

# COMMUNITY CALL

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## SUMMER HOURS

With the ending of Sunday School and arrival of Summer comes a change of timing for Community Presbyterian Church. Beginning on May 27th until after September 3, worship services will be held on Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

## PEACH SEASON IS APPROACHING

Every year in the heart of the summer, Youth for Christ sells cases of fresh peaches to help support their work with high-risk and at-risk teens here in the Fargo-Moorhead area. By purchasing this fruit, you are helping support these teens through a variety of programs that meet their needs while forming relationships, and ultimately sharing the gospel and connecting them to God's Story.



Fruit Stand Hours & Location:

When:

12:00-7:00 PM Tuesday  
11:00 AM -7:00 PM Wednesday-Friday  
or Until Sold Out

Where:

Scheels Home & Hardware  
3202 13th Ave. S  
Fargo, ND 58103



For information on how to preorder your peaches and pears of the season, see the Red River Youth For Christ brochures on the table in the narthex.

## PONDERINGS FROM PASTOR CATHIE



Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith shows in the many ways you participate in the life of Community Presbyterian Church and the community. (Romans 1:7b-8)

Officially, it is summer! Hooray! We all enjoy this season where our gardens are growing vegetables, fruits, and flowers. In anticipation, I can taste the fresh tomatoes and smell the awesome herbs! The beauty of God's world shows in marvelous colors from the farm fields to the trees, and the gardens.

Summer feels like time that is free and open to a more informal lifestyle. We spend time with friends and family

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at the lake and in town with picnics, backyard barbecues, watching ball games, going to the fair, and just being. If you like fall, winter, or spring, they will come around again. I truly appreciate God's world and love living in a place where we are able to experience all of God's seasons! Each are unique, allowing us to enjoy the variety God's world brings to us and provides us opportunity to praise God.

Thank you to all of you who have had an opportunity to serve the children with the lunch program we are participating in with the Great Plains Food Bank. When we started this project, we were expecting 10-20 students each day. God cares for his children! We were fortunate to be placed in a location just south of South Elementary School. Each day of summer school we have served from 25-40 students. On days the children do not have school, we serve in the 10-20 student range. Think about that... children were able to have a meal because we answered God's call. Praise God for each of you – for those of you who have praying for the children, and those of you who have had the opportunity to share in the serving of meals.

Please check the bulletin board and sign up for July and August opportunities. We will need your time and energy to help bring the food to the South Playground, set up, serve the children, and pack-up, returning to the CPCWF to store the supplies. It only takes about 60-75 minutes of your time. Please consider signing up so we can finish out the summer and feed the children of our neighborhood. Your prayers are also appreciated. You can be part of the project with your prayers as well as your time and energy.

This newsletter covers both July and August. We will have worship each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. with coffee and treats af-



terwards so there is time to visit. Bring yourselves and a friend. We will serve communion on July 1 and August 5. On July 15 we will be baptizing Dustin and Stephani (Steffen) Krueger's daughter, Lakken. Beginning July 15, we will begin a new sermon series based on the "Great Ends of the Church." If you are unable to attend services, we stream the service at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday at [www.cpcwf.org](http://www.cpcwf.org) and we record each Sunday service so you can access prior services on our website at: <https://vimeo.com/cpcwf>.

If you have a confirmation age child, be watching for information about our confirmation program which will begin in September. Sunday School for all ages will resume in September too! Rally Day will be Sunday, September 9.

Enjoy summer. Remember you can talk with God anywhere, anytime. God listens to your prayers and your groans 24/7.

Pastor Cathie

### **LET'S PLAY BALL!**



Fargo-Moorhead Church Softball League will be starting again soon. Want to play on the CPC team? Give Reed Montgomery a call at 701-367-8039.

Beginning May 2nd, all games are on Wednesday evenings with the first game at 6:30 p.m. and the second to follow. Spectators are always welcome.

All games will be played Wednesday evening on a field at North Softball Complex (NC) at 6063 45th ST N, Fargo, ND 58102.

Games will be postponed if one field is unplayable. Make-up games will occur on Fridays.

