

Steepleviews

Birthdays & Anniversaries

1	Kerry Buzzell Jackson Deloria Tyler Grant Richard Henry Dylan Prance-Jewell
2	Michael Grant Julie Hirschfeld Amber Holmgren Nicole Holmgren
3	Mary Bateman Katie Gokey Beth McNamara Candace Nostrandt
4	Diane Tracy
5	Janet Pearce Betty Webb
6	Mary Dykstra Leo Hughes Serenity Schulz
7	Liam Condon Bob King
	Bob King
8	Morgan Gokey Jacob Grant Gail Nugent
9	John Henry Alma House
13	Marijke Church
16	Peter Penfold Justus Young
17	Jetta Kelly
19	Dawn Schulz Molly & Scott Harrison
20	Jared & Jordin Kelly
21	Becky & Matt Addis
22	Michael Elwell Les Webb
23	Marilee & Wayne Storm
24	Emily Lepke Katherine & Randy Johnson
27	Donna Phillips Faith & Jack Dulaney
28	Rita & Sean Morris
29	Randall Johnson Julie Morris Sean Morris
30	Gus Gigous

Coming Events	
May is Mental Health Awareness Month	
May 5	Cinco de Mayo
May 11	Benzie Central Schools Pops Concert
May 14	Mother's Day New Member's Day
May 18	Frankfort Schools Band Concert
May 20	Mulching Party National Armed Forces Day
May 22	National Maritime Day
May 25	Dine Out for BACN: Watervale
May 29	Memorial Day



Pastor's Page

It had hardly begun....

This Shoe Mission Project has a sense of the ordained, in that it seems to have come at "just the right time." For one thing, I think we all need something to be excited about, even if it is discovering "space" where long-neglected shoes were growing cobwebs and roots. When there is excitement, people come to check it out, and they have begun. A couple from downstate who have a condo at Harbor Lights wandered in on a Saturday and left a few pairs because they saw the flyer on a Frankfort Chamber email. St. Philip's Episcopal Church put out a grocery cart to collect shoes for us, and people are refilling it each week. Lisa Musgrave volunteered, she wasn't even asked if her dental office - would be a collection site! Sue Webber of Webber Insurance asked if her office could be a collection site, AND gave each of her employees \$50 in a contest to see who could buy the most children's shoes with the money - for our mission project. The winner of the contest would get dinner for two at a local restaurant. What unsolicited kindness and generosity!

I figured we'd get a lot of shoes, mainly because it's a genius way for all sorts of people to win that's not been done in this area before. But to go above and beyond, offering and not having to be begged, that's a different sort of excitement. And I hope you all are beginning to feel bits of that excitement, too.

There's a passage - 1 Timothy 6:6-8, The Message - that says, "A devout life does bring wealth, but it's the rich simplicity of being yourself before God. Since we entered the world penniless and will leave it penniless, if we have bread on the table and shoes on our feet, that's enough." Paul is writing to Timothy, the leader of the Ephesian church at the time. He's urging them to be respectful and dignified, drawing people to the faith instead of repelling them, rather than being prideful, inclined to fight, flashy and arrogant. [The Bible Recap](#), Cobble.

Don't get me wrong! I'm not suggesting that any one of us is being any of those negatives. But maybe like me, they catch you, even if just for a minute, to think about where our heart is. But how we underestimate the power of shoes!

Those without adequate footwear may be unable to participate in a society. And shoes can improve quality of life, prevent injury of disease, help with healing for those with chronic foot conditions, offer support for inadequate arches or excess pronation, enable a person to work in hazardous conditions, and yes, even express one's self, or even help land that coveted job.

The website soles4souls.org say, "In the early 1900s, there was an epidemic of hookworms in Mississippi and other rural American states. Improper sanitary facilities in combination with the lack of foot protection lead to the parasitic worm being able to bore itself into a foot in a corkscrew-like manner. Severe illness would ensue after a hookworm infection with anemia being the biggest health concern. However, an educational health campaign reinforcing the importance of wearing shoes and sanitary public facilities helped make hookworms virtually unheard of in the affected areas."

And you were just going to throw those old shoes away. Bring them to church when you can and be part of an exciting thing!

