



The Herald

First Congregational Church of Tallmadge
United Church of Christ

“Making God the Foundation of Everyday Living”

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“We’ll take a cup of kindness yet for Auld Lang Syne.” This is a time for reflection as well as celebration. As we look back on the past year and all that has taken place in our lives, let us:

Remember each experience for the good that has come of it and for the knowledge you have gained.

Remember the efforts we’ve made and the goals we have reached.

Remember the love we’ve shared and the happiness we have brought.

Remember the laughter, the joy, the hard work, and the tears.



And as we reflect on the past year, we look to the new one to come, because most importantly, this is a time of new beginnings and for a celebration of life.

As we look into 2024, we look at a block of time. We see 12 months, 52 weeks, 365 days, 8,760 hours, 525,600 minutes, 31,536,000 seconds. And all is a gift from God. We have done nothing to deserve it, earn it or purchase it. Like the air we breathe, time comes to us as a part of life.

The gift of time is not ours alone. It is given equally to each person. Rich and poor, Caucasian or person of color, strong and weak—every man, woman and child has the same twenty-four hours every day.

Another important thing about time is that you cannot stop it. There is no way to slow it down, turn it off, or adjust it. Time marches on.

And you cannot bring back time. Once it is gone, it is gone. Yesterday is lost forever. If yesterday is lost, tomorrow is uncertain. We may look ahead at a full year’s block of time, but we really have no guarantee that we will experience any of it.

Obviously, time is one of our most precious possessions. We can waste it. We can worry over it. We can spend it on ourselves. Or, as good stewards, we can invest it in the realm of God.

The new year is full of time. As the seconds tick away, will you be tossing time out the window or will you make every minute count?

Grace for the journey,

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

DEC 17 — THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT “Christmas Lights”

DEC 24 — FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT—10 AM

Scripture: Isaiah 9:1-4,6, Mark 13:24-37

Message: “Hallelujah”

DEC 24 — CHRISTMAS EVE—5PM

Message: “Lessons and Carols from FCC”

DEC 31 — FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

Casual Christmas Carol Sing and Brunch

JAN 07 — EPIPHANY/BAPTISM OF CHRIST SUNDAY

Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12, Mark 1:4-11

Message: “Jesus, Man of Mystery: The Reveal”

JAN 14 — SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Scripture: Psalm 139:1-7, 13-18, John 1:43-51

Message: “Jesus, Man of Mystery: Now You See It, Now You Don’t”

JAN 21 — THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Scripture: Jonah 3:1-5, 10, Mark 1:14-20

Message: “Jesus, Man of Mystery: An Urgent Mission”

ANNUAL MEETING AT END OF WORSHIP

JAN 28 — FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Scripture: Psalm 111, Mark 1:21-28

Message: “Jesus, Man of Mystery: Extra! Extra! Read All About It!”



Christmas Eve Offering

It has been the tradition of First Congregational Church to receive a Christmas Eve offering and divide equally between two ministry partners. Half is given to a local ministry partner and the second half is given to The Christmas Fund of the United Church of Christ.

The Christmas Fund (formerly the Veterans of the Cross Fund) has been caring for active and retired clergy and lay employees of the United Church of Christ for over 100 years, providing emergency grants, supplementation of small annuities and health premiums, and Christmas “Thank You” gift checks each December to our lower-income retirees.

The local ministry partner we will gift half of the Christmas Eve offering will be South Street Ministries.

Come and worship with your FCC family this Christmas Eve and give generously to support these two ministry partners!

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

CANDLELIGHT • LESSONS & CAROLS • SPECIAL MUSIC



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24TH | 5:00 PM

Lessons and Carols from First Congregational

Come celebrate a traditional Christmas Eve with your church family on December 24th. We will again only have **one service** this year at 5:00pm. This traditional service of lessons and carols will feature the nativity story and Christmas carol singing. There will also be a Children’s Christmas story time during the service.

As always, there will be lots of special music at this service with choirs, guest musicians and Rev. Dan singing “O Holy Night.” We will close with the traditional candle lighting ceremony and the singing of “Silent Night.”

