

**WEEKDAY WORDS**  
Thursday, September 8, 2022  
**RALLY DAY EDITION!**

**NOTE: THIS WEEK WE RETURN TO OUR FALL SCHEDULE**

**THANK YOU!**

The first flock of geese just flew overhead – heading south. A blue jay has been screaming it's head off, while a kingfisher watches for its breakfast from a rock in the bay. The morning hours provide the chance to listen to creation's whisper that it is time to go home. I am so grateful to the host of people who filled in during my vacation. Thank you to Anne in our office, to Barb and Brianna for covering worship, to Dave Johnson and Laurel Harte-Westover for covering pastoral care needs and to Lori, Buzz and Linda for being "on call". Our time away has been rest-filled and now I look forward to seeing you, to catching up on your lives and to the ministry opportunities that await us in the coming months. I'll see you on Sunday!

**THIS SUNDAY**

We kick off the fall schedule of church activities with a very special Rally Day as we welcome Rachel Merrill from Heifer International.

- 9:30 Faith Formation begins at 9:30 with singing and prayer with Pastor Vicki. Rachel-from-Heifer is eager to meet all our children and then the classes will divide up for the start of Bible-based lessons.
- 10:30 Pastor Vicki will lead our liturgy and our special guest, Rachel Merrill will preach. Rachel will also lead a very special children's moment that you won't want to miss. Find the live-stream link at [www.homercc.org](http://www.homercc.org)
- noon After worship, join us for our first Mission Lunch. We've invited Rachel to share more about the ministry of Heifer International. Following the service we will enjoy a light lunch of soups and breads, followed by Rachel's presentation. The meal will be served by our young people wearing their *Winner Winner Chicken Dinner* aprons.

**NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR**

- Monday Staff Meeting at 10 AM
- Tuesday Our Deacons will meet at 6:30.
- Wednesday Worship & Music will meet at 6:00.  
Choir meets at 7:00.
- Friday Happy Birthday, Alex Faulkenbury!

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION: STARTING POINT**

Soon, a new opportunity for adult Faith Formation will begin. Carrie Scheibner will kick-off this new format by introducing an article, short video or podcast that will be offered as the *Starting Point* for discussion on Sunday mornings. Our launch date will be announced soon.

**CALLING ALL YOUTH!**

Pastor Vicki is looking forward to gathering with the youth (those who have been confirmed and those in grades 9 – 12) on Sunday, September 18 at noon. We'll have lunch and, together, we will plan youth activities for the fall. BRING YOUR CALENDAR!