

The Good News

of First Presbyterian Church for August 2018

"Give thanks to the God of heaven. His love endures forever."

Psalm 136.26 [NIV]

Put on your walking shoes and come take a hike

It's summer, and that means it's time again for some fun group walks. **Mark Mueller** is again partnering with the parish nursing program to lead a series of family friendly group walks. The walks start at 1 p.m. on the fourth Sunday of each month July through September. Don't forget to bring a hat and water and wear sunscreen!

If the activity needs to be cancelled, a message will be left on the church's answering machine. This is a fun way to get outdoors, learn some local history, and spend time with other church members. Please feel free to invite your friends to come along. If you have questions, contact Mark at markmueller@chartermi.net.

August 26, 2018 – 1 p.m. – Essex Park

Meet at Essex Park (5455 West River Road NW) at 1 p.m. Come and enjoy this great green space that once was a farm in NW Rochester. It has plenty walking trails to enjoy.

September 23, 2018 – 1 p.m. – College Street

Meet at the First Presbyterian Church parking lot at 1 p.m. We will then check out part of historic Third Street and take a walk through the early days of Rochester on College Street. Be sure to bring your imagination.

~ Mark Mueller and Ariel Boswell

"If you want your children to turn out well, spend twice as much time with them, and half as much money."

~ Abigail Van Buren

Willet Houser extends invitation to see rose window being restored

As you may know, we are in the process of having our rose window stained glass restored. The company, Willet Houser of Winona, has taken the stained glass elements from our sanctuary to their facility in Winona for the restoration.

The company anticipates working on our glass during August and have offered us the opportunity to tour their building in Winona and watch their technicians work on our window. Wednesday, August 8, is that day. We plan to meet in the FPC parking lot at 9 a.m., carpool to Winona, tour from 10-11:30 or 12, and return to Rochester. This is a rare opportunity to see the true art forms that stained glass presents to congregations.

Please let Carol know if you are interested in taking the tour. Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to drive. We'll let you know your riders later!

~ Ron Kreinbring / Building and Grounds Committee



2018-2019 calendar in progress, needs your input

We're working on the all-church calendar for the coming program year ptember 2019). If you or your committee

(September 2018-September 2019). If you or your committee have activities you want included, please contact **Carol Evans** as soon as possible (282-1618 or fpc_carol@hotmail.com).

We expect to have the calendar ready by the first Sunday in September. Thanks for your help!

August services of worship

August 1: Worship and communion at Charter House August 5: Worship and communion at 9:30 a.m. August 12, 19, and 26: Worship at 9:30 a.m. September 2: Worship and communion at 9:30 a.m. Coffee and donuts will be available in the atrium both before (beginning at 8:45) and after the service.

September 9: Kickoff Sunday / We return to services at 8:30 and 11 a.m.



August 2018

Advent Devotional Planned

by Rev. T. J. Parlette

I'm excited to say that the signup for the Advent Devotional Guide is going along quite well – many

thanks to **Karen Sessler** and **Paul Steger** for getting the Sign Up Genius up and running. If you did not get an email invitation to sign up to write a devotional for Advent, here's how to find the list.

Go to signupgenius.com

- 1. Scroll down to "Find a Sign Up," all the way down the home page
- 2. Answer the fun little puzzles to prove you are not a robot!
- 3. Type in kasessler@gmail.com
- 4. Click on "2018 Advent Daily Devotional" and voila, you should be there!
- 5. Type your name in an empty slot and click 'Submit' Thank you to all of you who have already signed as I write this, 14 slots have been filled, leaving 11 days open. So please consider writing something to share with your church family this Advent season.

Peace, 7. J.

How do you reach us?

E-mail (and texting) has become a fact of life and in some cases the primary way we communicate. But unlike our *one* home on which we pay real estate taxes, many people have several e-mail "homes" and the church staff is no exception.

In addition to other e-mail addresses we may use, we promise we will check these regularly.

T. J. Parlette
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Lee Afdahl
Harry Coleman
Carol Evans
Sue Kruger
Katie Kuisle
Susanna Stone
Janine Yanisch

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August 12 last chance for volunteer summer choir

We encourage youth and adults alike to join us for the SECOND SUNDAY WALK-IN Choir August 12.

