

2021



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>All Worship and meetings are on Zoom.</i>	1 7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees	2	3 7:00 p.m. Prayer Group	4	5	6
7 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship, Communion, Sunday School; 11:30 a.m. Fellowship time	8	9	10 10:00 a.m. WCA Ministers' Fellowship 7:00 p.m. Prayer Group	11	12	13
14 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship and Sunday School; 11:30 a.m. Fellowship time.	15 7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees	16 10:00 a.m. Allied Partners 6:30 p.m. Board of Spiritual Life	17 7:00 p.m. Prayer Group 	18	19 Real Estate closing of our church property	20
21 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship and Sunday School; 11:30 a.m. Fellowship time.	22	23	24	25 7:00 p.m. Prudential Board	26	27
28 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship and Sunday School; 11:30 a.m. Fellowship time. PALM SUNDAY	29	30	31			

March 2021

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Heritage
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Discover your unique spiritual path, together

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Minister’s Musings

We are now well into the six month agreement together. It appears that several positive changes are on the cusp of happening.

Worship – along with the Board of Spiritual Life we continue to refine our Zoom services. Our latest adjustment was born out of necessity due to weather. The preparation of music by Robert ahead of time has greatly improved the sound quality of our worship music. Great thanks to Sean who has faithfully served as sound technician.



Dr. Gerry Krupp

I am also blessed by the participatory aspect of our worship services. The readers, prayer-ers, and others who are willing to participate.

I am learning about Heritage’s culture and community. Working with the boards has been truly a blessing. Much thanks to each of the board chairs I have been privileged to work with (Trustees - Sarah and Andy; BOSL - Bob and Robert; Prudential - Janet and Sue). As we move into the season of life and ministry without a church building I believe we will lean on the BOSL in new and fresh ways. I also believe it would be worthwhile to revisit the purpose of the Trustees and potentially develop a new job description for them because we value their insight and leadership!

Pastoral Care continues to be a challenge. Please know that I am available and willing to meet anyone by phone, zoom or even socially distanced in person to help care for and be a pastoral presence. Much gratitude to Pastor Cindy who was contacted about conducting the funeral service for Barbara Morris.

As Heritage looks to the future we should have a serious conversation about what level of energy there is for the following possibilities:

Being a present and current community that seeks to enjoy fellowship, worship and service.

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Church Office Hours

Please e-mail the Church office to set up an appointment.

heritageoffice@heritagemadison.org

Little Pilgrims’ Hours

6:30am-5:30pm

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Launching into a new area with a fresh marketing campaign, having honed the culture, message and mission of the church into a re-branding of the idea of Heritage Congregational Christian Church.

Exploring alternative methodologies regarding what the future of church is. This would likely include some reading material and talking to groups that are doing things differently.

A less likely but real solution would be to discuss the legacy of Heritage and establish some provision for future churches or mission or ministry while at the same time sunsetting the active ministry of Heritage.

There might be other options that would emerge as well.

Thank you for the privilege of walking alongside you as we take this journey,

Pastor Gerry Krupp,
Intentional Interim Pastor

EXTENDED THROUGH MARCH

Annual Recycle the Warmth Blanket Drive



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will conduct the Madison area annual Recycle the Warmth Blanket Drive. The annual drive allows St. Vincent de Paul to collect blankets, sheets, and other bedding that is then given to Dane County residents in need throughout the year. Your help is needed to make this assistance possible.

The Heritage Board of Spiritual Life has selected Recycle The Warmth as their Mission of the Month for February and March. Your donation of \$13.99 will purchase a new, good quality blanket. Monetary gifts to purchase blankets may be made payable to Heritage Church and mailed to the church office at 3201 Prairie Road, Madison 53719. Please mark your donation in the memo line RTW.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
RECYCLE THE WARMTH
29th ANNUAL BLANKET DRIVE
Fri.-Sun., Jan. 29-31

3 WAYS TO HELP!

- 1 PURCHASE* and DONATE new blankets**
*ONLINE or at our 7 Dane County thrift stores for \$13.99 (plus tax)
- 2 DONATE gently used blankets + bedding**
Drop off at our thrift stores or participating churches
- 3 DRIVE-THROUGH drop-off event on Sat., Jan. 30**
from 10 am - 2pm at our Service Center (2033 Fish Hatchery Road).
Please put blankets in your trunk.

Fri.-Sun., Jan. 29-31 **DONATE/MORE INFORMATION:**
svdpmadison.org/recyclethewarmth

Your generosity will be greatly appreciated. Thanks in advance for helping our neighbors in need through this year's *Recycle the Warmth* Blanket Drive. Visit <https://svdpmadison.org/donate/donate-blankets/> for more information.

