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STEWARDSHIP DRIVE...

We have started our Stewardship Drive for 2020 with the wonderful expression of her love of your church and what it has meant to her from Becky Mahlum on Sunday, September 22nd. On Sunday, September 29th, Becky & Pat Liedtke talked about their time as new members of our church and Becky's time with the church in Jamestown, what they get from our church and what being new members has meant to them. We conclude the testimonials with reflections of Ann Lynch, longtime member of our church and what our church has meant to her and her family in her many years as a member here. Our Stewardship Drive, which we called Consecration Stewardship Campaign, will conclude for most of us on Sunday, October 13th with a special Consecration Sunday service in which we will bring our pledge forms forward to place in baskets provided at the front of the church. This service will be followed by a catered lunch in Ramstad Hall with special music and a few "short" messages of thanks for your support of this years campaign. Please read the letters and materials that you will receive over the next weeks and be as generous as you can be in support of what First Presbyterian Church of Bismarck and our church family and programs mean to you and your family.

May God Bless you in your decision making,
Dick Weber, Chair, Stewardship Committee

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THANK YOUs to the Church and Child Care Center

In August, Pastor Leanne started the sharing of your garden harvest with fellow congregation members and those in need. If there has been any left over, the baskets of overflow have been placed in the hall by the Child Care Center. Here is what a Child Care Center parent had to say about it:

"Just wanted to say that the kids each picked a cucumber yesterday out of the basket and we ate it for dinner. They were delicious and gone in seconds. We are also able to have some great family discussions at the table around how our food is grown and where it comes from, color, taste, texture and more!"

"What a wonderful opportunity to expand learning in the home and thank you for providing the opportunity to continue that learning, we love it!"

~ Becky Eberhardt, Child Care Center Parent



We want to take this opportunity to thank you for your words of encouragement, your cards, your hugs, your gifts of food, your visits, and especially your prayers during the last many months of treatment. A particular thank you to our Parish Nurse, Wanona, for her regular visits.

Lord God, we thank you for the gift of this church in our lives. Continue to shine your grace on our Pastor and our congregation.

Otto & Jae Reile

*Thank
you*



PASTOR LEANNE'S MESSAGE...

We've been keeping the mailperson very busy -by now you have received several mailings about Stewardship Season, asking you to prayerfully consider pledging a portion of your income to the church. We have had members of our congregation sharing the reasons why they give, telling stories about what this church has meant to them and why they value its ministries. Last Sunday, in my sermon, I attempted to emphasize that investing the Kingdom of God through our church is also investing in one another – through finances, leadership, acts of care and compassion, and ministries befitting the call of God in Christ Jesus. The point, of course, is not to create pressure on you, but to increase awareness of the coming call to pledge and prayerfully prepare all of us for commitment.

Churches take lots of different approaches to encourage giving. They send out letters, offer appeals, perform skits, and make calls. Some pastors preach blistering sermons, others appeal to visible needs like church upkeep – most all of us appeal to the teachings of Jesus, who actually had a LOT to say on the issue of money - I even know one church that requires all in-coming members to show their tax returns to the church council, in order to ascertain what 10% looks like for them.

But this church has chosen a values approach to stewardship. We believe that our people are people of depth, ideals, and aspiration. We want you to know that our giving here matters in eternal ways – that *we change lives*. It is the hope of our Stewardship Committee that we all understand that we are committing ourselves to more than paying the utilities (as important as that is) – we are investing in each other's well-being – in the care of our elderly, the nurturance of our families, the care of our children and the hope of our community. In short, we make a difference because we touch lives.

I am excited about this – because I believe that this Stewardship season has chosen emphasizes who we really are in Christ and who we are at our best. Our authentic values show when we talk about the difference we make in one another's lives and the world around us and our reasons for pledging are the best reasons possible. There is nothing hokey or artificial here – nothing contrived making promises that can't be kept. There are no threats or arm twisting - just an invitation to be part of what God is doing, and to invest in our future in God's will together. It really is just that simple.

So, join us, in prayer, commitment and in hope, for what God has next. Through giving, let us invest in mission and ministry that changes lives.

Leanne



FUN IN THE SUN...

