

# UPChurch

*Love God. Love Others.*

October 2021



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## From the Pastor...

Friends,

I am constantly reminded of God's grace by the people in our church family. This past month has been a hard one for many. We had several church family members who were ill and one who died (Dorothy Soucek), we had a local teen who died by suicide and three others who were in a horrible car accident, and many people who had their own personal struggles with life. Through all of these things I have watched our church family respond with compassion and love. As I looked back over the month, I was reminded of Paul's letter to the church in Philippi, where he wrote, *'I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.'*

It has been a hard month, and these hard things happen. Thankfully, God, who began a good work in each of you will move that good work toward completion. You are God's good work, and the actions you take share the good news of God's love with others. It is your love and compassion, which we experience from God through the gift of Jesus, that draw people to God.

Thank you for all you do. Thank you for the love you share, as you reach out to this hurting world.

Blessings,  
Pastor Erin



# Save us some of your day on Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> for some Church "Chores".



*The Welcome Team*





## October Highlights

7th Mobile Food Pantry  
12th Deacon Meeting  
13th PW Circle  
13th Welcome Meeting  
13th Worship Meeting  
19th Finance  
20th Session  
31st Trunk or Treat



### Church Family News

So many helped in so many ways as we provided hospitality and a delicious lunch to the Red Flag Horseless Carriage Tour. MANY thanks for the leadership of Carolyn Bollman and Joyce Letts in coordinating everything regarding this special event.

Matt Kaye came to the rescue and removed some very “undesirable insects” in our playground area. Thanks, Matt!

Our Greiner Building friends donated the south entry bike rack and Joe McConnell gave it a new coat of brown paint. We’re thankful for this bike rack which is appreciated and being used by our church family.

New, huge yellow mum plants appeared in the south entry planters. We’re grateful for this burst of sunshine for all those who drive by our church, as well as for those of us who drop in these fall



Our website: <http://www.upcwash.org/>

**Other ways to connect if the website isn't working:**

**Facebook** - Washington United Presbyterian Church

**Smart TV** - download the Boxcast app and look for UPCWash - you can watch

the stream from your TV this way!

**Computer**- Use the following link: <https://boxcast.tv/channelaozvuoqohexe93npq2xjr> for our boxcast page

If you do not have the technology to connect in these ways; or you're having problems using the technology you have, and you'd like help, please call the church office at 319-653-6588.



1 Synthia Palmer  
1 Layne Twinam  
2 Donna Orris  
3 Noah Bruns  
4 Heidi Johnson  
9 Cameron Westphal  
10 Jase Johnson  
11 April Cuddeback  
11 Mary Meeker

12 Quinn Smith  
13 Julie Murphy  
13 Corley Rich  
14 Travis Moore  
16 Tracy Kleese  
16 Brenden Loula  
17 Christy Buchholz  
18 Wilma Wright  
19 Donald Gorham

20 Nolan Burke  
22 James Wertz  
23 Rollin Davison  
23 Joe Murphy  
23 Dexter Rich  
24 Terry Mangold  
25 Sam Kaye  
27 Barb Schreur  
29 Jayden Youngman

## Sunday School

### Class Structure for 2021-2022

Birth - 4 yo Preschool: Upstairs in the Nursery  
 Kindergarten - 5th grade: Downstairs in Son City  
 6th - 8th grades: Jr High Room (Rat Pack)  
 9th - 12th grades: Youth Room

### CREW (Middle School Ministry)

Because of some Sunday afternoon conflicts and numbers, we are going to be meeting once a month. Our big meeting this month will be on Halloween. We will meet ahead of the Trunk or Treat to carve pumpkins and set up our own Crew Trunk or Treat! Stay tuned for exact details, time, and materials needed! **Get October 31st on your calendar and invite your friends!!**

### Inside Out (Senior High Ministry)

Oct. 3rd: 6:30pm @ UP Church  
 Oct. 10th: 6:30pm @ UP Church  
 Oct. 17th: 6:30pm @ UP Church  
 Oct. 24th: 6:30pm @ UP Church  
 Oct. 31st: 6:30pm @ UP Church - Trunk or Treat...TBD



### Service Opportunity!!

Preparing and passing out hot dogs.  
 Saturday October 9th.  
 5- 7pm.

During the showing of The Addams Family in Central Park.



### College Care Packages



Be on the lookout for pumpkins on the doors in the fellowship hall! These pumpkins will have a college student's name on it and we invite you to take one home and send that student a care package from their church family.

