

Steepleviews

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February 2022

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1 Oliver Simmons
- 3 David Koenig
- 4 Ryan Strom
- 6 Evin Elias
Peggy & Ralph Jackson
- 7 Norma Bruinsma
Marty Davis
- 8 Asher Locicero
- 9 Jeff Frostic
Kelly Ottinger
- 10 Lori Dougherty
Leslie McElduff
- 12 Owen Chownyk
- 13 Colton Prance-Jewell
Paul A Robinson
- 14 Molly Frostic
- 15 Amy King
- 16 Lacey Deloria
- 17 Cheryl Acklin
Sharon Grajcar
- 18 Judy Grant
- 20 Molly Harrison
Isabelle Osborn
Kati Prance
- 25 Grayson Kearns
Freddie Kolehmainen
Cooper Rath
- 27 Phil Deloria
Kris Dykstra
Charlene Lang
Bill & Molly Frostic
Michael & Sharon Grajcar
- 29 Marilee Strom

Catch These Coming Events

Feb 4 Winter Olympics Begin

Feb 6 Communion Sunday

Feb 13 Superbowl

Feb 14 Happy Valentine's Day

Feb 17 "Scenes & Schemes"
of Elberta—Presented by
Cathy Stall

Feb 20 Winter Olympics End

Al's Academy

Presented by Cathy Stall

Thursday, February 17th

Free Dinner at 5:30 & Program at 6:00 p.m.

"Scenes & Schemes of Elberta"

Come and hear some fun history
of Elberta, MI



Pastor's Page

First Congregational Church of Frankfort, MI
is holding

COFFEE WITHOUT DINAH

Tuesdays, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.



Welcome to Zoom withOut Dinah

We are gathering on Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. to enjoy coffee at home in our pajamas (if we want to). If interested in joining us for this fun time, just email Judy Grant at judykgrant@yahoo.com to be added to the zoom list.

Come and join us!!!

Letters of



- On behalf of Community Spirit Food Source, Inc., I wish to thank you for your continued support of our programs. We all appreciate it!
Melanie Herren Director, CSFS
- On behalf of the staff and Board of Directors of Benzie Senior Resources, I would like to thank the Congregation of FCCF for their generous donation of items for our Christmas Gift Bag Program.
Douglas Durand,
Executive Director of BSR
- Thank you once again for your support of our project to alleviate food insecurity in our community. Our records indicate a total of \$1200 gifted during 2021.
Jeffie M. Lynch-Jones, Secretary Treasurer of Benzie Food Partners
- On behalf of Habitat for Humanity of Benzie County I would like to extend our best wishes to every one of you. I also want to thank all of you who have helped Benzie Habitat continue its mission to provide simple, decent housing for families in need.
Glen Tracy, President

Valentine's Day

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CHOCOLATE
FRIENDSHIP
HAPPINESS
LETTERS
PINK
SERVICE
THOUGHTFUL

Council Minutes

FCCF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 12, 2022

The Minutes from the December 8, 2021, meeting were reviewed and with no corrections noted, were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Rob Burch

Offerings for December totaled:	\$ 9,355.33
Expenses for December totaled:	12,821.91
YTD Carryover:	6,118.08

Following some discussion and review, a motion was made by Myra Elias that the Treasurer use the same approach for withdrawing the 5% from the restricted Baird Funds as was done in 2021; that is, a monthly draw based on the 2022 Budget. Judy Welch seconded the motion. Motion unanimously passed. Rob stated that the Church's budget is in good shape as we enter the new year. The Treasurer's Report was then accepted as presented.

Committee Reports

Finance: Judy Welch – see Treasurer's Report

Investment: Chris Porter – the total of all Baird Accounts, as of December 31, 2021, is \$856,378.57. Just a note of caution from Chris: the increase in value experienced over the past should not be expected to continue. Spending from this fund (restricted) in excess of 5% will likely erode the ability to maintain pace with inflation.