On the glorious day of September 14th, the First Presbyterian Church of Bismarck held the first “Fun in the Sun” event in conjunction with the Bismarck Street Fair. Highlights of the event included the blood pressure checks by Wanona Goetz and Jan Gilchrist, bubble pool by Pastor Leanne, and face painting by Kaydee Gilchrist! Church members and people passing by joined in on the fun, and little ones especially enjoyed the use of the Child Care Center playground, drawing with chalk, and creating enormous bubbles. Some passersby stopped and enjoyed a giant checkers game and bean bag toss with our game volunteers. A variety of materials related to the church and its’ mission were available at the information booth. Even pets took part by sipping from the water bowls on the corner! This event was a visibility event for the church, to make the community more aware of the church, its’ opportunities, and mission, and hopefully it reached that goal.

Special thanks go to the staff and volunteers who helped with the event: Charee Linton, Pastor Leanne Simmons, Wanona Goetz, Emily Ehrens, Mark Jensen, Nathan Peterson, Cindy and Don Cross, Jan and Kaydee Gilchrist, Dick Weber, Maren Stokka, Kristi Ronningen, Dave Nix, Lynne Bigwood, Allen Hoberg, Damita & Matt Engel, Barb Satran, Shari Orser, Bill Jensen, and Ella Gutzke. Gladys Cairns supplied brochures from Outreach Committee; Shawn Stettner provided a hand out on the Child Care Center; and Pastor Leanne developed a “Coming Attractions” hand out. Without all the help, the event wouldn’t have happened. Let’s hope we can do it again next year! ~ Kris Ronningen, C. E. Chair



THE BANQUET...

Our meal at “The Banquet” on September 5th was a huge success! Thank you to the cooking crew (Jerry Lindblom, from a few blocks away; Stan Halling, Clyde Johnson, Dave Massey, Otto Reile, and Don Bigwood) who prepared a delicious roast beef dinner for our guests. We served 373 meals at a cost of \$2.66 per meal.

Many of you gave a monetary donation, provided desserts, assisted in set-up, served guests, and did not leave until everything was cleaned up (including our Boy Scout Troop 6). In addition, Sue Johnsen shared her talents on the piano with a variety of selections. THANK YOU!

The Mission and Outreach Committee is proud of each of you who participated in this community meal ministry.

SAVE THE DATES!

Saturday, February 15th, 2020

Thursday, October 1st, 2020



CHILI COOK-OFF/MOVIE/GAME NIGHT...



The Membership Committee is sponsoring a chili cook-off in conjunction with a game/movie night on October 16th, 2019 in Ramstad Hall. The event will run from 5:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Members are encouraged to sign-up to make chili for the event. Members may also sign-up to bring corn bread or other bread. Prizes will be provided by Pastor Leanne in four categories—Best All-Around Chili, Spiciest Chili (must be edible), Most Original or Unusual Chili, and Healthiest Chili. Chili cook-off participants must have their chili at Ramstad Hall no later than 5:30 p.m. Chili will be served from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. A methodology for awarding prizes will be developed prior to October 16th. At 6:30 p.m. a movie will be shown for youth. Any time after 6:30 p.m. games may be played. Everyone (adults and youth) is invited to bring their favorite board game or cards for a card game (e.g. pinochle, whist, bridge—not poker). Prizes for chili cook-off participants will be awarded after 7:00 p.m. **Everyone, members and nonmembers, is invited to attend.** Please bring your own drinks, chips, and snacks. Bowls, plates, cups, and plastic spoons and knives will be provided. Popcorn will be served in the movie room.

MYHRE CLOTHING DRIVE 2019

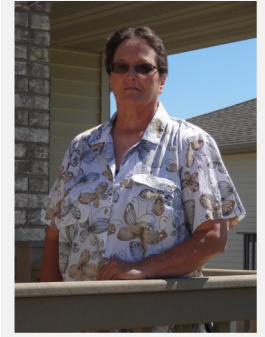
The Outreach Committee is conducting its annual clothing drive for Myhre Elementary School during the month of October. Please consider purchasing boys' and girls' underwear and sweatpants in neutral colors, especially size 6. These "emergency" sweats are provided to students in case of accidents in the classroom or on wet playgrounds.

Another item needed is lice shampoo. Any type, any size product is greatly appreciated. These items can be dropped off in the donation box in the Narthex.



NURSE'S NOTES...

Happy October Everyone! Fall is here and harvest is on its way.



Announcements:

- ♦ Senior Strengthening Exercise Class every Monday and Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in the Parlor
- ♦ Office Day every Wednesday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Parish Nurse Office
- ♦ Sunday BP Clinic October 13th, 9:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

I was reading an article from Mayo Clinic about Migraines and thought I would share some of their information.