Date	Time	Place(Home/Away)	Opponent
7/11	6:30	NC D1 (A)	Ignite
	7:30	NC D5 (H)	St. Joseph's

**\*\*Tournaments will be July 13 and 14\*\***

## MAY CLERK'S CORNER



The regular meeting of Session was held on Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room. Elders present were Lise Alves, Lee Dobrinz, Laurie Elhard, Sue Hanna, Melanie Hansen, Mike Misheski, Mary Jo Moorhead, and Andrew Thostenson. Moderator Cathie Bishop and Treasurer Carolyn Meester were present. Adam Montgomery called into the meeting. Clerk Becky DeJong was absent.

The meeting was opened with prayer and devotions by Andrew Thostenson.

### Consent Agenda:

- a. approval of the minutes of April 18, 2018
- b. Next Session meeting – Wednesday, June 20, 2018
- c. Becky DeJong would like to borrow tables and chairs on May 12. Cindy Shone would like to borrow tables and chairs for the graduation of her son, Chris Shone, on June 2. Lise Alves made a motion to approve the request via e-mail. Motion was seconded and approved.
- d. Mike Hansen, who lives at 614 Morrison Street, would like to use our back parking lot on Saturday, May 19, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for a graduation party. Lise Alves made a motion to approve the request via e-mail. Motion was seconded and approved

### Moderator's report –

- Newsletter articles for May newsletter submitted April 19, 2018.
- Training/mentoring for Roberta Cruz daily.
- Bells practice 4/24 and Concert at Sheyenne Crossing on 5/1/2018
- Co-lead Wednesday Bible Study: Bad Girls of the Bible with Gayle Thostenson: 4/25, 5/2, and 5/9.
- Attended Deacons meeting on 4/25; on Sunday afternoon, May 6, delivered Spring Bags and visited 5 people with Boots Misheski.

- Provided worship and communion for Park View residents and worship for residents at Moorhead Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center on April 26.
- Participated in Care for Congregations conference call on April 30; working with congregation on conflict issues.
- Met with Amy and Tucker Bucholz, along with Mary Jo Moorhead, in preparation for baptism of their son, Declan Layne Bucholz, on May 13, 2018.
- Attended Faith Community Advisory Group at Hjemkomst Center on May 8, 2018.
- Helped prep and serve dinner for Churches United for the Homeless guests on May 9, 2018.
- Attended Worship Committee meeting on May 9, 2018.
- Prepared worship and preached on April 22 and 29; May 6 with communion; May 13 with baptism. Prepared ahead for worship on May 20 and June 3.
- Will attend committee meetings for Christian Education and Mission before Session on May 16.
- Continuing to prepare for the Summer Youth Food Program in conjunction with Great Plains Food Bank. Am talking with area churches regarding an ecumenical effort to feed the children 5 days a week from June 4 through August 17: Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Flame of Faith Methodist Church, and Faith Journey Lutheran Church. Our training will be held on Friday, June 1, from 9:00-10:00 a.m. at CPCWF.
- I will be out of the office from Tuesday, May 22, through Thursday, May 31, attending my first face-to-face DMin class at UDTs. Paul Campbell will be on call for me during the time I am out of town. His cell phone number is 712-490-0961. Our Deacons will be available to support our people as needed. I will also be

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available via my cell phone and/or email.

- Met with Paul Lang, FPC Fargo and Robert Blake, FPC Moorhead about Culture of Generosity on May 16.

Clerk's report -

- 56 served communion on Sunday, April 1, 2018. Declan Bucholz was baptized

Elders to serve communion on Sunday, June 3 will be Lise Alves, Sue Hanna, Mary Jo Moorhead, and Lee Dobrinz.

The financial report was discussed.

Discussion was held regarding FCA/ PACKERS 4 CHRIST – Pastor Cathie will print the email and post on the bulletin board for anyone interested.

Gloria Ruhnke wondered if there was an interest in having a new church picture directory. Suggestion to have pictures in the fall. Lise Alves volunteered to assist. Gayle Thostenson will provide new contact information.

