



Chalice Tidings

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Loaves and Fishes



There were many opportunities
to help out with
Loaves and Fishes in May!

Here are a couple captured moments
of a few of our volunteers!

Kelly's Korner

As I opened Facebook today, there was a previous post from 6 years ago. It is the kind of post that only shows up in your feed as a memory. Only I could see it unless I chose to share it. Tim Adams had taken and posted a picture of Betty Sherwood and me signing my contract. Maybe you were in attendance on that Sunday when Anne and I were introduced during the worship service. After worship, we went downstairs for a lunch. I greeted everyone as they came down the northeast stairs into the Fellowship Hall. Donny told me about slicing the turkeys at Thanksgiving. I met the Kimlers who were just about to move to Arizona. I was asked questions about worship and music at Christmas and whether I preferred the Cardinals or the Cubs. Anne and I left the church—not sure where we went. Betty called me soon after to say that the vote was unanimous. I came back to sign the contract and Tim snapped the photo.

Where have the years gone?

There have been some difficult moments. Many of us have lost loved ones or experienced other types of loss. We have stood by each other. We have shown love to each other. We have reaffirmed our strong faith with each hospital visit, emergency call and, yes, even each funeral. These hard times may teach us more about God's grace and love than the good times. We definitely feel the kindness of church friends and family.



There have been some good times. We can celebrate the successful completion of our capital campaign and renovation projects. New members have joined and we have more children attending. A new logo was produced and helps the community to know us—as do our efforts during Heritage Days, Fall Festival, Festival of the Creche and Egg Glow. We have been recognized by our denomination for our efforts with the Emergency Cupboard. We have provided leadership to the Interfaith Alliance of Macomb which received a service award by President Jack Thomas of WIU. Confidentially, we have helped families and individuals in so many ways but cannot list them here. We faithfully serve Loaves and Fishes and provide fun and care at our Christmas party for special needs persons. Friends, we have been the hands and feet of Jesus in so many ways.

There is still more to do. We currently have folks dreaming of renovations for our children's area because a generous donation has anonymously been provided. More renovations need to happen in the office area and the Adult Sunday School/Choir Room floor. Continually improving our worship service and outreach to the community is primary. Growing spiritually must be as important as growing numerically. We must receive and share God's love always.

So you know, I shared the post. Just as we share ministry. In all moments.

Peace,

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Donna Bainter



The Stephen Ministry met on May 13, at 1:00 p.m. those present were Sue Adams, Judy Bland, Sue Cooper, Donna Bainter, Char Carden, and our leader Jean Vaughn.

Jean opened the meeting with prayer.

We made 13 visits, sent 7 cards, made 6 phone calls, and I text this last month.

Those who had care receivers gave a report on their progress. We also went over the prayer list.

We also discussed the time for our Service of Remembrance. This is the memorial service for all the members who have passed away this year. Jean had talked to Kelly and they thought November 4, 2018 "All Saints Day" might be a good time. This service will be part of worship that day.

We discussed taking care of our care receivers when they are going to be hospitalized. We must be good listeners to our care receivers concerns.

We reviewed forms which the hospital may give their patients such as "Do Not Resuscitate, DNR," the "Living Will," and information on a "Medical Power of Attorney." If you have these filled out, you need to take them to the hospital with you. We need to be able to help our care receivers if necessary.

Next month we will meet on June 11, 2018 at 1:00 P.M. Teresa Bennett will meet with us to discuss the rules and regulations for hospital visits.

Jean Vaughn closed the meeting with prayer.

DISCIPLES MEN

Dean Hansen

Disciples Men will meet at The Old Dairy
June 2 at 8:00 am.

Third Thursday Men's Group will meet at Chubby's
June 21 at 7:30 pm

TRUSTEES

Dean Rockwell

Trustees meeting is June 18 at 5:30 pm followed
by the Church Board meeting at 7:00 pm.

Elders

Tim Adams

Elders will meet June 25 at 6:00 pm.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Norma Kentner

Hello! After a long, cold and windy Spring, Summer is here!

We are heading into our Summer Schedule for Sunday School as of May 27th. Our children will not be meeting at 9:00 am for Sunday School. Instead, they will have Sunday School during our church service and will use the scripture-based Sermons4Kids materials.

The Adult Classes will continue to meet as usual at 9:00 am.

We celebrated Graduation Sunday in honoring our 8th Grade, High School, and University graduates with recognition during church and a small gift.

Christian Education is meeting with First Presbyterian and Trinity Lutheran Churches to begin plans for a Summer Fun Day(s). More information about this will be upcoming.

FCC BOOK CLUB

Norma Kentner



Our new book will be **Wonder** by R.J. Palacio, a touching story of a young boy born with a facial disfiguration who deals with being the new kid at 5th grade. Discussion of this book will be on Thursday, June 7, at noon in the Fellowship Hall. For our July meeting, on Thursday, July 12, again at noon, we will watch the movie **Wonder** which comes from our book read in June. We will be watching the movie in the Youth Room! Please come join us for both of the events. It's a lovely, lively group that keeps getting bigger and better all the time!

