

A photograph of a sandy beach with several footprints leading away from the viewer towards the top right corner. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

What Is The Real Cost Of Following Jesus?

September 08 2019

The Congregational Church UCC
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Church Office Hours: M-F 10am-2pm
Pastor's Office hours: Tues & Wed 9am-12pm
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Youth, Charlotte Gillen

Preparation Music
Ring of The Church Bell
Welcoming of Visitors and Friends
Worship Begins With Prayer
Call to Worship

Pastor: We are each called to be disciples of Christ. If we accept this call, the Christian life must be our highest priority.

People: **The Christian life is important to us. But it has become such a comfortable life, that we forget the demands of real Christian discipleship.**

Pastor: It is no less demanding today than when Jesus said we must renounce all to be his disciples.

People: We do not want to falter in our Christian commitment. May God help us to be faithful.

All: God in heaven, whose Son requires his followers to first count the cost before becoming his disciples; reveal to us our commitments which conflict with our decision to be his disciples, that we may re-order our lives, and make the necessary sacrifices demanded of all true disciples. In our Savior's name we pray. Amen.

Opening Song #53 “Le All Things Now Living”

Scriptures Luke 14:25-33 NLT

A large crowd was following Jesus. He turned around and said to them, (26) "If you want to be My disciple, you must hate everyone else by comparison—your father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even your own life. Otherwise, you cannot be My disciple. (27) And if you do not carry your own cross and follow Me, you cannot be My disciple. (28) "But don't begin until you count the cost. For who would begin construction of a building without first calculating the cost to see if there is enough money to finish it? (29) Otherwise, you might complete only the foundation before running out of money, and then everyone would laugh at you. (30) They would say, 'There's the person who started that building and couldn't afford to finish it!' (31) "Or what king would go to war against another king without first sitting down with his counselors to discuss whether his army of 10,000 could defeat the 20,000 soldiers marching against him? (32) And if he can't, he will send a delegation to discuss terms of peace while the enemy is still far away. (33) So you cannot become My disciple without giving up everything you own.

Collection of Tear Off Sheets

Children's Moment “Follow Through”

Joyful Noise Anthem

Confession of Sin

All: We are disciples of your Son, O God, but we cannot help feeling you are disappointed with our discipleship. Even though we accept the Christian name, we are too unconcerned with the changes we ought to make in our life style as your disciples. Forgive us for accepting the vows of Christian discipleship without considering the sincerity and dedication to make all other commitments in light of our decision to follow Christ our Lord, through whom we pray. Amen

Response #502 “Amazing Grace” vs. 1

Pastoral Prayers, Including the Lord’s Prayer

Offering

Sung Praises Praise God from whom all blessings....

Prayer of Dedication

Message “Follower or Disciple?”

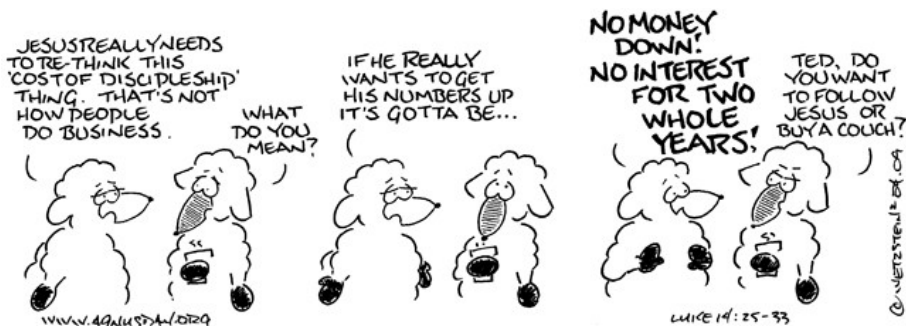
Closing Song : #721 “Shine Jesus Shine”

Closing Blessing

Closing Response Amen; Amen; Amen.

Music to Send Us Into The World

*** Nursery available during Worship and Education Hour**



CHURCH CALENDAR

Sun. Sep 08	10:00 am	Worship/Sunday School/Bring Grandparents to Church Day
	11:15 am	Trustee Meeting
	11:15 am	Confirmation Parent/Student/Mentor Mtg.
Mon. Sep 09	9:30 am	Senior Dining Hall Open
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Tues. Sep 10	6:30 am	Men's Bible Study
	9:30 am	Senior Dining Hall Open
	10:00 am	Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Council Meeting
Wed. Sep 11	3:30 pm	Homework and Hangout
	5:45 pm	Youth Group Dinner
	6:30 pm	Float Decorating
Thur. Sep 12	9:30 am	Senior Dining Hall Open
	3:30 pm	Pie Baking
	5:30 pm	Women's Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Money Management
Fri. Sep 13	9:30 am	Senior Dining Hall Open
	1:00 pm	Food Prep for Fall Festival Booth
	6:00 pm	Youth Pie Judging @ Soo Line Park
Sat. Sep 14	6:30 am	Fall Festival Food Booth
	10:30 am	Fall Festival Parade
Sun. Sep 15	10:00 am	Worship/Sunday School



You find that the things you let go of
while following Jesus were the
things that were going to destroy
you in the end.

