Beloved First Congregational Church Community,

There are many ideas surrounding the origin of Sabbath. In our ancient Scriptures, in one of our creation stories, it is said that on the seventh day, after all things had been created, God rested. We know that in the giving of the Law, one of the greatest commandments given was to “remember the sabbath day and keep it holy.” Sabbath, or in Hebrew, Shabbat, is commonly understood as “to rest from labor.” Some say that the seventh day was the greatest gift of creation—a jewel from God. Others say the fourth commandment was really about justices—making sure those who labored physically day after day had the opportunity to rest, renew, and worship.

Jewel and Justice—both remind us that Sabbath is both gift and necessity. Having space in our lives for holy rest, for sacred time is a beautiful practice that is nourishing and pleasing. However, having space for rest is necessary, for without it we get run down, tired, and feel deprived.

Wayne Muller, in his book, Sabbath, reminds us that our culture values accomplishments over rest, “that doing something—anything—is better than doing nothing.” But this is a violent lie, because he reminds us, “all of life requires a rhythm of rest...there is rhythm in the way day dissolves into night, and night into morning...there is the tidal rhythm in the sea....even the heart rests after each life-giving beat.” A church, we require Sabbath, too, to rest and renew and meditate and simmer, not only individually, but as a community.

As we take July as our Sabbath from church business, I invite you to practice sacred rest, whether you are away, or here. Take time to savor worship—wherever and however you are, not only on Sundays, but in other days, as well. As Muller says, Sabbath time can be a sabbath afternoon, a sabbath hour, a sabbath walk, or a sabbath sit. Even a sabbath dog walk can be a blessing upon blessing.

And as always, know that you—all of who you are and yet to be—is a blessing. You deserve sabbath, as a jewel and justice.

Love and Blessings,
Karla
The Ministries of First Congregational
or
WHAT DO ALL THOSE GROUPS DO? (Part 3)

Sub-Title: How Do We Get More People Involved in the Work of Our Ministries?

Back in the March Moderator’s Column, I proposed two goals for 2019. The first was to get to know Karla and to allow Karla to get to know us. The second goal was “to work toward getting more people involved in the many activities of our church, that is – drawing the circle wider and wider.” I noted that this is important both to help members become connected with their church and also to avoid reusing the same few people over and over. Assisting members to become assimilated into the church usually involves helping them discover smaller groups by providing what the UCC calls “entry points”. These are groups where “interaction, service, common interest, and belonging seem to occur” (from the UCC Leaders Box) – or what I would call “fellowship”.

Last month, Mindy Myers told us about the work of the Ministry of Physical Resources. This month, John Bodamer tells us about the activities of the Ministry to Members and Friends – where there is a multitude of activities available to connect with almost everyone’s area of interest – and to experience some of that “fellowship” along the way.

Read on! Thanks,
Phil Taylor, Moderator

As our church continues to grow, communication to Members and Friends has become a (happy) challenge. Before I describe some of the activities where we would like more of your “time and talent” I’d like to start where Phil left off – Fellowship.

The Ministry of Members and Friends includes activities where folks can simply meet and get to know each other better. No tasks, no commitments, just fellowship. Hopefully you all know about Fellowship Supper and Coffee Hour. Fellowship Supper is typically held on the third Tuesday of each month and all you need to do is sign up and bring a dish. The FCC Book Club meets to discuss a new book on the second Tuesday of each month. The book list can be found on the bulletin board. The Prayer Shawl group meets the first Tuesday of each month and, though I have never attended a meeting, I understand that in addition to crocheting they solve major geo-political issues. Additionally, we have the Asheville Tourists outing in July and the Great Courses Video Lecture series starting in October. All of these activities are open to all members, friends and visitors.

Now on to where we do need your time and talent:
The **Connections/Congregational Care** group is the glue of the congregation. As Pam Federlein wrote in the May chronicle “Our aim is to create and sustain one another with inclusiveness, honesty, confidentiality and action in love, by offering a thoughtful and living presence in each other’s lives with friendship, support, nurture, and encouragement.” As the church has grown we need your help to sustain this ministry as well as re-think and re-structure this group to accommodate a growing congregation. Contact Pam (pjfederlein@gmail.com), Phil (pntaylor1234@yahoo.com) or me (johnbodamer@bellsouth.net) if you have an interest.