Migraines are a recurring type of headache. They cause moderate to severe pain that is throbbing or pulsing. The pain is often on one side of your head accompanied with other symptoms, such as nausea and weakness. You may be sensitive to light and sound. Migraine attacks can last for hours to days, and the pain can be severe that it interferes with your daily activities.

For some people, a warning symptom known as an aura occurs before or with the headache. An aura can include visual disturbances, such as flashes of light or blind spots, or other disturbances, such as tingling on one side of the face or in an arm or leg and difficulty speaking. Medications can help prevent some migraines and the pain. The right medicines, combined with self-help remedies and lifestyle changes, might help.

Migraines, which often begin in childhood, adolescence or early adulthood, can progress through four stages: prodrome, aura, attack and post-drome. Not everyone who has migraines goes through all stages.

The four stages of migraines:

- ♦ **Prodrome:** This stage you might notice changes that warn you of an upcoming onset 1-2 days prior such as constipation, mood changes from depression to euphoria, food cravings, neck stiffness, increased thirst and urination and frequent yawning.
- ♦ **Aura:** This stage occurs before or during a migraine. Auras are reversible symptoms of the nervous system. They're usually visual, but can also include other disturbances. Each symptom usually begins gradually, builds up over several minutes and lasts for 20 to 60 minutes. Some examples of this stage are include: visual phenomena, such as seeing various shapes, bright spots or flashes of light, vision loss, pins and needles sensations in an arm or leg, weakness or numbness in the face or one side of the body, difficulty speaking, hearing noises or music and uncontrollable jerking or other movements.
- ♦ **Attack:** A migraine usually lasts from 4 to 72 hours if untreated. Migraines vary from person to person. They might occur rarely or strike several times a month. During a migraine you might have pain usually on one side of your head, but often on both sides; the pain may throb or pulsate, you may have sensitivity to light, sound, and sometimes smell and touch and nausea and vomiting.
- ♦ **Post-drome:** After a migraine attack, you might feel drained, confused and washed out for up to a day. Some people report feeling elated. Sudden head movement might bring on the pain again briefly.

Migraines are often undiagnosed and untreated. If you regularly have signs and symptoms of migraine, keep a record of your attacks and how often you treated them. Then make an appointment with your doctor to discuss your headaches. Even if you have a history of headaches, see your doctor if the pattern changes or your headaches suddenly feel different. **See your doctor immediately or go to the emergency room** if you have any of the following signs and symptoms, which could indicate a more serious medical problem:

- * An abrupt, severe headache like a thunderclap
- * Headache with fever, stiff neck, mental confusion, seizures, double visions, weakness, numbness or trouble speaking
- * Headache after a head injury, especially if the headache worsens
- * A chronic headache that is worse after coughing, exertion, straining or a sudden movements
- * New headache pain after age 50

YOUR CARING MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Yikes! September seems to leave before we realized it started. Autumn began, schools are greeting our children and youth, Sunday school began, PAC and PresbyTeens are meeting again. We begin to think about white stuff on the ground and some of us began to think of hibernation for the winter months. Quite a month, September!

September is also the month we asked you to consider and to empathize with children who are nutritional insecure. These little ones find nourishment during the week at school but may not have food to cover the weekend. You have opened your heart to boys and girls referred by their schools who will get a backpack stuffed by Region Seven Community Action Program, with your donated peanut butter and jelly and other items donated by kind folks. Please try to imagine, if you were one of those children, how you would feel to receive food for the weekend when normally you worried about what you would eat.



Look at what you have done! Please know your caring about these children is “being the Church” as Jesus Christ said to do! The Mission and Outreach Committee is so grateful for your caring! Blessings!

BELLRINGER'S BAKERY...

The Bellringer's Bakery will be offering caramel rolls for sale on Sunday, October 6th. The freshly baked rolls will be available in the Parlor after the service and we invite you to enjoy one as we gather *or* get “take-out” for that late afternoon craving. Take-out orders for larger requests of eight or more may be arranged by calling or texting Lael at (701) 527-1953 by October 4th. As always, the ringers appreciate your contributions as they prepare for their trip to *Bellfest! 2020* in March.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

On Thanksgiving Day, November 28th, we, along with Ministry on the Margins, will serve over 300 guests to a community Thanksgiving Day dinner with turkey and all the trimmings in Ramstad Hall. This will be our fourth year for this Mission/Outreach activity. An activity which brings joy to our guests and to volunteers that choose to serve them. We have been given the opportunity to serve as greeters. The following positions we would like to fill:



Welcome Guests at Upstairs Door = 2

Elevator Operator = 1

Top of Stairs Monitor = 1

Middle of Stairs Monitor = 1

Bottom of Stairs Counter = 1

Donation Box Monitor = 1

Dining Room Entrance Monitors = 2

Walk Guests to Tables = 3

We would like to know if you can help by November 4th. A sign-up sheet will be available on the Volunteer Board in the Narthex. If you have questions, please contact Gladys Cairns.