Make plans now to celebrate the birth of Christ with your church family at First Congregational **AND** invite friends and neighbors!!!

THE PRAYER CHAIN CONNECTION

We pray for the individuals listed below and also for many other church members and their concerns, which remain confidential. You may call or text Diana Caldwell with your prayer concerns @ 330-265-5723.

Bless be God who did not refuse me the kindness I sought in prayer. Psalm 66:20

Dorothy Achimasi
 Cheyenne Andrews (Lucy Larson's mom)
 Brad Ashley
 Noreen Ashley
 Tim Ashley
 Marilyn Berta
 Bryan Briggs (Judy Woerz's son)
 Rob Broocker (Cousin of Kristin Yoho)
 Steve Burr
 Jim Caplinger
 Bea Clarke
 Jim and Bonnie Collinson (friends of Connie Mason)
 Devin Devies (grandson of Patty Calvarese)
 Dianne Drummond
 Elaine Engle
 Lyn Fendenheim (friend of Joe Labay)
 Bonnie Fordham
 Kara Grant (daughter of Ken & Diana Caldwell)
 Judy Gump
 Eleanor Hall
 Alleen Hilbish
 Zell Lambert
 Danielle Leonardi
 Mike (friend of Sandy Farabee)
 Katie Moore
 Marie O'Neil
 Walt and Margie Nicholson
 LTJG John Norton (Connie Stone's Grandson)
 Laura Orr (friend of Karen Sauerbrey)
 David & Jackie Parker
 Allen Rutledge (Bonnie Fordham's nephew)
 John Triola (friend of Joe Labay)
 Richard Thomason
 Alzheimer's Care Giver Support Group
 Confidential Names on our Prayer List

WITH SYMPATHY

Our condolences to Ann Holt for the loss of her sister, Judy, on November 29, 2023.

Our condolences to our former pastor, Rev. David Brumbaugh, for the loss of his wife, Brenda Fidler, on December 3, 2023. A celebration of life service for Brenda will take place on January 20, 2024 at St. Paul's Summer Hill UCC in Auburn, PA at 11:00 AM.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH SPAGHETTI DINNER

3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH | 4:30—7:00 PM
 DECEMBER 14/JANUARY 18

Spaghetti Dinner Menu

Spaghetti and Meatballs	\$9
Spaghetti and Chicken	\$11
Meatballs and Chicken	\$12
Special Dinner	\$12
Children 12 and Under	\$6
Side Dishes	\$2

All meals include salad, bread, dessert, and a beverage.



December our extra entrée will be the 2023 Chili Cook-off winning recipe chili or potato soup with a 1/2 deli sandwich or grilled cheese. YUM!

To-go orders call: 330-633-3384

Casual Christmas Carol Sing & Brunch

Join your church family on the First Sunday after Christmas (Dec. 31st this year) for a casual service of carol singing in our Fellowship Hall. Wear a Christmas sweater (ugly or not!) We will gather around tables and eat, color Christmas mandalas, sing, pray and hear scripture readings. We will also be creating a "Christmas Tree" out of vintage (or not) Christmas tree ornaments. So please also bring a Christmas ornament that will be used in this Christmas crafting project!

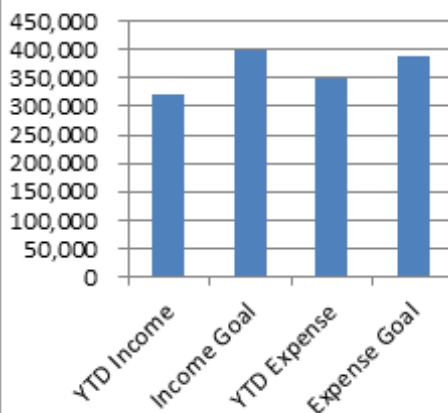


MONTHLY FINANCIALS

November 2023



Nov. 2023 YTD



November, 2023 operating income of \$27,680 was \$8,525 **below** the monthly income budget. Operating expenses for the month were \$30,570 resulting in a **deficit** of (\$2,890) in November, and a YTD **deficit** of (\$28,040). Advent is the season of anticipation as we await the birth of Christ. We look forward in prayer to a theology of generosity and the ability to strengthen the growth of our ministries as we move forward into 2024. Contact the Church office to find out how to sign up for automatic monthly giving. Offerings may also be made online through a link on our website, mailed to the Church or sent from your bank's online system.

