



The SPIRE



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November/December 2024

*“It was no messenger or angel
but God’s presence that saved them;
in God’s love and in God’s pity God redeemed them;
God lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.”
—Isaiah 63:9*

Days of Old

My favorite Christmas memory as a child was waking up in my best pajamas at the crack of dawn, right before the dark gave way to the sun rising on the fresh blanket of snow covering the ground. I would sit at the top of the stairs, holding my favorite stuffed animal, peering down to the living room below where, lo and behold, brimming beneath the twinkling Christmas tree were presents that had not been there the night before! It was pure magic.

I love the phrase, “All the days of old” from Isaiah. It has such a nice ring to it. And it is a phrase that comes up a lot each year in the time leading up to Christmas. I think this season carries with it a sentimentality that leads us to yearn for the good ol’ days, the days of our youth and those moments of pure joy and love: Days filled with magic.

In the church we talk about the “days of old” in terms of events in the bible that were written over 2000 years ago. These stories have become sacred, etched into our scripture and traditions in the church. But rather than being stories about magic, the stories that we turn to during Christmas circle around the birth narrative of Jesus, and help us to understand the social, political, and theological context under which the namesake of our church came into the world.



More than just a magical story about Jesus being born to Mary on an enchanting evening under a star-lit sky, the accounts we gather from Matthew and Luke paint a more dangerous and heartbreaking story than the commercialized Christmas we will see popping up around us in marketplaces and businesses. (Mark and John say nothing of the birth narrative, but jump right to Jesus’ ministry at about age 30.) I invite you to find time to open your bible (if you don’t have one, let me know and I’ll see that you get one) and read the Christmas stories, Matthew chapters 1 and 2, and Luke chapters 1 and 2.

Rather than bearing witness to the Christmas narrative as a magic show – a magical birth on a magical night – I hope we engage this holiday season by reading deeply into the stories as they appear in scripture, instead of the store front.

Sometimes it’s good to have someone “tell it like it is,” and I think you’ll be surprised at how honest and real you’ll find the story of Christmas in the pages of Matthew and Luke. I think you’ll be surprised at how authentic the story feels as we hear it throughout the coming Sundays of November and December, on Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day. Perhaps you will even be surprised to discover a deep connection between the people in the story and your own life’s story. Because Christmas is not about a perfect night that ended with caroling and presents, but about a people in distress and a God who came to be present in real and meaningful ways.

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Prayers...

For Health & Healing: **Mamie Butters** (end of life); **Lavonne Butler** (surgery); **Preston Osteen** (health); **Barb Splittgaber** (knee replacement); **Audrey Conant** (strength, healing); **Kih Bergin** (health); **Wendy Smith's** daughter, **Hannah** (respiratory infection, melanoma); **Michele Wittler** (health); **Tammi Kenton** (cancer, health); **Katie Del Ponte's** cousin and **Tony Reilly's** niece **Jessica** (cancer); **Grandmother Cindy** from the **Berndt/Selz's** family (cancer); all who are experiencing health issues and are in need of prayer; all who are undergoing medical tests and awaiting results.

Concerns...

For politically divided families and for finding common ground and peace; for **Wendy Smith's** daughter **Hannah** who had laser surgery and is fighting a respiratory infection; for **Kih's** sister who is facing a difficult life decision; for **Lavonne Butler** who is undergoing a medical procedure for back pain; **Sarah Seidler's** friend and colleague who was diagnosed with breast cancer; hurricane recovery after a large amount of devastation.

Joys...

For the high school fall play and **Jadon Marshall's** performance Nov 7-9; for all who came to the Diverse Options talent show and supported the community; for a good fall and farmer's harvest season; for **Kaitlyn Edwards (Boscaljon)** and **Amanda Edwards** who were married Oct. 13; for **August Prellwitz** who turned 3 years old in October; for the **Solbergs'** grandmother who had surgery in October.

If you wish to see your prayer request listed in next Sunday's bulletin or The Spire, please notify the church office.

Welcome!

We've been anticipating your arrival! It's true, because we believe that every person who comes to join us for fellowship was sent by God. We look forward to getting to know you and to share with you the marvelous ways God is working in our church and beyond. If you've been thinking, praying, searching, or hoping for a place to belong, we would like, again, to say Welcome! We're glad you found us.



Spire Deadline

Our next Spire newsletter will be for January/February, 2025. The deadline for submissions is Wednesday, December 11, at noon. Please submit materials to the church office, or email to Maria Dietrich at dietrich.maria@gmail.com.