— Francis Chan —

AZ QUOTES

**Welcome: To our members, friends, guests and visitors.
Our Congregation reaches out to you in faith and love.**

September Ushers and Coffee Host - Women of Faith

Remember in your Prayers: Pray for our service personnel, for Fire, Police and EMS workers, for all who keep us safe and strong. Pray for those that are ill or hospitalized. Pray for those fighting addiction in all forms. Pray for LeAnn S.; Dave W.; Dave B.; Laura; Penny S.; Sharon; Carter; Danny W.; Susan; Juli's sister, Betsy; Healing for Joyce S. and Kate B.; Evelyn H.; Carter S.; Pray for family healing for those in need. Pray for people all over the world affected by extreme weather. Pray for all the victims of the 280 mass shootings this year and all the others affected by everyday gun violence. We give praise for answered prayers for the health and safety of our loved ones. Pray for God to watch over our school children. Please continue praying for healing for Dave Gillen and strength for Char.

Pastor's Office Hours: Pastor Schaefer's regular office hours are Tuesday and Wednesday from 9am to 12pm. To contact him, call his cell 715-222-2899.

News and Events:

Bible Study: Tuesdays at 10am in the Congo Conference Room. "Know How We Got Our Bible"

Youth News:

Cooks needed: we are still in need of volunteers to help feed our Congo kids on Wednesday evenings. Please see Charlotte Gillen if you are able to help!

Confirmation news: Today following our 10am worship service there will be a brief meeting for Confirmation students, parents and mentors to discuss our upcoming Confirmation program year.

Adult volunteers needed for the Amery Fall Festival Youth

Pie Contest: If you love to make pies and hang out with awesome kids, we have a wonderful opportunity for you! Thursday September 12th we will meet in the Congo kitchen after school to help our youth bake pies for the fall festival pie contest the following day. If this is something you would like to help with, please let Charlotte know. Thank you!

Amery Fall Festival Parade: Saturday September 14th. Amery Congo Youth will have a float in the parade. Anyone wishing to walk alongside and hand out candy, or ride on the float, please let Charlotte Gillen know. Parade line-up begins at 10am, the parade starts at 10:30am

September 28th: Walk to end Alzheimer's. Please join our Congo kids as they walk to help end Alzheimer's. Registration begins at 9am, walk is at 10am. Please meet at our Congo parking lot. If you are unable to walk but would like to donate to the cause, please contact Charlotte Gillen at 715.338.6929.

Charlotte Gillen, Youth Director
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Thank you to everyone who donated toward our Youth Group Chefs' first dinner. The sesame chicken was a huge success . The youth might have to plan on serving it again now that they have the recipe and prep down pat. Needless to say, the s'more cookies were a hit. I don't know who had more fun making them, Juli or the youth. I sure heard a lot of laughing going on. The broccoli with homemade cheese sauce seemed popular. Happiness for me is when kids eat greens. I only wish we could get a couple of adults on board with veggies - right Char and Joyce? Speaking of which, we have two vegetarians in youth group. I am going to challenge our youth chefs to find main meal recipes to accommodate these young ladies.

Again, thank you for your support. All of our members and friends make me proud in the way you are so strongly committed to our incredible Youth Program.

Blessings,
Your Church Lady

Amery UCC Mission Statement:

"We are a family of faith, dedicated to the mission of making disciples, spreading the Good News and baptizing in the name of Jesus Christ"

BIRTHDAYS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPT. 8

09/08 Tyler Jackson

09/09 Leland Anderson

09/14 Patrick Langlois



ALL SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

09/01 Bradon Folkert

09/01 Karri Bowen

09/02 Gavin Harris

09/02 Paula Richey

09/02 Pat Canham

09/03 Kori Nelson

09/04 Cooper Harris

09/05 Patric Hesch

09/06 Thomas Bowen

09/07 Shania Burstad

09/08 Tyler Jackson

09/09 Leland Anderson

09/14 Patrick Langlois

09/18 Chris Anderson

09/21 Adam Tulkki

09/21 Gary Piasecki

09/21 Otilia Anderson

09/22 Barry Schaefer

09/23 Evie Porter

09/24 Leanne Whitley

09/25 Adam Morris

09/25 Joy Silvis

09/25 Sasha Rondeau

09/26 Randy Olson

09/28 Teri Kohlrusch

09/30 Alexander Martin

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A New Christian
Based Cancer
Support Group is
starting:

Wednesday

September 18, 2019

Amery Public Library
Meeting Room

10:00 A.M.

Everyone is welcome!