Let's Eat Donuts

Check out the new sign-up sheet at the Atrium kitchen for providing donuts for Sunday mornings. This opportunity to serve a "sweet something" to all the members of our Church Family will be greatly appreciated especially by our kids and, of course, all of our "kids-at-heart." This opportunity is open to any of our Church Boards, Church Standing Committees, individuals or groups of members for single/multiple Sundays for the next 13 months.



Duties:

- Buy, cut, wrap (unwaxed pastry paper provided) two dozen mixed varieties of donuts and two dozen donut holes (about \$28) or provide an equivalent of homemade "sweet somethings." Use the platters from under the counter.
- Make one pot of coffee and one pot of decaf and put them on the warming plate. Turn on warming plate. Set out some cups, napkins, sugar, cream and stir sticks (in cupboards).
- Donuts will be offered before and after worship.
- After church, clean up, and turn off warming plate. Take home any leftovers or place them in the fridge for the staff the following morning.

For any further assistance or questions, contact:

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END OF YEAR FINANCIAL INFORMATION

If you have reached an age where you are required to take a minimum distribution from your IRA Account, talk to your tax and investment advisors about having the distributions sent directly to First Congregational Church and any other qualified charities you donate to at year-end. This could help reduce your taxable income.

In order to be included in your 2023 "gift letter" from the Church, monetary gifts must be received by the Church by December 31, 2023, or if mailed, post marked by that date.

GIVE ONLINE HERE



**OUR CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
DECEMBER 25-JANUARY 1**

BLUE CHRISTMAS

A Service of Comfort for the Weary

Blue Christmas. During the holidays, so many of us can suffer for all kinds of reasons. The magnitude of our weary world weighs on our hearts and minds. We wrestle with chronic pain, broken relationships, shattered dreams, fragile faith, and unexpected losses. Our grief and sorrow feel particularly acute when compared to the festivity and joy everyone else seems to be feeling. In response to these realities, First Congregational Church of Tallmadge will offer a "Blue Christmas" service (also sometimes called the Longest Night service).

This contemplative service will allow for space to reflect on our grief and longing during this season. Soothing scriptures and subdued hymn singing will allow us to hear the Christmas story while not being forced to sing "Joy to the World" when our hearts are hurting. Our Blue Christmas service will be held on Thursday, Dec. 21st (the Longest Night) at 5:00 PM.

LUNCH BUNCH BOOK STUDY

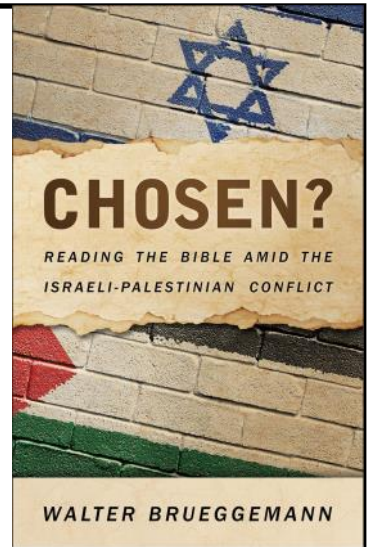
Join the Lunch Bunch Book Study Group this winter for a study of the book "Chosen?" by biblical scholar (and ordained UCC pastor) Walter Brueggemann.

"The conflict is only 'seemingly' beyond solution, because all historical-political problems have solutions, if there is enough courage, honesty, and steadfastness."

In *Chosen?*, Walter Brueggemann explores the situation in modern-day Israel that raises questions for many Christians who are easily confused when reading biblical accounts of God's saving actions with the Israelites. Are modern Israeli citizens the descendants of the Israelites in the Bible whom God called chosen? Was the promise of land to Moses permanent and irrevocable? What about others living in the promised land? How should we read the Bible in light of the modern situation? Who are the Zionists, and what do they say?