- Pastor *Jeffrey Dodson*
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A Real Christmas

Waiting at the top of the stairs on Christmas morning was my magic moment, but it was surrounded by a lot of other things as well, such as anxiety and fear about if I had been good enough throughout the year to get presents, or if I would be punished with a stocking filled with coal (which happened one year, thanks to a jokester uncle in the family). Yet what I appreciate most about my “days of old,” more than being a child waiting at the top of the stairs to open Christmas presents, more than that magical feeling of waking up to a perfect morning, are the imperfect people who waited with me. My brothers picked on me and teased that I would get coal in my stocking, and my mom and dad worked long days to afford Christmas. And on Christmas morning, we celebrated love. Love that is messy and loud and real. Love that may have involved pushing each other down the stairs. Love that surrounded us as we played and hugged around the Christmas tree.

My family was not perfect, to be honest, and they still aren't. But by all accounts, neither was Jesus' family. And each Christmas we would be missing something if we only remembered his story as magic. We would miss something important if we only recalled the magical moments when thinking about the “days of old.”

Call them magic, but I like to think of the “days of old” as “real.” Filled with the tension of all those things that make Christmas meaningful: hope and despair, peace and fear, love and hate, joy and sorrow; If we remember the tension, we can see past the magic to experience something real ourselves. The prophet Isaiah reminded the Israelites that, “It was no messenger or angel (read: magic) but God's presence that saved.”

Remembering this can save us too, this season.

From my family to yours, I wish you happy holidays, and may this Christmas be real for you. I'll see you in Church, and I hope you'll wait with me at the top of the stairs for Christmas morning.

Blessings to each of you this season,

Rev. Jeffrey

...To **Susan Hill, Amy, and Kate**, at the passing of **Ken Hill**, who died on November 2, 2024.

Ken and Susan are former members who moved to Minneapolis. A Celebration of Life is being held on Saturday, December 14, 2024 at Benstead Theatre, Ripon College at 2:00 pm, with a reception at First Congregational Church of Ripon to follow. Cards may be sent to Susan Hill, 4445 42nd Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55406.



...To **Jen Rintelmann and Susan Marshall, and Jadon**, at the passing of **Lou Buffetta**, Jen's step-dad. Lou died on October 24, 2024. Please hold Joan Buffetta, Jen's mom, and the family in your prayers.



Called to Care Team

Volunteer to visit at-home church members, those in the hospital, or church members in need of community and connection. We will meet monthly to discuss care plans and visits. This NEW Ministry Team is open to any new volunteers. Join us on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 9 a.m. - Pastor Jeffrey



Each Thursday at 10:30 a.m. join us in the Chapel for coffee or tea and lively discussions on various topics of the day using faith, politics, and the daily news. All are welcome!



Fall Worship at First Congregational Church United in Christ's Love, A Just World for All Sundays: 9:00 am Faith Formation

10:30 am Worship in-person (4 pm online) • 11:30 am Fellowship Hour

Sunday, November 3 | Daylight Savings Ends | Communion and All Souls Sunday | Justice + Death

Please bring a photo of a loved one who has passed away. We will display photos on the altar.

10:30 am Worship IN-PERSON | 4:00 pm Worship ONLINE

Sunday, November 10 | Justice + Restoration

10:30 am Worship IN-PERSON | 4:00 pm Worship ONLINE

Sunday, November 17 | Stewardship Sunday | Justice + Stewardship

10:30 am Worship IN-PERSON | 4:00 pm Worship ONLINE

Sunday, November 24 | Thanksgiving Sunday | Justice + Thanks Festival of the Greens | 174th Anniversary

10:30 am Worship IN-PERSON | 4:00 pm Worship ONLINE

Sunday, December 1 | First Sunday of Advent | Communion

10:30 am Worship IN-PERSON | 4:00 pm Worship ONLINE

Sunday, December 8 | Second Sunday of Advent

10:30 am Worship IN-PERSON | 4:00 pm Worship ONLINE

Sunday, December 15 | Third Sunday of Advent | Children's Pageant

10:30 am Worship IN-PERSON | 4:00 pm Worship ONLINE

Thursday, December 19 | Longest Night/Blue Christmas Service

6:30 pm Worship at Our Saviours UCC, Ripon

Sunday, December 22 | Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:30 am Worship IN-PERSON | 4:00 pm Worship ONLINE

Tuesday, December 24 | Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

4 pm Worship

Sunday, December 29 | First Sunday after Christmas

10:30 am Worship IN-PERSON | 4:00 pm Worship ONLINE

Sunday, January 5 | Communion

10:30 am Worship IN-PERSON | 4:00 pm Worship ONLINE

From the Membership Committee

The Membership Committee has been functioning behind the scenes to keep First Congo members connected and engaged.