Meet at 9 a.m. to review or learn an easy anthem for 9:30 a.m. worship that day. This is the final chance for this year's summer choir. The Chancel Choir will resume rehearsals September 6.

Stewardship Alive!

Wealth is worthless

It is said that for money you can have everything, but you cannot. You can buy food, but not appetite; medicine, but not health; knowledge but not wisdom; glitter, but not beauty; fun, but not joy; acquaintances, but not friends; servants, but not faithfulness; leisure, but not peace. You can have the husk of everything for money, but not the kernel.

~ Arne Garbora

Financial Statement / June 2018

General Operating Budget

 Balance (5/31/18)
 \$ 109,755.24

 Receipts (June)
 + 43,825.72

 Disbursements (June)
 - 66,642.50

 Balance (6/30/18)
 \$ 86,938.46



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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

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Church Staff

Pastor Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette Associate Pastor Jay P. Rowland Director of Music Lee J. Afdahl Coordinator of Youth and Christian Education Susanna L. Stone Office Administrator Susan K. Kruger Facility Manager Harry E. Coleman Custodian Joseph Knopp Part-time music assistants Katie Kuisle (Calvin and Cherub Choirs)

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Vera Brooks, Sally Evans,

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Newsletter Editor Carol J. Evans
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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, church closed Visit our WEB site at 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.



Ministry of Music

Lee Afdahl, Director of Music Katie Kuisle, Cherub and Calvin Choirs Janine Yanisch, First Players

Handbell Choirs open to new members

We have a few openings in each of the youth handbell choirs this fall. If you have contemplated joining one of these choirs, this is a good time, and you are most welcome to join us.

Children and youth rehearsals begin September 12
Wednesdays, late afternoon and early evening
Please contact me if you are willing to join us.
afdahl.lee@fpcrochester.org or 282-1618

Vocal Choirs welcome members (always)

We always could use more singers in all age levels of singing: Cherubs (age 4-grade one)

Calvin Choir (grades 2-5)

Youth Choir (grades 6-12)

Adults (no age limit!)

A complete schedule will be in the September newsletter.



Jubilate Deo Ringers attend handbell festival
Judy Kereakos, Lee Afdahl, Ruth Saling, Chris
Boswell, Susanna Stone, Karen Sessler, Guy Vig,
Britta Youmans, Jen Jacobson, Cindy Kunzman,
Connie Larson, Jane Goodfriend, Abby Hall

Our adult handbell choir, Jubilate Deo, attended the biennial Area 7 Festival Conference of Handbell Musicians of America hosted June 22-24 in Rochester! 400 ringers and directors from the area (MN WI ND SD) were joined by a few ringers from other states and four from Hong Kong. The featured performing ensemble was the Raleigh Ringers from Raleigh, North Carolina, under the direction of **David Harris**.

Massed ringing was led by Mr. Harris and Lee Afdahl and culminated in a public performance Sunday afternoon, June 24 at the Mayo Civic Center Arena. Classes and rehearsals filled the three-day event.

Local liaisons were Cindy Kunzman and Paul Kingsbury, director of Rochester Area Handbells, a community ensemble. Rev. Carol Shaffer led worship on Sunday morning. Marion Pitts led a yoga class. Mr. Afdahl conducted a Bronze Plus ensemble of advanced ringers and Paul Kingsbury led the "conference choir," another special ringing opportunity.

First Players announces schedule for band rehearsals

"Thank you all for the warm welcome I've received here at First Presbyterian Church! I am eager to begin working with all band students, and appreciate your patience as I work through various issues in establishing starting times for rehearsals. Please know that it is my goal to make lesson and rehearsal times work for all involved:-)

First Players Band Camp August 20–24, 9 a.m. – noon

Things are gearing up for the annual First Players Band Camp. Students will play as a large group, but will also be splitting into small groups for sectionals, etc. The week will culminate with a short performance at the end of the morning on Friday. This is a great opportunity for students to get together, have fun, and get back to practicing before the school year begins!

Meet the Instrument Night Tuesday, August 21, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Welhaven Music will be here and all interested students are welcome to come try out various band instruments. Fun! Information on renting or buying an instrument will be available as well.

First Players Beginning Band begins Monday, September 10

Small group/individual lessons for Beginning Band students (generally 4th and 5th graders) will be offered before school on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, and after school on Wednesday. Lessons will begin Monday, September 10.