ADMINISTRATIVE & PERSONNEL

The Administrative and Personnel Committee has been asked by Session to present possible ways of reducing the number of Elders, terms of service and number of Standing Committees. The Nominating Committee is having a hard time finding individuals to fill Elder positions for 2020. Over the past few years finding Elders has been an ongoing challenge. Currently, there are 15 Elders serving 3 year terms and 9 committees. Each committee is chaired by an Elder. Five Elders are needed each year to fill the vacant positions of the Elders that are going off the Session. Some suggestions include reducing the number of Elders by four or five and combining committees. Also, reducing the terms of service from three to two years. The Session will take up the A&Ps suggestions and recommendations at the September meeting. There certainly are unintended consequences when you reduce the number of Elders and possibly change the structure and make up of the current committees. However, I feel confident that Session will, together as a whole, prayerfully decide what is best for FPC.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION...

WOW! It has officially been 1 year since I accepted the Youth Christian Education Director. Where has the time gone?! This year has been filled with so much fun and adventure. We have had lock-ins, youth retreats, Triennium Youth Convention, Family Fun Days, and best of all, I made the decision to convert to Presbyterian and become a member of this church. I have done things with the youth I didn't get the chance to do when I was their age. I have to admit, this has kept my youthful side at the forefront and I am loving every minute of it! I am truly blessed with the relationships I have made with our kids, youth and their families. I look forward to all there is to come.

September kept us on our toes! Back-to Church Sunday was held in Ramstad Hall with the theme of Being a Good Neighbor and Mr. Roger's Neighborhood. The chill in the air made our Outdoor Family Mess-tival a little cold, but we had a good turnout and had so much fun making a BIG MESS! Fun in the Sun Event during the Downtowner's Street Fair was a great way to get our name and events to the public, Pedal for Pizza...and the planning of great events continues!

So, thank you. One year, and I can't wait to see where we go from here!

Charee

Special Thanks:

Thank you to the Membership Committee for the great event at Papa's Pumpkin Patch Potluck in September! All the food everyone brought was so delicious, and the kids had so much fun playing together. What a great event!



October Events:

MEDORA CONFIRMATION RETREAT

October 25th-26th

Meet at the church at 3:45 p.m.

Our Confirmation students are invited for a weekend retreat to learn how the Bible is a cornerstone to our lives. Grow in faith and discover how being a Christian really can make a difference in our communities and world. Cost is \$50.00. \$25.00 will be paid by the Christian Education Committee, **\$25.00 registration fee due by the Confirmand families!** Registration, registration fee and Permission slips ***due to Charee by Monday, October 14th!***

MESSTIVAL...

On Sunday, September 8th, we celebrated Back-to-Church Sunday with an Outdoor Family Mess-tival in the East parking lot and lawn. Our youth....and parents enjoy a painted shaving cream slip-n-slide, paint twister, bobbing in whipped cream for gummy worm fishing, face decorating with frosting and cake sprinkles, and much more. Everyone got a chance to dunk Charee, Mark and Pastor Leanne got a little wet as well!

I am not going to lie...it got a tad bit chilly after being dunk in the dunk tank, but it was so worth it to see the fun everyone was having. Here are a few memories taken from that day!





PANCAKES WITH SANTA...

Ho ho ho! Christmas may still be a few months away, but the Child Care Center would like you to mark your calendars for our first ever "Pancakes with Santa" event. This fun event is scheduled for the morning of Saturday, December 14th in Ramstad Fellowship Hall. The Boy Scout Troop 6 will be cooking and serving a pancake breakfast, and Santa will be there to visit with the children! This event is free and open to the public, with a freewill offering to help cover breakfast costs.

Pancakes and Santa—what's there not love? Be sure to join us and tell your friends! If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 223-6091.

Pancakes with Santa * Saturday, Dec. 14 * 9:30-11:30 a.m.

CROP WALK FOR HUNGER...

