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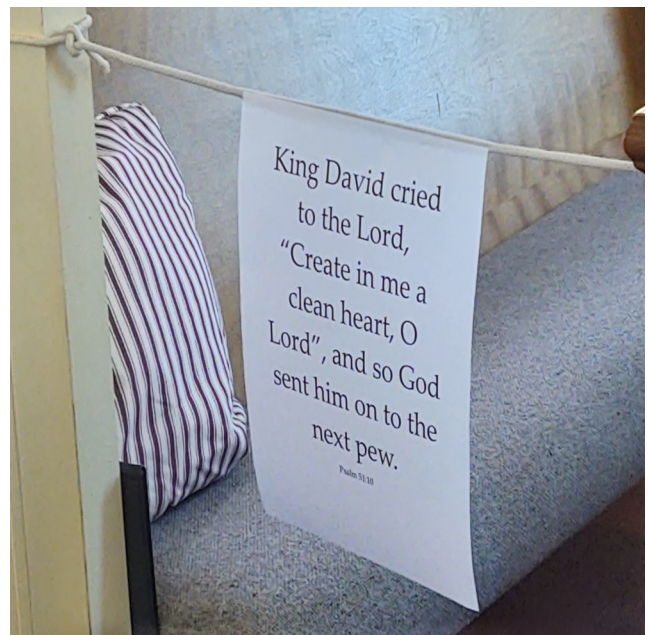
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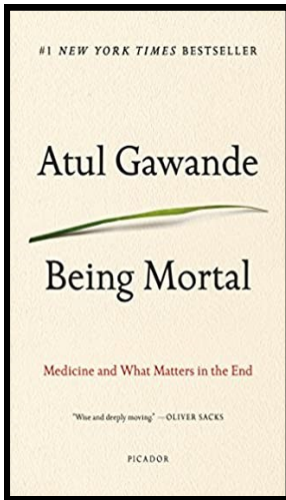
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- 13 Mason Rath
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- 20 Ryan McNamara
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A New Look for a New Covid-19 Time



Pastor's Page



Come Join Our Book Study **Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End**

Tuesdays:

June 30, July 7, July 14 & July 21

11:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m.

Zoomed or Socially Distanced at FCCF

**Kindle editions can be ordered online,
and there will also be hard copies at the
church for a \$10 donation**

Named a Best Book of the Year by The Washington Post, The New York Times Book Review, NPR, and Chicago Tribune, now in paperback with a new reading group guide. Medicine has triumphed in modern times, transforming the dangers of childbirth, injury, and disease from harrowing to manageable. But when it comes to the inescapable realities of aging and death, what medicine can do often runs counter to what it should.



Being Mortal is a 2014 non-fiction book by American surgeon Atul Gawande. The book was published in 2014 and addresses end-of-life care, hospice care, and also contains Gawande's reflections and personal stories.

Through eye-opening research and gripping stories of his own patients and family, Gawande reveals the suffering this dynamic has produced. Nursing homes, devoted above all to safety, battle with residents over the food they are allowed to eat and the choices they are allowed to make. Doctors, uncomfortable discussing patients' anxieties about death, fall back on false hopes and treatments that are actually shortening lives instead of improving them. In his bestselling books, Atul Gawande, a practicing surgeon, has fearlessly revealed the struggles of his profession. Now he examines its ultimate limitations and failures-in his own practices as well as others'-as life draws to a close. Riveting, honest, and humane, Being Mortal shows how the ultimate goal is not a good death but a good life-all the way to the very end.



"You may not control life's circumstances, but getting to be the author of your life means getting to control what you do with them."

ATUL GAWANDE
Advisor to The Generation Project



Congratulations

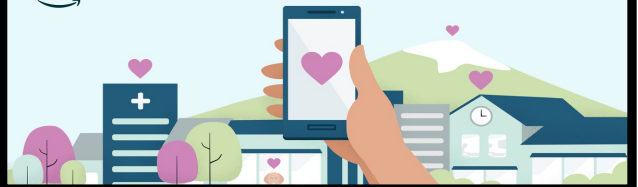
- A Valedictorian She Was - Bella Gigous graduated on June 6, 2020 from Lighthouse Connections Academy!
- Nancy Reed on completing her first 5K race on a treadmill!!!
- Sarah Stolz (Matt & Nancy Reed's soon-to-be daughter-in-law, Luke's fiancé, for making the Dean's List at CMU.
- Coleman Schindler graduated with a degree in psychology, and was awarded cum laude. Coleman was also named to the spring 2020 Dean's List. He is the son of Ed and Amy Schindler of Frankfort and is a graduate of Elk Rapids High School.
- Kolten Hollenbeck graduated with a degree in business with a minor in history. Kolten is the son of Kevin & Kristine Hollenbeck of Frankfort, and is a graduate of Frankfort High School.
- Cecelia Schmitt graduated with high honors from the University of Michigan in May. Cecelia, a 2017 Frankfort graduate, is the daughter of Rick and Jennie Schmitt. She plans to continue her education in graduate school in the fall when she will study dietetics at either University of Michigan or University of North Carolina..