Discussion was held regarding a stewardship campaign with First Presbyterian Fargo and Moorhead churches. Pastor Cathie had a meeting with Paul Lang and Robert Blake. Cost to our church would be approximately \$500.00 per year for a two year project. Andrew will reach out to Paul Lang to discuss. We will need to discuss at the June meeting and make a decision if we would like to be included.

Christian Education Committee: Polar Blast VBS will be June 24, 25, and 26. Dinner will be at 5:40 and VBS will end at 7:40. They are looking for people to help with food, teaching, leading, etc.

Deacons: On May 6, groups of two went out and delivered spring baskets to the shut-ins. Pastor Cathie will be gone May 22 through May 31. Contact Lise Alves with any pastoral needs, and she will contact Paul Campbell.

Mission Committee: One Great Hour of Sharing finished the campaign, collecting a total of \$2,103.73. Great job – that is about 1 ½ farm bundles. May

and June mission is Bdecan Church. Funds will go to purchase a building in which they will store clothing donations. A fund raising event is planned for Saturday, July 14th. Our own Kevin Galt and others will be there sharing their musical talents. Great Plains Food Pantry summer food program will take place June 4th through August 17th. Pastor Cathie has contacted area churches to see if they are interested in assisting. 5 days a week, lunch will be served at the playground south of South Elementary. Serving will take thirty minutes. Total time about an hour. Pastor Cathie will coordinate people for the first two weeks to get it started.

Stewardship: We received confirmation that the stocks gifted to the church have been received. Discussion was held to apply these funds to principal only on the mortgage loan. Andrew Thostenson has learned how to make the Sunday deposits, so he is able to assist if needed. We will send out contribution reports in July or August with a letter.

The Trustees are working with the cleaning company to work out communication glitches.

Worship Committee: The committee is still working on ways to introduce new hymns. Worship committee is considering an advent devotional project. Committee members are each writing one to share at the June Worship committee meeting.

No reports: Nominating, Service and Fellowship, and Personnel committees.

Meeting closed with prayer by Pastor Cathie at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Carolyn Meester



### **CALLING ALL LITURGISTS & MUSICIANS**

Having a second voice lead the liturgy enhances everyone's worship experience as does music in worship. Please prayerfully consider assisting in worship as liturgist or musician and sign up.



## JUNE CLERK'S CORNER



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The meeting was opened with prayer and devotions by Lee Dobrinz.

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- a. approval of the minutes of May 16, 2018
- b. next Session meeting – Wednesday, July 18, 2018

### Moderator's report –

- Newsletter articles written and submitted by May 17, 2018.
- Met with Lisa Richmond from Churches United for the Homeless on May 17. She is the new liaison between churches and Churches United.
- Completed 3rd Book Review prior to leaving for University of Dubuque Theological Seminary (UDTS).
- Visited Irene Martin on Monday, May 21, prior to her surgery.
- Drove to Dubuque, met my new cohort, had classes from May 23 through May 30. Returned to West Fargo on Thursday, May 31. Stopped into the office briefly that afternoon. Stopped in Rochester and visited with John, Elizabeth, and Emmanuel Williams on my way home. The kids are settling in well. John's speech is much better. He is hoping to find an apartment for himself and the kids over the summer.
- Friday, June 1, Jenae Meske, program coordinator at Great Plains Food Bank presented training to those working with the Youth Summer Meal Program.
- Listened to message on phone after

church on Sunday, June 3. The woman who had left a message was interested in joining our church. I called her back and set up an appointment to visit with her on Monday, June 4, at Hope Haven, where she was staying. Long story short, I picked her up at Hope Haven on Sunday, June 10, so she could come to church, which she did. She has permission to receive a "pass" so she can attend church at CPC.