Beginning Band rehearsals will be Tuesdays after school (exact time is still being worked out) and will begin Tuesday, October 9. Cost of Beginning (4th & 5th Grade) Band is \$230/year for those NOT members of FPC, and \$30 for FPC members.

First Players Concert Band begins Monday, September 10

First Players Concert Band rehearsals (for our more experienced players) will begin after school on Monday, September 10. While the exact time of Concert Band practice is still being worked out (it's looking like it will be 3:30-5:00), it will be a 90-minute rehearsal. Cost of Concert Band is \$155/year for those NOT members of FPC, and \$30 for members.

Please spread the word to your friends about the great First Players program that we have here! -And don't hesitate to contact me with your thoughts and/or questions!

To register for any of these programs, e-mail <u>jyanisch001@gmail.com</u>.

Peace, Janine (Yanisch)



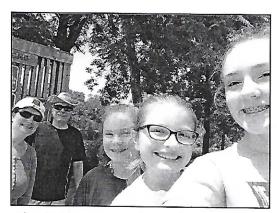
August 2018 ME Youth Group News

Susanna Stone Coordinator of Youth & Christian Education Happy summer! Hopefully all of the FPC youth have been enjoying their school-free days. The youth group has been less busy during these summer months. As planned, we've

had one outing per month during the summer. In June, we enjoyed lunch and an escape room. In July, we went tubing on the Zumbro River and had a blast! Thanks to chaperone extraordinaire **Dan Wentz**, who shared his outdoors expertise with us and treated us all to Flapdoodles after our tubing adventure.

Save the Date: Thursday, August 23, 7-9 p.m. Our last youth group outing of the summer will take place on Thursday, August 23 from 7-9 p.m. We will meet at the Larsons' for 2 hours of outdoor fun! We'll play games, go horseback riding, and if the weather allows, have a bonfire. Snacks will be provided! More details will be sent via email, so stay tuned!

And youth group begins again with our regularly scheduled Wednesday meetings on Wednesday, September 12 from 5:45-7:00 p.m. All youth in grades 6-12 (and their friends!) are welcome to join us for food, fellowship, and fun!



The tubing crew - hey, that was fun! Susanna, Dan, Ashley, Katie, and Mya

Meal volunteers welcome!

During our last youth group year, we were lucky enough to have homemade dinner provided to the youth group on two separate occasions. We loved getting to know some of the adult members of FPC and the food was delicious! If there are any church members, church committees, church groups, etc. interested in providing youth group dinner some Wednesday night during the school year for approximately 15 people, please let **Susanna** know!

Nominating Committee needs names for new officers for next year

Your FPC **Nominating Committee** will soon begin to look for candidates to serve the congregation beginning January 2019. Specifically, there are positions available for six Elders to be on the Session, seven Deacons, and an at-large candidate for the Endowment Committee. These are all three-year terms, 2018 - 2020. In addition, there are five openings for next year's Nominating Committee, a one-year commitment.

If you are interested in finding out more about what these positions entail, please contact a member of the current Nominating Committee. If there is someone you'd like to nominate for a position, we will be glad to consider them as part of our outreach. Thank you for helping FPC grow in wisdom and faith!

Members of this year's Nominating Committee are Karen Sessler, lead elder; Joe Doppler and Lucinda Cutrer, elders; Shelley Steger, Deacon representative; and Tammy Buchanan, Katie Lenn, Terry Narr, Jason Wobig, and Melissa Wobig congregation-at-large members.

Notice from the Kitchen Guild:

The Kitchen Guild promotes using regular dishes and silverware - we promote being green. However, if you choose to use paper products, please note that we have about 1,000 plastic forks, about 1,500 plastic spoons, and over 2,400 plastic knives. So if you are working on a church activity, please do not purchase more plastic ware. Please use what we already have!

