

Council Meeting: There will be a Church Council meeting on Tuesday, October 22 at 7 pm in the Library. ALL members and friends are welcome! The heads of the Boards and Committees should attend and give a short oral report. Discussion will focus on the work and initiatives of the Way Forward Committee, restructuring and refocusing the committee, and options for hiring a settled minister. The meeting will also serve to set the record straight on actual church plans.

Fundraiser for Utilities: To bolster our stewardship, instead of a pledge drive, we're now raising funds to cover the church's utility bills this winter. We hope you'll prayerfully give to this special offering in addition to your regular support. There are *marked envelopes* in the pews to use for your donation. Our goal is \$5,000 to cover anticipated heating, electricity, and water bills which make up a large part of the church's operating costs. Thank you!

'Restorative' Yoga at Church: Karen Lawrence is looking to start a yoga class. A low-impact version called "restorative yoga" will be offered. Poses are more like gentle stretching, and there will be a break during sessions. Participants should bring their own yoga mats or towels and 2-3 pillows for support. Classes will take place in the Mayflower Room. The fee is \$5 per session with all proceeds going to the church, and we're asking for a 5-week commitment from people to ensure participation. If interested, please let Karen know in person or by email at karenka347@yahoo.com

Group Study: The next session to discuss the book, "Weird Church: Welcome to the Twenty-First Century", which imagines a future of church & ministry that is more connected to God's work and the community is **this Wed. Oct. 16 at 6:30 pm in the Library**. We encourage all participants who bought the book to read ahead or finish the book! You can find it on Amazon for \$10-\$15, including shipping. A Kindle version is available, too. There is also a free Study Guide you can download at www.epicentergroup.org. We hope you'll join in!

Blankets for Kids: We are hosting a program called Blankets 4 Kids, a program of Child's Hope. It is going to be on October 16 at 7 pm. It's kind of like a quilting be, only instead of quilting we will be making fleece blankets for children who are experiencing abuse and neglect and entering the foster care system. The contact people are Judy Buck or Carol McAdam who live in Springwells. There's a sign up sheet in the Mayflower Room.

(Please see back page of bulletin for more announcements)

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**Prayer Concerns
October 13, 2019**

Barb Allen - 9/15
Gail Waggoner - 8/12
Teresa Curless - 8/12
Pauline Gourlay - 8/12
Fred Michales - 8/12
Tom Schlaff 8/25

Serious Health Issues
Health Issues
Cancer Treatment
Shut in
Serious Health Concern
Heart failure

You may want to brighten the day for those listed on the prayer concerns with a card or note. If you don't have their address, please call the office.



The altar flowers this morning are from the Haling Family
in loving memory of Jane Haling.

SERVING TODAY

Minister:
Music Director:
Liturgist:
Ushers:
Fellowship Host:

Rev. Lew Worthington
Brian Sampson
Nancy Wolter
John Proctor and Deb Evans
Elaine Stacho