We care about keeping in touch with members who have joys and concerns by sending We Care cards. To do that, we often need your help to know who would appreciate our correspondence. Or, you may choose to write a card yourself and leave it for us to stamp and address. It takes all of us to care for all of us.

For various reasons, the Cookie Talk gatherings at Prairie Place have been held inconsistently. We intend to review and tweak our original plans to allow for more flexibility.

Our monthly Fellowship of the Grape (FOG) gatherings have been immensely popular. Debbi Konecny coordinates the host schedule and is always open to volunteers. Our next FOG gathering will take place starting at 5:30 on Friday, November 14, at the home of Michele and Skip Wittler, W13837 Skyline Circle, Ripon. Come join the fun!

A group regularly meets at Mugs coffee shop at 9:30 each Friday morning. Remember that all are welcome to join the laughter and conversation.

In addition to the book study led by Jeffrey, a second membership-led informal book club, The Chapter and Verse Book Group, meets monthly. Come if you've read this book, are part way through it, or are just interested in hearing others' perspectives. All ages are welcome. And we welcome your suggestions for books to discuss in the future.

We are a community of people who watch out for one another. If you ever have a suggestion, we are most eager to hear from you.

The Membership Committee

Parade of Homes Church Open House - Saturday, Dec. 7th

The first event in our celebration of our church's 175th Anniversary will be participation in the Chamber of Commerce's Parade of Homes on Saturday, December 7th, 2024. In addition to decorating the church for Advent and Christmas, we would like to highlight the history of our church with displays of our past activities, of changes in the building over time, and of our current ministries. We will need docents to lead tours of the building, and volunteers for a refreshment table in the Fellowship Hall. Look for sign up sheets on-line and during worship in early November, but please put this event on your calendar now so we can show off our beautiful building and vital congregation in a festive atmosphere. You can contact Jeanne Williams if you have a particular task you would like to take on for this event.



Imagine Together

Dear Friends,

October 13, 2024

It's no coincidence that First Congregational Church's annual stewardship campaign leads up to the Thanksgiving holiday. God has given us the seeds of faith, family and friends to share our bounty, our human harvest, with others – in our congregation, community and beyond.

We ask this year that leading up to Stewardship Sunday on Nov. 17, you consider how our church through your faith and our fellowship has the opportunity to live out Jesus' teachings of compassion, generosity and justice. That's our challenge to you: To support Christ's ministry through your dollars for our local mission and our wider-world goals.

Four of your friends during each of the next four Sunday morning worship services will discuss how our faith community nourishes their souls to be kinder, more thoughtful and selfless.

Our theme this year is "Imagine Together." We invite you to imagine a more loving, peaceful world made stronger through our gifts.

Pastor Jeffrey again challenges each of our family units to pledge, so that we may know, in advance, our projected income and budget accordingly for the 2025 fiscal year. Only with such advance commitments are we able to realistically plan our church's many missions for the year.

We ask that you give what you can, be it \$10, \$100, \$1,000 or more per month to support the good work of our faith community.

Please plan to pledge, as you are able, by Nov. 17, 2024. You may do by:

- Completing and submitting the First Congregational Online Pledge Form: www.riponcongregationalucc.org/pledge
- Completing the enclosed Pledge Card and mailing it in the enclosed envelope or dropping it in the offering plate on Oct. 27 or Nov. 3, 10 or 17.

Be assured your pledge will be confidential whether you make it online, by mail, or drop it in the offering plate. Questions about your pledge? Feel free to call Andy Lyke (920-858-4116) or Pastor Jeffrey (920-748-5898).

During our November 17 worship service, we look forward to celebrating our collective generosity that will provide robust commitment to our missions!

