



# The Good News

## of First Presbyterian Church for June 2018

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"I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope."

Psalm 130.5 [NRSV]

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### Bdecan team solicits school supplies, socks and underwear for children at Spirit Lake

This month the Bdecan VBS team is gathering school supplies for the children of the Bdecan Church on the Spirit Lake Reservation in North Dakota. Needed items are crayons, markers, pens, pencils, colored pencils, erasers, safety scissors, glue sticks, notebooks, rulers, and folders.

We are also collecting new socks and underwear in sizes for school-aged children, both for boys and girls, so they have these for school. There is a box in the atrium in which to place donated items or you can turn them in at the office.

If you would like to make a cash donation, these funds will be used to purchase snow pants, boots, shoes, underwear and socks for the Bdecan kids. Due to the extreme winters in northern North Dakota, the children need warm winter clothing to wear while they wait outside in the cold and wind for the school buses. If you are donating funds, please mark "Bdecan Project" in the memo line of your check and put it in the offering plate or drop it off at the office.

The Bdecan VBS team wishes to thank you for your generous support of the Bdecan ministry!

Members of this year's Bdecan VBS team are **Cindy Kunzman, Jane Hallman, Ginger Kirby, Jean Abels, Jane Murl, Ruth Saling, Vicki Wintheiser and her grandson Solomon Fisher, Phyllis Schmid, Marylynn Aalderks, Heide Buettner, and Mike Maxon** from the Presbyterian Church in Ely. **Trudy Obermeyer**, mother of **Joe Obermeyer**, the youth pastor at the Bdecan Church, will meet us at the Bdecan church and will be helping us.

~ Marylynn Aalderks / Bdecan Mission Team

### Celebrate Father's Day with brunch on June 17

After worship on Sunday June 17, join your FPC family for a Father's Day brunch featuring wings and a (non-alcoholic) Bloody Mary Bar.

To round out our brunch, please bring a dish to share: egg bake, fruit or coffee cake. Other drinks will be provided. The podium will be open for anyone who wants to honor dads, grandfathers, or someone who has been like a dad with thanks and encouragement.

~ Allyson Maurer / Welcoming and Nurturing Committee

### How to get a visit when you're in the hospital

Mayo has adjusted their policies about providing patient information to churches. The church staff is now able to call the chaplains' office and they will tell us if one of our members has been admitted and their room number.

If you are admitted to the hospital and would like one of the pastors or a deacon to visit, please tell the hospital staff during admittance that you are a **member of 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church, Rochester**. They do not list by general denomination but rather by affiliation with a specific church. The church office will check with the chaplains' office twice a week.

As always, the best way to let us know that you or a loved one or a fellow church member has been hospitalized is by calling the church office directly (282-1618).

Thank you!

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### Sunday Worship at 9:30 a.m.

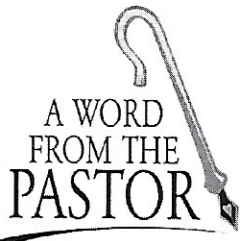


From Memorial Day Sunday through Labor Day Sunday we will worship on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Nursery and childcare will be provided for infants through third graders. Children 4-years-old through third grade may leave worship after the children's message for Kids' Zone or stay in worship for the entire hour. Coffee and donuts will be available both before (beginning at 8:45 a.m.) and after the service.

The office will be open from 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Mondays - Thursdays, 7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Fridays, and closed Saturdays.

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by Rev. T. J. Parlette

June 2018

On our Presbyterian Planning calendars, there is a note on June 19. At the bottom of the daily calendar box it says "Juneteenth."

Juneteenth is a holiday that most white Americans don't know much about and most African Americans know very well. Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration of the ending of slavery. From its origin in 1865 (two years after the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863) in Galveston, Texas, the observance of June 19 as the African American Emancipation Day has spread across the United States and beyond.

Today Juneteenth commemorates African American freedom and emphasizes education and achievement. It is a day, sometimes a week, and in some areas, a month marked with celebrations, guest speakers, worship gatherings and family reunions, centered on barbecue, strawberry soda and jazz music (depending on the region). It is a time for reflection and rejoicing. It is a time for assessment, self-improvement and for planning the future.