FREE SUMMER MOVIES IN THE PARKING LOT

***ALL MOVIES WILL BEGIN AT 8:30PM**

Sunday, June 3rd HAPPY FEET

***SNACKS AND DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED**
***PLEASE BRING A BLANKET OR FOLDING CHAIR**
***TRANSPORTATION? CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE**
(309-837-6473)

Sunday, July 1st HOMEWARD BOUND

Sunday, August 5th FINDING NEMO

OUTREACH AND ACTION

Jan Rockwell

Loaves & Fishes - Rod Burg and the Board of Loaves & Fishes wish to thank all the great people who helped haul food, stock shelves or work in the pantry this past month! With the many helpers, the work was easily accomplished shelving the \$4000 worth of groceries from Hy-Vee (thank you Bob Chatterton for recruiting the super workers from the Ag Fraternity – and treating them to pizzas!) and nearly 30 mail loads of groceries from the postal workers food drive. The pantry is well equipped as they start into a busy summer.

Samaritan Well is hosting the **John Bliven Memorial/ St Jude Walk Run** on Sat. June 23rd. Register ahead for tee-shirt guarantee. Our church is one of the sponsors of the event.

Interfaith Alliance of Macomb hosted a successful **Macomb Community Prayer Breakfast**. An increased number of faiths were represented this year at the breakfast.

Later that same day, IAM was honored at the WIU Diversity Awards program. IAM was the only community-based organization to receive recognition and was awarded the President's Excellence in Service for Diversity Award. FCC, 1st Presbyterian Church and the Islamic Center were the original faith groups that began IAM's work about 1 year ago. Though the group is newly formed, it was noted that their work has made an impact on the community.

Emergency Cupboard - Our congregation and the Disciples Women of the IL/Wisc Region have given our Emergency Cupboard a wonderful abundance of supplies. They are stored almost to overflow near the Elevator entrance of the church.

With the weather warming, our friends who have made use of the Emergency Cupboard could need:

dried fruit, nuts, meat jerky or sticks, tuna and crackers, drink mix packets, bar soap, wash cloths, hand towels, deodorant, hand sanitizer, wet wipes, sun block, Chapstick, Band-Aids, shampoo, bug spray, plastic spoons.

The children will be collecting items or cash on the first Sunday each month during worship. Thank you for your generous contributions. People in our community and in the IL/Wisc Region have been inspired by this small act of kindness.

Would you like to be more involved? The Cupboard is looking for a few faithful who would take a week to monitor the Cupboard. This requires stopping by the Cupboard 2 or 3 times through the week to replace taken supplies. Simple directions are posted in the storage closet. If you can assist in this way, sign your name on the sheet outside the parlor kitchen. No age limit requirements. You may contact Rod Burg or Jan Rockwell for more information.

Prayer Shawl Group- Roselyn Chown says the group is ready to start new projects for their mission. One possibility is creating blankets for the Linus Project in Peoria. More information to come once plans are solidified.

THANK YOU FROM CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

First Christian Church-

Thank you for your recent gift of \$625 to CWS Blankets and tools!
Your gift provides warmth and comfort to neighbors in need around the corner and around the world! We appreciate your generosity!

In Peace,

Heather Willson, CWS

THANK YOU FROM JOE MEUNIER

Thank you church for helping me.

- Joe

NEW FCC MEMBER

Please Welcome Andrea Jarrett!

Andrea joined as a member of FCC on May 13.
We are so excited to have her as a part of our church.
Make sure to welcome her!

Date to Remember



is June 17



Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 2 - Todd Lester, Teresa Meunier
- 3 - Drew Taylor
- 4 - Sheryl Donnell, Katie Dorethy
- 5 - LouAnn Herriman
- 6 - Dixie Canon, Roselyn Chown
- 7 - Bonnie Becker, Dean Rockwell,
Holly Runner, Carolee Sellers
Dixie & Roger Rouse (a)
- 11 - David and Martha Behymer (a)
- 12 - Patti Jones
- 14 - Ron Vaughn, Collin Reed
- 15 - Sam Shields
- 20 - Phyllis Rogers
- 21 - Rich Cangro
Karen & Bob Chatterton (a)
Kenneth & Kathryn Rutledge (a)
- 22 - Peggy Foster
Peggy & Dick Foster (a)
- 23 - Stanley Hopping
Charles & Bonnie Becker (a)
- 27 - Ashley Andrews
- 28 - Ian Taylor
- 30 - Alexis Meunier

June 2018

June 2018							July 2018						
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	22	23	24	25	26	27	28

May 27 - Jun 2		Jun 3 - 9		Jun 10 - 16		Jun 17 - 23		Jun 24 - 30					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 27	28	29	30	31	Jun 1	2	9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Fellowship Time	10:00am Sunday School 10:00am Fellowship Time	10:30am Worship 8:30pm Summer Movie (Happy Feet)	10:00am Sunday School 10:00am Fellowship Time	10:30am Sunday School 10:00am Fellowship Time	10:30am Sunday School 10:00am Fellowship Time	10:30am Sunday School 10:00am Fellowship Time
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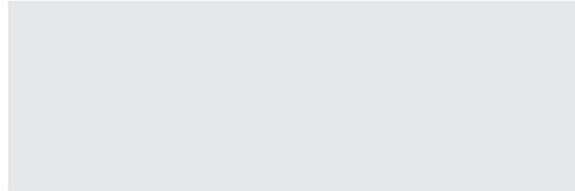
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Blast from the past

We can easily identify the teachers and we know one of the children is Lauren Rockwell.

*Can you name
all of the children and teachers?*