***50th Anniversary
October 13th, 2019 at 12:30 p.m.
At Good Shepherd Lutheran Church***

***12:30—Join us for the 50th Anniversary Celebration
1:30 p.m. Walk for World Hunger***

Did you know the CROP Walk began in Bismarck 50 years ago? Help us Celebrate. Plan on 10/13/2019 for helping those in need nationwide. JOIN THE CROP Walk for Hunger! October 13th, 2019 at 1:30 at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

CROP Walk benefits throughout our nation who are experiencing hardships and disasters. Sign up today to walk or sponsor a CROP Walker (a number of our Confirmation Students will be walking in the event as part of their confirmation service project)! To take part, contact the Alice Nix at 751-7501 or Charee in the church office at 223-6091.



SESSION HIGHLIGHTS...

SEPTEMBER 24th, 2019

CLERK'S REPORT

On Sunday, September 22nd, Lori and Rick Lee, Sue and Lyle Johnsen were presented to the congregation as new members by letters of transfer. Membership is 364.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Total Income YTD Actual	\$318,381	Budget	\$319,292
Total Expense YTD Actual	\$336,406	Budget	\$342,072
NET Income	- \$ 18,025	Budget	- \$ 22,780
Unrestricted General Fund	\$166,020		

MODERATOR'S REPORT

Pastor Leanne thanked several committees for sponsoring successful events in September: Back to Church Sunday, Street Fair Fun and information, Messtival, Service of Wholeness, Papa's Pumpkin Patch, and Higher Power Lunch. Alternate date for Blessing of Pets is October 5th, 2:00 p.m. in case it rains on Sunday, Sept. 29th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative and Personnel—Session approved proposal to restructure committees, reduce number of Elders and Deacons, reduce terms of service to 2 years and develop responsibilities for combined committees. The congregation would need to approve changes to the bylaws, possibly at the annual congregational meeting. Session approved Dick Weber as Chair of Mission and Outreach after Gladys Cairns moves to NV, for the month of December.

Business and Finance—Budgeting process is underway. Session approved use of Lovering Fund to cover expenses of Christian Education Interns for the remainder of 2019. The Richter-Chapman Fund has been depleted.

Christian Education—Confirmation class will have a retreat in the Badlands October 25th-26th. Adult Bible Study continues on Tuesdays Noon; Adult Ed Class is Sunday Mornings at 9:00 a.m.

Membership—October 16 is the date for the Chili Cook-Off/Game/Movie Night.

Mission and Outreach—Thanksgiving Dinner for the community will again be held at FPC.

Property and Equipment—A water leak has developed along a north outside foundation wall; possible solution might include raising cement/re-sloping the area.

Stewardship—Consecration Sunday is October 13th followed by catered lunch. Reservation cards for the meal will be in the bulletin. Congregation will receive letters about the Stewardship Campaign.

Worship and Music—Twenty-five new choir robes will be purchased this fall. Congregation will have an opportunity to contribute to the committee's programs.

Board of Deacons—Committees continue to provide transportation, recordings and visits to elderly; monthly gatherings at Touchmark and communion preparation.

Child Care Center—Session approved the CCC parents having a lemonade stand and hotdog sale in the spring. Pancakes with Santa will be Dec. 14 with the Boy Scout Troop 6 helping. CCC Budget has a positive net income. More staff is needed to replace four who left, especially as more infants will be joining the center.

Nominating—a few more members are needed to complete the slate of officers for 2020.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS CONT....

NEW BUSINESS

Session approved 3 Commissioners to the Presbytery meeting in Devils Lake October 26th: Jim Skaret, Shari Orser, and Ella Gutzke.

Alice Nix, Clerk of Session



OCTOBER FUN FACTS

The 10th month of the year brings us Halloween, Columbus Day, and the Jewish holiday of Yom Kippur.

In the Georgian calendar, the calendar that most of the world uses, October is the tenth month of the year. In early Roman calendar, it was actually the eighth month and there are 31 days in October.

In North Temperature zone, the first frost happens, leaves change colors and leaves fall. By the time, most of the birds would have left for the South hemisphere to protect themselves from cold weather. However, in the southern hemisphere, October's weather is just like the northern hemisphere's April weather.

In October, farmers bring the last of the fall crops and ship them to other parts of the U.S. and also, many apples are harvested.