In cities across the country, people of all races, nationalities and religions are joining hands to truthfully acknowledge a period in our history that shaped and continues to influence our society today.

On Sunday, June 17 (the closest Sunday to Juneteenth), we will be celebrating Father's Day and having a cookout after worship, hosted by the Welcome and Nurture Committee. During our worship, we will be doing some liturgical pieces centered on Juneteenth. I hope you'll join us for some good food and the recognition that we are all created equal, but we still have a long way to go to overcome our history.

Peace, T. J.

## New members' seminar planned for June 3

Rev. Parlette is offering a seminar for anyone wanting to join First Presbyterian Church or for anyone interested in knowing more about our church. The seminar will meet in the Sheldon Jackson Lounge on Sunday, June 3 following worship (from 10:45 a.m.-12:00 noon).

Those deciding to join will meet with the Session at 9 a.m. June 10 and be introduced to the congregation at worship that day. Please call the church office if you plan to attend (282-1618).

**Members: to stay informed about church events text the word 'connect' to 507-200-3175.**

## Stewardship Alive!

### Take Care

*Take care of.* That's language not of ownership but of stewardship.

What have we been called to "take care of for a little while"? The earth, surely. Perhaps a congregation, a business, a neighbor in need, a volunteer or an employee. A child, who may need less care — or different forms of it — as time goes on. We don't own these people and things. God invites us to be stewards of them, to care for them, to use wisely and value these precious gifts ... and someday, to pass them on to others.

~ Newsletter / February 2017

### Financial Statement / April 2018

#### General Operating Budget

Balance (3/31/18)	\$ 113,127.38
Receipts (April)	+ 47,419.63
Disbursements (April)	- 58,407.21
Balance (4/30/18)	\$ 102,134.61



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The Good News is published the first of each month for members and friends of First Presbyterian Church (FPC).

The newsletter tells the story of the church, promotes its programs, and publicizes opportunities to live out one's faith.

Deadline for submission of material is the fifteenth of the preceding month.

#### Church Staff

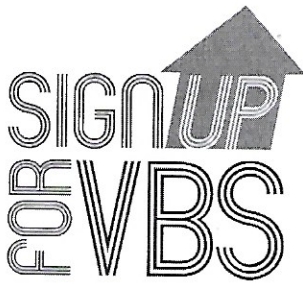
Pastor	Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette
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Sunday service of worship at 9:30 a.m. through Labor Day Sunday  
Office hours: Monday-Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.;  
Friday, 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.; Saturday, office closed  
Visit our WEB site at [www.FPCRochester.org](http://www.FPCRochester.org).

**The mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Rochester is to reflect God's love for all people by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.**





## VBS Registration: Last Chance!

There is still time to register for Vacation Bible School! VBS will be held **June 11-15** from **9 a.m.-noon** and is open to children entering kindergarten through 5th grade (based on 2018-19 school year). Stop by the church office for a registration form. Cost is \$20/child with a maximum of \$50/family. Scholarships are available! Contact Susanna for any questions ([stone.susanna@fpcrochester.org](mailto:stone.susanna@fpcrochester.org)).

## Vacation Bible School: Volunteers Needed!

You can still register to be a VBS volunteer! You can be as involved as you like, from leading a group, supporting a leader, or being a shepherd and making sure the children get to where they need to go. You can volunteer for all five days or only one day; for all three hours or just one hour. If you enjoy working with the youth of the church and are interested in assisting VBS in any way, please let Susanna know ([stone.susanna@fpcrochester.org](mailto:stone.susanna@fpcrochester.org)).

~ Susanna Stone / Coordinator Youth and Christian Education

## FORUMS@FIRST presents timely program on diabetes

Thanks to those who attended the excellent presentation on April 24. The panel presentations were very informative and the discussion with questions following the presentation was great.

One of the panelists, **Melanie Brennan, D.P.T.**, has developed an acclaimed program for preventing Type II diabetes. This program is covered by Medicare, Medicaid, and some insurance companies.

