

# Weekly Newsletter

## Special points of interest:

- Women's Choral Retreat Cancelled!
- Special Recycling Event Extended!
- Black History Fun Fact!



## FROM THE PASTOR

Black History Month has begun! Here are some easy ways you can celebrate and learn about Black history:

- Challenge yourself to learn a new fact about Black history every day. One way to do this is through your Alexa! Try saying, "Alexa, quiz me on Black history."

- Read a book about being anti-racist. Try one of the books in this article "[13 Books to Read](#)

[Right Now If You Want to Be Anti-Racist](#)".

Pastor Tracy owns several books from the list, so reach out if you're interested in borrowing a copy!

- Support Black artists by streaming and listening to Black creators on your favorite streaming platforms. Try looking for a Black History Month playlist on your favorite streaming service!

- Be intentional and follow Black creators on social media. Listen to their voices and learn from their experiences.
- Whether you're a parent, a grandparent, an uncle/aunt, or a close family friend, talk to the kids in your life about Black history! PBS created a great guide to help folks who are unsure how to breach the subject. [Click here to check it out!](#)

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## UPCOMING: NEW MEMBER CLASS

Rev. Tracy Siegman will be offering a New Member Class this month! If you are considering becoming a member, or if you are just looking for a space to talk about the history and theology of our

church and the Disciples of Christ, then this is the class for you!

The course will last three weeks, starting February 15th, and will be on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM.

If this sounds like a good fit for you, please contact Pastor Tracy or the church office for more information.

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## EXTENDED: SPECIAL RECYCLING EVENT

Thank You, Hildy, for your willingness to extend this special event for another month!

The recycling event is now accepting new items this month, as well!

We can now accept the following items:

- ◇ old pens and markers that no longer work
- ◇ plastic tags and metal closure ties for bread

bags and other bags

- ◇ netting, such as the kind used for potatoes, oranges, etc.

- ◇ coffee bags

- ◇ batteries

- ◇ styrofoam

As a reminder, you can still bring the items listed in previous newsletters.



## CANCELLED: WOMEN'S CHORAL RETREAT

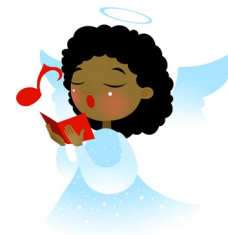
The Disciples Women's Choral Retreat has been cancelled! The event was originally scheduled to take place in March, however the planners have decided to cancel this year's event.

Folks who have already registered and paid their

registration fees will be refunded. If you already secured your hotel accommodations, be sure to cancel the room you booked.

Hopefully next year will provide us the ability to make a joyful noise together once again!

Until then, keep the faith and keep on singing!



**CANCELLED**

## PRAYER LIST

We lift up these names to God, in hopes that their needs will be met:

- Peck & Janet Unkraut
- Pam & Gary Bray
- Tim & Sandy Borchers
- Noah Borchers & Maria Smith
- Joyce & John Huff
- Diane Fieler



## EPIPHANY SEASON



The season of Epiphany is a time when Jesus reveals Himself to us as the Messiah and Son of God through His ministry and teachings. Our Epiphany sermon series is titled “*The Commands of Jesus*” and will run from January 16th to February 24th.

During this season, we will be reading scriptures from all four Gospels in order to hear the commands of Jesus.

Join us in-person or from the comforts of home as we live-stream our worship service on Facebook and YouTube this Sunday.

We look forward to sharing this season with you!

COMMANDS	SCRIPTURE	DATE
Let Your Light Shine	Matthew 5:13-16	Jan 16th
Do Not Worry	Matthew 6:25-34	Jan 23rd
Go and Do Likewise	Luke 10:25-37	Jan 30th
Do Not Be Afraid	Luke 5:1-11	Feb 6th
Forgive and You Will Be Forgiven	Luke 6:37-42	Feb 13th
Take Up Your Cross	Mark 8:27-9:1	Feb 20th
Feed My Lambs	John 21:15-25	Feb 27th

**This week's  
message:  
Do Not Be  
Afraid**

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH: DID YOU KNOW?



[Carter G. Woodson](#) was an incredible man who was most notably known as the “father of black history”. In February 1926 he founded “Negro History Week”, the precursor celebration that inspired what we now call Black History Month!

Born in Virginia as the son of former slaves, Woodson graduated from Kentucky's own Berea College and became a teacher and school

administrator. In 1912 he obtained a PhD from Harvard and remains the only person to obtain a PhD whose parents were slaves!

Woodson announced the second week of February to be “Negro History Week”. It was his hope that at least one week of celebration for the recognition and importance of black lives

would allow for the general movement to become an annual celebration.

His week of celebration grew to a full month in February 1969 and became the event we are all familiar with today!

In honor of Carter G. Woodson, let's all remember, recognize, and learn about the black history of America as we celebrate.

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### RECURRING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	EVENT DETAILS
<b>Every Sunday 10:45 AM</b>	Morning Worship	Join us in-person or from home during our live-stream ! If you can't make it to our live stream, the worship video will still be available online so you can worship at your leisure.
<b>Every Tuesday 2:00 PM</b>	Bible Study	The women of FCC meet every Tuesday via Zoom for a weekly prayer and Bible study session. If you are interested in joining, please contact the church office for the Zoom link.
<b>Every Saturday 5:00 PM</b>	Community Dinner	We prepare and serve a community dinner every Saturday and are always looking for volunteers! If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Sheri Jackson at (859) 240-7817.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	EVENT DETAILS
<b>Tuesday, 02/15/22 7:00 PM</b>	New Member's Class	Rev. Tracy Siegman will be presenting this new course for folks who are already a new member, considering becoming a new member, or who are interested in discussing the history and theology of our church. Contact Pastor Tracy at <a href="mailto:tracy.siegman@gmail.com">tracy.siegman@gmail.com</a> .
<b>Sunday, 02/20/22 2:00 PM</b>	FCC Book Club	Each month our book club chooses a new book to read and discuss; this month's selection is " <i>This Tender Land</i> " by William Kent Krueger. Meetings are held on Zoom. Contact the church office for the link if you are interested in joining.
<b>Wednesday, 02/23/22 7:00 PM</b>	Faith In Action Together (FIAT)	FIAT is the acting branch of our justice ministries focused on fighting the systemic issues that continue to oppress our neighbors. Meetings are held on Zoom. Contact the church office for the link if you are interested in joining.