# Steepleviews 

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June 2016
Anniversaries \& Birthdays

01 John \& Rosemary Abbett
02 Hugh \& Pat Hessler
03 Liz Acklin
Kendra Nuske
Marilyn Whisner
06 Emilie Bright
Patty Pohlman
Emilie \& Pat Bright
Kim \& Stuart Scripps
08 MaiKou Yang
Julie \& Paul Robinson
09 John \& Mary Bateman
10 Luke Reed
Crystal \& Steve Rath
11 Bob Condon
14 Liz \& Roy Acklin
15 Carla Mendoza
Elizabeth Steigerwald
Paula Steigerwald
Don \& Gail Nugent
16 Cristian Cortes
17 Donna \& Ron Phillips
18 Jane Tarnecki
19 John \& Mary Bateman
21 PaYia Yang
25 Jeff \& Michelle Frostic
26 Carolyn Lalas
Jennie Schmitt
Eva Strom
Mac Whisner
26 Liz \& Tony Ponce de Leon
27 Julian Cortez
Rachel \& Ryan St. John
28 Connie Bennehoff
Robin Somero
Mary \& Tua Yang
29 Marilyn Switzer
30 Michael Grajcar



## The History of Father's Day

Though Father's Day wasn't made a national holiday until 1972, the efforts of one woman in Washington sparked a movement to celebrate fathers long before.

In 1909, Sonora Smart Dodd of Spokane, Washington, was inspired to create a holiday honoring fathers. William Jackson Smart, her father, was a farmer and Civil War veteran that raised Sonora and her five younger brothers by himself after his wife, Ellen, died giving birth to their youngest child in 1898. While attending a Mother's Day church service in 1909, Sonora came up with the idea.

Within a few months, Sonora had convinced the Spokane Ministerial Association and the YMCA to set aside a Sunday in June to celebrate fathers. She proposed June 5, her father's birthday, but the ministers chose the third Sunday in June so that they would have more time after Mother's Day to prepare their sermons. So it was that on June 19, 1910, Sonora delivered presents to handicapped fathers, boys from the YMCA decorated their lapels with fresh-cut roses (red for living fathers, white for the deceased), and the city's ministers devoted their homilies to fatherhood.

The widely publicized events in Spokane struck a chord that reached all the way to Washington, D.C., and Sonora's celebration started it's path to becoming a national holiday.

- In 1915, President Woodrow Wilson and his family personally observed the day.
- Eight years later, President Calvin Coolidge signed a resolution in favor of Father's Day "to establish more intimate relations between fathers and their children and to impress upon fathers the full measure of their obligations."
- In 1966, President Lyndon Johnson, signed an executive order that the holiday be celebrated on the third Sunday in June.
- Under President Richard Nixon, in 1972, Congress passed an act officially making Father's Day a national holiday. (Six years later, Sonora died at age 96.)

bathrooms are now underway. The demolition of the two rooms is a little messy so please bear with us.
- Andy Mollema has submitted an application to the Michigan Historical Commission for a Historical Plaque, commemorating the founding of our Church Family in January of 1868.
- Pastor Dinah has investigated special music for the block party next year.
- FYI-Jill Smeltzer remembers there being a staircase in the northeast corner of The Parlor that led upstairs to the sanctuary. Who knew!


- Jean and Larry Neuhardt for changing out the sanctuary banners and paraments
- Cooper Rath for moving boxes into the Church attic
- All who covered the bases when I was under the weather. It's good to know the church family continues and does what it does, even when the pastor is sick. Love you all-Dinah



## Concert On The Hill CANTICUM NOVUM

Saturday, June 11, 2016 at 7:30 pm. St. Andrews Presbyterian Church

Beulah, MI 231-882-4241.

## Congratulations!

High School Graduates:

- Levi Hubbard from Frankfort High School, on to NMC to seek his passion.
- Josie Mendoza from Frankfort High School, on to NMC for accounting and business
- Morgan Papineau from Benzie Central, on to Central University for elementary education or business
- Luke Reed from Benzie Central, on to Alma College to study Physical Therapy, run track and cross country, play
 trumpet in the band. He was also the 2016 Prom King!
- Jessie Grant, granddaughter of proud Judy Grant
- Hannah Nostrandt from Frankfort High School, proud granddaughter of Dan and Candace Nostrandt. She was also the 2016 Prom Queen!


## College Graduates

- Jackson Deloria from the U of M with a degree in leadership. Now on to Boston for a job!
- David Grant from Ohio Northern University. The world will be greater with his songs!
- Rachel St. John on receiving her Masters degree from Grand Valley State, a Master of Education in instruction and curriculum in early childhood education.!