In four chapters, Brueggemann addresses the main questions people have with regard to what the Bible has to say about this ongoing issue. This book is readily available from book distributors and as e-publications. If you would like the office to order you a copy, please call/email Cathy by Dec. 20th. Please come to the first session having read Chapter 1 of the book.

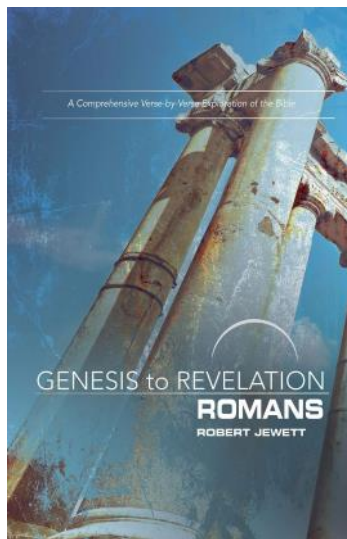
We will meet in the David Bacon Room at noon on Wednesdays beginning January 10, 2024. Bring a lunch and bring a friend!



Bible Study | Winter 2024

The 1:00pm Wednesday Bible Study Group will next undertake the book of Romans. This study will take us through the entire Book of Romans, beginning with an introduction to Paul and following through his life and his call. Some of the major ideas explored are: his purpose and situation, righteousness and wrath, being set free from sin, new life in the Spirit, and a tolerant ethic.

This study will take place in the Fellowship Hall at 1:00pm each Wednesday beginning January 10th. Bring your bibles and bring a friend. A reading plan will be given out at the first class but come to the first session having read Romans 1.1-15. See you there!



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Advent & Christmas

Christmas Pageant

Sun., Dec. 17th, during worship,

Blue Christmas Service

Thurs., Dec. 21st, 5pm

Christmas Eve Service

Sun., Dec. 24th, 5pm

Casual Christmas Carol Sing & Brunch

Sun., Dec. 31st, 10am

Treehouse Preschool Registration 2024-25

Registration for NEXT school year, 2024–2025 will be on **Jan. 31 from 10–2pm** for church members and siblings of Treehouse Preschool graduates. On February 1 from 6-7pm is Open Registration for all new families and non-church members. To register, you will need a copy of your child’s birth certificate and \$50.

Classes that are available:

3-, 4- and 5-year-old classes on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9-11:30 am OR 12:30– 3 pm. There is a fourth day option on Mondays for our students going to kindergarten in the fall of 2025. This class meets during the same time frame and focuses on STEM teaching. Preschoolers need to be potty-trained to be in these classes.

For the toddlers, we offer a 2 1/2– year-old class with a parent or grandparent. This is on Tuesday OR Wednesday from 9:45– 11:15am. The students do not have to be potty-trained. For more information, please see our website, www.treehousepreschool.com.

Growing Together



Treehouse
Preschool

Christmas Pajama Day

As promised in a children’s message, we invite you to wear your Christmas pajamas on December 24 for the 10 AM worship service. Save your “Christmas best” for the 5 pm candlelight service. We also could use youth ushers for this service. Please sign up with Wendy to be an usher on this morning.



3-4-5 Lock– In Game Night

January 12 @7-11 pm

Minute to win it

Murder

Glow stick hide and seek

“Snowball” fight

Refreshments

All children in grades 3, 4 or 5 are welcome to attend (members and friends). Cost is \$5/child. Reservations REQUIRED by Jan. 7. Please sign up on Welcome Center in the Atrium.

FCC YOUTH GROUP

SUNDAY,
JANUARY 28TH

2-4 PM

ICE SKATING AT KENT
STATE ICE ARENA

\$12/PERSON

INCLUDES
ADMISSION &
SKATE RENTAL

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Drop off at the ice arena (650 Loop Rd., Kent, OH) at 2 PM, pick up at 4 PM. Open skate is from 2:15-3:45 PM. FCC will be covering the cost of refreshments (a drink and snack from the concession stand). KSU is a cashless facility...\$12 admission must be paid by credit/debit card. Questions—contact Jen Ross: 330-606-2673.

