given by **Jan and Ed Kachinsky**.

Our **Congregational Meeting /Luncheon** will be held in Light Hall after today’s worship.

The slate for 2024 consistory Elder Diane Yarbrough, Deacons Becky Burger, Terry Wayland.

There are extra 2024 Directory on the table in the Narthex.

The **Flower, Bulletin and Live Streaming Charts** are up on the bulletin board for 2024 sign ups.

We now have a bookcase in the Narthex it is a **Lending Library**. If you have any books you would like to donate. Please add them to the shelf.

Communitas newsletter is available online at PSEC.org under the "Events & News" heading.

Dates:

**Thursday February 1: Christian Ed Meeting 1pm
Compassionate Care Meeting 2pm**

**Sunday February 4: Children's Sunday School 9:30
am**

Tuesday February 6: Membership/Stewardship 1pm

Tuesday February 13: Consistory 10am

**Wednesday February 14: Ash Wednesday Service
7:30pm**

Thursday February 15: Prayer Shawl 1-3pm

**Sunday February 18: 1st Sunday In Lent/ Holy
Communion, Children's Sunday School 9:30 am**

Tuesday February 20: Worship Meeting 1:30pm

**Wednesday February 21: Community Lentin
Worship at Hatfield Church Of the Brethren 7:30pm**

Wednesday Night Lenten Worship 7:30pm

| Date | Host church | | Preaching | Sermon focus | |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------|--|
| Feb 21 | Hatfield Church of the Brethren | | Rev. Nancy Raabe (Grace) | "Ears" | |
| Feb 28 | Grace Lutheran, ELCA | | Rev. Adam Roberts (Emmanuel EC) | "Mouth " | |
| March 6 | St. Maria Goretti Parish | | Pr. Lynne Allebach (Brethren) | "Hands " | |
| March 13 | Emmanuel Evangelical Church | | Rev. Robert Tufton (Holy Spirit) | "Knees " | |
| March 20 | Heidelberg UCC | | Deacon Stephen Vondercrone (Maria Goretti) | "Feet" | |

MEMBERSWHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

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| Jan Kachinsky | Andrea Smith | Donna Brown |
| Julie Moser | Nancy Stewart | Frank & Lois Wonder |
| Matt Moser | Sharon Polukis | Donna & Bill Henry |
| Scott Moser | Clara Haines | Lin Michener Family |
| Don Ryan | Donna Crawford | Peggy Michener Family |
| Diane Pierson | Betsy Thomas | Rose Kriebel Family |
| Virginia Fritsch | Carli Snyder | Michael Snyder |
| Kevin Kriebel | Randy Reiff | Annette Watson Family |
| Jodie Vogtman | | Fred Capanna |

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS:

George Harpel Family
 Patty Rash (Baack)
 Logan Snyder (Lersch)
 Jennifer Wonder (Wonder)
 Susan Keyser (Martin)
 Eileen Ockenhouse (Lersch)
 Karen Baack (Joan's daughter)
 Nancy Lindsay (Burger)
 The Pray Family (Ryan)
 Kim Morgan (Smith)
 Peg Harvey & Family
 Phyllis Goshow (Kriebel)
 Jeffrey Moyer (Kriebel)
 Kimberly Peterson (Haines)
 Howard Welsh (Micheners)
 Rita Brown (Kriebel)
 Mark Werner (Smith)
 Anita Michelow (Smith)
 Andrea Cruise (Ryan)
 Dottie Duke (Kriebel)
 Ken Yearick (Henry)
 Robert Polukis Jr (Polukis)
 Jonathan Polukis (Polukis)
 Gerri Nelson
 Joseph Stassen
 Luca Harp (Yarbrough)
 Dan & Sharon Watter (Yarbrough)
 Charles Berry Family

Dorene Bobb (Camuso)
 Nicole Yearick Fluck (Henry)
 Maryanne Fornari (Baack)
 The Smith Family (Ryan)
 Rita Proud (Paskill)
 Allison Burdick (Michener)
 Debra Martin (Kriebel)
 Valerie Yabut (Clipsham)
 Salem Yabut (Clipsham)
 Megan Sullivan (Clipsham)
 Hazel Kriebel (Greg Kriebel)
 Raymond Martin (Kachinsky)
 Joan Heller
 Bill Fowlkes (Michener)
 Brian Rose (Wonder)
 Marie Kachinsky(Kachinsky)
 Carole Saks(Krum)
 Bob Moser Family (Moser)
 Charles Robinson Family (Pierson)
 Tiffany Collier(Kachinsky)
 Bonnie Moser(Moser)
 Charlene Scott (Barron)
 Carilyn Moe (Michener)
 Charles (Chuck) Neely Family
 (Galaletta)
 Captain Mathew Statuti (Polukis)

CHURCH HELD AA MEETING SCHEDULE 2023

Fridays 6-7pm (Closed Women only)

Every weekday from 10 to 11 am (Open Mixed)

Monday Evening 7:45 to 8:45 pm (Open Mixed)

Thursday Evening 8 to 9 pm (Open Mixed))

The two groups asked if we could put an announcement in our bulletins that these groups are meeting with an invitation for anyone who would like to attend.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

coffee

sugar/ flour

canned fruit

canned pasta

applesauce

pancake syrup

tuna in OIL

peanut butter

jelly

pasta

sauce

soup

mayo

cereal

13-gal. kitchen trash bags

wet wipes (reg/baby)

laundry detergent

shampoo/ conditioner

body wash

tissues

DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY CAN BE BROUGHT IN ANYTIME. THERE IS A CUPBOARD/TABLE IN THE REAR OF THE NARTHEX NEAR THE BELL. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATE.

Pastor's Office Hours
Monday Day Off
Tuesday 1-4, 6-9
Thursday 11 -3

And Other Times As Needed- Please call pastor's cell 610-715- 7984 to set up a time that suits your schedule

Attendance: 1/21/24: 33 In House, 60 Live Stream

| Weekly Offering Record Year 2024 | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|---|
| Offering For: 1/21/24 | Amount | YTD Received | YTD Required/ Purpose |
| General Fund | \$1882.00 | \$ 8026.57 | \$ 3400./week (Req'd to meet Budget) |
| MMI | \$61.00 | \$ 134.00 Amt. added to Gen. Fd, YTD: \$ | \$ 1,000/ month added to Gen Fd. (If Available) |
| OCWM | \$26.00 | \$149.00 | \$460. (Req'd to meet goal of \$6,000/year, \$115/wk.) |
| Mem. Annette Watson | \$25.00 | \$367.00 | Memorial Fund |

Jan. 28 (no practice - congregational meeting)

Feb. 4 practice after worship

Feb. 11 meet in choir room at 10:20, we will sing "From Generation to Generation" during worship.

Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday Service. we will sing "Ashes to Ashes". Meet at 7:00 pm in the choir room to practice

Feb. 18 practice after worship

Feb. 25 practice after worship

March 3 practice after worship

March 10 practice after worship

March 17 if needed practice after worship

March 24 if needed practice after worship

March 28 sing "Dona Nobis Pachem" (time TBA)

Al, will sing "Were You There?" (TBD)