- Sunday, June 3, visited Irene Martin and her son, Mike, at Sanford Hospital.
- The Youth Summer Meals program began Monday, June 4. Serve time is from noon to 12:30 p.m.. We set up so we are ready by 11:45. Clean up is not taking as long as I expected. We are generally back at the church by 12:40 p.m. The supplies are stored at CPC. The Food Bank delivers additional food as requested. We have consistently had 3-4 people helping at each meal, including volunteers from BCBS. The first week started slowly with only 2 children. Summer school began on Tuesday, June 5, and we had 29 students! Wednesday, we served 45 children, Thursday, 37 children, and Friday (no summer school) we served 14 children and provided 10 "backpack" packages of food for the children to take home over the weekend. Week 2 stats were: Monday 31, Tuesday, 29, Wednesday 38, Thursday 34, and Friday 9. Week 3 stats were: Monday 37, Tuesday 37, Wednesday 41.
- Attended Worship Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 13th.
- Four worship services prepared/led: May 20; June 3 with communion; June 10; and June 17.
- Vacation Sunday on May 27.
- Conversations with Stephanie (Steffen) Krueger regarding baptism of Lakken Krueger on July 15, Note request on agenda.

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Clerk's report - 44 served communion on Sunday, May 6, 2018.

Elders to serve communion on Sunday, July 1, by intinction will be Lise Alves and Andrew Thostenson.

The financial report was discussed.

Pastor Cathie will form a Congregational Resource Team that will provide a connection between CPC and her Doctorate of Ministry studies. This team will consist of 4-9 members and will remain active for three years.

Dustin and Stephani Krueger have requested to have their daughter, Lakken Charlene Krueger, baptized on Sunday, July 15, 2018. Andrew Thostenson will be the presenting elder.

CPC will be joining with First Presbyterian Church of Fargo and First Presbyterian Church of Moorhead in a stewardship training process over the coming two years. The purpose of this program will be to create a culture of generosity.

The Emergency Food Pantry will use our parking lot on Monday evenings throughout the summer to collect surplus garden produce.

Laurie Elhard and Pastor Cathie would like to provide a Thanksgiving meal at the church for those who would like to join in fellowship while sharing a meal. Watch for further details.

Christian Education Committee: Laurie Elhard and Carrie Leopold will hold a youth event at the church at 7:00 p.m. on June 27. A media release form is being drafted and will be used for VBS. There will be a food drive for the Food Pantry during VBS.

Mission Committee: The mission project for June and July is the Bdecean Church. They are purchasing a building to house the clothing donations that they receive. Churches United has sent out a request to aide them in providing Gatorade, medical supplies and gift certificates to purchase medical supplies.

Personnel Committee: Pastor Cathie will

be on vacation July 8 (after worship) – July 11. Carolyn Meester will be on vacation July 4-10.

Stewardship Committee: The stock sales have been applied directly to the principal of our loan. Stocks and property can be gifted to the church. An article about how to donate items such as these will be sent out. A new payroll service is being researched.

Worship Committee: An advent devotional book is being worked on. Discussions are being held about having an outdoor service.

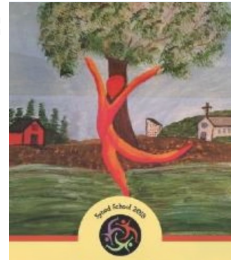
No reports: Trustees, Deacons, Nominating, and Service and Fellowship committees.

Meeting closed with prayer by Pastor Cathie at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Becky DeJong

**SYNOD SCHOOL 2018:  
DANCE JOYFULLY  
WHERE'ER  
YOU MAY BE**

July 22-27, 2018  
Buena Vista  
University  
Storm Lake, Iowa



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interesting classes for children, youth, and adults of all ages.

nightly coffee houses, intergenerational games, and creative endeavors.

intentional community centered in hospitality, healing, and hope.

For more information, links to the catalog of classes, and course descriptions, along with registration details, visit [www.lakesandprairies.org/SynodSchool](http://www.lakesandprairies.org/SynodSchool) or call 800-328-1880, ext. 207.