Melanie says in her brochures, "1 out of every 3 American adults has prediabetes, and most of them do not know it. Having prediabetes means your blood glucose (sugar) level is higher than normal but not high enough to be diagnosed as diabetes. This raises your risk of Type II diabetes, heart disease, and stroke."

To learn more about Melanie's program, please pick up a brochure by the Guest Register in the atrium.

~ Ken Aalderks / Social Concerns

*A report on the Book of the Month*

## **The Church of Facebook** by Jesse Rice

Let's start with what this book is not: it's not a how-to guide for churches to use Facebook. The book's subtitle *How the Hyperconnected Are Redefining Community* summarizes what the book is about.

Given Facebook's revolutionary cultural impact, author Jesse Rice gives his view of how this is changing church communities. Rice isn't the first nor the last to note how its popularity reflects of our primal human need for community. But social media has clearly changed the relationship paradigm. *The Church of Facebook* explores what this reveals about friendship, God, and our own hearts. Published in 2009, it's 192 pages.

~ Rev. Jay Rowland / Associate Pastor

## **Cut and Tie Party a success** **Thanks from the** **Bdecan Mission Team**

Thanks to everyone who played a role in making our "Cut and Tie Party" a success. Thanks to the generous donations of fabric and individuals' time we have 62 winter hats cut and sewn and ready to be completed by our Vacation Bible School participants. Each student will have a warm double-layered fleece hat for themselves and one to give a friend.

Twenty-five baby blankets were completed and will be given to the Foster Care Program on the reservation. An additional twenty blankets are now being cut for the youth to tie and give to friends or to the Food Pantry/Clothes Closet at the Bdecan church. Thanks again for joining our team!

~ Jane Hallman / Bdecan Mission Team

## **Calling all gardeners: we** **need your help** **watering the flowers**



With the coming of spring (soon, we hope), we are again planting pots of flowers to brighten the entrances to the church.

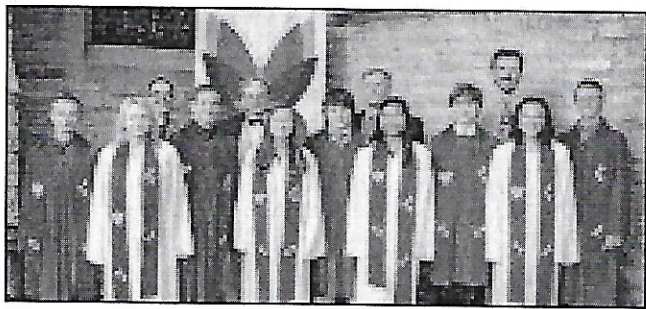
If anyone is willing to take a week this summer to water and fertilize the pots around the church and under the northeast and northwest signs, please contact **Judy Felten** (282-7128 or [JFeltenJAX@aol.com](mailto:JFeltenJAX@aol.com)).

This will probably start the beginning of June and last until mid-September, depending on early frosts. Last summer we had six helpers and we ended up taking 2-3 weeks each spread out over the summer.

Thank you for considering this opportunity.

~ Judy Felten / Master Gardener





### Confirmation Class of 2014

Picture by Warren Potter.

Many of these students are in the Senior Classes of 2018.  
Can you name them? They're identified on page 7.

## Hats off to our 2018 graduates

Pictured above are our students in the high school classes of 2018 as they were confirmed in 2014. On June 3 we will recognize the graduates and honor them at a reception after the service.



Graduates, we assure you of our continued love, and promise to remember and uphold you through our prayers. We pledge to always be your "family." No matter where you are or in what circumstances you find yourselves, we care about you and stand

ready to rejoice with you in your accomplishments, to support you in your failures, to remember you in prayer, and to grow with you in faith. We love you, "kids"!