1.) Double mysteries from the Big Apple! This person, when visiting a friend in Baltimore, was in line for another attraction when someone said they had tickets for the Joan Rivers Show, and were not going to be able to use them. Would this lady and her friend like the tickets? Not having to catch their train till the next day, they gratefully accepted. The tickets ended up providing great seats and at one point of the show, Joan walked out into the audience, "close enough to reach out and touch." It was a fun and entertaining show...a once-in-a-lifetime experience. On another trip with the same friend, this same lady jumped in line fast enough to catch the very first opening show of Phantom of the Opera on Broadway. She loved it so much she ended up seeing it in several other locations afterward. Phantom went on to a 35-year run on Broadway. The "Lady Luck of the Big Apple"? Our very own Judy Grant!



2.) This high school clarinetist was thrilled when during her junior year, her small-town downstate school acquired a baritone saxophone and let her switch instruments. This meant that all at once she was also able to participate in the jazz, pep and stage bands! Although she does not play either clarinet or saxophone today, she has taken up furniture refinishing and upholstery and last winter completed two chairs. She is married to an Eagle Scout, who worked for the same company for 54 years, and volunteered at BACN for 10+ years. In his spare time, he likes to make candy, which is a family tradition. Who is this multi-talented couple? Molly and Bill Frostic!

Prayers Concerns, Thanks and Congrats

Thank You!

To all who are coming to the church on Friday mornings to help us band and bag shoes. The shoe project has the makings of a very successful mission project for us!

- The Weaver Family for providing the delicious baptism cake for fellowship time after Maverick's welcome into God's family
- Myra Elias, Dawn Schulz, and Judy Welch for braving the church attic and clearing items that have been in storage for years.
- Dawn Schulz for doing an exemplary job with getting the shoe mission up and running and keeping her team members informed!

Congratulations!

1st place in the 4x400 in the Mason County Easter Invitational for Anna Wolfe, Savina Anhalt, Presley Bartley, and Addie Chownyk.



Mike Morris, who has been named the Golf Association of Michigan (GAM) Superintendent Award of Merit winner for 2023. He has served the club for 30 years, from a student intern to his present position as Superintendent of Crystal Downs Country Club. The award is bestowed upon a superintendent who has demonstrated leadership,



professionalism, good character and high standards of conduct through pursuits associated with golf course grounds maintenance and care. For more about this great guy and the award, go to <https://gam.org/gam-superintendent-award-of-merit-michael-morris-of-crystal-downs-country-club/>

Prayer Concerns

(+Denotes hospice)

Jeff & Kathy Bell
 Jeannine Chapman
 Steve Chapman
 Auggie Freed
 Sandy Gill
 Melissa Grant
 Arlene Green
 Hazel Hine
 Becky Reed Kelly
 Trever Lee
 Lisa Lempke
 Don Limer+
 Sue Myczinski
 Ron Phillips
 Becky Reed
 Abe Robinson
 Charlie Seipelt
 Sandy Symington
 Julie VanAntwerp
 Carol Webb
 Muriel Williams
 John Young

Families of
 John Blessing
 Merle Cromwell
 Susan Denke
 Syl Disselkoen
 Sarah Esper
 Bob McQuilkin
 Terry Money
 Mr. Perroni
 Lee Seipelt
 Jerry Smith
 Doug Vaughn

Military
 Jacob Bingham
 Tyler Kinney
 Ryan Ruddy

Seniors Living at Home
 Diane Brutzer
 Norma Elias+
 Marilyn Reed+

Cadillac
 Don Bonderenko
Frankfort Sr. Care
 Sandy Gill

Maple Valley
 Steve Elrick+
Orchard House
 Joanne Brown+

The Homesteader
 Mary & Roy Pearce
 Bea Stone

The Maples
 Wayne Knight
 Dave Siuda
 Dori Turner

The Pines
 Nora Bungard

- Josie & Luc Williams on the birth of their second daughter, Ivy. Luc and his brother Ben grew up in the church, and Luc is now a youth pastor. Ivy joins sister Cleo.
- Morgan Cole (Jeanne Hafer's daughter) on her engagement to Scott Harris.
- Amanda & Phil Johnson, Polly Herscher's son, and daughter-in-law, on the birth of their son, Magnus Johnson, on April 17.
- Maverick Leroy Weaver's Baptism on April 23. Maverick is the great-grandson of Lois Bender and great-nephew of Lori Dougherty.
- Charlotte Jane Henry's Baptism on April 30. Charlotte is the youngest of the Cassie and Chuck Henry clan.
- FEAS Girls Track Team - won an invitation and beat their rivals by 3 points.

