



From the Administrator,

Welcome to the newsletter for the 1st of October. You will find information from Ellen Paul, Stephanie Cloak-Sander, Gigi La Budde, John Lichtenheld, and Hope House that I hope you find interesting. Please let me know if I can be of assistance. My usual Park Hall hours are Tuesday and Friday mornings from 9:00 a.m. and by appointment. Park Hall Voicemail: 608.643.3131 **Fritz Parks**

Upcoming Sunday Programs (10:10 a.m.)

Date	Program	Speaker	Topic
Oct 3	Spiritual Roundtable	Bill Ladewig	Texas Abortion Ban
Oct 10	U.U. Program	Pema Antoniotti	The Dance of Change
Oct 17	Founders Day/Potluck	Greg Armstrong	Nature & Spirituality
Oct 24	U.U. Program	Robin Proud	Frances Harper—Further Writings
Oct 31	5th Sunday Work Day	All welcome	Tasks inside and out

We invite you to attend our **in-person Sunday programs** at our newly restored Park Hall. We require our guests to follow the CDC and local health recommendations for mask use when inside. We have masks available. Childcare is provided each Sunday; but we cannot accommodate children who are ill.

Our Sunday programs are also **available live on Zoom**. Please see Zoom instructions on the last page.

Notes and Events from/for Members, Friends and Community

The **Board of Directors** of the Free Congregation will meet on **October 10 at Park Hall** following the Sunday program. If you have an issue for us to an address, please email Nick Schweitzer, President of the Board at jnschweitzer@gmail.com so that it may be added to the agenda. The meeting will also be on Zoom.

Mark your calendar for our next work day: **October 31**. There will be things to do both inside and outside. Masks are required for inside work; halloween costumes are optional. Call John Lichtenheld for more information, **(608) 220-0043**.

The **Cemetery Affairs Committee** will meet **October 3 at Slotty Road at noon**. Bring a chair, and a snack, Hopefully the weather will allow a meeting under the pines. Call **Gigi La Budde** for information: **608-469-4348**.

The **Celebration of Life for Jane Eisely** will be held **Saturday, October 16**. There will be a presentation and a finger-food potluck from **noon to 2 p.m.** **Stephanie Cloak-Sander** requests volunteers to help set up the food at **11:00 a.m.** and **clean up at 2 p.m.** For the Potluck, finger food is requested instead of hot dishes or salads. Dark beer and soft beverages will be provided by the family.

Our **Founders Day Stiftungsfest Holiday** is **October 17**. Our **Guest Speaker** will be **Greg Armstrong**. His topic will be **Nature & Spirituality**. Prior to retirement, Greg spent 50 years restoring natural places as **Director** of the **UW Arboretum** and as **Land Manager at Holy Wisdom Monastery** in **Middleton**. The public is invited. The program starts at **10:10 a.m.** and will be broadcast on Zoom. A potluck meal will follow the program. Come as you are, dish in hand or not; we will have plenty of food

We request that members bring dishes for the Founders Day potluck according to last name: A-K salads & breads, L-R entree dishes, and S-Z desserts. We also need members to sign up to run the potluck. Watch your email for information.

Hope House will have a fund raiser **Thursday, October 21**. Supporters are invited to wear purple clothing to raise awareness of domestic violence. Donations will be collected at 99.7 MAX FM in Baraboo until 2 p.m. and MacFarlane's in Sauk City until 6 p.m. Contact **Deb** at **608-356-9123 x120**.

Park Hall Events, by Ellen Paul

Trevor Stephenson, fortepiano and Michael Hawes, bass-baritone and trumpet produced a video recording at Park Hall September 1-3. They presented a concert on September 3 which benefited in part the Historic Park Hall Renovation Fund. The congregation received just over \$500.00 for the event. A special thank you goes to members who were able to attend and to Susan Larkin, Lynne Roberts, and Dave Siegfried who assisted me that evening.

Upcoming Events at Park Hall

October 2, 2021–Peggy Lahti Celebration of Life

October TBD, 2021–Carlos Olaechea–Floridian Cuisine Night

October 9, 2021–Indivisible Sauk Prairie Informational Social and Meeting

October 16, 2021–Jane Eiseley Celebration of Life

October 20, 2021–George Culver Community Library Story time and tour

To reach Ellen, ph: 608-957-7499, email: ParkHallEvents@gmail.com.

How to join our Zoom Sunday Programs. Please use the following steps to join each and every one of our Zoom programs. We will use this simple method for **every Zoom meeting**. You should have success by following the steps below each time.

1. Go to the Sunday Programs tab of our website:
<http://www.freecongregation.org/sunday-programs.aspx>
2. Refresh the browser page.
3. Click the “**Join Our Zoom Meeting**” link in RED TEXT.

The “**Join Our Zoom Meeting**” link will not be visible until 15 minutes before our meeting; typically this is 9:55 a.m. for a 10:10 a.m. meeting. Early birds will see the option to “**Join a Practice Zoom Meeting**”. Refreshing the page after 9:55 a.m. should reveal the active meeting link.

Instructions to join the meeting by telephone are on this same web page.

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