Below are some fun facts about October:

- ◆ The birthstones for October are the tourmaline and the opal.
- ◆ The zodiac signs for October are Libra (September 23-October 22) and Scorpio (October 23-November 21).
- ◆ The birth flower for October is the calendula.
- ◆ On October 1, 1896, free rural delivery of mail started in the United States.
- ◆ On October 4, 1957, the first artificial satellite was launched by the Soviet Union.
- ◆ On October 5, 1947, the first presidential telecast address from the White House was made by Harry S. Truman.
- ◆ On October 7, 1816, the Washington (first double-decked steamboat) arrived at New Orleans.
- ◆ On October 12, 1492, Christopher Columbus landed in America.
- ◆ On October 18, 1867, the U.S. flag was formally raised over Alaska.
- ◆ On October 22, 1836, Sam Houston was inaugurated as the first President of the Republic of Texas.
- ◆ On October 31, 1864, Nevada became the 36th state of the United States.
- ◆ Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- ◆ National Cookie Month
- ◆ National Chili Month
- ◆ National Pizza Month
- ◆ National Dessert Month
- ◆ Lupus Awareness Month
- ◆ National Seafood Month
- ◆ Columbus Day—second Monday of October
- ◆ October 31st—Halloween.

October 2019 Ushers/Greeters/Reception Host

October 6th:

Captain: Donna Richter

Ushers: Stan Halling, Barb Satran, Winston Satran, Cindy Cross, Don Cross

Reception Host: Alice Halling

October 13th:

Captain: Gloria Blanco

Ushers: Lori Orser, Mary Magnusson, Keith Magnusson, JoAnn Hodny, Matt Engel

Reception Host: Ann Lynch

October 20th:

Captain: Neva Carlisle

Usher: Dawn Henriksen, Chris Henriksen, Drew Henriksen, Mallory Henriksen, Jody Bachmeier

Reception Host: Jan Gilchrist

October 27th:

Captain: Steve Adair

Ushers: Nanc Skaret, Peggy Hoge, Dave Ingstad, David Massey, Gaylene Massey

Reception Host: Carol Peterson

LAY READERS

Oct. 6th	Lorraine Dopson
Oct. 13th	Shari Orser
Oct. 20th	Alice Nix
Oct. 27th	Volunteer Needed



If you are unable to serve on the date scheduled, please find a replacement and then contact the office with the changes.

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COMMUNION SERVERS

Sunday, October 6th

JoAnn Hodny	Vic Sonneman
Matt Engel	Ella Gutzke
Dave Nix	Alice Nix
Kris Ronningen	Nanc Skaret
Lori Orser	Shari Orser

Communion is available to be served at home, hospital, or nursing home to anyone who is unable to worship with the congregation. Please call church office to schedule time.

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Vonda Bailey
Etta Schue
Ellie Adair
Aaron (Bud) Johnson
Bryson Fru
Joe Satrom
Pete Emerson
Laura Jensen
Cindy Cross
Darin Svihovec
Neva Carlisle
Jane Boeckel
Bella-Rae Fru
Kaitlin Dixon
Linda Jordre
Solomon Bannerman
Ron Carlisle

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Anniversaries

Arne & Donna Arneson	October 6th
Jeff & Susan Schafer	October 6th
Gary & Jan Gilchrist	October 12th
Bob & Cathy Kinnischtzke	October 14th
Tom & Pam Lannoye	October 14th
Mike & Jackie Lannoye	October 15th
Don & Cindy Cross	October 16th
Pat & Becky Liedtke	October 19th
Duane & Karen Ebrens	October 23rd

All birthdays and anniversaries are taken from previous information gathered. If we made a mistake, or missed you or a loved one, we apologize and ask that you please let us know so we can update our system. If you do not want your birthday listed in a bulletin or newsletter, please let us know that as well. Thank you!





October Happenings

<u><i>Date</i></u>	<u><i>Time</i></u>	<u><i>Meeting/Event</i></u>	<u><i>Location</i></u>
Tuesday, October 1st, 2019	12:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study	Conf. Room
	1:00 p.m.	Higher Power Committee Meeting	Conf. Room
	5:15 p.m.	Suzuki Music School	205
	5:30 p.m.	Yoga	202
	5:30 p.m.	Property & Equipment Committee	Ramstad
	6:30 p.m.	Lay Pastors	Parlor
Wednesday, October 2nd, 2019	9:30 a.m.	Early Childhood Music Class	202
	12:30 p.m.	Innovation School Class	202
	5:30 p.m.	Nominating Committee	Conf. Room
	5:45 p.m.	PAC/PresbyTeens	Downstairs
	6:30 p.m.	Westminster Chimes	Bell Room
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary
Thursday, October 3rd, 2019	10:00 a.m.	Senior Strength Class	Parlor
	12:00 p.m.	Stewardship Committee	Conf. Room
	6:00 p.m.	Parlor Reserved for Private Event	Parlor
	6:00 p.m.	G.R.O.W. Fall Gathering	Ramstad
	6:00 p.m.	Membership Committee	Conf. Room
Friday, October 4th, 2019		<i>*No Events Scheduled</i>	
Saturday, October 5th, 2019	8:30 a.m.	Circle	Parlor
	2:00 p.m.	Blessing of the Pets Service	East Parking Lot
Sunday, October 6th, 2019	9:00 a.m.	Bellringer's Bakery Caramel Roll Sale	Parlor
	9:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Study	201
	10:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School	Downstairs
	5:00 p.m.	Stewardship Meeting	
	6:00 p.m.	Ramstad Reserved for Private Event	Ramstad