## JULY DATES TO REMEMBER

### BIRTHDAYS

7-4 Carly Hager  
7-8 Curtis Hemm  
Dolores Meyer  
7-9 Michelle Jenner  
Kristen Richard  
7-13 Grace Hager  
7-16 Cami Birrenkott  
7-17 Hudson Babb  
Marj Meester  
7-19 Boots Misheski  
7-20 Don Rehling  
7-22 Tammy Bahls  
7-24 Judy Pederson  
7-30 Yvonne Hummel

### ANNIVERSARIES

7-17-04 - Joe and Melissa Eiter  
7-20-68 - Dave and Gloria Ruhnke  
7-27-52 - Don and Greta Rehling  
7-29-06 - Brian and Heidi Babb  
7-30-11 - Zachary and Elizabeth Strand



## THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

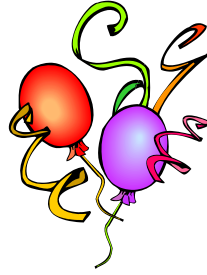
Thanks to all who contributed to Polar Blast Vacation Bible School. It was wonderful to watch how God provided the people we needed to make this a special enjoyable, learning experience for all involved. It was very cool to see Jesus' love in action.

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY TO BEGIN

Men of CPC, on Monday, July 9th, you are invited to join a new Men's Bible Study. We will be meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Hanna's House (944 Parkway Dr., WF) on July 9th and 23rd, August 6th and 20th.

The Bible Study, written by James McDonald, titled Act Like Men, covers 1 Corinthians 16:13-14.

Please contact Steve Hanna for further information.



## AUGUST DATES TO REMEMBER

### BIRTHDAYS

8-1 Gayle Thostenson  
8-7 Brandon Witt  
8-8 McKenna Ohm  
8-9 Donna Jenner  
8-11 David Hemm  
Judy McLeod  
8-14 Chuck Thompson  
8-15 Carol Sterup  
8-18 Dixie Smith  
8-25 Greta Rehling  
8-27 Phyllis Hofsommer  
Colton Misheski  
8-28 Stephani Krueger  
8-30 Erica Bahls  
8-31 Nancy Kassman  
Lisa Steffen

### ANNIVERSARIES

8-2-68 - Gordy and Judy Pederson  
8-9-14 - Brandon and Kayla Hauge  
8-18-73 - Bob and Susan Gross  
8-18-90 - Steve and Sue Hanna  
8-20-66 - Rae and Edsel Kercher  
8-31-96 - Brian and Laurie Elhard

## FOOD PANTRY IN THE LOT

Do you like to garden? Do you sometimes harvest more than you can use?

If so, we have a way you can serve your community and find a home for your extra produce.

This summer, we are again partnering with the Fargo Emergency Food Pantry. They will park in our parking lot on Monday evenings during the months of July and August. The purpose is to accept donations of surplus garden produce from you and others in the West Fargo and Fargo area so they are available to people who normally do not receive fresh produce.

Thank you, in advance, for sharing your surplus garden produce with the hungry in our community.

Please contact Pastor Cathie with questions.



## JULY & AUGUST SCRIPTURES FOR WORSHIP



- July 1 - Communion  
2 Corinthians 8:7-15 (sermon text)  
2 Samuel 1:1,17-27  
Psalm 130; Mark 5:21-43
- July 8 - 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 (ser. text)  
2 Samuel 5:1-5,9-10  
Psalm 48, Mark 6:1-13
- July 15- Baptism -  
The Great Ends of the Church series  
We will proclaim...  
Matthew 28:12-20 (sermon text)  
2 Samuel 6:1-5,12b-19, Psalm 24  
Ephesians 1:3-14, Mark 6:14-29
- July 22 - The Great Ends of the Church:  
We will shelter and nurture...  
John 13:33-35 (sermon text)  
2 Samuel 7:1-14a, Psalm 89:20-27  
Ephesians 2:11-22  
Mark 6:30-34, 52-56
- July 29 - The Great Ends of the Church:  
We will maintain...  
John 4:19-25 (sermon text)  
2 Samuel 11:1-15, Psalm 14  
Ephesians 3:14-21, John 6:1-21
- Aug 5- Communion  
The Great Ends of the Church:  
We will preserve...  
1 John 5:13-21 (sermon text)  
2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a  
Psalm 5:1-12, Ephesians 4:1-16  
John 6:24-35
- Aug 12- The Great Ends of the Church:  
We will promote...  
Matthew 5:1-12 (sermon text)  
2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33  
Psalm 130, Ephesians 4:25-5:2  
John 6:35, 41-51
- Aug 19 - The Great Ends of the Church:  
We will exhibit...  
Romans 14:13-23 (sermon text)  
1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14  
Psalm 111, Ephesians 5:15-20  
John 5:51-58
- Aug 26 - Psalm 84 (sermon text)  
1 Kings 8:1-6,10-11,22-30,41-43  
Ephesians 6:10-20, John 6:56-69