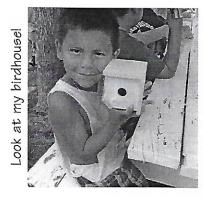
| Members of Session for 2018 |
|------------------------------------|
| Pastor: Rev. T. J. Parlette |
| Associate Pastor: Rev. Jay Rowland |

Associate Pastor: Rev. Jay Rowland Clerk to Session: Cindy Kunzman

| 2018 | 2019 | 2020 Lucinda Cutrer | | | | |
|----------------|----------------|------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Ken Boyer | Joe Doppler | | | | | |
| Fabian Luna | Brent Kaslow | Michael Cutrer | | | | |
| Mark Mueller | Ron Kreinbring | Sarah Edgerton | | | | |
| Sharon Nichols | Allyson Maurer | Gregg Erickson | | | | |
| Tom Pileggi | Brad Narr | James Sessler | | | | |
| Karen Sessler | Phyllis Schmid | James Talen | | | | |

Members of Board of Deacons for 2018 Staff Liaison: Rev. Jay Rowland Chair: Debra Bauch 2018 2019 2020 Debra Bauch Karin Braun Mary Beyerl

| 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
|----------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Debra Bauch | Karin Braun | Mary Beyerle |
| Brett Carroll | Holly Ebel | Allen Dollerschell |
| Lettie Eckberg | Sara Kluck | Alex Kuisle |
| David Lewis | Susanna Stone | Roger Ring |
| Rosella Lund | Terry Whiting | Margie Schaaf |
| Jeff Remfert | Vicki Wintheiser | Lauri Schalau |
| Cindy Sannes | | Shelley Steger |



Vacation Bible School at the Bdecan Church gets better every year!

This year our theme was "Jesus Looks into Our Hearts!"

We reached a total of 32 children! Eighteen kids attended on

Wednesday; 17 on Thursday; and 24 on Friday!

The team used Bible stories, music, crafts, and games to teach the Bible lessons. The kids made birdhouses and a bookshelf for the lending library we have started there. The kids loved all the areas of programming and were totally engrossed in the activities. Even the older boys sang the Bible School songs and volunteered to answer questions (which was something we had not seen before). The children concentrated hard on the wood working projects and no one gave up! We learned they LOVE to pound in nails!

On Saturday, the 14th, we celebrated Joe

Obermeyer's fifth year as youth pastor at the Bdecan
Church. Members of FPC and other churches that
have sent mission teams to the Bdecan Church joined members

of the Bdecan Church in the celebration. We are the only team

providing Bible school this year.

Phyllis Schmid presented a check for \$1,000 from FPC's Mission Committee to the Bdecan Church toward their goal of \$10,000 to expand and improve the clothing pantry to provide a better area to store and distribute donated clothing to those in need.



This little gal is so pleased to receive a book of her very own.

FPC members generously contributed \$2,645 for winter clothing, including snow pants, boots, shoes and underwear for the children of the Bdecan Church. Thanks to you, all the children from the Bdecan Church should be warm while waiting for the school bus this winter! Our members also donated school supplies and underwear that we delivered to

the church for distribution right before school.

Tied fleece baby blankets made by the Bdecan children and our Presbyterian Women were completed during VBS and dedicated so that new babies will have a special hand-made blanket with an attached blessing.

The Bdecan VBS team included Jane Hallman, Cindy Kunzman, Jean Abels, Ruth Saling, Heide Buettner, Ginger Kirby, Jane Murl, Phyllis Schmid, Marylynn Aalderks, Vickie Wintheiser and her grandson Solomon Fisher, and Mike Maxson from FPC in Ely, Minnesota. Joe Obermeyer's mother, Trudy, also joined our team.

I did this myself - with some help from Ginger.

THANK YOU ALL SO VERY MUCH, FPC, FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND SUPPORT!



A girl works with Phyllis on a craft project.

~ Marylynn Aalderks / Bdecan Mission Team coordinator

Yes - the rummage sale is a go!

For those of you eagerly waiting for our rummage sale, it's been scheduled for September 28 and/or 29. The specific days and times are yet to be determined.

The delay has been caused by two issues.

Issue #1 is trying to put together a Rummage Sale TEAM/Committee to be responsible for various areas of the sale. Judy and Sally have done this for many years and need more help. Are you willing to step up and volunteer? Judy Kruesel or Sally Brooks would be delighted to hear from you.

Issue #2 We already have many items that have been brought to the church. We are running out of places to store them until the sale. If you want to bring things, PLEASE bring them ONLY between September 24 and 27. Thanks!

Save Lives, Immunize!