The Pathfinders Sunday School Class



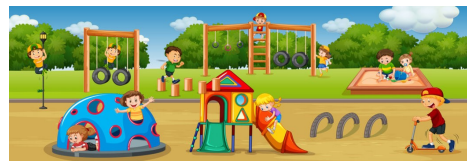
### Trunk or Treat

#### Mark your Calendar!

October 31st  
 6-7:30 pm  
 Church Parking Lot  
 More information coming soon



So pleased many of you are using our church playground, despite the fact that it's still "in transition." Remember, everyone, it's very easy to get in . . . just call Krystle and she'll give you the code.





Donna Orris will be 94 on October 2nd. She would love hearing from anyone.

Her address is: 1203 E Washington St  
Washington, IA 52353



Wilma Wright will be 95 on October 18th. We will be celebrating her birthday with a card shower.

Her address is: 1726 240th Street  
Keota, IA 52248



### Be a part of our church email prayer chain!

As a function of the Board of Deacons, our church has an established an email prayer chain. All folks in our church family are welcome to be a part of this group! This is a place where one can request prayers to uplift folks in need of prayers, such as an illness, upcoming surgery, and update on how someone is doing. These prayer requests can also be prayers of thanksgiving, such as the birth of a child or other joyful situations. To request a prayer for someone, (with the permission of that individual) contact the church office or Mary Atwood at [maryjoyatwood@gmail.com](mailto:maryjoyatwood@gmail.com) or at 319-653-5868 with your request. If you would like to be on the list of those willing to pray for these requests and be notified when prayers are needed, also contact the church office or Mary. We have 85 family units who have "committed to praying for these requests and receive these notifications. Prayers work! A!-s we read in Phillipian 4:6 "-in your prayers ask God for what you need, and always asking Him with a thankful heart".



### Meals on Wheels

In August the Deacons were in charge of delivering meals. Terry Mangold led this effort. As many as 23 to 31 meals per day were delivered for the month of August. Thank you to Terry Mangold for organizing this.



### An Update from your Board of Deacons

Your Board of Deacons would like to be of assistance to you! We want to assist you in whatever way might be helpful to you,--- whether it is to run an errand, pray with you, pick up some groceries, or a visit over the telephone, etc. Give Deacon Larry Bartlett a call (cell 319-591-1528 or home 319-653-6931) or email at [Bart2oman@gmail.com](mailto:Bart2oman@gmail.com) and he will be glad to make the arrangements for transportation. Along with Larry the other deacons are Kathy Knutson, Terry Mangold, Sarah Robison, Rod Letts, Betty Beenblossom, and Grace Schiebel. Feel free to contact any of these folks if we can help you stay safe and healthy. May the Peace of Christ be with each of you!



Jan–August represents 67% of the year. Our income came in at 67.55%  
Our expenses came in at 62.52%



Articles for the November newsletter are due  
Wednesday, October 20th





## Adult Mission Team

The Carver Concessions Adult Mission Team is gearing up for the new year of Hawkeye Basketball and Wrestling. We are seeking interested people who would like to join our hard working crew. We have a great time working and laughing together while serving others and drawing funding from outside our community. Money raised in the past has been used for numerous missions... (HACAP groceries and gift cards, adult mission trips, youth mission trips, Derecho



relief, supporting the Lighthouse, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, local individual mission needs, ... ). If you or someone you know is interested in more information, please contact Andy McCall or Brenda Miles, or chat with any member of our team.

Greetings to the patrons of the UPC Library,  
“Come in and browse anytime. Sign out sheets are on the tables. FALL in love with a new author.” We have a new book display for young children. They are encouraged to browse with an adult, but books within the early childhood section are growing green dots. See if they can find any. I've also decided to allow reference materials to be checked out with my special permission. Look for the yellow clipboard on the shelves near the computer for instructions.

Respectfully,  
Laurie Wittmayer-O'Neill



So many of our youth are involved in “activities” - everything from band to football, choir to cross country, plays to archery, soccer, basketball, volleyball, cheerleading, baseball, softball, gymnastics, school teams, 4-H, club teams and that’s not even everything! They’re busy! You’re encouraged to find “someone” or “ones” to follow - let them know you’re interested, attend a few of their events and tell them you care about them.







Thank you for volunteering your time, furnishing a salad or dessert for the Red Flag Horseless Carriage Tour Luncheon on September 23rd. Also for all of the help and items funeral meals served at the church.

God Bless you all,  
Carolyn Bollman and Joyce Letts

*Thank  
you*

Here are 2 new, beautifully decorated bulletin boards. Thank you to all those of you who have updated our bulletin boards this past year. We appreciate your time and talents.



If you'd like to make an online donation to the ministry of United Presbyterian Church, go to our webpage ([upcwash.org](http://upcwash.org))

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