## Council Notes

## FCCF Council Meeting Minutes

There were 11 members present at the May 11, 2016 Council Meeting

Treasurer's Report: John McElduff

1. Offerings for April totaled \$6,176.00
2. Expenses for April totaled \$8,233.21
3. April had a deficit of \$2,057.21
4. Total current balance of Church Funds is \$65,988.55

## Committee Reports

Outreach: The Church Family hosted a birthday party for Serenity Schulz after church on May 8, 2016. Benzie County Baccalaureate will be held at St. Andrews Presbyterian on Sunday, May 22, 2016. The May Ladies Lunch will be at The Fusion on Thursday, May 26, 2016. The parade and hot dog sale on July 4th was discussed. Our Education Recognition Sunday will be May 22, 2016 during the church service and includes 22 students and 4 seniors.

Sesquicentennial: Andy Mollema stated that the Historical Plaque forms have been submitted. Pastor Dinah has investigated special music for the block party next year.

Personnel: Andy Mollema explained that the contracts for the employees (specifically Pastor Dinah's will be examined and updated.

Property: Andrea Frost announced that The Parlor is finished! May 1st was the first Sunday to be used with furniture. The front entrance of the Church has been completed with a final coat of paint. The parsonage
porch deck needs a coat of stain to be finished. Demolition of the bathrooms is in progress. It's becoming a larger project than thought.

Worship: Mary Ann Harness reported about the baptism of Leo Smith, tuba solo by Jake Reed, Nursing Home worship services, the sanctuary railing that is still in process, a Mother's Day gift was given to the Baby Pantry. Pentecost Sunday will be celebrated with helium balloons, Education Recognition Sunday is May 22th, Full Communion is June 5th, and we may have the Salt City Dixie Band again on Ausust 7th along with intinction communion, Three Husbands on the loose on August 28th and Pastor Dinah will be on vacation in July.

No Reports: Memorials, Finance and Stewardship, Investment, Constitution and By-Laws, Missions Nominating and Religious Education Committees, Women's Fellowship or Historian.

Pastor's Report: Discussion was held on safety in church - perhaps invite the sheriff and/or deputies to a walk-through and a service.

Unfinished Business: Hometown Giving was discussed at length. Al Bryant moved and Judy Welch seconded a motion to join the program and have the Treasurer and Financial Secretary set up our account. Motion carried.



The Grief Support Group will meet on Sunday, June 12, 3:00 PM at
Trinity Lutheran Church, 955 James St, Frankfort. Let's talk about "Unexpected Questions and Unsettling Remarks". If you know someone grieving a loss we would be happy to contact them and invite them to the meeting. If you would like more information about the group, have questions, or need directions, call us at 3990141. Please join us for conversation, coffee, cookies, and comfort. It just might help...


Dine Out For Benzie Area Christian Neighbors

At Watervale Inn, Arcadia and The Coho Café, Frankfort on Tuesday, June 7th and $10 \%$ of your dinner bill will be donated to BACN.


## Bill's Bible Class

Is back for a short four
weeks during the month of June. Beginning June 2, we will gather at 7:00 pm to learn more about

- Moses, Joshua,
- the Chosen People,
- the Promised Land,
- the Ten Commandments,
- the Golden Calf and
- the Battle of Jericho

It's free, it's cool \& you don't have to have been here for the previous studies to learn good things.


## Fire

 Extinguishers Do you know where the nearest fire extinguisher is?1. Front Entrance, next to the double doors.
2. The Parlor, near double hallway doors.
3. Kitchen, behind the swinging door.
4. Boiler Room, to immediate right of door.
5. Pantry Area, on side of small sink.
6. Sunday School Area, near door at end of hall.
7. Top of Front Stairs, in the narthex near dove stained glass window.

Next time you are hanging out at the church, see if you can find all of them!


## To The Families of

Leonard Case Kevin Dougherty Judy Ingelston Charlie Kehr Bea Ruthven



## Please Remember in Prayer

## Prayers are

 asked for:*=Added last week Roy Acklin
Chuck Anderson Lynn Buzzell
Bob Condon
Bob Conrad Kathy Crosby Doug Ehle
Nancy Eipperle
Madelyn MacKenzie
Suzy Middleton
Dan Nostrandt
Dorothy Ottinger
Christopher Peregrine Helen Postema Alan Rauner Marilyn Reed Betty St. Denis Tamara Stokes Josh Schulz
Shawn Trumble Doc Wagner

The Families of:
Jim Baker Jack Otto Jim Rice
*Bea Ruthven
Neng Thong Bruce Ward

## Seniors of the

 Week:Beverly Matthews (The Maples) Susie Vigland (Orchard House) Charlie Holtrey (Long Term Care) Bea Gray
Moore Peregrine
(The Homesteader) John Abbett
(Paul Oliver Living and


## June is

## First Congregational Church's Usher Appreciation Month

Thank you all for seeing to the needs of our family congregation during worship! Your friendly smiles make everyone feel so welcome.