Heritage Town Hall/Listening Session OUTCOMES 2/21/21

Essential Question - Best possible future for Heritage?

Do we feel the need to have a final event or worship service before we close the sale of our church property?

- We are not interested in saying goodbye to the brick-and-mortar. We...the people are the church, not the building. Definitely interested in gathering at a later date—memorial garden, park, home.
- What to do with the pavers of the memorial garden? Wait for warmth and remove the bricks. Possibly hold a worship service in the memorial garden on the day we remove the pavers.

Geographically - where do we want to be?

- Stay on zoom for a while
- No urgency to rush to have a place to rent. Begin search.

Are we comfortable sharing space or do we want our own space?

- Do NOT want to be hidden. Need signage.
- Need a space of our own. Lose our identity when sharing.
- Post covid - what is even available?
- Know what our options are - open to a variety of spaces

More thoughts from members.

- Strat Ops Update...Where are we now?
- What is our focus?
- What needs to be done? Strat Ops was never really finished
- How do we reinvent ourselves?
- What does our ministry speak to people? Are we spiritually relevant? Are we spiritually mature?
- Who are we now? We are thinking broader and bolder now
- We don't need to focus back on the strat ops work.
- How do we serve? Who do we serve? Who are we now?
- How do we get ourselves energized? How do we get everyone excited about being Heritage?



JOIN US FOR THE NEXT TOWN HALL/LISTENING SESSION (Zoom)

SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021

FOLLOWING MORNING WORSHIP

IN LOVING MEMORY

BARBARA JANET MORRIS

We mourn the passing of one of our most loved, compassionate, kind, caring members. Barbara has been a member of Heritage for many years (a guess would be 40+). She touched our lives in so many ways. RIP Barbara.

Barbara Janet Morris (Griffiths), 89, of Madison Wisconsin, left the loving arms of her family in this world to return to her heavenly father on January 29th 2021. Barbara was born on February 9, 1931 to Edward Howell Griffiths and Catharine Jemima Griffiths (Davies) in West Allis Wisconsin. After graduating from Nathan Hale High school she went on to study Education at University of Wisconsin at Stout. Barbara touched the lives of students during her career teaching Home Economics at Belleville High School.

Barbara was married to Robert Leighton Morris January 22, 1955 for 22 years and she nurtured and loved a beautiful family of five children: Marilee Morris (Bill Scott), Cheryl Ashenbrener (David), Lee Morris (Kim), Cathy Hasslinger (Ron), Bill Morris, who will miss her dearly. Barbara is also survived by grandchildren she adored: Jeremy Gundlach (Kate), Nicole Braden, Matthew Skaar (Alyssa Mullin), Lauren Patterson, Lindsey Gutsmedl (Kyle), Dustin Ashenbrener, Kyle Ashenbrener (Morgan), Rob Morris, Tom Morris (Dawn), Katie Claveau (Don), Cody Hasslinger (Anna), Quinn Hasslinger, Alex Acosta (Chris), Logan Morris and fifteen precious great-grandchildren. Barbara had the love and support of many special friends and family that sustained her throughout her life. Her special niece Diane Kuban, in-laws Dan and Janice Morris, friends from her play group, childhood friends, and her beloved church family from Heritage Congregational Church and Reverend Cindy Bacon-Hammer, along with many nieces, nephews and extended family. Barbara was preceded in passing by her brother Edward Griffiths and sister Evelyn Baird. In lieu of flowers, consider donating blood, planting a tree, or making a memorial to either Heritage Congregational Church, 3102 Prairie Rd. Madison WI 53719 at website heritagemadison.org or the American Red Cross.



PULPIT SUPPLY FOR MARCH

March 7	Pastor Gerry
March 14	Mitch Taylor
March 21	Pastor Gerry
March 28	Elliott Wimbush



3/1 Robert Eversman
 3/6 Doris Clevidence
 3/8 Fred Williams
 3/12 Sydney Taylor



Your Board of Spiritual Life invites you to join them for a new weekly prayer group on Wednesdays from 7:00-7:30 pm via zoom.

It is an open prayer time for us to connect as a body of believers.

There will be a different host each Wednesday.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88567445936?pwd=a1VuT3NJbzZuazIvSjZYIICVGYydz09>



NACCC FAIR SHARE

Heritage has been a "fair share" church continuously for many years. The National Association requests each church member contribute \$13.00 annually. It is time to honor our longstanding commitment.

The NACCC is not one of Heritage's missions, rather it is a vital part of who we are as a Congregational Christian Church. We support the NACCC because it is our link to the wider fellowship of Churches throughout the world. Member donations enable the NACCC to bring guidance, resources, services and fellowship to all member churches and missions.

The National Association has been there for Heritage at times of need, for example loaning us the balance of funds needed to put a new roof on the building and refinancing the mortgage at a very low interest rate.