October Happenings

<u><i>Date</i></u>	<u><i>Time</i></u>	<u><i>Meeting/Event</i></u>	<u><i>Location</i></u>
Monday, October 7th, 2019	10:00 a.m.	Senior Exercise Class	Parlor
	1:30 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry Group	Parlor
	5:15 p.m.	Suzuki Music School	205; 207
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 6	Downstairs
	7:00 p.m.	Christian Education Committee	Conf. Room
Tuesday, October 8th, 2019	12:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study	Conf. Room
	5:15 p.m.	Suzuki Music School	205
	5:30 p.m.	Yoga	202
	5:30 p.m.	Child Care Center Board	Conf. Room
Wednesday, October 9th, 2019	9:30 a.m.	Early Childhood Music Class	202
	12:30 p.m.	Innovation School Class	202
	5:30 p.m.	Nominating Committee	Conf. Room
	5:45 p.m.	PAC/PresbyTeens	Downstairs
	6:30 p.m.	Westminster Chimes	Bell Room
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary
Thursday, October 10th, 2019	10:00 a.m.	Senior Strength Class	Parlor
	6:30 p.m.	Outreach Committee	Conf. Room
Friday, October 11th, 2019		<i>No Events Scheduled</i>	
Saturday, October 12th, 2019	2:00 p.m.	Sanctuary/Parlor Reserved for Private Event	Sanctuary/Parlor
Sunday, October 13th, 2019	9:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Study	201
	10:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School	Downstairs
	11:00 a.m.	Stewardship Celebration Luncheon	Ramstad
	12:30 p.m.	CROP Walk for Hunger	Good Shepherd Lutheran Church



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Monday, October 14th, 2019	10:00 a.m.	Senior Strength Class	Parlor
	5:15 p.m.	Suzuki Music School	205; 207
	5:30 p.m.	Worship & Music Committee	Conf. Room
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 6	Downstairs
Tuesday, October 15th, 2019	12:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study	Conf. Room
	5:15 p.m.	Suzuki Music School	205
	5:30 p.m.	Yoga	202
Wednesday, October 16th, 2019	11:30 a.m.	Higher Power Lunch	Parlor
	12:30 a.m.	Innovation School Classes	202
	5:30 p.m.	Nominating Committee	Conf. Room
	5:30 p.m.	Chili Cook-Off/Movie/Game Night	Ramstad/ Downstairs
	6:30 p.m.	Westminster Chimes	Bell Room
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary
		<i>*NO PAC/PresbyTeens—Fall Break</i>	
Thursday, October 17th, 2019	10:00 a.m.	Senior Strength Class	Parlor
	7:00 p.m.	Deacons	Parlor
Friday, October 18th, 2019		<i>*No Events Scheduled</i>	
Saturday, October 19th, 2019		<i>*No Events Schedule</i>	
Sunday, October 20th, 2019	9:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Study	201
	10:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School	Downstairs
Monday, October 21st, 2019	10:00 a.m.	Senior Strength Class	Parlor
	12:00 p.m.	Business & Finance Committee	Conf. Room
	1:30 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Parlor
	5:00 p.m.	Administrative & Personnel Comm.	Conf. Room
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 6	Downstairs