High school seniors who are members of First Presbyterian or whose parents are members include

Liam Claton	Joseph Knopp	Hannah Rowland
Alex Doppler	Nathan Larson	Tony Santosuosso
Julia Ellefson	Megan Nayar	Elizabeth Sorenson
	Hannah Robison	Eva Tollefson

## Recent college graduates include

**Nicholas Benoit Nimmo Ouellette** graduated from the University of Calgary (Calgary, Alberta) with a Bachelor of Arts in Geography/Urban Studies.

**Simon Edouard Dunn Ouellette** graduated from the University of Western Ontario (London, Ontario) with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science.

**Maya Santosuosso** graduated from the University of Minnesota.

**Steven Kendrick Schalau** received a Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Design from North Dakota State University.

**Kiley Schmidt** graduated from the University of Minnesota with a Masters degree in Scientific and Technical Communication.

**Michaela Wentz** graduated from the University of Rochester in New York with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering.



## Ministry of Music

Lee Afdahl, Director of Music  
Katie Kuisle,

Director of Cherub and Calvin Choirs

"O music ... thou hast taught us  
to see with our ears  
and hear with our hearts."  
(Kahlil Gibran)

## Singing June 10: Summer Choir Volunteer summer choir sings second Sunday of month

Attention singers! We are continuing our tradition of a "walk-in" summer choir on the second Sundays of June, July, and August. Rehearsal for the anthem of the day is at 9 a.m. with one worship service at 9:30.

If you cannot commit to choir on a regular basis, this is your opportunity to enjoy singing to the Lord by participating in the summer choir. Hope to see you June 10, July 8, and/or August 12.

## Jubilate Deo attends Festival Handbell Conference

Jubilate Deo Handbell Choir will attend the biennial Area 7 Festival Conference of Handbell Musicians of America, hosted this June 22-24 at the Mayo Civic Center.

**Paul Kingsbury** of our choir, who also conducts the new Rochester Area Handbells (an advanced ringing community choir), will lead a conference handbell choir of challenging music at this event.

**Lee Afdahl** will share the podium with Raleigh Ringers' (North Carolina) conductor **David Harris** for the massed ringing of several hundred handbell/handchime ringers. Lee will also conduct a select group of advanced ringers called Bronze Plus.

**Chris Boswell** will be a featured handbell soloist.

**Cindy Kunzman** and **Paul Kingsbury** are local liaisons with the Area 7 Board.

The final concert is open to the public at the Civic Center, Sunday, June 24 at 1:30 p.m. Please come to enjoy the wonderful dimension of massed handbell music!

*Our thanks to all the singers, ringers, accompanists, and orchestra members who have faithfully provided leadership in worship music this past season. We look forward to your participation and leadership in the new season 2018-2019. Many persons have come forward to sing or play instruments this summer for our summer worship services as well. THANK YOU!*



## First Players announces leadership change

At the end of this school year **Katie Kuisle** will be stepping down as the director of the First Players program. Katie has done a great job with the program and we are thrilled that she will remain as the director of our Cherub and Calvin Choirs. The search is underway for her replacement and we have some very qualified candidates. If you have an interest in the position, please contact the church office.

### **Katie reminisces on four years with First Players**

“It has been my pleasure to work with First Players for the past four years. The program began when I was a sophomore in high school, and I know for certain if it had not been for the experiences I had with First Players early on, I would not have wanted to be a music teacher. Although the students, parents, staff, and congregation have been wonderful, my full-time job and blooming family are taking more and more time and attention. While I need to step away from this post, I am happy to be able to stay on as children's choir director. FPC is truly special and I'm thankful for every opportunity I have been given!”

## ***A Festival of Music concludes another successful year***

Our thanks to all who supported both financially and with your presence the 2017-2018 season of *A Festival of Music Concert Series*, our twenty-seventh season! Consistently good attendance and a fine variety of music and instruments all added to the success of the series.

The committee welcomes new member **Ken Aalderks** and says good-bye and thanks to retiring member **Bob Jacobson**. Ongoing members are **Carolyn Beck, Mary Beyerle, Elizabeth Dunn, Lois Fye, Janet Hosier (chair), Dave Kerr, Connie Larson, Jo Rockwell, Ruth Saling, James Sessler, Britta Youmans, and Lee Afdahl (advisor)**. The Future Artists sub-committee includes **Carolyn Beck, Janet Hosier, Lois Marsh, Robert Scoggin, and Lee Afdahl**.