- Chris Porter for making the pulpit sneeze guard to keep everyone safe — per new guidelines for Covid-19.
- Andrea Frost for babysitting the church boiler and all the other aspects of it's last days.

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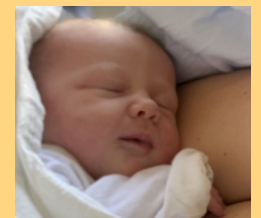
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Benson Bradford Nostrandt. This little dude is 9 lbs and 21 inches long and both momma and baby are doing well. Grandma and Grandpa, Candace and Dan, are busting buttons!

And this little girl, Vivienne Michelle Forest, was born on June 16th in Boston to Alex & Lana & granddaughter to Ruth Forest. We are so blessed.



Church Council

Meeting Minutes

FCCF Council Minutes June 10, 2020

The Minutes from the May 13 meeting were reviewed, and with no corrections noted, were approved as presented

Treasurer's Report: Rob Burch

Offerings for April totaled:	\$8,010.01
Budgeted expenses April totaled:	\$8,570.37
Other General Fund Income:	298.94
Carryover YTD:	\$2,083.97

In reviewing the 2020 Budget thus far, cash balances are strong, and our spending is in good shape. As Rob explained, there are two or three categories that need monitoring as we proceed through the year. Following explanation and review, the Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

Committee Reports

Finance: Judy Welch – see Treasurer's Report

Investment: Andrea Frost – As of June 10, Stocks: \$386,449.00; Bonds: \$273,466.00; the total in the Baird Investment Fund: \$659,915.00.

Missions: Paul Osborn – This account remains fully funded.

Outreach: Kelly Ottinger – 1) A discussion of what was involved with the Ad Hoc Committee formed for resuming in-person services. 2) Reaction to the Constant Contact email forum was discussed. 3) A reminder of the 4th of July hot dog sale cancellation.

Property: Myra Elias – 1) The storm window replacement project is moving forward with bids coming in tomorrow (June 11) and the Mihm company arriving on Friday. 2) Furnace boiler replacement is an ongoing project as the Committee awaits for two bids next week. 3) Help is needed with the gutter cleaning over the Parsonage garage. 4) A portable basketball hoop will be purchased to be placed in the driveway for everyone's use.

Religious Education: Bill Hirschfeld – no report, but Pastor Dinah did indicate that Julie Hirschfeld is sending out Sunday School lessons to our children.

Women's Fellowship: Mary Reed – The balances in the account are: \$465.89 in checking; \$2,135.63 in the CD; and \$4.42 YTD Interest.

Worship: Ann Osborn – 1) The Reopening Ad Hoc Committee has done a fine job, with the Committee meeting once or twice more as the church transitions to full in person services. 2) June 7 was full Communion served safely at our second (reopened) in-person service. 2) Carpets will be cleaned throughout the church on June 16. 3) A donation will be made to the Baby Pantry in the amount of \$100.00 in honor of Father's Day, June 21. 4) The first in house memorial service for Bob Carter will likely be held in July.

Pastor's Report: Dinah Haag – report submitted

Unfinished Business: A motion was made by Judy Welch, upon recommendation of the Bequest Ad Hoc Committee, that the Council call for a Congregational Meeting to approve putting 2/3 (\$100,000) of the Patty Pohlman gift into an unmanaged RW Baird account (investment) and 1/3 (\$50,000) to be used for upcoming property projects and other expenses under the Council's direction; Myra Elias seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Following the motion, there was discussion on the probable date for the above-mentioned Congregational Meeting. With a two week notice, the meeting could be held after services on June 28; however, with many of our members still not attending in person, a letter/postcard/email notice would need to go out right away announcing said meeting. Pastor Dinah will formulate a letter/post card/email notice so that members can send back their votes or their proxies. Due to the timing of this, the meeting may have to be pushed back beyond June 28.

New Business: A motion was made by Myra Elias that we approve Kelly Ottinger as the official delegate to attend the NACCC Annual Meeting via Zoom to be held at 3 pm on June 27 with Pastor Dinah Haag as the alternate; Larry Neuhardt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

No Reports: Memorials, Constitution & By-Laws, Nominating , Personnel,

Larry Neuhardt, Council Chair,
called for the meeting adjournment at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Ann Osborn, Church Council Clerk

A Bit of This and That

- ◆ If anyone would like to receive updates about happenings around the church (more frequently than through the newsletter) please feel free to call the church office to sign up.
- ◆ Does anyone have time to serve on the Missions Committee? If so, please let us know that you are interested.
- ◆ Information from Melanie Herren-Fitzhugh regarding the Community Food Spirit Food Source. Community Spirit is a local non-profit that takes ongoing donations of personal hygiene items to local High Schools, giving out food cards for the Community Spirit pantry and emergency gas cards. \$25,000 in donations were given for this years' school scholarships. The amounts given annually vary depending upon donations. Melanie stated how grateful they were for these donations and also said that they could not do what they do without our annual support.