Church Council Highlights

The April 12 meeting of the FCCF Council was called to order at 4:57 p.m. followed by the opening prayer. March minutes were approved.

- Treasurer Scott Harrison reported March offerings to be \$14,669, while budgeted expenses for the month were \$13,436. As of this writing, the church should be able to pay all bills through April without tapping into reserves. It was decided that Scott will create a quarterly report to the congregation regarding the state of church finances. This report will be shared in the church bulletin and in the newsletters.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Memorials - Jeanne Hafer reported a \$5000 gift that will be used to cover some missions previously cut from the budget.
- Missions - Betty Webb reported that the shoe drive is going very well. Many area churches and other groups are also helping to collect the shoes.
- Outreach - Kelly Ottinger thanked Donna Phillips for getting the Easter Service posters out to area businesses. Thanks also to Al Bryant for his Al's Academy and Bill Hirschfeld for the Bible Study on April 6. Reminder for the next Community Faith in Action gathering April 16. April 30 will be Bring a Friend Sunday and all-church potluck.

- Property - Dinah reported the parsonage boiler has been installed. Tom Hafer is looking at a fix for the drawer pull in the finance office. Jim Buzzell will be painting lampposts and handicapped sign posts. Grit strips will be applied to the front and back stairs of the parsonage, and also the outside stairs of the fire escape at the church.
- Religious Education - Bill Hirschfeld reported that his Bible Study was well-attended, and thanked Dinah for providing the visuals to go along with the talk. He hopes to do more in the future.
- Worship - Ann Osborn shared that the Maundy Thursday and Good Friday online services were well-attended. The Palm Sunday and Easter services will be both online and in-person, while the Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will be online only. Thanks to Nancy Reed for sharing her mother's Easter banner. Holy Humor Sunday will now be known as Holy Joy Sunday. Baptisms of Maverick Weaver and Charlotte Henry are coming up. Celebration of Life for Ward Van Houton will be May 5.

With no new or unfinished business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kris Richards, Church Council Clerk.

Quarterly Update from Treasurer Scott Harrison:

In our effort to inform the congregation about church finances, this is our first quarterly comparison of revenue and expenses. The 2023 budget for all expenses is \$155,000. The endowment fund provides \$30,000 in revenue this year. All other revenue is provided by tithes and gifts, and from some miscellaneous fees for church operations. For the three months ending March 31, 2023, total Revenue is \$34,554 and Expenses have been \$49,194, leaving us at a current loss of \$14,640.

For Information and Calendars

CPR Training
May 13, 2023 9 AM – 12 NOON



Caregivers, Babysitters, Scouts, Volunteers, Over all good people

Come to the CPR Training Day for information and compression training at no cost. CPR certification is available for \$20. This is open to everyone that thinks they will ever need to know CPR.

Tim O'Connor from heartbeatllc.com will be the instructor.

Registration is required.
Please call the office
882-4922.

Deadline for sign up is May 1st.

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PRODUCE BINGO

2ND THURSDAYS AT THE SENIOR RESOURCES GATHERING PLACE. NEXT EVENT IS MAY 11, FOLLOWING A MEAL OF SPAGHETTI AND MEATBALLS, TOSSED SALAD AND BROWNIE. THE FUN OF BINGO COMBINED WITH FREE PRODUCE AS THE WINNINGS! MUST SIGN UP IN ADVANCE. FOR TIME AND TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE CALL 231-525-0501



CONCERT ON THE HILL
presents
beach & buffett
The best of Jimmy Buffett, the Beach Boys and Tropical Rock

**MAY 21
7PM**

Doc & Donna Probes



STAMP St. Andrews Presbyterian Church
8190 Lincon Rd. Beulah, MI

Concerts are free to the public though a suggested donation of \$10 is encouraged. This concert's donations to benefit The St. Andrews Mission Project working to keep our community safer, drier, warmer.