The Foundation for Theological Studies trained Pastor Cindy in the tradition of Congregationalism and she is currently serving as Moderator of the NACCC.

Heritage's Fair Share is due by the end of March. Please take a moment to donate \$13 per each church member in your household in addition to your regular Heritage pledge. If you are able to, please consider an additional contribution to cover someone who may not be able to do so.

Members of Heritage

Joelle Sommers, safety for her and others
volunteering to do taxes, interacting with
many people

Synthia Taylor, strength as she finishes PHD

George Bunders, recovering from knee re-
placement

Larry Sommers, recovering from hip replace-
ment

Harriet Nelson, cancer treatment

Friends and relatives of Heritage

Mitch Taylor's cousin, birth of baby girl

Nephew and wife of Pat & George Bunders',
birth of baby boy

Bea Amsler, (mother of Susan Zerwick), stage
4 congestive heart failure

George Bacon (brother of Cindy Bacon), re-
covering from heart attack

Marjorie Kennedy (friend of Terry Wing), dou-
ble knee replacement

Marti Amend (friend of Pat Bunders), diag-
nosed with Leukemia

Father of Christina (friend of Sarah Westcott),
hospitalized; prayers for entire family

Ellen (friend of Jo Sommers), Covid positive
and it is not looking good

Brandon (grandson of Terry Wing), Covid pos-
itive but recovering

Marjorie Kennedy (friend of Terry Wing), dou-
ble knee replacement

Jim & Cheryl LaFrentz (friends/neighbors of
Robert Eversman), doing better & work is
progressing on home, after a devastating fire

Jessice (good friend of the Hilgendorfs) un-
dergoing chemo for breast cancer

Nate & wife (friends of Terry Wing's grand-
son), in London dealing with Covid 19; she is
also pregnant and has been discharged but

Nate is still in hospital

Co-worker of Bob Millholland, ill with Covid
19, along with spouse

Melanie Gerber, recovering after surgery to
place plates & screws in severely broken arm

Connie Ferris Bailey (sister of Sue Carter),
breast cancer has metastasized to liver

Gene Spindler (Sean Spindler's father), bacte-
rial infection in leg, now in rehab

Rev. Greg Ellcey (retired NA Pastor), kidney
failure

Ginny Wolfe (friend of Pat Bunders), ovarian
cancer

Prayers for our country to work through all
the problems existing

Prayers for our church that we work together

to accomplish our transition

Prayers for protection and
peace for students, parents,
and staff, as Janesville

schools return to in person
classes, after being virtual

since Fall

Prayers for medical person-
nel & health systems that
are overloaded.



New Covid-19 diagnoses

Teachers, Parents, & Students

Those who are depressed and struggling

Renters facing eviction

Prayer for new opportunity

Open hearts toward those who are suffering
more than we.

Those looking for work.

Those families struggling to find peace at
home.

Those affected by natural disasters.

Those who are victims of domestic abuse.

Those who are facing difficult medical prob-
lems.

Those suffering from addiction.

Those affected by mass shootings.

Those who are grieving

Family and friends of Joe Harrell

Family & friends of Ronald Ruble

Family & friends of Lillian Kortheuer

Family and friends of Fred Currier

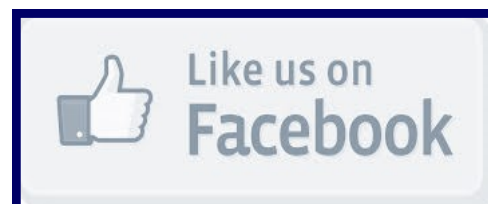
Those who are serving our country

Tom Labenski and Chris Cox, (nephews and
friends of Porter and Carren Martin)

March Mission of the Month

Recycle The Warmth

**Please contact Elizabeth at the Heritage
Office with any updates or corrections.**



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Faith

Freedom

Fellowship



Highlights

Articles

Due

In the Church Office
or to Sue Carter by
March 18th.



March/April Dates to Remember

Wednesdays
March 3,10,17

Prayer Group 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 19

Closing on sale of church

Sunday, March 28

Palm Sunday

Thursday, April 1

Maundy Thursday

Friday, April 2

Good Friday

Sunday, April 4

Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 18

**Town Hall meeting following
Morning Worship**



**Sunday Mornings at 10:30
a.m. Via Zoom**

Faith, Freedom and Fellowship are the hallmarks of the Congregational Way. As a Congregational Church, we are a freely gathered body, centered on Christ and bound together by covenant. We are a church that values spiritual growth, shared dialogue and working together for God's glory. We believe in the freedom of individual conscience regarding Biblical interpretation, and respect theological and social diversity. We invite you to join us in worshipping God.