



November 13, 2023

First Congregational UCC
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No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are always welcome here!

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Saturday, December 2

Christmas Cookie Walk

Holiday Craft Fair

Lake Helen Home Tour Lunch



The **ANNUAL COOKIE WALK** will start at 10AM until cookies are gone. A variety of sizes and shapes of containers will be available in the Fireplace Room of the Parish House. Along with the container, participants are provided a glove so they are able to fill the container with cookies of their choice. Containers are priced individually according to the volume they hold. *We need LOTS AND LOTS OF COOKIES!!* *Everyone is invited to make cookies!* Greta will be at the Parish House on Friday December 1 between 2:00 & 4:00 to accept cookie donations.

The **ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR** will feature a wide variety of handcrafted items available for purchase in the Parish House and on the front porch. In addition to the tables with items by the church crafters, we will have three outside vendors this year. This is a great time to do some Christmas Shopping or pick up a new item for your decorating. The Craft Fair will take place from 10 am until 4 pm.

The **BI-ANNUAL LAKE HELEN HOME TOUR** will take place on Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd. On both days the Parish is a Lunch Spot for the tour. The kitchen will be open for lunch from 11:30 until 4:00 with a variety of soups, sandwiches and beverages available for purchase. On Sunday afternoon the church will also be open to those who are participating in the Home Tour.

There are many ways for you to contribute to this trifecta of events. We need folks to bake cookies, make crafts, help with the craft tables, help in the kitchen, participate in the events and, of course, help with clean up. If you're planning to bake cookies and/or will help out with the lunches, see Greta. Crafters please let Vicky know what you plan to bring for the church tables. Also, please price your items. If you're interested in helping greet visitors during the tour on Sunday, talk with Suzy.

**WE ARE THE CHURCH
TOGETHER**

Happenings !

Wednesday, November 15

- Bible Study at 11am
- Thanksgiving Pot Luck, 5-7 pm

Wednesday, November 22 - Bible Study at 11am

Wednesday, November 29 - Bible Study at 11am

Saturday, December 2

- **Cookie Walk & Craft Fair 10 am** – These two annual events are being paired this year for an exciting and festive day. There will be an outside vendor with crafts on the Parish House porch. As you enter the fireplace room, choose a container (or more) for your cookies. As you enter the fellowship room you will receive a glove for use in placing your cookies in the containers. The center tables will be filled with a variety of cookies for you to choose from. Please be sure the lid will close on your container and see the Cookie Cashier. Around the perimeter of the room you'll find outside vendor tables and church crafter tables. There will be an assortment of items offered for gifting and/or decorating.
- **Lunch Spot for the biannual Lake Helen Home Tour**– The kitchen will be open for lunch from 11:30 until 4:00 with a variety of soups, sandwiches and beverages available for purchase.

Sunday, December 3 – First Sunday of Advent & Biannual Lake Helen Home Tour.

Our historic church will be open for the tour beginning at Noon and the kitchen will be open for lunch.

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Upcoming birthdays and anniversaries

Happy Birthday to:
Ray Arroyo, November 27

Happy Anniversary to:
Peggy & Dick Mooers
November 24

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Prayer Requests

Please keep those listed below in prayer.

Pat Campbell
Ralph DeMattia
Don (needs a lung)
Lily Hardin

Shirley Hotze
Ted Kays
Keith Lewis
Dolores Lewis

Dora Miletic
Jen Miletic and her family
Joanne & Jim Muir
Kelly & Stacy Sutherland

Ephesiéens, those at Brit's Home and the people of Haiti