Please join us in attending and supporting the 2018-2019 series and watch for more information in the July Good News as well as the concert series brochure mailed to all members late this summer.

## **Actors, performers and behind-the-scenes helpers needed for Madrigal Feaste**

We are still looking for actors and performers for our Madrigal Feaste! Scripted and improvised parts are available for the program. We also need table performers: musicians, jugglers, magicians and more! There are also opportunities for helping with serving, scenery, costumes, make up, promotion and other supporting roles. Madrigal Feaste will be presented December 1.

Please contact **Gayle Jones** at (507) 993-2443 or **Allyson Maurer** at (507) 259-3878.

*from the FPC Parish Nursing program*

## **Practice lightning awareness**



During June we commemorate Lightning Safety Awareness Week, a time to remember to stay safe during our beautiful, dramatic and dangerous summer storms. Job 37:3-4 describes the beauty of lightning: “Under the whole heaven [God] lets it go, and his lightning to the corners of the earth. After it his voice roars; he thunders with his majestic voice, and he does not restrain the lightnings when his voice is heard.” Despite its beauty, lightning is dangerous, killing over 50 people in the United States each year and injuring many more. Here are 5 tips for summer storm safety:

- 1) When thunder roars, go indoors! Stay inside for 30 minutes after the last rumble.
- 2) If caught outdoors, do not seek shelter under trees.
- 3) If in your car, avoid contact with charging devices and metal surfaces.
- 4) If indoors during a storm, avoid corded phones, electrical cords, plumbing, concrete surfaces, doors and windows for maximum safety.
- 5) If someone you are with is struck by lightning, it is okay to touch them to assist or start CPR - they do not remain electrified after they are struck.

Enjoy the natural fireworks this summer but stay safe!

*~ Ariel Boswell / FPC Parish Nursing coordinator*

**Reminder:** *One of our parish nurses will be in our library the first Sunday of each month (after worship in the summer and between services the rest of the year) to take your blood pressure and answer questions you might have about your health.*

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## **A church or a club?**

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Rev. Theodore Wedel, a former canon of the National Cathedral, once told a parable about congregational life. It began: “On a dangerous sea coast where shipwrecks often occur, there was a crude little life-saving station. The building was just a hut, and there was only one boat, but the few devoted members kept a constant watch over the sea.”

Some neighbors and people who'd been rescued began donating time and money, thinking the station needed better furnishings and equipment. As the station grew as a gathering place, members hired lifeboat crews to do the dirty work of saving lives. Those who disagreed with that approach broke away to form their own stations.

The parable concluded: “If you visit that sea coast today, you will find a number of exclusive clubs along that shore. Shipwrecks are still frequent in those waters, but most of the people drown.”





## June 2018 Youth Group News

**Susanna Stone**  
Coordinator of Youth  
& Christian Education

Another successful youth group year is in the books! We had a great year getting to know each other, playing games, exploring the Bible, having fun, and completing service projects.

Some of our youth group highlights include:

- \* Outing to Northwoods Orchard
- \* Serving at the church Octoberfest and St. Patrick's Day dinners
- \* Post-Halloween Costume Party
- \* Decorating cookies for Bear Creek Services
- \* Wrapping Gifts for Brighter Tomorrows
- \* Joining other local Presbyterian youth for a lock-in, service project at Feed My Starving Children, and snowtubing at Ironwood Springs Christian Ranch
- \* Working on service projects for Ronald McDonald House
- \* Successfully completing both a church scavenger hunt AND an Easter egg hunt

Very special thanks go to our wonderful youth group leaders, **Jay Rowland** and **Dan Wentz**. A youth group thank you is also extended to **Mary Huie** who both helped us make cards and sold those cards as a fundraiser for our end-of-year outing. Thank you also to **Jane Hallman**, **Cindy Kunzman**, and **Connie Polk** for providing dinner for our youth. And of course, thank you to the entire church congregation who support our youth in all of their endeavors.

