

Lake Country Congregational Church

THE CHURCH OF THE PILGRIMS

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The Price of Joy

You don't begrudge the labor
when the roses start to bloom;
You don't recall the dreary
days that won you their perfume;
You don't recall a single care
You spent upon the garden there;
And all the toil
Of tilling soil
Is quite forgot the day the first
Pink rosebuds into beauty burst.

—Edgar A. Guest

Worship Schedule for the Summer

Please note that the 9:00 am
summer worship hour begins on
Sunday, June 7th. We will
continue the nine o'clock hour
throughout the summer months of
June, July and August. We will
return to the 10:00 am worship
hour on the first Sunday in
September (the 6th).

FROM DR. SHELLEY'S DESK . . .

"Keeping It Positive"

We each pride ourselves on being unique and independent. It is a source of wisdom to recognize both our independence and interrelatedness, for the social dynamic of our humanness causes us to seek and dwell in community. It is in community that we often discover the best qualities of propriety and mutual respect.

Not long ago, Lake Country Congregational Church went through a period of controversy and contention. It was bad enough that our church gained a reputation for being a place where the congregation was divided and people were at each other's throats. It was hard to gain new members, our finances were off and word was on the street: "Watch out for that place." I heard this several times when I first arrived in June of 2004.

We turned things around by keeping our comments and attitudes positive. I think it's always best to be positive and that is true for LCCC now. A statement used by the church Council during the period when positive was being emphasized reads as follows:

I will treat all members of my church family with dignity and respect—even when we do not agree. This includes our minister and all of the church staff. I will do my best to follow the principles of the Bible in my words and in my actions.

This beautiful statement should be before every member of the church at all times. We want to keep it positive, forward looking and "Christian" around here. That means each one of us as Covenanted members of the church must embody the principles articulated in the statement above. It is up to each of us to make that statement a living practice and code of conduct ourselves. Not to wait for others to embody the principles.

Let's keep it positive.

Love to you, your friend and minister,

Patrick

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

Lake Country Congregational Church follows Jesus Christ as Lord, in The Way of the Pilgrims, giving and serving for His purpose with inspired conviction to build and to nurture His church by sharing with the community the joy and inspiration of our Christian faith, freedom and fellowship.

Joint Worship

We will be having a joint worship service with the members of First Congregational UCC, Hartland, with an extended coffee hour following the service on Sunday, June 14th at 9 o'clock.

We will then set a date to worship at their church in July.

Any questions on the potential merger with First Congregational should be directed to Fred Thimmel, our church Moderator.



"Caring Friend"
For the month of June is
Patti Leichtfuss.

SAVE-THE-DATE Women's Fellowship Summer Salad Event

To be held on Wednesday, June 24th at Sarah Pehl's home. This will be a "Let-us" build a salad together event. Each lady will be asked to bring a salad ingredient; such as tomatoes, hard boiled eggs, sliced red onions, cooked chicken, nuts, cheese, apples, croutons . . .

What ideas can you come up with?

Wanted:

- Greeters
- Readers
- Coffee Hour Hosts
- Children's Moment
- Special Music

Volunteers please use the sign-up sheets in back of sanctuary, this will assist the Deacons with the worship service.

Hooray for Fathers

(Father's Day is June 21st)

A Houston newspaper asked readers to send in thoughts about their fathers. Letters flooded in, and what people wrote about their fathers is most inspiring.

A few comments:

- Dad was always there for me. He sacrificed to make sure that we had what we needed.
- When disappointment came my way, Dad said, "Son, real life ain't about getting what you want but more about doing something with what you get."
- My dad was disabled, but he worked hard to make sure we children had a good education and lived moral lives. He would say, "I want you to succeed more than I did."
- My dad wanted us to be Christians and took us regularly to church.

What would you write about your father?

Visit our website to review our church Constitution and By-laws:
<http://Lccchurchhartland.org>



Share Your Garden

Please consider sharing flowers from your garden with the congregation on Sunday mornings. Please use the sign-up sheet and simply enter "from my garden." Extra glass vases are available in the kitchen, under the sinks.