## First Congregational Church of Frankfort June 2016

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| ㅇoß自 (D) Birthdays \& Q "Anniversaries" <br> To Everyone!!! |  |  | 01 <br> 10:00 a.m. <br> BalA VisX Group <br> 4:00 pm <br> Worship Mtg. <br> 7:30 p.m. Choir <br> John \& Rosemary Abbett | 02 <br> 9:30 a.m. Yoga <br> 4:30 p.m. <br> Sesquicentennial Mtg. <br> 5:15 p.m. <br> Outreach Mtg. <br> 7:00 p.m. Bill's <br> Bible Study <br> Hugh \& Pat Hessler | 03 <br> Liz Acklin Kendra Nuske Marilyn Whisner | 04 <br> Hug Your Cat Day |
| 05 <br> 9:30 Choir 10:30 Worship, Communion \& Sunday School <br> Happy Graduation! | Emilie \& Pat Bright Emilie Bright Patty Pohlman Kim \& Stuart Scripps | 07 | 08 <br> 10:00 a.m. <br> BalA VisX Group <br> 4:00 p.m. <br> Council Mtg <br> 7:30 p.m. Choir <br> Julie \& Paul Robinson MaiKou Yang | 09 <br> 9:30 a.m. Yoga <br> 7:00 p.m. Bill's Bible Study <br> John \& Mary Bateman | 10 <br> Crystal \& Steve Rath Luke Reed | 11 <br> 3:00 p.m. <br> Miller-McGowan <br> Wedding (Beach) <br> Bob Condon |
| 12 <br> 9:30 Choir <br> 10:30 Worship <br> Homecoming Church Picnic | 13 | 14 <br> 4:00 p.m. <br> Property <br> Meeting <br> Liz \& Roy Acklin <br> FLAE DUUNE | 15 <br> 10:00 a.m. <br> BalA VisX Group <br> 7:30 p.m. Choir <br> Carla Mendoza Don \& Gail Nugent Elizabeth Steigerwald Paula Steigerwald | 16 <br> 9:30 a.m. Yoga <br> 7:00 p.m. Bill's Bible Study <br> Christian Cortes | 17 <br> Donna \& Ron Phillips | 18 |
| 19 <br> 9:30 Choir <br> 10:30 Worship | $20$ <br> 1st Day of | 21 <br> World Music Day | 22 <br> 10:00 a.m. BalA <br> VisX Group <br> 7:30 p.m. Choir | 23 <br> 9:30 a.m. Yoga <br> 7:00 p.m. Bill's Bible Study | 24 | 25 <br> 2:00 p.m. <br> Williamson- <br> Clinthorn Wedding (Beach) <br> Jeff \& Michelle Frostic |
| 26 <br> 9:30 Choir 10:30 Worship 2:00 p.m. Nursing Care Worship Services | 27 <br> Carolyn Lalas Jennie Schmitt Eva Strom Mac Whisner Liz \& Tony Ponce de Leon <br> Julian Cortez Rachel \& Ryan St. John | 28 <br> Connie Bennehoff Robin Somero Mary \& Tua | 29 <br> 10:00 a.m. BalA <br> VisX Group <br> 7:30 p.m. Choir <br> Marilyn Switzer 7 | 30 |  |  |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Anniversaries | 1,7 | 5 | Paul \& Julie Robinson John \& Leslie McElduff | Greeter and <br> Ushers: <br> Please arrive at church by |
| Announcements | 1,2,3,5,6,7 |  |  |  |
| Birthdays | 1,7 | 12 | John \& Kathy Walthorn Jim \& Robin MacKenzie | ready to greet and |
| Calendar | 7 |  |  | who come to |
| Greeters | 10 | 19 | Chris \& Marjorie Porter Billie Beyette \& Ron Wardwell | (Greeters |
| Prayer List | 6 |  |  | are the front |
| Thank You's | 3 | 26 | Larry Neuhardt, John McElduff Jim MacKenzie, Bill Hirschfeld | in welcoming |
| Ushers | 10 |  |  | visitors and new church |
| Council <br> Minutes | 4 |  |  | members!) |