YOUTH NEWS

Youth Faith In Action—on the 2nd Sunday of the month, students in grades 6-12th are invited to join in faithful discussion from 9-10 AM in the youth room. Beginning Jan. 14, we will be discussing service to others and relating that to our faith and biblical references.

Youth Group—Students who are in 6th—12th grade are invited to our youth group events. Mark your calendars now:

Jan. 14 @ 11-12:30 Lunch Bunch and youth games (Wendy Brown)

Jan. 28 @ 2-4 Ice skating at KSU. \$12/ person, FCC will purchase refreshments (Jen Ross)

Confirmation Class—our Confirmation students, 8th grade and older, will be meeting in the David Bacon Room on the following dates @ 11:30– 1:30:

December 17 Bible/Christian History

January 21 Jesus

February 18 Worship/sacraments

FAITH = ACTION

(new intergenerational Sunday School opportunity)

Faith in Action Potluck will be served on Jan. 14. This is for everyone involved in the World Religion groups— Wednesday, bible study, book study, Bible and Brews, Roberta's early elementary and Diane's older elementary groups. Bring the family or come by yourself. We will have a review of the World Religion discussion and the beginning of "Service to Others," our second Faith in Action discussion. If you didn't join the discussions last session, give this one a try.



"Christmas Lights"

Join us for our annual
Christmas pageant
December 17 @ 10 am

All are invited to stay for the hot
chocolate and cookie bar following
worship.



Social Action Mission Partner Collection

The Social Action Committee will sponsor a collection box for South Street Ministries during Dec./Jan. This will support their "Winter Blast" promotion.

From South Street Ministries: "Our Winter Blast Back to School event on Martin Luther King Day (1/15/24) focuses on restocking essential school supplies and winter gear for students returning to school. We need backpacks, lunch boxes, writing materials, Chromebook cases, winter coats, hats, gloves, and more to support our students' educational journey and keep them warm through the winter months.

Look for the collection box in the Atrium!





Mission Moment from Morocco

The transformative power of solidarity and partnership is changing lives in the heart of Morocco. Dorcas Ngo Nolga, a 45-year-old Cameroonian mother living in the city of Mohammedia, shares her heartfelt gratitude with the CEI community (the International Aid Committee) in nearby Casablanca.

Dorcas, once grappling with health issues and a tight financial reality, found herself on the path of healing and wholeness through the compassionate efforts of the CEI and support from our global partners, including the Disciples and UCC through Global Ministries.

In her poignant testimony, Dorcas recalls a moment of vulnerability when she was facing critically high blood pressure and a lack of financial means to get necessary medical tests. Through fervent prayers and the collaborative efforts of the CEI, she not only received emergency medical attention but also underwent multiple consultations with specialists, resulting in a remarkable improvement in her health. Her high blood pressure is now under control and is no longer an urgent crisis. Dorcas emphasizes that beyond her physical healing, she discovered a family within the CEI that extended a helping hand when she needed it most, saving her life. Her gratitude overflows when she tells us of the blessing she encountered through this community that embodies the spirit of compassion and salvation.

WNI

It has been a great pleasure for me to be Chair of WNI for the past year, but now is the time for me to hand it over to someone else.

I know there is a woman out there in our congregation who is both willing and able to do this. It's not that hard, and we do have fun. WNI has a board and a treasurer who are very helpful.

I believe our women want an evening of fun, projects and fellowship...we need to keep it going.

Please contact me, Jackie Mohr, at jackie720@sbcglobal.net or by my cell 330-701-6755 if you have questions regarding this great group...started by Beth Schleup, Elise Bennett, and Chris Thompson over 20 years ago.

Thank you, Jackie Mohr



Restore provides compassionate, individualized care and life-changing truth which empowers men struggling with drug and/or alcohol addiction to restore their relationship with God. Their vision is to train, coach and inspire individuals, families and communities to live the life God always intended by developing a Christ-centered, biblically-based and clinically -supported organization committed to addiction-free living through the transformational power of Jesus Christ in partnership with God's Word. Restore wants everyone to experience the abundant life that God desires for us.

