



The Visitor

Newsletter

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June Annual Meeting

The Congregational Meeting is Sunday, June 25th after church with a salad potluck lunch. Please be sure to attend this important meeting for our church.

Chip in for the Church and Win!

It's time to make your guess for Birdies for Charity. Enclosed is a form for you to fill out. Turn it in by June 13th in the box in the back of the church to be eligible to win a free ticket to the John Deere Classic (July 10-16).

You do have until Sunday, July 9 to turn in your form. 100% of your tax-deductible donation will return to the church after the tournament. Last year we raised over \$1,400.

With your correct guess, you will also be eligible to win a John Deere riding mower, airline tickets, prizes, or a 2006 Buick Lacrosse! Pledge today and everyone wins! If you have any questions, please ask Jessica Waytenick.



Attention Graduates!

On Sunday, June 11 during the worship service, we would like to recognize all those people who have graduated from high school or college. If you fall into that category, please attend that day and share your future plans with us in a sentence or two. We want to wish you well and continue to support your endeavors!



Join the Lunch Bunch

The Summer Lunch Program for neighborhood children begins on **Monday, JUNE 5th**. Serving is from 11:30 am until 12:30 pm, Monday through Friday. With a different menu every day, the neighborhood kids will definitely enjoy eating at the Church of Peace! Volunteers are always needed; so if you would like to help, contact Nora right away at 788-6357!



Worship in June

June 4—Pentecost (Wear red!)
Sermon: "Advocate"
Scripture: Ezekiel 37:1-14; Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27
Reader: Diane McCarthy
Communion and Food Pantry

June 11—Trinity Sunday
Sermon: "Canon and Community"
Scripture: Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; John 3:1-17
Reader: Marie Timmer
Graduates speak

June 18—Father's Day
Sermon: "Look On The Heart"
Scripture: I Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20; Mark 4:26-34
Reader: Megan Elliott

June 25—Congregational Meeting
Sermon: "Popular Opinion"
Scripture: I Samuel 17:32-49; Psalm 133; Mark 4:35-41
Reader: Jan Gray



Memo From Michael



This and that.

June 8-10 is our Illinois Conference of the United Church of Christ meeting at Elmhurst College. This is when we do our collective work.

June 12-17 I will be attending my California/Nevada Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church in Sacramento. This in part fulfills the covenant that I made when I was ordained. I enjoy seeing friends and family as well.

Our first Summer Work Camp arrives in June. We have 7 camps scheduled this year. Nan Wischnack is again our camps coordinator.

On June 5 the Summer Lunch Bunch begins. It will run through July 21 with a free nutritious meal without cost for children 2-18 years. This year we plan a few activities after lunch for kids. Friday will be movie day. Tuesday-Thursday will include field trips and writing sponsored by the CCC and the Hope House.

June 25 is the June Congregational Meeting here at the Church of Peace. We will have a salad potluck after worship. A main presentation will be a report on the church-wide survey. This is a pretty interesting powerpoint prepared by Rhys Fullerlove. We will also have other ministry reports.

May has been pretty intense with family activity. Taylor graduated from the University of Minnesota on Sunday, May 14. She will live and work in Minneapolis next year. Rebecca graduated from Pleasant Valley High School on Sunday, May 21. She will attend Cornell College in Mount Vernon, Iowa next year. Thanks to our church family for all their messages of support for our daughters.

See you in church.

———Michael

No Sunday School in June

Join us in July and August for Intergenerational Sunday School class at 9:00 am. Meet in Fellowship Hall, and different church members will lead the classes.

Council Briefs

A proposal was presented to the church council during the May 18th meeting that will hopefully put the church parking lot to good use Monday through Friday. Quad City Engineering would like to use the church's parking lot during the work week in exchange for a monthly donation to the church. The firm, located next door to the church, is planning to construct a building on its current parking lot, and the City of Rock Island will not let its employees park on the street. Details have not yet been finalized, but the agreement should benefit both the company and the church.

Rhys Fullerlove reported the results of the recent Congregational survey to the council. More than 80 surveys were returned. Besides the numeric data that people provided, there was an excellent response to the open ended questions at the end of the survey. A committee composed of a mixture of both council and congregational members will meet in order to review the survey results and create mid-range and long-range goals for the church. The results of the survey will also be reviewed with the congregation during the June congregational meeting.

Please turn in your reports for the Congregational Meeting to Nora by June 13th so she can lay out the booklet. You can email it to peaceuccri@aol.com.

PLANNED GIVING KEEP YOUR LEGACY ALIVE

- Do YOU have a will?
- The United Church of Christ has Gift Annuities available.
- Remembrance through Life Insurance Policy.

Any of the above methods are available to help YOU remember the CHURCH.

To organize your planned giving, contact your church's committee at 309-788-6357.

Rev. Swartz Ruby Jecks Bob Steeber

Parsonage Clean-up Day

Our first work camp of the summer will be here on June 11 and we need to clean house! After the rummage sale is done, we are asking for volunteers to help on



Saturday, June 3 at 8:00 a.m. We've come up with a list of tasks that need to be done on a piece of paper in the kitchen. As you complete a task, please mark it off; or if you think of one not listed, please add it to the list. If you are not able to help that day but would like to, you may come in at any time to help. Our visiting campers deserve safe, clean facilities while they are here helping our neighborhood and city. Thanks in advance for your help!

