



# The Refrigerator Page

First Congregational Church  
of Chelsea, UCC  
September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019

## Kid's Kin-dom KICK-OFF and Fellowship Meal

Following worship, at 10:30am there will be a Fellowship Meal honoring the children and young adults of FCC ages birth to 21 years old. That Sunday there will be a Blessing of the Backpacks for the start of the new school year and the children's next step in the Kids' Kin-dom program. In the Fellowship area is a sign-up sheet for your help with kid-friendly food for the meal. To pray for and celebrate the FCC children/young adults from birth to age 21, please send me their name/s. Anne Colone, email: [annecolone@gmail.com](mailto:annecolone@gmail.com) or text or call: 810-599-7921.

## Community Garden

Did you know that our Congregation has planted a 20 x 20 plot in the Chelsea Community Garden behind Veteran's Memorial Park?

All tools are provided and available, we just need members to volunteer a small amount of time to help keep up our vegetables and flowers.

If you are interested in more information or would like to volunteer, sign-up sheets are located in the fellowship area or you can contact Josh Tucker at [Tuckjosh@umich.edu](mailto:Tuckjosh@umich.edu).

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>

9:30AM Traditional Worship  
10:45AM Parent Connect  
11:00AM Safe Sanctuary Training  
11:30AM Parables Worship

### Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>

2:00PM Bible Study @ the Pines

### Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>

7:00PM Choir Rehearsal **CANCELLED**

### Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>

4:00PM Rental (Chelsea Songfest)

### Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>

9:30AM Traditional Worship  
10:30AM Fellowship Meal  
11:30AM Parables Worship

### Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>

12:30PM Ladies out to Lunch (Stivers)

2:00PM Bible Study @ the Pines

7:00PM Council Meeting

### Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>

7:00PM Choir Rehearsal

**\*\*Pastor Joe will be out of office from Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Pastor LeAnn for pastoral emergencies during that time\*\***

## September Anniversaries

09/12 Tyler & Sarah Stevenson

09/28 Larry & Shirley Chapman

## September Birthdays

09/01 Makiah Huebner

09/01 Alice Rhodes

09/02 Teresa Holmes

09/05 Lisa Jeffreys

09/06 Deacon Jeffreys

09/09 Alex Beaumont

09/09 Angela Chapman

09/12 Joyce Humphries

09/15 David Schrottenboer

09/17 David Johnston

09/18 Jim Hava

09/18 Tim Rosentreter

09/18 Kevin Rosentreter

09/18 Hunter Turner

09/20 Madeline Collins

09/21 Sarah Herwick

09/22 Diane Edman

09/23 Clara Moerman

09/25 Brett Bowersox

09/25 Judy Murphy

09/29 Ruth

Conlon-Menlove

09/29 Lori Iles

## Ladies out to Lunch Tuesday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>

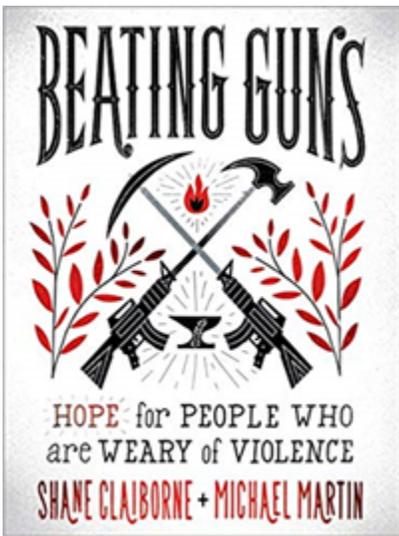
12:30pm

at Stiver's

Sign-up in the  
fellowship room.

<p><b>Attendance</b>  <b>Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019</b>          Combined Worship          Adults – 37 Youth – 4</p>	<p><b>Faith In Action</b>          Donations requested          are:          Cereal, Baked Beans,          and Salad Dressing</p>	<p><b>ONA Corner</b>          “Why become Open and Affirming? We already welcome all people!”</p> <p><b>To reach and retain young people.</b> Researchers are finding that young people value inclusion of LGBTQ+ people. They want their faith communities to be models of this same value. Some congregations fear that joining the Open and Affirming roster will somehow make them a “gay church”. Many Open and Affirming congregations report that the demographic most often drawn in by Open and Affirming status is actually young couples with children. They are seeking communities prepared to help them raise their children in ways consistent with their values. They want their children to grow up surrounded by diversity, to see that they will be loved no matter who they grow up to become.</p> <p>Please reach out to Jane Shrosbree, 734-358-5555 or Josh Tucker tuckjosh@umich.edu if you have any questions about ONA and our place in the process.</p>
<div data-bbox="371 348 531 459" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Rev Dr. Larry Odom-Groh has offered to lead his Basic Bible Study for First Congregational church. This bible study is in 47 lessons over the course of a year. In easy steps, students will read through the bible and develop a personal bible study notebook that will serve them for the rest of their lives. This study is great for the beginner student and a wonderful refresher for the lifelong student. The study will begin on Thursday, September 19th. Please note your name and what time of day would work best for you on the sign-up sheet on the welcome board, if both times work feel free to check them both!</p>		

**Let’s Start a Dialogue and TRUST we can hear each other!**



This book, *Beating Guns*, that just came out in March 2019 is not about blaming or politics. It is not about pie-in-the-sky dreaming. It's about a hopeful non-partisan way forward.

Author Shane Claiborne speaks around the world and is the author of numerous books, including *The Irresistible Revolution*. He is the visionary founder of The Simple Way in Philadelphia. Author Michael Martin is a Mennonite pastor turned blacksmith (he is the director of RAWtools Inc. which turns assault rifles into garden tools), and who also resources communities with nonviolent confrontation skills. He has been featured in *The New York Times*, *Inside Edition*, and NPR.

Shane introduces himself as one who comes from the South, where " God and guns go together like milk and Oreo cookies." He embraces that reality as part of himself, and doesn't seek to shame anyone or blame anyone for the epidemic today. He knows that people who value guns are as weary of the ridiculous violence as much as anyone else.

If you would like to be more "empowered and informed" than "hopeless and fearful" in your response to the next mass shooting in America, join us in discussing this book the month of October.

**Wednesdays, from October 2 -- November 6**

Please sign up on the white board near the church entrance---we need at least 5 people interested in order to meet.