Dr. Shelley's Sermons for June

June 7 — 9:00 AM

Communion

"Nicodemus at Night"

O.T.— Isaiah 6:1-8

N.T.— John 3:1-17

June 14 — 9:00 AM

Joint Worship

"Being The New Creation"

O.T.— Ezekiel 17:22-24

N.T.— II Corinthians 5:6-17

June 21 — 9:00 AM

"Receive God's Grace "

O.T.— Job 38:1-11

N.T.— II Corinthians 6:1-13

June 28 — 9:00 AM

O.T.— Psalm 130

N.T.— Mark 5:21-43

Cocoa Bean Mulch Poses Threat To Pets

Submitted by Carol Ann Aiken

As people begin to tend to their gardens this spring, some will consider using cocoa bean mulch. Made from spent cocoa beans used in chocolate production, the mulch is organic, deters slugs and snails, and gives off an appealing chocolate scent. However, it also attracts dogs, who can be poisoned by eating the mulch.

Cocoa beans contain the stimulants caffeine and theobromine, and dogs are highly sensitive to these chemicals. Low doses can cause mild gastrointestinal upset; higher doses can cause rapid heart rate, muscle tremors, seizures and even death.

The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center recommends pet owners avoid using this mulch around unsupervised dogs, and dogs with indiscriminate eating habits.



Sunday, June 14th

A very special concert will be presented by fifteen year old violist Rachel Mooers along with special musical guests. Many members enjoyed Rachel's music during the May 17th worship service. In past years, her sister Annika has played the harp to enhance our worship services.

Recently, Rachel was accepted into the Credo Chamber Music Program at Oberlin University in Ohio. The summer program is held for 22 days in July with tuition set at \$2,910. Credo's students are encouraged to organize musical performances in their communities and Rachel will be having one such concert **here at LCCC on June 14th at 2:00 PM.**

As part of the musical event and to help off set the tuition costs Rachel will also be holding a silent auction fund raiser; donations are coming from local businesses. Please save the date of this very special concert. Rachel's music will also be part of the June 7th worship service.



Congratulations to new parents, Rick and Carolyn Nowacki, Brooke Janet Nowacki, came into this world on her own schedule, arriving at 4:11 pm the afternoon of Saturday, May 23rd at West Allis hospital. She weighed in at 6 lbs. 15 oz. and was 20 1/2" long.

BOOK CLUB

The next book is "Three Cups of Tea" by Greg Mortenson & David Oliver Relin. The next book group meeting will be at Joyce Phenicie's house located at N66 W30751 Red Fox Run, Hartland on Tuesday, July 21st at 6:45 pm. Remember the book is available at Books 'n Company in Oconomowoc at the book club discount.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

**The Youth Birthday
Celebrated
This month is:**

**Ben Walworth
June 3**

**Maxx D. McGinnis
June 4**

One Saint's Goal

St. Therese, who lived in 19th-century France, was known for her thoughtfulness and genuine caring toward people. She always tried to act in a manner that reflected Christ.

St. Therese wrote the following about her intended lifestyle: "That shall be my life, to scatter flowers — to miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word, always doing the tiniest things right, and doing it for love."



Dear Parents,

This summer's VBS program will take place July 20th to the 24th. If any one is interested in being a chaperone and/or driver, please don't hesitate to sign up on the sheet in the back of the church. We will be going to the Milwaukee County Zoo, Noah's Ark in Wisconsin Dells, a local park for a picnic and enjoy some fun and planned activities, as well as hike a nature trail and observe the beauty of nature.

Please remember to note the church service switch to 9:00 am on June 7th. Godly Play will continue to be held during the worship service in the basement, but there will be no more Sunday School until September 6th.

A Youth meeting will also take place on the 7th of June at Marty's Pizza at 6:00 pm. At the meeting we will discuss the types of events and activities that will interest and engage our youth here at LCCC. The purpose of the meeting is to bring shape and life to our youth group.

Thank You,
Jamie Hess
Director of Children's Ministries
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**"Only one life,
so soon it will
pass, only what's
done for Christ
will last".**

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{ National Association of Congregational Christian Churches } and WCA
{ Wisconsin Congregational Association . }*