Fellowship Supper needs “kitchen angels” to setup the room and clean-up after dinner. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Similarly Coffee Hour needs volunteers to make coffee and clean-up; contact Jeannie Stewart if you’d like to help out from time to time.

Lastly there is a volunteer opportunity for those who don’t have much spare time. A **Sound Technician** only needs to come to service a little bit early on Sunday from time to time and operate the sound board. It’s not complicated and Hank Federlein will provide the training needed.

In a future article, I will say more about our popular **Adult Forum**, our growing **Sunday School** program, the church **Library**, and helping out at the **Reception Desk**. In the meantime I would simply ask that you read the weekly bulletins for updates and schedules and join us in Fellowship.

John Bodamer

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- The FCUCC Bookclub will meet on Tuesday, June 11, at 2:00 in the church library.
- The book selected for this month is **Factfulness** by Hans Rosling. The author recommends the stress-reducing habit of carrying opinions for which you have strong supporting facts. He gives “ten reasons we are wrong about the world and why things are better than you think”. “One of the most important books I have ever read- an indispensable guide to thinking clearly about the world” - Bill Gates. Discussion will be led by John Bodamer. Everyone is invited.

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**Prayer Shawl Ministry**

We meet the first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am in the Parlor. Grab some yarn and your needles and join us!
Church Council Highlights
May 2019

1) **Council Administrative notes.**

The Council meeting in June will be a mini-retreat for members to connect with each other. There will be no Council meeting in July. Ron Miller reports that church finances are in good shape.

2) **Physical Resources.**

- **Roof Repair.** We have a new contract to fix the roof. The initial cost is $20,900 – about the same as with the previous contractor. This may increase if roof sheathing must be replaced. Work is scheduled to start on 27 May and take four days.

- **Labyrinth.** Work on the labyrinth landscaping should be complete by the end of May.

3) **Easter season report.** Karla thanked everyone who had a hand in the Lenten Season/Holy Week/Easter period, which was a wonderful time for our church. We had the following attendance numbers: Ash Wednesday – 67, Palm Sunday - 183, Tenebrae – 87, Easter – 206, Sunrise service – about 100, Seder – 47 (65 signed up, but some couldn’t make it when we had to re-schedule due to weather).

4) **Leadership Changes.** There are several leadership changes coming up. Trisha LaGrange has stepped down as Fellowship Supper coordinator, due to health issues. Claudia Schopper has agreed to replace Tricia. Ed and Romella will be stepping down as Forum coordinators at the end of June. Pamela Federlein will be stepping down as a Connections co-coordinator.

5) **Pastor’s Report.** Karla is working on the next Tell Me More About First Congregational (formerly known as Inquirer’s Class). She has started meeting with community leaders. She also has volunteered to be an on-call Chaplain at Pardee Hospital.

6) **Widening the Circle.** The Council has started a discussion about how to involve more members, especially newcomers, into the ministries and activities of the church. If you have any ideas, please feel free to contact any Council member.

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Upcoming Special Events

◊ **Ashley Lecture.** 31 May – 2 June weekend. Reverend Ed Bacon, our guest, will also preach at Sunday’s worship service.

◊ **Pentecost Sunday.** 9 June. There will be red decorations in the Sanctuary. This is also the Sunday of the Gun Safety Awareness Weekend.

◊ **Roger Smith Memorial Concert.** June 15. The Atlanta Gay Men’s Chorus will perform. This concert (3:30 and 7:00) requires tickets and will be held at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Hendersonville.

◊ **Pride Sunday.** 16 June. This is the weekend of Hendersonville’s first Pride Day, and the day after the first Roger Smith Concert. There will be rainbow ribbon decorations in the Sanctuary.