You see MOBBI offered several times each week under "Our Church Life This Week", but exactly is that? MOBBI stands for Move Oriented Brain Body Integration. Instructor MaryAnn leads participants through gentle exercises designed to strengthen the brain/body connection, and increase core strength and mobility. Did you know MaryAnn tithes 10% of her class fees to our church? Days and class times are listed in the bulletin. For more information, please email MaryAnn at mobbi.ma@gmail.com



The Sharing Page

Ramps.

They're just lying there - in the woods.
Waiting to be picked up and eaten.

Ramp Tzatziki Recipe

Makes 4 cups, enough for gyros, keftedes, snacking and more

- 24-ounce container of plain Greek yogurt, about 3 cups
- 1 long English cucumber (the kind that's wrapped in plastic), rinsed
- ½ teaspoon salt, divided
- 4 sustainably harvested ramps, cleaned
- 2 Tablespoons freshly squeezed lemon juice, about half a lemon
- 2 Tablespoons extra virgin olive oil 9 fresh mint leaves, julienned, about 2 Tablespoons
- 3 dill fronds, chopped, about 2 Tablespoons
- ½ teaspoon ground sumac



Photo by Sarah Peschel

YOUR GUIDE TO CAMPGROUND ETIQUETTE



OBSERVE CHECK IN/OUT TIMES

Arrive at or after check-in time and leave before check-out time.



RESPECT YOUR NEIGHBORS

Do not walk through other campsites and keep all items on your site.



BE MINDFUL OF YOUR NOISE LEVEL

Keep all noise at a decent level at all times.



OBSERVE QUIET TIMES

Keep noise level of talking, children and pets low and music off during posted quiet hours.



GO THE SPEED LIMIT

Observe the speed limit at all times and be aware of people, children and pets while driving.



MIND YOUR CAMPFIRE

Check to be sure that campfires are allowed and never leave it unattended.



KEEP A TIDY CAMPSITE

Pick up all food and garbage throughout the day and clean and organize site at end of the night.



KEEP ALL FACILITIES CLEAN

Pick up after yourself and report any spills or broken equipment immediately.



BE A RESPONSIBLE PET OWNER

Keep your pets leashed and in your control at all times and always pick up after your dog.



FOLLOW ALL CAMPGROUND RULES

Be aware of all campground rules to ensure that everyone enjoys their time and stays safe.



LET THEM KNOW OF ANY ISSUES SO THEY CAN HELP

Campground owners are there to resolve any issues— do not leave the campground unhappy.

ENJOY YOUR STAY!

OUR NUMBER ONE PRIORITY IS TO ENSURE ALL CAMPERS HAVE A FUN, ENJOYABLE AND COMFORTABLE STAY.

This useful information was kindly developed and brought to you by CampgroundViews.com




Clutter Free in 30 Days

- DAY 1 // television stand
- DAY 2 // book collection
- DAY 3 // movies and cd's
- DAY 4 // bathroom cabinets
- DAY 5 // shower toiletries
- DAY 6 // makeup
- DAY 7 // jewelry
- DAY 8 // purse and wallet
- DAY 9 // hallway closet
- DAY 10 // bedroom end tables
- DAY 11 // your clothes
- DAY 12 // your spouses clothes
- DAY 13 // your kids clothes
- DAY 14 // kid toys
- DAY 15 // office desk
- DAY 16 // fridge
- DAY 17 // freezer
- DAY 18 // medicine cabinet
- DAY 19 // under the kitchen
- DAY 20 // utensils
- DAY 21 // dishes
- DAY 22 // pots and pans
- DAY 23 // tupperware
- DAY 24 // pantry
- DAY 25 // spices
- DAY 26 // junk drawers
- DAY 27 // cleaning supplies
- DAY 28 // craft room
- DAY 29 // other closets
- DAY 30 // other cabinets

