

WEEKDAY WORDS

Homer Congregational United Church of Christ
Thursday, July 8, 2021

With this edition, we send our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Isabel Coon, who passed away on Monday, July 5. A graveside service is being planned. Our prayers surround Isabel's entire family. We share your grief.

THIS SUNDAY

9:30 AM

This Sunday we continue the series called *God on Film* with the 2011 movie "The Help" starring Viola Davis and Octavia Spencer. Themes from the movie will be woven throughout the worship experience. To prepare, read the 5th chapter of the Gospel of Matthew. Cindy Stout and Paula Harrington are Deacon and Trustee of the month. Join us live or online at: www.homercc.com.

Synopsis of "The Help":

Set in Mississippi during the 1960s, Skeeter Phelan is a southern society girl who returns from college determined to become a writer but turns her friends' lives -- and a Mississippi town -- upside down when she decides to interview the black women who have spent their lives as "the help" - taking care of prominent southern white families. Aibileen Clark is the first of "the help" to open up -- to the dismay of her friends in the black community. In response to the assassination of Medgar Evers, more women come forward to tell their stories -- and as it turns out, they have a lot to say. The movie has a lot to say about class, race, gender and so many other realities of society in the 1960's...and now.

This Week

Monday Staff Meeting at 10 AM.

God on Film series: *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner* shows at 6:30

Tuesday Holiday in Homer Games zoom meeting at 7:00.

Wednesday *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner* shows at 2:00 in the RFR.

Saturday **HOLIDAY IN HOMER**

Have you signed up to help? Can you donate a pie, cake, or a basket to raffle?

Have you told your neighbors...shared on Face Book...invited your friends?

Will you join us for lunch or some fried dough or strawberry shortcake?

Can you spare some time from 3 – 5 to help with the clean up?

Thanks to everyone who has said YES to these questions!

COMING UP

Sunday, July 18 Worship with themes from the movie *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner*
Jan Bertram has the Children's Time

Monday, July 19 Showing the musical *Les Miserable* in the RFR at 6:30.

Tuesday, July 20 Trustees meet at 6:30

Wed., July 21 *Les Mis* in the RFR at 2:00

Sat., July 24 Route 90 Sale

ALL CHURCH CAMP

It is time to register for *The Journey!*

Go to our website and click on the Faith Formation tab.

Sunday, July 25 through Tuesday, July 27.

When asked the question, “What do you love the most about HCC?” people often reply that they love the sense of community – of family felt within our church. Recognizing that strength, we have the chance to join together for this ALL-CHURCH camp we are calling ***The Journey***. Within our generations, we will journey with Moses from Egypt to the Red Sea, into the wilderness and, finally, to the Promised Land. The originals in the story traveled as one large group, divided into 12 Tribes. We, too, will travel together to hear the stories, eat the food, sing, and pray together. Adults will spend some time in discussion with Rev. Quinn Caldwell while the children will have an *experience* related to the theme of the evening. In truth, ***The Journey*** is all about God and we need YOU to make the journey complete. Register the kids and grandkids...and then register yourself...and make this 3-day journey memorable. Let’s support our kids and our planning team with our presence for these three evenings in July.

PREP x 6!

It is time to register as a sponsor!

go to our website and click on the PREP tab.

This will be our 6th year to assist kids and their families to get back to school with new sneakers, socks and underwear. Currently, we have 173 children registered and 30 sponsors (covering 49 of those registered). Here are some ways that you can join our Outreach efforts with some hands-on help:

- Left over items from our kitchen gear give-away will be offered (for a donation) at the Route 90 sale. We will need some help with set up for the sale.
- Saturdays in August from 9 – 11 am we will receive items from sponsors, and we’ll be bagging hygiene items from Salvation Army. Can you join us?
- On Saturday August 28 for PREP, you can help at HCC or over at the food pantry distributing food bags.

WHEN I PRAY...

As you pray this week, please include:

...thanksgiving for Paula & Buzz Harrington and Anne Wingard for the immense amount of preparation toward Holiday in Homer.

...special blessing for Alex Faulkenbury and everyone working toward our All-Church Camp later this month.

People in need of our prayers:

The family of Isabel Coon.

Those dealing with addictions.

Those who are healing from surgery.

Those who are approaching the end of life.

All who struggle to find the “right” words to offer someone in need.

Those who are grieving in Florida, in Haiti and anywhere affected by Covid-19.