◊ **JoAnn Ashley Memorial Service.** 16 June, 2 pm. We encourage everyone to attend.

Dawn Kucera
Acting Clerk
June 2 - Ashley Lecturer, Reverend Ed Bacon

This fourth and last in a series of lectures by our distinguished Ashley Lecturer, The Rev. Ed Bacon, will be held in the Church Sanctuary at 9:00 am. Rev. Bacon will also give the sermon at the Sunday Service following this forum.

June 9 – Following Ashley Lecturer, Rev. Ed Bacon

We invite a conversation about the gifts and challenges of our weekend together with Rev. Ed Bacon.

Retired minister/psychologist Larry Anderson is a frequent Forum presenter.

June 16 – The Power of Intentional Groups

Diane Baker

This presentation is based on Lynne McTaggert’s 2017 book, *The Power of Eight: Harnessing the Miraculous Energies of a Small Group to Heal Others, Your Life and the World*. Diane works with groups of 5-12 people (optimally 8) using a manifesting technique which amplifies intention using group power. Diane Rhoades reports: “I had never been to a healing circle that felt so in tune with each person in the circle. The focus on intention energized me. I felt confident that the energetic support manifested some real balance and not just in me. Diane is a powerful facilitator.” The presenter is also highly recommended by Fran Weston, another of our Forum givers.

Diane started working with intentional groups in Texas in the late 1980’s. Since then, her work has taken various directions-Manifesting, Law of Attraction, etc.-but always working with Spirit to energize a vibrational match to a specific intention. Having moved to the Hendersonville area in 2016, Diane’s work is primarily working with groups focusing on intention and transformation.

June 23 – Prayer - The All-Terrain Vehicle of Love

Prayer Chaplains led by Diane Rhoades

The Prayer Chaplains of FCUCC will share their experience training to be chaplains and the on-going experience of praying with our fellowship.

Whether you are a member of our church, whether you have the words for your hurt or joy, whether you even believe in God or the power of prayer, the presenters will share their commitment to find a loving vehicle to be present with you and pray for your concern. They will cover the many ways that they are available to pray one on one for those who might be shy about staying for a prayer directly after the Sunday service with so many people present.

There is an anatomy and physiology of prayer. Come to this adult forum and bring your concerns, questions and experience (or lack of) with prayer.
June 30 – Global Warming: Paris to Pittsburgh
Ed & Romella O’Keefe
Climate change is the most pressing issue of our time. Faced with a federal government that is hostile to climate science, leaders across the U.S. and the world are taking action themselves to safeguard our health and our environment. Hear their stories in Paris To Pittsburgh, a new film that explores the local, private sector, and community leaders who are continuing to work towards our Paris Agreement goals—regardless of federal inaction. Discussion will follow. This film is a product of National Geographic; it is being shown free all over the English speaking world by the Bloomberg Philanthropies.

Romella and Ed have coordinated the Forum for the past 6 years. They also coordinate the Prayer Chaplain Ministry.

July 7 – the Definition of Love
Don Emon
We will work together to improve our understanding of LOVE. It is a word that is often used and Don has found that many people have only a little insight into what a good definition for LOVE may be. A trial definition will be presented by Don which the group may well improve on. We will then apply the definition to many situations including an act of love, love between mates, love of pets, of institutions and even large groups of people, including all humans.

Don Emon, a frequent speaker at our Forums, is active in the community, and for many years has been the leader in this area of the Compassionate Choices Society, a national group concerned with planning for the end of life.

July 14 – Healthy Diet, Healthy Planet
Melissa Melum
The new choices we make with regard to diet can have significant positive impacts on our health and the health of the planet while also promoting justice for human communities and other animals. Come explore the quadruple win-win possibilities! This program repeats the previous forum discussion with additional materials and programming. After this presentation, it will be available to other groups in the community upon request.