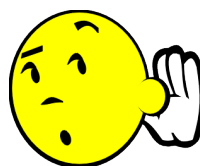
## DEACONS



If anyone in the congregation is hospitalized or needs a visit, contact the Deacons.

If anyone in the congregation would like home communion service please contact Lise Alves.

Linda Bishop	[H] 701-282-8515
	[C] 701-200-1818
Steve Hanna	701-793-5109
Sue Larson	701-893-6484
Lisa Steffen	701-282-5308
Carolyn Talley	701-282-3273
Boots Montgomery	701-281-0028
Lise Alves, Session Liaison	701-412-8689



## IS GOD CALLING YOU? TWO OPPORTUNITIES AWAIT

Do you like to organize and enjoy the fellowship of our church? Do you have a desire to further our children's relationship with God? Do you enjoy children, but aren't comfortable teaching? Well, the job of Sunday School Coordinator is right for you or for you and a Co-coordinator.

As the coordinator, you would have input on all decisions regarding CPC education, work closely with the Christian Education Committee, and receive active support from the committee in managing Sunday School activities.

We also are looking for additional members to the Christian Education Committee. In this role, you will have a voice in helping the young grow in their faith in Christ?

Ask yourself and ask God if He is calling you for either of these rewarding challenges.

Please call any committee member if you are interested or have questions.

They are:

Melanie Hansen,	701-526-6213
Session Liaison	
Lia Dobrinz	701-866-1681
Tammy Nelson	701-541-0941
Gayle Thostenson	701-492-0630





## CHURCHES UNITED FOR THE HOMELESS SHELTER NURSE NEEDS HELP!

The shelter nurse at Churches United for the Homeless has put out a request for items that are used regularly for the medical needs of its community and friends. CPC's Mission Committee would like us to help.

The nurse is out of the following items:

### Gatorade

- ♦ Frequently used for treating the flu, dehydration in the summer, and community members that haven't been eating

### Glucerna

- ♦ Used for individuals with diabetes that are having reactions from uncontrolled diabetes

### Over the Counter Medications

- ♦ Antibiotic ointments and cortisone creams for infected wounds and bug bites

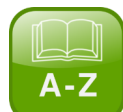
### Anti-histamines

- ♦ Use for summer allergies

Homeless individuals do not have access to any of the above products. Your help with any of these items or 5 to 10 dollar gift cards to any store that carries them will be most appreciated.

Items will be collected in a bin the church narthex. If you'd like to help monetarily or with a gift card, place your funds in a pew envelope designating Churches United or contact one of the Mission Committee members. They are: Lee Dobrinz, Kevin Galt, Boots Misheski, Mary Jo Moorhead, Dave Ruhnke, and Bonnie Thompson.

## CPC DIRECTORIES ARE AVAILABLE



They're here! Newly printed directories of CPC Members and Friends are available in the church narthex.

Need a digital directory? Ask Gayle Thostenson, and she will deliver one to your email.

## MISSION FOCUS AND A GATHERING



The current mission focus is the Bdecan Church, a Dakota Presbytery church located at Tokio, ND on the Spirit Lake Reservation. "Bdecan" (pronounced Bah-DAY Chan) means "Wood Lake" in the Dakota language. Bdecan Presbyterian Church is the only Indian Presbyterian Church in the State of North Dakota. It was founded as a mission church in 1879 and formally organized in 1881.