Restore is looking for volunteers in the following ways: Family Day Food Service, Driver, Week Day Help, Food Pickup/Drop-off, Prayer Partner or Life Coach. To learn what each of these volunteers opportunities entails, visit <https://restoreaddictionrecovery.com>.



MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16 | 9 AM

THANK YOU!

Dear Women's Fellowship,

Thank you so much for sharing your time and your care with our family. It's comforting to know things are in good hands, especially with all of us out of town. It's confirmation that our former church home is amazing.

Blessings, The Wilkerson Family

Dear Rev. Doty and the members of First Congregational Church of Tallmadge,

On behalf of Faithful Servants Care Center and doctors Mark and Sue Meyer, I want to say thank you for your donation. We are grateful to be a recipient of your special offering. May you have a blessed Christmas season! Thank you again!

Sincerely, Bard Warfield, FSCC Director

First Congregational Church of Tallmadge,

Thank you for informing me of the All Saints Service on Nov. 5th. I was unable to attend, but viewed it electronically last week. It was a beautiful tribute to my husband, Keith, and others who passed away this year. This past Sunday, I attended the Baldwin Wallace Men's Chorus Holiday Concert. Dan Doty's solo was a spectacular conclusion to the program. You are in for a treat March 10th when the BW Men's Chorus will perform at FCC in Tallmadge.

Sincere thanks, Marilyn Johnson

Dear Church Family,

I wish to thank the Prayer Chain and the Spiritual Pastoral Ministry for all the prayers, cards and words of encouragement as you have helped me deal with my health issues. I believe in the power of prayer.

God Bless you, Elaine Engle

Thanks, from Social Action

Social Action Board thanks Wanda Strott, Janet McCaulley, Teresa Snyder and her grandson Gavin, and Ron Mitchell who rang bells for the Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign on Saturday, December 2nd.

Thanks to all who donated gift cards for Tallmadge Good Neighbors. The gift cards, totaling \$575 will be given to needy families in Tallmadge for Christmas.



Epiphany Sermon Series 2024:

Jesus, Man of Mystery

Rev. Dan will begin an Epiphany Sermon Series on January 7 entitled, "Jesus, Man of Mystery."

As Jesus' public ministry begins, he remains a somewhat mysterious figure. Like a good spy, magician, or stealthy detective, Jesus plays things close to the vest and reveals things only when he is ready. Through six weeks of Gospel readings, we see Jesus begin to reveal himself more and more, while at the same time insisting on keeping his identity a secret. As we explore Jesus's mysterious identity, we may discover more about ourselves and a purpose that causes us to live with a sense of urgency.

Be sure to come to church or tune in for this special sermon series on Sunday mornings!

Yarning For Pease Update:

Yarning For Peace is still an active ministry. The need for prayer shawls is still there. Because of the need and the requests, I am down to the last dozen prayer shawls. I am requesting that those who helped make them before will once again step up and help replace the shawls that have been given out. This is a ministry that is still a vital part of the church.

Thank you all,
Elaine
330-633-0896

Worship Attendance

November 19	150
November 26	169
December 3	165
December 10	195



WINTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

WORSHIP: 10:00 AM

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF TALLMADGE

UPCOMING SUNDAYS

Greeters

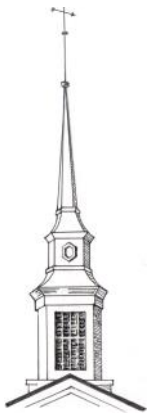
Dec 17	Mark and Cathleen Clark
Dec 24	Walt and Ann Holt
Dec 31	Walt and Ann Holt
Jan 7	Terri Poff
Jan 14	Walt Holt and Dorothy Seal
Jan 21	Carol Dowey
Jan 28	Margarete Boschert

Altar Flowers

Dec 17	POINSETTIAS
Dec 24	POINSETTIAS
Dec 31	The Cammel Family
Jan 7	Gary Myers
Jan 14	
Jan 21	
Jan 28	