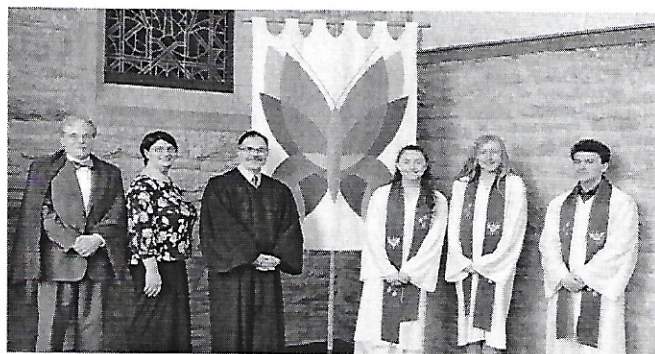
The youth will have their final celebration at our outing on June 8. We will meet once a month in July and August for a special outing each month. Details will be posted in the church bulletin and sent out via email. We will have our first youth group meeting of the fall on **Wednesday, September 12**.

**Like us on Facebook!** Stay up-to-date on all youth group activities by checking out the youth group Facebook page: @RochPresYouthGroup

**Bible Study ~ Wednesdays / 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
**Sheldon Jackson Lounge**

The Wednesday Bible Study will continue through the summer on an every other week schedule. The studies aren't dependent on having attended a previous class, so you are welcome to come whenever you can. Weekly topics will be announced in the Sunday bulletin and the Good News in Brief. The class is led by **Al Depman**.

**June 13 and 27, July 11 and 25, August 8 and 22**



Dan Wentz, Susanna Stone, Rev. Jay Rowland, Cameron Domnick, Clara Braun, Joshua Ellefson

## 2018 Confirmation Class welcomed into membership

On Sunday, May 13 the Confirmation Class of 2018, **Clara Braun**, **Cameron Domnick** and **Josh Ellefson**, were received into membership during the 11 a.m. worship service. Each student lead portions of the liturgy during the worship service and Cameron's younger sister Emerson was acolyte.

After worship the CE Committee hosted a reception with cake and punch. **Sally Brooks** took the class photo. In April after the class was formally received by the Session, Josh, Clara and Cameron each received a red prayer shawl presented on behalf of the Prayer Shawl group by **Elizabeth Remfert** and **Susie McClocklin**. Excerpts of their faith statements were printed in May's church newsletter. Congratulations to the Confirmation Class of 2018 and their families.

*~ Rev. Jay Rowland / Associate Pastor*

## Christian Education thanks adult education teachers

American philosopher, essayist, and poet Ralph Waldo Emerson once said, "If the stars came out only once a year, everybody would stay up all night to behold them. We have seen the stars so often that we don't bother to look at them anymore. We have grown accustomed to our blessings."

Here at First Presbyterian Church we have become accustomed to our adult education leaders. We are truly blessed to have such dedicated, hard-working, generous, knowledgeable adult education teachers.

**Jane Goodfriend** and **Ruth Walts** have been leading the Sunday morning Kerygma class for over twenty years.

**Al Depman** has been leading the Sunday morning current issues class for over twenty years and the Wednesday night Bible study for about ten years now.

Thank you Jane, Ruth and Al for all you do. Please take a moment when you get a chance and thank these "stars."

*~ Mark Mueller / Christian Education Committee*





## News from Presbyterian Women

\* *Sylvia Swede, facilitator*

New members are always welcome to join us for fellowship, prayer, and Bible study.

Circles will resume monthly meetings in September.