Please Remember in Prayer

Prayer Concerns

Ed Baldwin
Nena Bonderenko
Nora Bungard
Dave Cage
Lucas Crosby
Sherrie Gigous
Jeanne Harrison
Hugh Hessler
Pat Hessler
Trevor Holmgren
Mike Horten
Scott Johnson
Victoria Mekas
Larry Neuhardt
Molly & Sang Nguyen
Nicole Nostrandt
Ron Phillips
Elizabeth Harness-
Richardson
Julie & Paul Robinson
Dawn Schulz
Jane Tarnecki
Ronny Teatro
Kay Van Order
Gladys Wilson

Military

Mike Kinney
Tyler Kinney
Clark Robinson
Ryan Ruddy

The Families of

Flip Daly
Caroline Davy
Jeanne Deeds
Lyle Jackson
Josh Madsen
Andy Mollema
Ed Scully

Senior Living

Orchard House
Pat Hessler
Shirley Kerr
Susie Vigland

The Homesteader

Moore Peregrine
Bea Stone

The Maples

Karen Collins
Jan Condon
Gladys Wilson



Celebrate a SAFE & HAPPY JULY 4TH!



Word Search

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See how many of these newspaper related words you can find in the puzzle.
The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.

Created by Sue Lindlauf
Grand Forks Herald 2012

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| 1. FOURTH | 5. DAY | 9. CELEBRATION | 13. INDEPENDENCE |
| 2. JULY | 6. PICNICS | 10. PARADES | 14. AMERICA |
| 3. HOLIDAY | 7. FIREWORKS | 11. FAMILY | 15. PATRIOTIC |
| 4. FLAG | 8. SAFETY | 12. DECLARATION | 16. FREEDOM |

*First Congregational
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July 2020*

Independence Day

Freedom has its life in the hearts,
the actions, the spirit of men and so
it must be daily earned and refreshed -
else like a flower cut from its life-giving
roots, it will wither and die.

~Dwight D. Eisenhower

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>On July 31, 1790, Samuel Hopkins was granted the first U.S. patent, under the new U.S. patent statute just signed into law by President Washington on April 10, 1790. He was granted a patent for an improvement in the making of Pot ash and Pearl ash by a new Apparatus and Process.</p>			<p>1 4:00 p.m. Worship Meeting</p> 	<p>2 4:00 p.m. Outreach Meeting</p>	<p>3 5:00 p.m. Haines-Barcheski Wedding, Frankfort Beach</p>	<p>4</p> 
<p>5 10:30 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Eliza Frary</p>	<p>7 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Book Study "Being Mortal"</p> <p>Becky Addis David Grant Andrea Robinson</p>	<p>8 4:00 p.m. Council Meeting Via Zoom</p> <p>Dennis Richards</p>	<p>9 5:00 p.m. Barnum- Magnotti Wedding Rehearsal</p> <p>Ralph Jackson</p>	<p>10 2:00 p.m. Barnum-Magnotti Wedding, FCCF</p>	<p>11 11:00 a.m. Celebration of Life for Andy Mollema</p>
<p>12 10:30 a.m. Worship</p> <p>Joan Miller</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Mason Rath</p>	<p>14 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Book Study "Being Mortal"</p> <p>4:00 p.m. Property Meeting</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Apollo 11 lifted off on its voyage to the moon in 1969</p>	<p>17 2:00 p.m. Bob Carter Celebration of Life</p> <p>Disneyland Opened in 1955</p> <p>Ruth Forest Laurel Rath</p>	<p>18</p> 
<p>19 10:30 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>20</p>  <p>First Landing on the Moon Day 1969</p> <p>Ryan McNamara</p>	<p>21 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Book Study "Being Mortal"</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 Amelia Earhart Day</p>  <p>Tristan Chicky Carol Penfold- Patterson</p>	<p>25</p>
Pastor Dinah on vacation						
<p>26 10:30 a.m. Worship</p> <p>Peyton Clevenger Bella Gigous David J Grant Trish Strom</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 First Fingerprint Taken</p> <p>Judy Welch Jean & Larry Neuhardt</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Dick Brown</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Fred Milliron</p>	<p>31 First US Patent Granted to Samuel Hopkins in 1790</p> <p>Rick Schmitt</p>	<p>August 1</p> <p>Joel & Saskia Buzzell</p>

Pastor Dinah on vacation thru August 7

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