Outreach Update by Rachel Bationo

Wonderful news! The Book Nook has gained momentum at the Primary Academy. Dr. Seuss' birthday celebration and "Drop Everything and Read" were events that helped build excitement. The artistic Carla McGreevey helped to bring Dr. Seuss' birthday celebration to life!

Dee Anderson, Primary Academy Librarian, said, "the Book Nook provides a valuable service to the students and also helps the staff achieve its goal of raising our students' reading scores. It has also taught kids another value—compassion. If one of their friends has forgotten their money, or is a few cents short, they loan them the money."

Thanks to everyone who helped make this a successful



year. Local community support has also grown. Residents of Friendship Manor have made generous contributions. And in an effort to plan for the upcoming year, I applied and was granted funds from the RI Arsenal Women's Group.

If you would like to make a donation, be sure to write it to the "Church of Peace Book Nook." The church now has two locations where you can receive a special discount—Readmore and Waldenbooks. Thanks to Joann Love for establishing the account. Please be sure to mention it when you're making a purchase.

I look forward to the Summer

It's a Peacemakers Picnic!

On Saturday, June 3 from 12-2 pm, we will have an end-of-Sunday School picnic. It is tentatively scheduled at Black Hawk State Park in Rock Island. The exact details will be sent to all children/parents up to and including 6th grade. Food will be provided and we may even do some bird watching and hike a



trail or two. If you have any questions, please see Ed Johnson.

Martha Rolf Circle

Seven members were present for the May 11th meeting at Pauline Hartung's home. The successful salad luncheon was discussed and the profit made. The circle voted to send \$40 to Christian Friendliness for a day camp scholarship. Helpers are needed for the Rummage Sale. Virginia will take care of getting altar flowers for May 28, and also do the towels next month. The hostess for June will be Corinne Colclasure.

Virginia Milligan,
Secretary

SUMMER



Around the Circles

Tri Mu Circle

Eight members of Tri Mu Circle met at the home of Georgia Steeber. Georgia led devotions of "God, I need a Guardian Angel". The Women's Guild made a profit of \$1,373 from the Salad Luncheon and \$800 from the quilt raffle. Donna Boyle stated that the Guild is working on trying to get more members to come to the guild meetings. In the fall, meetings will only be held in September, December, February, and March or April – depending on the date of Easter. The June meeting is a potluck, and will be held on June 1st at 6:00 pm at the home of Donna Boyle. We will celebrate birthdays.

Emilie Braughton,
Secretary

Filiae Pacis Circle

Deb Holmes was hostess to nine members at the May 1st meeting at Hauberg Center. She had devotions on "Check the Blank Spots." The circle's Mothers' Day altar flowers are in honor of all mothers. We will have refreshments for the May Coffee Hour. The June 5th potluck will be hosted by Georgette Fullerlove and Roma Nesseler at the Fyre Lake Covered Bridge. Members should meet at 5:30 pm at Hauberg Center.

Vieno Martensen,
Secretary

June Greeters

- 04 Ruth Sederquist
- 11 Andy & Kathy Manthey
- 18 Myrna Adams
- 25 Linda Porter

June Flowers

June 4—None

June 11—None

June 18—In honor of all fathers and Megan Elliott's birthday from the Elliott family.

June 25—In honor of Mabel Martensen from the Family; in honor of Marshall's birthday from the Elliott Family; and in honor of the 58th wedding anniversaries of Bill & LouDella Bernauer and Harold & Melba Haberthur.

Altar Guild Schedule

June

- 04 Mason Elliott
- 11 Corinne Paaske
- 18 Karen Anderson
- 25 Carla McGreevey

Church Staff Members

- Michael SwartzPastor
- Rachel Bationo..... Outreach Director
- Nora Steele.....Secretary
- Brian Wischnak.....Sexton
- Mary Oelschlaeger..... Parish Nurse
- Nan Wischnak..... Work Camp Director
- Mary Kae Waytenick ... Music Director
- Jessica Waytenick Choir Director
- Curtis Oelschlaeger Bell Choir Director

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1. Betty Schmidt
- 3. Shannon Hammond
- 4. Amy Christopher
- 6. Matthew Runge
- 7. Eleanor McIntire
- 10. Scott Cullen
- 11. Kevin Kinnan
- 13. Dorothy Carnaghi
Amanda Elceser
- 16. Megan Elliott
- 17. Richard Morris
- 18. Dianne
Andrews
- 19. Cole Jenkins
- 20. Pamela Snyder
- 21. Georgette Fullerlove
Lily Purdy
- 22. Carla McGreevey
Lisa Kost
Cami Bote III
- 24. Adam Seyb
Marshall Elliott
- 25. Don Johnson
Lillian Lerch
- 27. Kaylee Johnson
- 29. Carolyn Cantrell
Roger Nothdorf
Carol Carlson
- 30. Pam Thompson
Susan Anderson



If you have something for the bulletin or the Visitor, e-mail us!

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Thank you to everyone for the cards and thoughts at the time of the loss of my father; also to Mary and Michael for their visits and prayers.

Alex Fischer and
Curtis Oelschlaeger



Mark your calendars and invite your friends to the 6th annual Dixieland Jazz Service on Sunday, July 30th during the Bix Festival weekend.

Don't forget your offertory envelopes can be mailed in to the church, even if you're out of town on vacation.



Cool off this summer at the Whitewater Junction water park in Longview Park. It has water slides, tumble buckets, a kiddie pool, picnic area, and more for a day of fun.

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