- \* The **Prayer Shawl group** will continue to meet during the summer on the second Thursday of each month at 1 p.m. in the lounge. Even if you aren't able to participate during the school year, you're welcome to come during the summer!
- \* *Thanks to everyone who contributed paper products and other requested items for Ronald McDonald House in May.*
- \* Thanks to the circle volunteers who helped make the Spring Gathering of Presbyterian Women in the Twin Cities Area successful. **Karen Edmonds** of Project Legacy was the keynote speaker. The worship service offering of \$1150 will go to Project Legacy.
- \* *The private home household goods sale May 4-5 raised \$2500 to supplement our mission budget. Many thanks to organizers **Judy Kruesel** and **Sally Brooks** and the volunteers who helped.*

## Softball

### FPC Softball Schedule - June/July 2018

Come, join us at the old ball game and cheer FPC to victory. All games are on Thursday night at McQuillan Field #1 (1 mile south of Cub Foods on Marion Road SE, turn right at stop light).

Date	Time	Opponent	Field
June 7	8:00	Assembly of God-Blue	McQuillan #1
June 14	8:00	Assembly of God-Green	McQuillan #1
June 21	6:10	Evangel UMC-Thunder	McQuillan #1
June 28	8:55	Calvary Baptist	McQuillan #1
July 5	8:00	Conquerors #1	McQuillan #1
July 12	8:55	Evangel UMC-Lightning	McQuillan #1

Watch for the playoff schedule following the regular games!

## To our members and friends at Charter House

We will continue to offer worship and communion the first Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. throughout the summer. We encourage you to take advantage of this worship opportunity when it's difficult for you to get out, or to come for midweek worship even if you get to church on Sunday. Invite your friends at Charter House to join you!

## Church Family News

### Anniversaries

Congratulations to these couples who will celebrate fiftieth (+) wedding anniversaries in June.

- 6/2: **Michael and Carol McDonough** (56)
- 6/5: **Elmer and Mary VanDerHeyden** (64)
- 6/8: **Dan and Suzanne Tolman** (61)  
**Ronald and Nancy Kreinbring** (50)
- 6/10: **John and Elaine Griffith** (57)
- 6/13: **Titus and Carol Evans** (54)
- 6/14: **William and Jean Johnson** (66)
- 6/14: **James and Jean Miner** (57)
- 6/18: **John and Judith Thistle** (58)  
**James and Sandra Walker** (52)
- 6/21: **Arnold and Linda Schroeter** (58)
- 6/22: **John and Shirley Service** (55)
- 6/24: **Robert and Gretchen MacCarty** (51)
- 6/25: **Lyle and Zoe Abrahamson** (57)  
**Jay and Carolyn Beck** (52)

### Births

Congratulations to **Brent, Rachael, and Brooklynn Kaslow** on the birth of their daughter and sister, **Stella Mae Kaslow**, May 13.

Congratulations to **Chris, Ariel, and Savannah Boswell** on the birth of their son and brother, **Noah Charles Boswell**, May 18.

### Birthdays

Happy Birthday to **Don Cain** who will celebrate his 91st birthday June 15.

Happy Birthday to **Virginia Christiansen** who will celebrate her 90th birthday June 18.

### Deaths

We extend our condolences to **Norman Nelson** on the death of his wife, **Hilda Nelson**, May 3.

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of **Darlene O'Malley**, who died May 18.

## Crafters Group welcomes young and old!

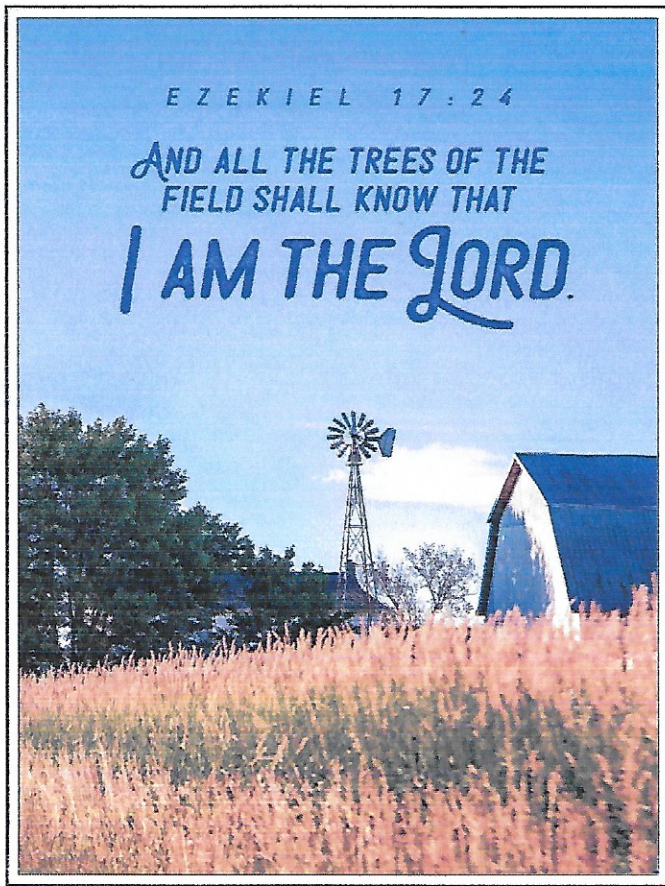
Crafters Group will meet on Wednesday, June 20 at 3 p.m. in the social hall. Come join us for fellowship and friendship as we make cards for our CARE members. All supplies are provided.

