

## CONFIRMATION CLASS PLANS - Calling All 8th Grade Students!

Our Confirmation program begins on Sunday, September 22, with a Class Dedication during the 9:00 service. A brief Orientation for students and parents will follow the service. This coming year, our program will focus on exploring the Bible, our faith, and service to our church. Through volunteerism of our church members, we will support our students on their faith journey, ensuring this important program of First Congregational Church continues. All 8th grade students are welcome! Please reach out to the Church Office ([office@portucc.org](mailto:office@portucc.org)) if your child will be participating.



## JOIN OUR CHURCH MUSIC PROGRAM



We currently offer two dynamic choir programs – the Handbell Choir and Chancel Choir. We hope to resume Children's Choir activities soon.

**HANDBELL CHOIR** - Open to all high school students and older. You do not need to be a member of our church to participate. Feel free to invite your friends and neighbors to join. The Handbells rehearse every Wednesday evening from 7:00 - 8:00 in the music room. They generally perform on the third Sunday of each month during the 9:00 service. No experience is necessary. If you can count to ten, you can learn how to play! Join at any time. The first rehearsal is September 4.

Director Lydia Linendoll began leading our Handbell Choir three years ago. Lydia is also a member of the Milwaukee Handbell Ensemble.

**CHANCEL CHOIR** - Open to all high school students and older. You do not need to be a member of our church to participate. Therefore, if you have a friend or neighbor who enjoys singing, feel free to invite them. The choir rehearses every Monday evening from 6:30 - 7:30 in the sanctuary. They generally perform on the second and fifth Sundays of each month during the 9:00 service. No experience is necessary, and you don't need to know how to read music. Join at any time! The first rehearsal is September 9.

Director Brett Dimmer has led the Chancel Choir for over 10 years. Brett teaches instrumental music in the Grafton school district and is the Director of the Port Washington City Band.



## ELEVATOR UPDATE

Loan paperwork has been submitted to UCC Cornerstone Fund for \$66,000, which covers the remaining funds needed to pay MEI elevator services for repairs completed, and to contract with Otis elevator company for the additional parts and labor needed to complete the work on the electrical system. We are working with Otis to determine what is needed to finalize repair work.