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(Disciples of Christ)  
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#### Visitors

Patty Herman  
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#### Attendance

Sunday, May 20	Worship 66
Sunday, May 27	Worship 44
Sunday, June 3	Worship 42

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The next newsletter will be mailed on  
Wednesday, July 18.  
Articles to be submitted by  
Monday, July 16.

# the COMPASS

"Stand at the crossroads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths." Jeremiah 6:16

## Reclaiming Our Roots: a Revival

The more we look to the future with vision and imagination, the more we are drawn to the unique and inspiring heritage of our roots. That's a good thing. It's more than just longing for the old days, hoping for the glory days, remembering with fondness the way things used to be. No, the work of reclaiming our roots is important, and deeply promising.

The Implementation Team has been dreaming and scheming and is excited to be sharing some of the vision of where we you calendars now for **Sunday**, Covenant Christian Church as we

The roots we reclaim run deep and capture the roots of that original the Peppermint Lounge amidst the were they thinking?! More im-

We also hope to reclaim the roots of those earliest Disciples who called What were they up to, and how did spread through the world with such

Finally, we hope to reclaim our roots a movement for wholeness in a ples moved across the American

Reclaim  
Revive  
Renew  
Review  
Revise

**August 19  
Day of  
Revival**

hope to go in the days ahead. Mark **August 19**, a day of Revival for Reclaim our Roots!

grow far and wide. We hope to re-band of Disciples who gathered in smells of beer and hockey. What portantly, What were they doing?!!

the early Christian Movement of themselves "People of the Way." their vision of new life in Christ passion?

as Disciples of Christ, members of fragmented world. The early Disci-frontier starting new churches with a

passion for the life of faith. Join us for this exciting journey of Revival!

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covenant  
christian  
church  
sunday  
worship  
10:00 a.m.



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We are spiritual seekers working to grow in our love of God,  
 deepening our connection to each other and  
 sharing with the world our passion for justice and peace.

... journey up. . . to grow in our love of God.

**Vacation Bible School**  
 July 23-27  
**“No Friend Like Jesus”**  
 Mark your calendars and be sure to watch for a sign-up sheet to help, lead or participate in Vacation Bible School, 2012 with Urbandale UCC! Each night begins with supper and includes activities, crafts and worship for all ages. Please note, this includes class and discussion time for adults! Come celebrate the great partnership we share with Urbandale UCC!

**Taizè Worship**  
**July 22, 7:00 p.m.**  
 We have another opportunity to experience the beautiful songs and prayers from Taizè in a contemplative worship service held at Covenant on Sunday evening, **July 22, at 7:00 p.m.** This worship features simple but beautiful melodies sung chant-like over and over so that the music becomes a prayerful offering. This service will also feature readings and prayers that correspond to the weekend offering on the Welcoming Prayer.

*An Introduction to the Welcoming Prayer*  
**July 21, 8:30-2:00 Lunch Included**  
 The Welcoming Prayer is a method of consenting to God’s presence and action in our physical and emotional reactions to events and situations in daily life. The Welcoming Prayer is an ideal companion practice to Centering Prayer. Come learn more about this transformative spiritual practice. From visiting teacher and retreat leader, Susan Komis, Contemplative Outreach, Ltd. For more information, please speak to Paul, or visit [www.centeriowa.org](http://www.centeriowa.org).

... journey in. . . deepening our connection to each other

**IN OUR PRAYERS**  
 Jayde Hildebrand  
 Paul Ratashak  
 Shirlee Holmes  
 Cleo McDonald  
 Russ Lundy

**Notes and News**

- Our congratulations to **Jerry and Wanda Bane** in celebration of their **60th anniversary**.
- Also, **Bob and Donna Avaux** recently celebrated a **60th anniversary**
- And, congratulations to **Hal and Donna Rusk** celebrating **40 years** together! All of you inspire us and we are proud to celebrate with you!
- **Covenant Bike Nights!** Thursdays, **June 28** and **July 12**, Meet at church at **6:30 p.m.** (Unless otherwise posted—we may meet at a trailhead)

**A Night at the Ballgame!**  
**July 2, Valley High School**  
**5:30/7:30 Double Header**  
 We’re gathering youth, parents and anyone else interested in cheering our own **Jake Pauley** on in a Valley High School Baseball Game! Valley plays Waukee on July 2 at Valley, first game starts at 5:30. Join us for an all-church outing and evening of fellowship. And yes, I suspect there’s a hockey game, soccer game, gymnastics tournament in our future!



... journey out. . . sharing with the world our passion for justice and peace.

**The Retreat Ministry of Covenant Christian Church**

An exciting new ministry is taking shape at Covenant and is preparing to launch this Fall! In an effort to reach new audiences and help everyone grow in faith, we are offering a series of retreats—Saturday Sabbaths. Featuring gifted and talented leaders, we will explore faith and spiritual practices. Here’s a list of some of our offerings so far:

**September 8** “Praying the Psalms” with singer/songwriter (and modern psalmist!) **Richard Bruxvoort Colligan**.

**October 13** “Poetry as Spiritual Practice” with author **Jim Autry**.

Each retreat will be at Covenant Christian Church, and will be from about 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and will include lunch. Stay tuned for more information!

 July			
BIRTHDAYS			
Karen Hart	7/2	Sharyl Smith	7/9
Donna Schnoor	7/12	Scott Lair	7/19
Grant Lair	7/19	Ben Witmer	7/21
Kathy Logsdon	7/23	Jay Logsdon	7/24
Jake Pauley	7/24	Colin Young	7/27

**School for Congregational Learning**  
**Saturday, August 25th**  
**“Tools . . . in the Footsteps of the Carpenter”**

The School for Congregational Learning is a great opportunity to gather with other Disciples for worship, workshops and fellowship. It all happens at WDM Christian Church. For registration materials and more information, please visit [www.uppermidwestcc.org](http://www.uppermidwestcc.org).