

First Congregational United Church of Christ

Announcements: Oct. 4-10 2026

Sunday, Oct. 4

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship

Sanctuary

10:10 a.m. Fellowship Hour

10:40 a.m. Adult Bible Class

Choir Room

11:05 a.m. Coffeehouse Service

Chapel

12:00 p.m. Church Picnic

Pavillion

Tuesday, Oct. 6

1:00 p.m. God's Busy Hands

Lounge

7:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting

Choir Room

8:00 p.m. AA meeting (Closed)

Fellowship Hall

Thursday, Oct. 8

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Choir Room

Friday, Oct. 9

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting (Open)

Choir Room

Saturday, Oct. 10

9:00 a.m. Eastern Association Fall Meeting

Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall

9:00 a.m. AA Meeting (Open)

Choir Room

PICNIC today at noon under the Pavillion!!

All God's Children Preschool Apple Fundraiser

Don't miss out on some delicious treats while supporting **All God's Children Preschool!** Our Apple Fundraiser is underway, but **the sale ends tomorrow, October 5!**

Choose from:

- **Single Dipped Caramel Apple** – \$5
- **Single Dipped with Peanut** – \$6
- **Double Dipped** – \$6.50
- **Double Dipped with Peanut** – \$7

Be sure to get your order in **by tomorrow, October 5!** Thank you for supporting All God's Children Preschool!



Pastor Appreciation Sunday, October 11, 2026
in the Fellowship Hall.



Your Minister of Music's organ student, Eiran Kopetz, is starring in Thrive Theater Group's production of Fiddler on the Roof. It is October 9-11 at the Civic Center. Tickets available at DecaturCivicCenter.org/events.

Please fold and tear along the perforation to return the weekly attendance card in the Offering Plate.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

____ 1st time Guest
____ 2nd time Guest
____ Out of Town Guest
____ Regular Attendee
____ Member

If you are a guest, how did you hear about us?

Pastor Ryan has a special gift for our **1st time visitors**. He will be waiting to greet you at the rear of the sanctuary after Worship.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Carter Folger
Oct. 5
Alfreda Tribout
Oct. 6



Ted & Darby Mitchell
Oct. 4
Joe & Maureen Ruski
Oct. 10



Liturgist
Mindy Bunselmeyer

Ushers
Jodi Baldwin
Mike Koyak
Ev Kuhn

Coffee
Kristin Hargrove
Refreshments

Dave Carpenter & Bill Huebner



The altar flowers are offered by Darby Mitchell in celebration of Ted & Darby's 40th wedding anniversary.

Eastern Association Meeting

First Church will host the Eastern Association Fall Meeting on Saturday, October 10, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. Members are invited to attend, and the church will cover the \$30 registration fee. Please see Alice Huebner for details.

Church Women United Fall Meeting

Church Women United East Area Fall Institute at First Congregational UCC, Decatur Fellowship Hall; October 16, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Agreed to differ, resolved to love, united to serve.

For information call Darla Weltmer: 217-877-7008

Passing of Marian Simpson-Rorick

With sadness, we announce that Marian Simpson-Rorick passed away on September 29. Her funeral service will be held at the church at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, October 9, with visitation from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. A luncheon will follow the service. Please keep Marian's family and loved ones in your prayers.

Comments, Praise, Prayer Requests: (☐ for Church Prayer List ☐ for Pastor Only)

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