Blessings,

– Rev. Jeffrey Dodson, Cal Edwards, Mary Iserman, Andy Lyke, Tim Lyke, Bill Neill, Judy Neill, Preston Osteen, Daniel Volkmann

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The Chapter and Verse Book Group

Who We Are - We are a group of First Congregational Church of Ripon members who like to read and talk about books that inspire us, challenge us, entertain us, and shed light on issues that we care about as progressive Christians--equality, fairness, love for self and neighbor, and the pursuit of lasting peace in our communities, countries, and the world. Our book choices are mostly fiction, represent a variety of cultural perspectives and historical periods, and are written by contemporary authors. Come if you have read the whole book, part of the book, or if you are curious about the book and want to hear others talk about it.

When We Meet - We meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 PM at members homes. All are welcome! The person hosting the group will lead the discussion and provide light snacks and beverages.

What we are Reading - Each month, we choose a new book to add to our schedule. Below is a list of what we have and will be reading and discussing.

Past Titles:

September 2024 - *The Firekeeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulle

October 2024 - *The Postcard* by Anne Berest

Upcoming Titles:

November 2024 - *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime* by Mark Haddon

A modern classic—both poignant and funny—about a boy with autism who sets out to solve the murder of a neighbor's dog and discovers unexpected truths about himself and the world.

December 2024 - *Perestroika in Paris* by Jane Smiley

From the Pulitzer Prize-winning and best-selling author: a captivating, brilliantly imaginative story of three extraordinary animals—and a young boy—whose lives intersect in Paris in this “feel-good escape” (*The New York Times*).

January 2025 - *Fresh Water for Flowers* by Valerie Perris

An eccentric young caretaker brings exuberant life to a small town French cemetery in this #1 international bestselling novel: “Enchanting” (*Publishers Weekly*).

February 2025 - *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver

“May be the best novel of [the year]. . . . Equal parts hilarious and heart-breaking, this is the story of an irrepressible boy nobody wants, but readers will love.” —Ron Charles, *Washington Post*

Shawl Ministry

The Shawl Ministry team meets Wednesdays at 9:30 AM in the chapel. In anticipation of the church open house for Ripon's Parade of Homes the first weekend in December, we would like to have a good number of mini-prayer shawls (knit) and pocket crosses (crocheted) for visitors to take with them. These will have a tag identifying worship times during advent and on Christmas Eve. If you want to help with this project you can join us on any Wednesday or ask Jeanne or Wendy for instructions. We have plenty of donated yarn for this project.



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FOG will be held on Friday, Nov. 14 at 5:30 p.m. at the home of Michele and Skip Wittler, W13837 Skyline Circle, Ripon. Contact Debi Konecny if you'd like to host a FOG gathering!

Sunday School Activities

November 22 - Parent's Night Out - Drop off your children from 5:30-8:30 pm for an evening of activities, food, and games. Dinner will be provided. We will also be baking pies during this event to benefit Camp Scholarships! Register with Ashley if your child will attend.

November 24 - Pie Sale to Benefit Camp Scholarships - Purchase a pie to benefit Camp Scholarships that support our youth and families attending camp at UCCI, Daycholah Center, Moon Beach, and Cedar Valley!

November 24 - Festival of the Greens - Don your best Christmas Sweater and join us to help decorate the church for Advent! Hot cocoa and cookies will be provided!

Saturday, December 14 - Christmas Pageant Practice - Gather in the morning to finalize the Christmas Pageant!

Sunday, December 15 - Christmas Pageant - Gather for worship at 10:30 AM as the First Congo Kids present their Christmas Pageant and lead worship.

Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Service - 4:00 pm

Sunday School - The Sunday School year is in full swing. Sunday school drop-off begins at 9 am and children will be brought back up to worship at 10:20 am.

First Congo Kids Time - During worship children have the opportunity to go downstairs after the Children's Moment in the worship service for a snack and time for play and craft activities. We will bring children to the Fellowship Hall for coffee hour at the end of the service.

The Christmas Fund Special Offering

The Christmas Fund has been caring for active and retired clergy and lay employees of the United Church of Christ for over 100 years, providing emergency grants, supplementation of small annuities and health premiums, and Christmas "Thank You" gift checks each December to our lower-income retirees. We will be collecting this special offering on December 22, 2024.

The Outreach Committee



FIRST CONGO
YOUTH GROUP
CAMP SCHOLARSHIP
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Pie Sale!

Sunday, November 24th
\$25 each

All proceeds go toward scholarships for children, youth, and families attending summer camp or retreats at our Outdoor Ministry sites through United Church Camps, Inc., including Daycholah Center (Green Lake), Moon Beach, and Cedar Valley.