Parish Nursing News tsave

August is National Immunization
Awareness Month (NIAM). While concern about vaccines has made the decision to immunize controversial in the last few decades, immunizations save thousands of lives every year. In

addition, immunizations reduce the impact of side effects from preventable illness such as infertility from mumps or blindness from shingles. Getting our immunizations produces "herd immunity," reducing the number of individuals susceptible to a given illness, which protects those with compromised immune systems like infants and those undergoing chemotherapy.

So what can you do to celebrate NIAM?

- Look before you leap on the antivax bandwagon. Social media has made it easy to spread false information and anecdotes. Whatever you believe, make sure to respect others' choices and opinions while making your own choices.
- 2) Get the immunizations you need. As an adult, these may be for travel, flu season, and shingles and pneumonia vaccines. Even in years when the flu vaccine is less effective, if you have the vaccine in your system and do get the virus, you may have a less severe case! An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.
- 3) Bear in mind that everyone has a unique situation. For example, if you have had your spleen removed, you may need additional vaccines or may need them more often; if your immune system is compromised, some vaccines may be contraindicated.
- 4) Ask questions rather than just saying "no." Your healthcare provider, pharmacist, and of course parish nurse will be happy to help you however they can as you decide whether a vaccine is right for you. You can also get sound, helpful information about immunizations from the CDC website.

So remember this fall to save lives and immunize!

~ 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.

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. The summer study is continuing the "Apocrypha of Jesus" in August. The class is led by Al Depman.

August 8 and 22

from Drs. Les and Cindy Morgan ...

A thirty-year perspective on Bangladesh

Drs. Les and Cindy Morgan have been mission co-workers in Bangladesh for over thirty years. Cindy works with local nurses to nurture the people of Bangladesh by caring for women and children, organizing rural workshops on nutrition, disease prevention, and family planning, running training sessions on breast feeding, teaching young women about reproductive health, and conducting seminars on healthy lifestyle choices.

In her July newsletter (the complete letter is on the bulletin board in the social hall), Cindy said that in the past, one out of five children died before their fifth birthday; now it's down to one out of thirty. At the time of liberation, only seven percent of women were using contraception and families averaged seven children each; now sixty-two percent of women use contraception and most families have only two children. In the early 1970's the adult literacy rate was thirty percent; now it's seventy-three percent. When Bangladesh won its independence, the average life expectancy in the country was only fifty years; now it is seventy-four.

While it has been deeply rewarding to witness the advances being made in the health of women and children, Cindy said, there is still much to be done. Despite increased contraceptive usage, since liberation the country's population has soared from 66 million to over 166 million, within an area the size of Iowa. Moreover, children are still being drafted for cheap labor, parents persist in pulling daughters out of the classroom to give them in arranged marriages, and women continue to be victims of oppression and domestic violence. While the vine of the nation is growing, many of its branches need pruning as the country cries out for healthier and more inclusive growth.

Thank you for your support of the Morgans' work. Keep them and Bangladesh in your prayers.

~ Sylvia Swede / Missions 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!

"Arise, shine, your light has come!" theme for PW Churchwide Gathering

The 2018 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women will be held in Louisville, Kentucky August 2-5. Presbyterian women from across the country and around the world will come together for this triennial event. The theme is "Arise, shine, your light has come!" (Isaiah 60:1)

LaDonna Fay, Jane Hallman, Peg Parsons, Phyllis Schmid, and Sylvia Swede are representing FPC.

PW/Horizons Bible study for 2018-2019 presents *God's Promise: I Am with You*

"The central promise in the Bible is not 'I will forgive you.' The most frequent promise is 'I will be with you.' God gave Israel the tabernacle and the ark of the covenant and manna and the temple and a pillar of cloud and another one of fire, like so many Post-it notes saying, 'Don't forget. I am with you."

~John Ortberg, God Is Closer Than You Think

The 2018-2019 PW/Horizons Bible Study. *God's Promise: I Am with You*, takes readers on a journey through scripture to consider circumstances in which God articulated God's promise of presence.

This study does not delve deeply into manifestations of God's presence - the tabernacle, the ark of the covenant, manna, the Temple, pillars of cloud and fire - but rather on God's actual articulation of God's promise.

We will see anew that God offered these words of profound comfort and commitment to individuals and communities from the time of the patriarchs to that of the prophets; from the judges to the kings before, during, and after the exile; into New Testament and beyond, to the end of the age.