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Tuesday, October 22nd, 2019	12:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study	Conf. Room
	5:15 p.m.	Suzuki Music School	205
	6:00 p.m.	Session	Parlor
		<i>*No Yoga</i>	
Wednesday, October 23rd, 2019	9:30 a.m.	Early Childhood Music Class	202
	12:30 p.m.	Innovation School Class	202
	5:30 p.m.	Nominating Committee	Conf. Room
	5:45 p.m.	PAC/PresbyTeens	Downstairs
	6:30 p.m.	Westminster Chimes	Bell Room
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary
Thursday, October 24th, 2019	10:00 a.m.	Senior Strength Class	Parlor
	2:00 p.m.	Presbyterian Friends at Touchmark	Touchmark
Friday, October 25th, 2019	3:45 p.m.	Medora Confirmation Retreat Begins	Meet at Church
Saturday, October 26th, 2019	3:00 p.m.	Return from Medora Confirmation Retrea	
		Presbytery Meeting	Devil's Lake, ND
Sunday, October 27th, 2019	9:00 a.m.	Adult Bible Study	201
	10:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
	10:15 a.m.	Sunday School	Downstairs
Monday, October 28th, 2019	10:00 a.m.	Senior Strength Class	Parlor
	5:15 p.m.	Suzuki Music School	205
	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 6	Downstairs
Tuesday, October 29th, 2019	12:00 p.m.	Adult Bible School	Conf. Room
	5:15 p.m.	Suzuki Music School	205

October Happenings

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Wednesday, October 30th, 2019	9:30 a.m.	Early Childhood Music Class	202
	12:30 p.m.	Innovation School Class	202
	5:30 p.m.	Nominating Committee	Conf. Room
	5:45 p.m.	Halloween Fun NightPAC/ PresbyTeens	Ramstad
	6:30 p.m.	Westminster Chimes	Bell Room
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary
Thursday, October 31st, 2019	10:00 a.m.	Senior Strength Class	Parlor
	1:30 p.m.	Book Club	Parlor

October 31 Verses to Pray for Our Homes

- 1 - Lev. 19:33-34 Lord, help us to love others as ourselves
- 2 - Num. 6:24-26 Bless and keep us, Father. May we go and do the same
- 3 - 1 Sam. 25:6 Grant peace in our home
- 4 - Job 31:32 May our home be a place with open doors
- 5 - Psalm 12:5 May our home be a refuge for the weary
- 6 - Psalm 23:5 You prepare a table before us, may we do the same
- 7 - Prov. 24:3-4 Lord, by wisdom a house is built. Give us wisdom
- 8 - Prov. 31:20 May we be known as those who open our arms to the poor
- 9 - Isaiah 58:6-8 God, may we always seek to feed the hungry
- 10 - Matt. 5:3-10 Lord, may our family truly believe the beatitudes and live them out: blessed are the meek, those that mourn, etc
- 11 - Matt. 5:13 May our family be the salt of the earth
- 12 - Matt. 5:14 May our family shine before others so that they might see You
- 13 - Matt. 25:35-40 Lord, open our eyes that we might see Jesus in the least of these
- 14 - Luke 3:10-18 Lord, we have plenty. May we give to others as You've given to us
- 15 - Luke 10:38-42 As we open our homes, may we always choose what is better
- 16 - Luke 14:12-14 Lord, help us to show the the poor, the blind, the crippled who You are. And know they will do the same for us
- 17 - John 13:35 God, may others know we are Yours because of our love
- 18 - John 15:4 (MSG) God, make Your home in us as we make our home in You
- 19 - John 13:15 Teach us what it truly means to lay down our lives for others
- 20 - Acts 2:42-47 God, remind us how the first church lived and may we do accordingly
- 21 - Rom. 12:13 May we always show preference to others
- 22 - Rom. 12:18-21 God, give us strength to love & feed our enemies
- 23 - Rom. 15:1 May our home be known for building others up
- 24 - 1 Cor. 3:16 Remind us that our bodies are Your dwelling place
- 25 - Col. 3:16 May the message of Christ dwell richly in our home
- 26 - Col. 3:23-24 May our home be a place where others are served heartily, as unto You
- 27 - Heb. 13:2 May we never fail to show hospitality to those who come our way
- 28 - James 2:14-17 May we love in word and actions
- 29 - 1 Peter 4:9-10 May we never complain when God brings people our way
- 30 - 1 John 3:16-18 Lord, help us to love with actions and in truth
- 31 - 1 John 4:19 May we love because You first loved us

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Shelli Peterson

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Vanessa Hein

Nursery

Mary Jones

Christian Education Interns

Mark Jensen, Emily Ehrens

FAMILY NEWS

*Our deepest sympathies to the family and friends of
those who have passed away:*

Cecile Ellis

Kent Ellis' mother passed away

*"And ye now therefore have
sorrow: but I will see you again,
and your heart shall rejoice, and
your joy no man taketh from
you." ~ John 16:22*