Sign up in
the hallway
\$28 per
arrangement

Ushers



Dec 17	Dave Marconi, Bonnie Fordham, Sandy Haydu, Gary Myers
Dec 24	Larry Robinson, Don Simmons, John Huffman, Ken Caldwell
Dec 31	Gary Marlow, Jim and Dee West, Larry Robinson
Jan 7	Larry Robinson, Dave Marconi, Al Lytle, Ken Caldwell
Jan 14	Sandy Haydu, Karen Huth, Kim Fulton, Jane Charles
Jan 21	Dave Marconi, Bonnie Fordham, Sandy Haydu, Gary Myers
Jan 28	Larry Robinson, John and Anita Lahrmer, Don Simmons

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF
TALLMADGE

ANNUAL MEETING

**JANUARY 21,
2024**

Make plans to attend the FCC Annual Meeting in the new year. The meeting will take place at the end of worship on Sunday, January 21, 2024. Come celebrate all that God accomplished through us last year and hear about plans for 2024!

JANUARY 2024

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
	1 NEW YEAR'S DAY— CHURCH OFFIC CLOSED	2 1:00 PM—Ladies Video Study 6:00 PM—Naranon	3 9:00 AM—Quilters 6:00 PM—NA	4 8:30 AM—WW 10:00 AM—Staff 12:00 PM—WF Lunch 6:00 PM—WW 6:00 PM—Bell Choir 7:00 PM—Choir	5	6 7:30/9:00 AM— WW
7 EPIPHANY SUNDAY 8:45 AM—Social Action 10:00 AM—Worship/ Communion 11:00 AM—Advent Workshop	8 6:00 PM—Heritage 6:30 PM—Trustees Meeting	9 1:00 PM—Ladies Video Study 6:00 PM—Naranon	10 9:00 AM—Quilters 12:00 PM—Book Study 1:00 PM—Bible Study 6:00 PM—NA 7:00 PM—Cub Scouts	11 8:30 AM—WW 10:00 AM—Staff 6:00 PM—WW 6:00 PM—Bell Choir 7:00 PM—Quilting 101 7:00 PM—Choir	12 3-5th Grade LOCK—IN	13 7:30/9:00 AM— WW
14 9:00 AM—EC 10:00 AM—Worship/ Christmas Concert 11:00 AM—Youth Lunch Bunch 11:00 AM—Faith in Action Potluck	15 MLK DAY 6:00 PM—Heritage	16 1:00 PM—Ladies Video Study 6:00 PM—Naranon 6:00 PM—Cards	17 9:00 AM—Quilters 12:00 PM—Book Study 1:00 PM—Bible Study 6:00 PM—NA 7:00 PM—Cub Scouts	18 8:30 AM—WW 10:00 AM—Staff 4:30-7pm— Spaghetti Dinner 6:00 PM—WW 6:00 PM—Bell Choir 7:00 PM—Choir	19	20 7:30/9:00 AM— WW 9:00 AM—Men's Prayer Breakfast
21 10:00 AM—Worship/ Christmas Pageant 11:00 AM—Annual Meeting 11:30 am— Confirmation Class	22 6:00 PM—Heritage	23 1:00 PM—Ladies Video Study 6:00 PM—Naranon	24 9:00 AM—Quilters 12:00 PM—Book Study 1:00 PM—Bible Study 6:00 PM—NA 7:00 PM—Cub Scouts	25 8:30 AM—WW 10:00 AM—Staff 6:00 PM—WW 6:00 PM—Bell Choir 7:00 PM—Choir	26 6:00 PM—Pinewood Derby Check-in	27 7:30/9:00 AM— WW 9:00 AM - Pin- ewood Derby
28 10:00 AM—Worship	29 6:00 PM—Heritage	30 10:30 AM—ACSG 1:00 PM—Ladies Video Study 6:00 PM—Naranon	31 9:00 AM—Quilters 12:00 PM—Book Study 1:00 PM—Bible Study 6:00 PM—NA 7:00 PM—Cub Scouts			

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