Melissa Melum is a registered nurse and certified diabetes educator who has enjoyed a lifelong interest in environmental activities with a focus on education and engaging people in positive change. She is the facilitator of the Environmental Stewardship Social Justice Group at FCUCC and she was the project lead for the solar panel system here.
July 21 – The Writers’ Forum
Rand Bishop
Four times annually the Forum is devoted to our writers, whether church members, friends, or visitors. The writer reads his or her own work, any genre, to the group. If you’d like to read, please contact Rand Bishop at 808-697-0090 or randbishop33@gmail.com. Come support our creativity!

Rand, a retired college professor of English, facilitates a Writer’s Roundtable ever fourth Thursday morning at the church.

July 28 – Teilhard and Love
Larry Anderson
Teilhard de Chardin On Love: Evolving Human Relationships by L.M. Savary and P.H. Berne. This recent book proposes to lead us to “Omega Love.” Larry Anderson wrote his Master’s thesis on Teilhard in 1967 at Chicago Theological Seminary and proposes to review the book and tweek some curiosity about exploring Teilhard, especially as his writing connects with Jungian depth psychology.

The book suggests there is value in connecting Teilhard’s writing with Jung’s deep dive into the human mind (psyche). When Larry sits down with the circle at adult Forum, he loves to invite conversation. Come join us.

Need a prayer? Call a Prayer Chaplain

Ben Coonrod  803-378-8760                Joanna Coonrod   828-284-0695
Romella Hart-O’Keefe 828-890-4889          Susan Huff   828-217-5944
Nancy Keswani    617-833-2819              Judith Nourse  828-606-2558
Ed O’Keefe       828-890-4889               Joady Perrett 828-243-3337
Diane Rhoades    828-696-9969                Sammye Whitney 570-664-1141
The power of prayer: really? What does that even mean? We say prayers in church for centering focus, in thanksgiving, in praise and in supplication. We say them in community. Some pursue personal prayer, alone with their thoughts in a sacred space. But what does it mean to reveal one’s inner turmoil to another person—a prayer chaplain—and what good does it do, anyway?

“Why do you want to become a prayer chaplain?” was the question posed to me by Ed O’Keefe as I stood at the reception desk sign-up sheet nearly a year ago. “Well,” I said, “I know how to pray and you said you needed volunteers.” That’s good,” replied Ed, with a knowing twinkle in his eyes, because he knew that I had no idea what I was entering into.

Concepts are able to be dismissed because of the labels that are put on them. “Prayer” is one of those labels. Instead, think “energy.” Everything has an energy field: every living thing generates energy. We think of positive and negative vibes, or karma. Pick your favorite, it doesn’t matter. Just suppose you could magnify that energy times two or more to engage the power of the Eternal in your deliberations. Suppose the individual you approached had been trained to listen, not just to your words but to your emotions and from a place of calm, to use that space to seek a best outcome. That is what prayer chaplains do—without judgment, in absolute confidence. Now imagine the positive energy being multiplied again. As we meet together, we share among ourselves and pray as a group for the needs of the people. The correlation of positive prayer to higher and better outcomes has been tested and proven. It works.

Nearly a year after I began, I realize how unknowing I was about the strength of my own prayer life or the degree of need that exists within our church community. Beyond the fear of disease or death, concerns about family, job and retirement, anxiety and depression, loneliness, and the welfare of others are conveyed. Mostly I had no idea that in taking on this spiritual responsibility I would grow to a point where I hardly recognize the prayer life of the woman I was then: because the secret of being a prayer chaplain is that no matter where you begin, you learn and grow. I continue to benefit fully as much as anyone I am asked to pray for.

Susan Huff, Prayer Chaplain
Introduction to Centering Prayer

We have had a year of deeply wonderful experiences and discussions in the Friday afternoon Centering Prayer group. We have recently received some requests to learn Centering Prayer, so we will again host Fr. Rob Field on Saturday, June 29th from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm in Fellowship Hall for the introductory class. Please gather at 9 so we can begin promptly at 9:30. This is a retreat-style class -- please bring your lunch so there is no need to leave. Beverages will be provided. The suggested love donation is $45, payable to Center for Spiritual Wisdom, collected day of class. Rob is a certified teacher of Centering Prayer through Contemplative Outreach Ltd. "Rob is a passionate yet gentle teacher. His classes in Centering Prayer and the Enneagram have been sources of spiritual deepening for me.” — Joanna Coonrod, Prayer Chaplain

Centering Prayer is the contemplative practice developed and taught by Fr. Thomas Keating. Fr. Richard Rohr describes it beautifully. "Centering Prayer is like being with a very close friend or lover, where words are not required. Centering Prayer brings your relationship with God to a level deeper than conversation, to pure communion."