Thank you for your support of our scholarships for Outdoor Ministry!

Sign-up for Pre-orders in Fellowship Hall



Christmas 2024 Poinsettia Order Form

You are invited to purchase poinsettia plants to help beautify the Sanctuary during the Advent season. The cost this year is \$15.00 each.

They will be on display in our Sanctuary through Tuesday, December 24. After that date, you are welcome to take your plant home, leave it for continued use at church, or use it as a gift for a friend or shut in.

Please fill out and submit this form by Friday, November 15th. You can place it in the offering plate or mail it to the church along with cash or a check.

You can contact Julie Mathias with any questions you might have.

Your name(s) as "from": _____

Quantity: _____ x \$15.00 = total enclosed \$ _____

(Optional): In honor of _____

(Optional): In memory of _____

(Optional): In memory of _____

Worship Participation Schedule

Date	Lector	Ushers/Greeters	Tech Booth	Coffee Fellowship Hosts
Nov. 3	Penny Allard	Marshall/Rintelmann Family	Sarah Seidler-Halwas	Osteen/Edwards families
Nov. 10	Aelwyn Tumas	Dawn & Gary Scholtens	Erik Dietrich	M. Boscaljon, Seidler-Halwas
Nov. 17	Tom Moniz	Tom & Debbi Konecny	Gary Scholtens	Berndt, NEED VOLUNTEER
Nov. 24	Susan & Jadon	Susan & Preston Osteen	Daniel Volkmann	Dalziel and Christ families
Dec. 1	Andy Lyke	Bev & Jack Christ	Tim Lyke	Volkmann and Hones
Dec. 8	Kaitlyn Edwards	Justus Paul/Mike Boscaljon	Gary Scholtens	Tony Reilly & Scott Henke
Dec. 15	Kathleen Hones	Janet Vossekuil/Andy Lyke	Sarah Seidler-Halwas	Both Scholtens families
Dec. 22	Ruth Retzlaff	Mary & Tim Lyke	Erik Dietrich	Ruth Retzlaff, Kai Bergin
Dec. 24	Worship Comm	Worship Commttee	NEED VOLUNTEER	Worship Comm, Cookies
Dec. 29	Deanna Boone	Lyle & Julie Mathias	Mike Boscaljon	Kathleen Hones, Cookies

Thanks
for your
participation

Please try to meet this schedule. If you cannot help on the Sunday assigned...

- Please switch Sundays with someone else and then notify the church office (748-5898 or office@riponcongregationalucc.org) of the change.

- We all appreciate your participation!

NOV/DEC 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October 27 9 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (4 pm online) 11:30 am Trunk or Treat	28	29	30 9:30 Prayer Shawls 4:15 pm Ripon College 3CM gathering	31 10:30 am Discussion 6 pm NA meeting 6:30 pm FCA	November 1 9:30 am Coffee at Mugs	2
3 9 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (4 pm online) 11:30 am Fellowship Hour 11:45 am Faith Form. mtg.	4	5 Election Day	6 9:30 Prayer Shawls 4:15 pm Ripon College 3CM gathering	7 10:30 am Discussion 6 pm NA meeting 6:30 pm Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)	8 9:30 am Coffee at Mugs.	9
10 9 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (4 pm online) 11:30 am Fellowship Hour 11:45 Outreach, Worship mtgs	11 Veterans' Day	12 6:30 pm Cabinet	13 9:30 Prayer Shawls 4:15 pm Ripon College 3CM gathering	14 10:30 am Discussion 6 pm NA meeting 6:30 pm FCA	15 9:30 am Coffee at Mugs	16
17 9 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (4 pm online) 11:30 am Fellowship Hour 11:45 am Membership mtg	18	19	20 9 am 175th Anniv mtg 9:30 Prayer Shawls 12 pm Spire deadline 4:15 pm Ripon College 3CM gathering	21 10:30 am Discussion 6 pm NA meeting 6:30 pm FCA	22 9:30 am Coffee at Mugs 5:30 pm Parents' Night Out	23
24 9 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship (4 pm online) 11:30 am Fellowship Hour, Pie Sale fundraiser 11:45 am Festival of the Greens	25	26 5:30 pm Community Dinner	27 9 Called to Care mtg 9:30 Prayer Shawls 4:15 pm Ripon College 3CM gathering	28 Happy Thanksgiving! 6 pm NA meeting	29 Native American Heritage Day 9:30 am Coffee at Mugs	30
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