May

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>1 12:30 p.m.. MOBBI</p> <p>Kerry Buzzell Jackson Deloria Tyler Grant Richard Henry Dylan Prance-Jewell</p>	<p>2 8:30 a.m. MOBBI 4:00 p.m. Outreach Meeting</p> <p>Michael Grant Julie Hirschfeld Amber Holmgren Nicole Holmgren</p>	<p>3 10:15 a.m. MOBBI (& 3:15 and 5:30) 10:30 a.m. Worship Meeting</p> <p>Mary Bateman Katie Gokey Mariah Manning Beth McNamara Candace Nostrandt</p>	<p>4 8:00 a.m. MOBBI 9:30 a.m. Yoga 11:10 a.m. MOBBI 4:00 p.m. Property Meeting</p> <p>Diane Tracy</p>	<p>5 10:30 a.m. Shoe Bagging/Tagging</p> <p>Janet Pearce Betty Webb</p>	<p>6 11:00 a.m. Ward Van Houten Celebration of Life</p> <p>Mary Dykstra Leo Hughes Serenity Schulz</p>
<p>7 9:15 a.m. Choir 10:30 a.m. Worship</p> <p>Liam Condon Bob King</p>	<p>8 12:30 p.m.. MOBBI</p> <p>Morgan Gokey Jacob Grant Gail Nugent</p>	<p>9 8:30 a.m. MOBBI</p> <p>John Henry Alma House</p>	<p>10 10:15 a.m. MOBBI (& 1:30 and 5:30) 5:00 p.m. Council</p>	<p>11 8:00 a.m. MOBBI 9:30 a.m. Yoga 11:10 a.m. MOBBI</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Benzie Central High School Pops Concert</p>	<p>12 10:30 a.m. Shoe Bagging/Tagging</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Marijke Church</p>
<p>14 9:15 a.m. Choir 10:30 a.m. Worship</p> <p>New Member Sunday Mother's Day</p>	<p>15 12:30 p.m.. MOBBI</p> <p>Gail Nugent Jacob Grant Morgan Gokey</p>	<p>16 8:30 a.m. MOBBI</p> <p>Peter Penfold Justus Young</p>	<p>17 10:15 a.m. MOBBI (& 1:30 and 5:30)</p> <p>Jetta Kelly</p>	<p>18 8:00 a.m. MOBBI 9:30 a.m. Yoga 11:10 a.m. MOBBI</p> <p>7:00 p.m. FEAS Band Concert</p>	<p>19 10:30 a.m. Shoe Bagging/Tagging</p> <p>Dawn Schulz Molly & Scott Harrison</p>	<p>20 10:00 a.m. Mulching Party: All Are Welcome</p> <p>National Armed Forces Day</p> <p>Jared & Jordin Kelly</p>
<p>21 9:15 a.m. Choir 10:30 a.m. Worship</p> <p>Jack Strom's Baptism</p> <p>2:00 p.m. Maples Worship</p> <p>Becky & Matt Addis</p>	<p>22 12:30 p.m. MOBBI</p> <p>Michael Elwell Les Webb</p>	<p>23 8:30 a.m. MOBBI</p> <p>Marilee & Wayne Strom</p>	<p>24 10:15 a.m. MOBBI (& 1:30 and 5:30)</p> <p>Emily Lepke Katherine & Randy Johnson</p>	<p>25 8:00 p.m. MOBBI 9:30 a.m. Yoga 11:10 a.m. MOBBI</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Dine Out for BACH: Watervale (reservations required: 231-352-9083)</p>	<p>26 10:30 a.m. Shoe Bagging/Tagging</p>	<p>27 National Maritime Day</p> <p>Donna Phillips Faith & Jack Dulaney</p>
<p>28 9:15 a.m. Choir 10:30 a.m. Worship</p> <p>Rita & Sean Morris</p>	<p>29 12:30 p.m. MOBBI</p> <p>Memorial Day</p>  <p>Randy Johnson Julie Morris Sean Morris</p>	<p>30 8:30 a.m. MOBBI</p> <p>Gus Gigous</p>	<p>31 10:15 a.m. MOBBI (& 1:30 and 5:30)</p>			

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Date	Greeters & Ushers Head Usher: Bill Hirschfeld	Sunday School Teachers
7	Jim Buzzell, Bill Hirschfeld Jim MacKenzie, Chris Porter	Julie Hirschfeld
14	Judy Grant, Alma House, Donna Phillips, Mary Reed	Jim MacKenzie
21	Katherine & Randy Johnson Dawn & Serenity Schulz	Robin MacKenzie
28	Gretchen Classens, Sonia Duffy, Michael & Sharon Grajcar	Becky Addis