Some have called it “Christian meditation;” however, it differs from meditation in several ways. We begin with the intention to sit quietly in God’s loving presence. There is no mantra or any other focus for the mind. Instead, a sacred word is chosen, and then used only at the moment we become aware that we are focused on a thought. We know the mind will be active – it’s what it does! “I love this practice because you can’t do it wrong!” — Sharilyn Steketee

Some of us have noticed a shift to decreased emotional reactivity. The practice is a form of subtle activism, generating a calm foundation from which effective action in the world can be launched.

Flyers are on the reception desk counter. We need a count for class materials preparation, so please pre-register – either sign the list on the clipboard at the reception desk OR call us -- Jim or Judith Nourse, 828-698-8036.

For more information, pick up the trifold brochure on Centering Prayer at the reception desk. Also, search the internet for Thomas Keating or Richard Rohr on Centering Prayer or read Centering Prayer and Inner Awakening by Cynthia Bourgeault.
HENDERSON COUNTY HUNGER COALITION

NO ONE NEED GO HUNGRY IN HENDERSON COUNTY, NC.

This is the mission statement of our 501c3 not-for-profit coalition. Since 1982 our partnership of local businesses, clubs, associations, companies, foundations and faith based congregations like ours have provided funding for vetted local food pantries so that they can concentrate on providing nutritious food to our neighbors in need.

Thanks to the support of our 2018 annual fundraising event, Hunger Walk, the Henderson County Hunger Coalition was able to award $85,700 for 2019 grants to 12 local food pantry operations. Of this amount First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ raised over $23,000.

Eight years ago, Roy Harris challenged our small congregation to help meet our neighbors’ needs for nutritious food. But our work is not done. Still one in eight people in Henderson county is hunger challenged and one in five children lacks a nutritious diet.

I believe that our church’s growth in both numbers and vitality can facilitate a great fundraising year. To do this I need your help. Please confirm your commitment to this year’s effort at a brief meeting Sunday, June 30 in the sanctuary right after our service.

Remember, the goal is to raise money. The reward is a wonderful Saturday, September 21, walk in Jackson Park and through our beautiful Hendersonville.

Ken Whitney
Board of Directors Member
Henderson County Hunger Coalition
Telephone: 828-708-1408 E-mail whitneykenneth9@gmail.com
**FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**
Tuesday, June 18th

Dinner will commence at 6:00
Ticket $: Choice-of-food you bring

Fun begins at 6:45
Seating – unlimited

Cash Bar. No one under a day old admitted (strictly enforced)
RSVP/Sign up, with your choice of food to bring, on the board kept at the reception area or after church service before the 16th. Remember to bring a dinner plate, utensils, and mug for hot drink.

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**Four Seasons Compassion For Life** has many opportunities to be of help in this outstanding hospice and palliative care organization in addition to direct patient care, especially in the office and in the store. Everyone must take the orientation training; those who wish to work directly with patients in their homes, in assisted living and skilled nursing facilities, as well as in Elizabeth House must take the additional training. Jeannie Stewart (greenbriar13@gmail.com) and Howard Carl (hcarljr@bellsouth.net) can answer questions regarding these opportunities, and Ellen Honea (828-699-6760) can tell you about volunteering in the Hospice Home Store.