Joe Obermeyer was hired in the spring of 2013 as the Youth and Outreach Coordinator at Bdecan Presbyterian Church. Joe provides programming for the children and youth year round. He also coordinates volunteers from outside the church during the summer months. Joe states, "This position is going to be an amazing experience. I do not consider this to be a job; instead I consider this position to be a vocation. I am convinced that God has brought me into this place at this moment."

This summer, on July 14, the church will celebrate the fifth anniversary of Joe's hiring. There will be a 5k fun run/walk in the morning. After lunch a ribbon cutting is planned for the new clothing pantry. There will be music entertainment. In addition, depending upon local donations, Joe Obermeyer will have his beard shaved.

To contribute to the purchase of the new clothing pantry, to volunteer to help Kevin Galt with special music, or to just join in the fun, see sign up sheets in the church narthex or speak to members of the Mission Committee.

For more information about the Bdecan Church, you can go to its website at <https://www.bdecanpresbyterianchurch.org/>. Additional information can be found on Presbytery of the North Plains website at <https://www.northernplainspresbytery.com/>.



## YEAR-TO-DATE GIVING UPDATE

For 6/20/2018

General Operating budget  
2018: \$146,185.80 / 52  
weeks = \$2,811.26 per week.

Budgeted Exp. to date: \$ 67,470.24

Actual giving \$ 59,603.75

Actual expenses \$ 59,421.51

Net income to date \$ 182.24

This does not include the mortgage payment of \$3,146.54. There are funds in the building fund account to cover the mortgage payment through October.

Per capita amount for 2018 is \$44.00 for each confirmed member. The unpaid balance at the end of the year is paid out of the church general fund. Please mark on your check or envelope funds you are contributing to Per Capita.

Summer is here! Many are enjoying the summer weather at the lake or traveling. As the church still has bills to pay, we still need your donations. Keep on giving even when you are not able to attend service. How? Sign up for automatic withdrawal from your account which will be deposited directly to the church account. Use the attached form or contact Carolyn Meester if you have any questions.

## SAVE THE DATE

Presbyterian Women's Fall Bazaar and Luncheon is coming on Saturday, October 13.



## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

The church's office hours are:

Monday-Thursday  
8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Other times by appointment

**September Community Call  
deadline will be  
Wednesday, August 22**

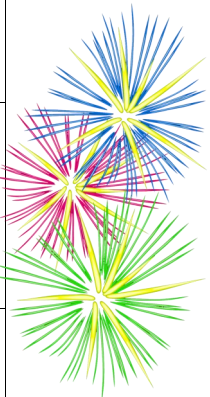
## A NEW WAY TO GIFT THE CHURCH













This past fall, a member inquired if the church could accept the gift of stocks to be used to help retire Building Fund Debt. The answer was yes. But from a practical perspective, we had no ability to accept the gift nor to be able to liquidate it to generate cash to use it. By February, it became apparent that receiving the gift would require the church to set up a brokerage account. That took a couple of months to accomplish as Session needed to formally support it and then the Treasurer, Stewardship Chair, and the Clerk had to submit a pile of paperwork and documents to a broker. Eventually, an account was established, and the gift was received. By the end of May the stocks were sold with the proceeds coming to the church.

The good news is we can now easily accept gifts of stocks or other negotiable securities because we have an on-going brokerage account. The question for many members is: why not just sell the stock and give the funds to the church in the form of a check? While that can be done, if the owner of the stock has capital gains on the stock, they would incur the taxable gains on the sale of the stock. By just giving the stock to the church, they get the full market value of the stock as a charitable deduction WITHOUT getting taxed on the gain.

So, if you are contemplating gifting to the church, you need not do so only with cash. You can simply give negotiable securities directly to the church, and we can employ the funds to support the spreading of the Good News. A similar method of gifting can be used to avoid capital gains tax on land or other real properties, but that would require much more than a brokerage account. Regardless, this is just another way to gift to the church. If you have questions with this approach, contact Elder Andrew Thostenson, the Stewardship Chair, with questions. 701-493-0630 or e-mail at atgtet@far.midco.net.