~ *Mary Huie (282-9712) / Crafters coordinator*

**Confirmation Class of 2014**  
Alex Doppler, Hannah Robison, Nathan Larson,  
Elizabeth Sorenson, Anthony Santososso,  
Nell Pennington, Joseph Knopp, Julia Ellefson,  
Liam Claton with Rev. Jay Kowland, Dan Wentz,  
Rev. T. J. Parlette, Derek Martin

*Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.*





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## June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>The family that eats together...</b>            A survey was taken at the University of Chicago. Graduate students were asked where they got most of their ideas about morality and religion. The majority said, "Through conversation with the family at mealtimes." (<i>Uplook</i>, June 1997)</p>					1	2
3 <b>Worship - 9:30 a.m.</b> Communion 9:30 AM Graduate Recognition/ Reception 10:30 AM Blood Pressure reading / Parish Nursing 10:45 AM New Mbr Class (10-45-12)	4 FPC@Community Food Response	5 Most committees meet/ check w/lead elder 9:30 AM Staff meeting 11:00 AM Grief Support Grp 7:00 PM Deacons/south fireside	6 1:00 PM Charter House worship and communion  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Last day of school</div>	7 8:00 AM Softball- Assembly of God- Blue@McQuillan #1	8 Youth Group outing / picnic and Escape House	9 11:00 AM Graduation/ Mayo HS-Civic Center 3:00 PM Graduation/Century HS-Civic Center 7:00 PM Graduation/JM HS- Civic Center
10 <b>Worship - 9:30 a.m.</b> 9:00 AM New Mbr class w/Session 9:00 AM Summer Choir rehearses 9:30 AM Summer Chor sings	11          <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Vacation Bible School (9 a.m.-noon) (Kindergarten-5th grade)</div>	12 9:30 AM Staff meeting	13 1:00 PM Kitchen Guild 6:30 PM Summer Bible Study/lounge	14 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Group 8:00 PM Softball-Assembly of God-Green@McQuillan #1	15 Newsletter items due	16          <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">223rd General Assemb...</div>
17 <b>Father's Day            Worship - 9:30 a.m.</b> 10:30 AM Father's Day Brunch	18          <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">223rd General Assembly PCUSA / St Louis (6/16-6/23/18)</div>	19 9:30 AM Staff meeting 7:00 PM Session/Fireside Rm	20 3:00 PM Crafters Group/ SHall	21 Summer begins 6:10 PM Softball-Evangel Methodist-Thunder @McQuillan #1	22          <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Area 7 Handbell Festival Conference</div>	23
24 <b>Worship - 9:30 a.m.</b> 1:30 PM Handbell Festival Concert/Civic Center  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Area 7 Handbell Festiv...</div>	25          <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">At least half of the exercise I get every day comes from jumping to conclusions. (Bruce Dexter)</div>	26 9:30 AM Staff meeting 1:00 PM Chancel Guild	27 Mail newsletter Mail quarterly statements 6:30 PM Summer Bible Study/lounge	28 8:55 PM Softball-Calvary Baptist@McQuillan #1	29	30