Orientation for all interested on Tuesday, July 16 from 8:30 'til 12:30. For those who wish to be involved with direct patient care, additional training on Thursday, July 18 and Friday, July 19 12:30 ‘til 4:30.
PRAYER LIST

Family of JoAnn Ashley
Lynne Cigal
Family of Patricia Conlon (Nancy Keswani’s mother)
David Conner (friend of Anne Cain)
Barbara Dexter (mother of Angie Yates)
Sue Easton
Marcia Farrell
Anna Frawley (Friend of Tierney’s)
Gabriel Kerr & family
Mildred Gardner
Jean & Hilarie Glasgow-Hawkins
Gabriel Kerr and Family (friend of Karla Miller)
Trisha LaGrange
Patsy McCurry
Jeannie Myers (friend of Diaz’s)
Betsey Parker
Joady Perrett
Ingrid Perry
Ileana Ross
Victoria Tatum
Eve Teerlinck
Gary Walsworth

Thank you for letting us know of people who need to be added to our prayer list as well as those that are ready to be taken off.
Fabric Pouches Needed

As supporters, our church members know the purpose of the two-year-old, non-profit Project Dignity of WNC, is to provide feminine hygiene and related products, including panties, to girls (fifth grade and beyond) and women in Hendersonville and surrounding areas who are homeless, low-income, or victims of domestic abuse. It currently provides products to 15 agencies and 30 schools in Henderson and Buncombe counties and serves 560 women monthly by providing over 5,000 tampons and over 4,000 pads. These products are not covered by SNAP or EBT. For more info, http://projectdignitywnc.com.

The group has previously packaged products for individual recipients in Zip-Loc bags. Now, desiring to use sustainable containers which are also less transparent, it wants to start using 6”x7” fabric pouches with a top drawstring. A simple pattern is available from Romella O’Keefe. If you or a friend is able to help with this project by providing fabric and/or making the pouch, please let her or me know. Thanks, Pat Argue

THE WRITERS ROUNDTABLE

Writers--whether members of the church or not -- who would like to read from their work (any genre) at a Writers' Roundtable, are invited to register with Rand Bishop (697-0090 or randbishop33@gmail.com). Listeners are also welcome. The Writers' Roundtable meets on the fourth Thursday of every month in the Church Parlor at 11:30 am. If you're reading, please bring 5-6 duplicates of your work to share. Check with Rand for details. The next meeting time is Thursday, June 27 at 11:30. In recognition of our July Sabbath, there will not be a Writers Roundtable in July.
EVERY WINTER, THE CHURCH PLANS A TRIP TO AN AFRICAN COUNTRY. THIS TIME, THE TRIP IS TO THE NORTHERN REGION OF THE SAHARAN DESERT.

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**STEWARDING CHURCH ASSETS**

Ever wondered how Service & Giving (formerly Missions & Service) decides what organizations to support? With FCUCC allotting at least 10% of its annual budget to charitable giving, it’s important that our group be excellent stewards of the church’s financial assets.

In keeping with the church’s social-justice priorities, determined in 2014, we focus on agencies that address homelessness, education, environmental stewardship, and immigration. Other categories served are children, crisis intervention, food insecurity, healthcare, veterans, and women. New categories and agencies can be added at any time based on input from church members and friends.

Every supported agency has a designated representative on the Service and Giving team. Each year, that representative delivers a report advocating for funding. To be sure agencies are properly vetted, reports include:

- The agency’s mission statement
- An understanding of how our donation will be used
- The agency’s score on Charity Navigator (if available)

Next, the agency is evaluated on how closely it is aligned with our church’s core values.

Finally, Service and Giving has established its own criteria for contributions, which include:

- Inclusiveness
- Crisis intervention
- Breaking the cycle of poverty
- Influencing policy decisions
- Environmental sustainability

Agencies must reflect one or more of our core values and one or more giving criteria to be considered.

Service and Giving meets the second Thursday of each month, 10 am, in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to attend.
Sunday School Monthly Report  
April, 2019

Ginger Fisher, Sunday School Teacher  
Dede Walton, Nursery Teacher

**Monthly Theme**: Understanding the Meaning of Easter; Preparing for The Carbon Footprint Game

This month the children learned about the events leading up to Jesus’s resurrection and the celebration of Easter. They participated in the Palm Sunday procession and colored Easter eggs.