Outreach: Kelly Ottinger – 1) Al's Academy is returning in January, February, and March with the first of these scheduled for Thursday, January 20 at 5:30 pm with a light dinner preceding the presentation; 2) Coffee withOut Dinah is continuing with Judy Grant facilitating each Tuesday at 2 pm through March; 3) Sunshine calls continue to connect with those who are homebound; 4) The advertising budget remains the same for the Benzie County Patriot and the Benzie Current; and 5) Those potential new members wishing to join the church are asked to be patient until Sunday services can be held totally in person.

Property: Myra Elias – The following is an update on the Parsonage work: 1) Natalie from Huron Electric has completed the electrical repairs; 2) The flooring/supplies from Tilecraft have been ordered and hope to be here by March 1; 3) The plumbing issue has been repaired; 4) A kitchen cupboard was removed by Natalie with recessed lighting installed in its place; 5) The carpeting has been removed from the stairway with Steve Crouch helping to refinish and add runners; 6) Dale Herscher, with a bid of \$1800.00, will paint the interior walls with the help of Jim Buzzell; and 7) The window issue will be visited in the spring. All repairs/redos hopefully will meet the timeline and will come in under budget.

Women's Fellowship: Mary Reed – The Women's Fellowship gave \$50.00 Christmas gifts to each of our nine college students.

Worship: Ann Osborn – 1) The Committee met with Pastor Jim Petteys so he could meet its members; 2) There was a review of all December events; 3) Members of the now disbanded Ad Hoc Reopening Committee contacted the Worship Committee to recommend that masks be highly recommended for all attending church services during the Covid surge right now. The Committee agreed and brought it to Council who also agreed. Signage was made by Katherine and a notice will go into Sunday's bulletin as well; and 4) Upcoming events include: office hours for Pastor Petteys continue from 10 am – 12 noon on Wednesdays, the Congregational Meeting and Potluck is scheduled for January 23, Council Commissioning will be on January 30 during the service; and the next Communion Sunday is February 6.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Petteys informed Council that he has been very pleased and feels all is going well thus far.

No Reports: Memorials, Finance, Constitution & By-Laws, Missions, Nominating, Personnel, Religious Education, Unfinished Business, and New Business.

Council Chair, Myra Elias, called for the meeting's adjournment at 4:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Osborn,

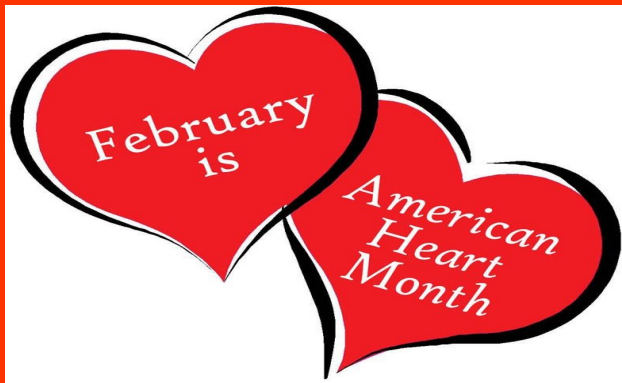
Thank you! 

- Many thanks to Pastor Jim Petteys for stepping into Pastor Dinah's shoes for the past month (I know—it's hard to believe she's been gone that long already). You have provided us lovely Sunday services with both humor and positive thoughts. We appreciate you.
- We received a lovely thank you card from Dawn & Serenity Schulz and it read as follows: Your generous gift of the car was greatly appreciated! I would like to express my sincere thanks to all who were involved in getting the car for myself and Serenity. Thank you all so much. Now Serenity can learn to drive..
- To the good people of FCCF. I wanted to thank you for the generous & thoughtful Christmas bonus. It is greatly appreciated . Also I want to let you know just how much I enjoy working for you all and what a privilege I consider it to be. Thank you for facilitating such an enjoyable work environment. Sincerely, Chris Anthony
- Dawn Schulz for all the assistance you have provided in helping Katherine on Mondays. You've taken on the mundane yet time consuming jobs around the Sanctuary and Dining Room. You make a point of doing whatever needs cleaning or straightening up without direction.