# JULY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <i>Immigration Sunday</i> Worship 9:30 a.m. 	2 Lunch Program 	3 	4 <i>Independence Day</i>	5 PW Card Group 1 p.m. 	6 	7
8	9 	10 	11 Prayer 9:30 a.m.  Churches United Service 4:00 p.m. Softball 6:30 p.m. Trustees 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m.	12 	13 	14 Bdecan Church Festival 
Worship 9:30 a.m.	Men's B. Study 7:00 p.m.	Quilters 6:30 p.m.		PW Card Group 1 p.m.	 Softball Tournaments	
15	16 	17 	18 Christian Ed. 6 p.m. Session 7:00 p.m. 	19 PW Card Group 1 p.m. 	20 	21
Worship 9:30 a.m.		Quilters 6:30 p.m.				
22	23 	24 	25 	26 PW Card Group 1 p.m. 	27 	28
 Synod School						
	Men's B. Study 7:00 p.m.					
	Worship 9:30 a.m.		Quilters 6:30 p.m.			
29 Worship 9:30 a.m. Salvation Army Service 4:00 p.m.	30 Food Pantry In the Lot 	31 Quilters 6:30 p.m. 	September newsletter deadline: August 22			
Non-church scheduled events: Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday p.m.—HOREMOW Monday evenings—TOPS			Head Ushers: July: Chuck Thompson August: Brian Elhard September: Steve Hanna			



## AUGUST 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>September newsletter deadline: August 22</div> <div>Non-church scheduled events: Monday evenings—TOPS</div> <div>Wednesday, Saturday &amp; Sunday p.m.—Holy Revival Move. Worldwide</div>						
5	6 Food Pantry In the Lot	7	8	9	10	11
Worship 9:30 a.m.	Men's B. Study 7:00 p.m.	Quilters 6:30 p.m.	Prayer time 9:30 a.m. Trustees 7:00 p.m.	PW Card Group 1 p.m.		
12	13 Food Pantry In the Lot	14	15	16	17	18
Worship 9:30 a.m.	Missions Comm. 7:00 p.m.	Quilters 6:30 p.m.	Christian Ed. 6:00 p.m. Session 7:00 p.m.	PW Card Group 1 p.m.		
19	20 Food Pantry In the Lot	21	22	23	24	25
Worship 9:30 a.m.	Men's B. Study 7:00 p.m.	Quilters 6:30 p.m.	Deacons 7:00 p.m.	PW Card Group 1 p.m.		
26	27	28	29	30	31	
Worship 9:30 a.m.	Food Pantry In the Lot	Quilters 6:30 p.m.		PW Card Group 1 p.m.		
<div>August: Brian Elhard</div> <div>September: Steve Hanna</div> <div>October: Larry Peihl</div>						



## Pre-authorized debits customer authorization form

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*(This authority will remain in effect until I have cancelled it in writing.)  
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\*Please select from the following options to make contributions:

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**Forms accepted at any time**

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	15%	10%	7%	6%	5%	4%	3%
100,000	288.00	192.00	135.00	115.00	96.00	77.00	58.00
75,000	216.00	144.00	100.00	87.00	72.00	58.00	43.00
60,000	173.00	153.00	80.00	69.00	58.00	46.00	35.00
50,000	144.00	96.00	67.00	58.00	48.00	38.00	29.00
45,000	130.00	87.00	61.00	52.00	43.00	35.00	26.00
40,000	115.00	77.00	54.00	46.00	38.00	31.00	23.00
35,000	101.00	67.00	47.00	40.00	34.00	27.00	20.00
30,000	87.00	58.00	40.00	35.00	29.00	23.00	17.00
25,000	72.00	48.00	34.00	29.00	24.00	19.00	14.00
20,000	58.00	38.00	27.00	23.00	19.00	15.00	12.00
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9:30 a.m  
Summer  
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Worship Hours

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TO BE LED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT; TO SHARE CHRIST.