In preparation for presenting the Carbon Footprint Game to the congregation, the children learned about four areas of environmental concern: Home Energy, Food and Water, Transportation, and Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

The children created personal Carbon Footprints and filled them with colorful stickers to indicate conservation activities they had undertaken at home each week. Junior Expert Teams were formed and the teams practiced their roles for upcoming presentations to the congregation. On April 28 the children presented their project to the congregation and manned an information booth in the Fellowship Hall during Coffee Hour. The congregation's enthusiastic response was very gratifying to the children.

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June/July Birthdays

June
01: Ed O’Keefe
03: Janet Bostwick
03: Jan Kelly
06: Sheryl Tellier
08: Barbara Rathbun
10: Clay Eddleman
12: Evelyn Teerlinck
16: Joan Nobling
19: Donna Jones
19: Melissa Fleig
19: Lucy Rose Henderly
23: Jace Kahn
24: Elizabeth Johnson
25: Gary Cyphers
28: Barbara Major
28: Lin Stogner
29: Dell Orr

July
01: Frances Yoder
04: Hilliard Staton
11: Patsy McCurry
12: Josephine Walton
13: Bal Goleman
16: Catherine Fairbanks
19: Hank Federlein
19: Louise Vier
21: Joan McKinney
22: Mike Sollom
24: Marilyn Brain
25: Phil Taylor
26: Roger Woolsey
26: Fe Avis
27: Lorraine Cochrane
30: Susan Huff

June/July Anniversaries

June
06: Joel & Anna Helfand
08: Ken & Sammye Whitney
09: Jim & Donna Jones
10: David Vandre & Dell Orr
12: Howard & Maryett Carl
16: Ed & Romella O’Keefe
21: Nancy Kaczor & Becky Rowland
23: Bill & Jacqueline Green
29: John & Janice Walters
29: John & Carole Towle

July
02: Ron & Jayne Miller
02: Roger & Sherry Haagenson
07: Nicholas & Marjorie Pence
08: John & Barbara Rathbun
11: Carl & Jean Schoendorfer
20: Lester & Louise Vier
28: Mark & Ericka Fagerlin
**June Lectionary**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**
June 2
Acts 16:16-34
Ps 97
Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
John 17:20-26

**Breaking Chains**

**Pentecost Sunday**
June 9
Acts 2:1-21 or Gen 11:1-9
Ps 104:24-34, 35b
Rom 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21
John 14:8-17, (25-27)
John 10:22-30

**Gathered and Scattered**

**Trinity Sunday**
June 16
Prov 8:1-4, 22-31
Ps 8
Rom 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

**Wisdom Calls**

**Second Sunday after Pentecost**
June 23
1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15a and Ps 42 and 43 or
 Isa 65:1-9 and Ps 22:19-28
Gal 3:23-29
Luke 8:26-39

**In God’s Presence**

**Third Sunday after Pentecost**
June 30
2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 and Ps 77:1-2, 11-20 or
1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21 and Ps 16
Gal 5:1, 13-25

**Pick up the Mantle**

**July Lectionary**

**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**
July 7
2 Kings 5:1-14 and Ps 30 or
Isa 66:1-14 and Ps 66:1-9
Gal 6:(1-6), 7-16
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

**Surprising Prophets**

**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**
July 14
Amos 7:7-17 and Ps 82 or
Deut. 30:9-14 and Ps 25:1-10
Col 1:1-14
Luke 10:25-37

**Caring Neighbors**

**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**
July 21
Amos 8:1-12 and Ps 52 or
Gen 18:1-10a and Ps 15
Col 1:15-28
Luke 10:38-42

**Word and Work**

**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**
July 28
Hos 1:2-10 and Ps 85 or
Gen 18:20-32 and Ps 138
Col 2:6-15, (16-19)

**Shaped by Prayer**
ATTENDANCE

Children’s
Worship
05/05 - 132
05/12 - 172
05/19 - 152
05/26 - 171
Sunday School
03
09
05
05

Average Worship Attendance:
157

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY

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