CONGRATULATIONS

- Grace Lucht & Ryan McNamara on their engagement. We join Team McNamara on their excitement!
- Jake Reed on making the Fall Dean's list at Northwestern Michigan College. Way to go!
- Serenity Schulz on a 4.13 grade point in high school and a 4:0 in her forensic course at Northwestern Michigan College. You're awesome Serenity. Keep up the good work!!!





Did you know that people who have close relationships at home, work, or in their community tend to be healthier and live longer? One reason, according to the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI), is that we're more successful at meeting our health goals when we join forces with others.

Follow these heart healthy lifestyle tips with your friends, family, coworkers, and others in your community and you'll be heart healthier for it:

Be more physically active

Maintain a healthy weight

Eat a nutritious diet

Quit smoking

Reduce your stress

Get enough quality sleep

Track your heart health stats



Prayer Concerns

- Liz Acklin
- Cherie Boswell
- Peggy Burns
- Craig Cleveland
- Greg Cobb
- Deb & Jon Derr
- Theresa Duffy
- *Myleigh Dunlop
- *Kay Gossens
- Melissa Grant
- Dori Hallquist
- Elliott Hammon
- David Hendrick
- Pat Hessler
- Pastor Tim Jahn
- Walter Kidd
- Scott Lee
- Linda Napper
- Ron Phillips
- Janet Pierce
- Roy & Mary Pierce
- Wendy Pratley
- Bonnie Reed Heaney
- Becky Reed Kelly
- Louise Reed
- Pete Reed
- Tina Reed
- Vivian Reed
- Monica Schultz
- *Irene Shrake

- Daphne Smith
- Robin Somero
- Mevlin Trausch
- John Young

Families of
*Dale Hommgren

- Military:
- CJ Kinney
 - Mike Kinney
 - Tyler Kinney
 - Ryan Ruddy

Senior Living

- Cadillac
- Don Bonderenko
- The Homesteader
- Bea Stone
- The Maples
- Dori Turner
- Gladys Wilson
- Maple Valley
- Steve Elrick
- Orchard House
- Pat Hessler
- Joan Miller
- Susie Vigland



Caring thoughts are with you at this sad time in the loss of Dale Holmgren

February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Oliver Simmons	2 9:45 a.m. MOBBI 10:30 a.m. Worship Meeting Groundhog Day David Koenig	3 9:15 a. m. MOBBI 4:00 p.m. Property Meeting David Koenig	4 10:00 a.m. Yoga Thank a Mail Carrier Day	5 
6 10:30 a.m. Worship Communion Sunday Evin Elias Jenna Schweyer Peggy & Ralph Jackson	7 4:30 p.m. MOBBI Norma Bruinsma Marty Davis	8 8:45 a.m. MOBBI 2:00 p.m. Coffee withOut Dinah Asher Locicero	9 9:45 a.m. MOBBI 3:00 p.m. PEO Mtg 4:00 p.m. Council Meeting Jeffery Frostic Kelly Ottinger	10 Lori Dougherty Leslie McElduff	11 10:00 a.m. Yoga	12 Owen Chownyk
13 10:30 a.m. Worship Paul A. Robinson	14 4:30 p.m. MOBBI  Molly Frostic	15 8:45 a.m. MOBBI 2:00 p.m. Coffee withOut Dinah Amy King	16 9:45 a.m. MOBBI Lacey Deloria	17 10:00 a. m. MOBBI 5:30 p.m. Free Supper 6:00 p.m. "Scenes & Schemes" Program Cheryl Acklin Sharon Grajcar	18 10:00 a.m. Yoga  Judy Grant	19
20 10:30 a.m. Worship Molly Harrison Isabelle Osborn Kati Prance	21 4:30 p.m. MOBBI 	22 8:45 a.m. MOBBI 2:00 p.m. Coffee withOut Dinah	23 9:45 a.m. MOBBI 4:00 p.m. Missions Mtg. Chris Porter	24 10:00 a.m. MOBBI	25 10:00 a.m. Yoga Grayson Kearns Freddie Kolehmainen Cooper Rath	26
27 10:30 a.m. Worship Phil Deloria Kris Dykstra Charlene Lang Josie Mendoza Bill & Molly Frostic Michael & Sharon Grajcar	28 4:30 p.m. MOBBI Marilee Strom					

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