~ excerpt from the study book

Church Family News

Anniversaries

Congratulations to these couples who will celebrate fiftieth (+) wedding anniversaries in August:

- 8/3: Charles and Carol Smyrk (67) Tony and Judy Smithson (55)
- 8/7: James and Judy Seward (53)
- 8/12: Frank and Lynda Sharbrough (57)
- 8/18: Allen and Marcia Dollerschell (56)
- 8/19: Bruce and Mary Ellen Brown (62) Neil and Marilyn McKay (62)
- 8/25: Ronald and Nancy MacKenzie (56)
- 8/27: Warren and Mary Potter (68)
 John and Ann Mitchell (58)
- 8/29: H. Bryan and Ingrid Neel (54)

Birth

Congratulations to **Brett** and **Jamie** and **Shay**, **Alyssa**, and **Delaney Carroll** and **Jean Marvin** on the birth of their son, brother, and grandson, **Olson John Carroll** June 27.

Birthdays

Happy Belated Birthday to **Charlotte Davis**, who celebrated her 90th birthday July 4.

Happy Birthday to **Pat Whisnant** who will celebrate her 94th birthday August 20.

Deaths

We extend our condolences to **Phil** and **Vicki Wintheiser** on the death of Vicki's mother, **Betty Hanson**, June 27.

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of **Edith Albrecht**, who died June 27 at the age of 105.

We extend our condolences to Ruth Walts and Adrienne Walts on the death of Ruth's mother and Adrienne's grandmother, Walaska (Val) Battenburg, July 4.

If anyone has an HP printer that uses HP02 color cartridges, we have some in the church office that you can have - for free. First come, first gets them.

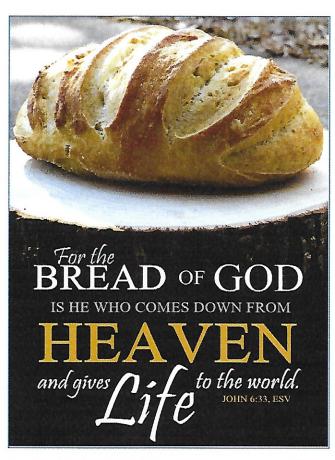
Crafters cancels August meeting

Crafters Group will not meet in August, but will resume Wednesday, September 19, at 3 p.m. in the social hall. Anyone interested in making monthly greeting cards for C.A.R.E. members of the congregation is welcome. All card supplies are provided. If you prefer, join us for the fellowship and bring your own unfinished project. All are welcome.

~ Mary Huie (282-9712) / Crafters coordinator

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

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



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August 2018

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| , | | | I 1:00 PM Charter House worship and communion 6:15 PM Madrigal rehearsal | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| | | | | Churchwide Gathering | of Presbyterian Women/Lou | isville KY (8/2-5/2018 |
| 5 Worship - 9:30 a.m. Communion 10:30 AM Blood Pressure reading / Parish Nursing Churchwide Gathering | 6 FPC@Community Food Response | 7 NO Deacons meeting Most committees meet/ check w/lead elder 9:30 AM Staff meeting 11:00 AM Grief Support Grp | 8 9:00 AM Willet Hauser trip for rose window (lv 9 a.m.) 1:00 PM Kitchen Guild 6:30 PM Summer Bible Study/lounge | 9 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Group | 10 | 11 |
| Worship - 9:30 a.m. 9:00 AM Summer Choir rehearses 9:30 AM Summer Choir sings | 13 | 9:30 AM Staff meeting | NO Crafters in August | 16 2:00 PM Memorial Service / Val Battenburg @ Madonna Towers wind; the optimist | 17 expects it to chan | 18 ge; the realist o |
| 19 Worship - 9:30 a.m. | 20 | 9:30 AM Staff meeting 5:00 PM First Players Meet the Instrument 7:00 PM Session/Fireside Rm | 22 6:30 PM Summer Bible | 23 | 24 Band Camp concert and ice cream social (noon) | 25 |
| | | 9:00 AM FIF | RST PLAYERS Band Camp | (9 a.mnoon) | | |
| 26 Worship - 9:30 a.m. 1:00 PM Group Hike/ Essex Park | 27 Back to school! | 28 Mail newsletter 9:30 AM Staff meeting 1:00 PM Chancel Guild | 29 | 30 | 31 | |