

Steepleviews

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August 2017



- 01 Joel & Saskia Buzzell
- 02 Randy Gilbert
- Matt & Nancy Reed
- 05 Cara Chicky
- Ella Whiting
- Peggy & Phil Deloria
- 06 Brandon Nostrandt
- 07 Bill & Julie Hirschfeld
- 08 Debi Kennedy
- 09 Andrew Doughtery
- Cary & Eric Buzzell
- 11 Dale & Polly Herscher
- 13 Polly Herscher
- Don Setterbo
- 14 Caitlin & Matt Anderson
- 15 Ella Bright
- 17 Jeryl Colby
- Andy Mollema
- 18 Lynn Buzzell
- Becky & Joe Hubbard
- 19 Jeanne McMillan
- Katie (Condon) Boyd
- 20 Jordin (Gilbert) Kelly
- 21 Cherie Hunt
- 22 Beverly Augustine
- 25 Brad Chicky
- Asher King
- Casey Ottinger
- Ryan & Tricia Strom
- 26 Lauren Church
- 28 Ann & Paul Osborn
- 30 Robin MacKenzie
- Carolyn & Jim L alas
- 31 Dru Milliron
- Jackie & Tom Richmond

Catch These Coming Events!

- Aug 05: 150th Fine Arts Series**
The Hubbards
- Aug 10: Pastor on vacation 10th-25th**
- Aug 13: Salt City Dixie Jazz Band**
- Aug 19: 12th Annual Car Seat Event**
- Aug 20: Benzie Area Symphony**
- Aug 22: Line Dancing starts**
- Aug 27: Three Husbands on the Loose**



150th Anniversary Concert Series

The Hubbards

Cristin Hubbard and Matt Hubbard

A concert of music from
Broadway to Jazz and tunes between.

Saturday, August 5, 2017
7:00 p.m.

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All are welcome to join us!

Pastor's Page

Community Block Party



4th of July



1867-2017

Sesquicentennial Celebration



Thank you to

- Everyone who helped with the Community Party. It was a perfect evening in so many ways, and it wouldn't have happened without great help!
- Everyone who made the Celebration Sunday such a great day. From the folks at the Mayfair Tavern to the Reed family brass players to the videographer to those who helped with the anthem commissioning to the choir and Rosemary Abbett (who with some of the choir were working on a little sleep deprivation from the CSA musical the night before), it was a great testimony to the faithful partnering of God and God's people.
- The elven person (s) who displayed a lawn art fishing pole in the parsonage back yard and the one (s) who left some sweet rock art on the parsonage porch. Whoever you are – THANK YOU! Your gifts are wonderful!

First Congregational Church
is pleased to have the
**Salt City Dixie Jazz Band
of Manistee**

lead our worship service on
**Sunday, August 13, 2017
at 10:30 a.m.**

Join us at 431 Forest Ave. in Frankfort and
stay for a cold beverage
and a little something to eat.



Worshiping God need not
be stuffy or boring!

Pop Can Tabs

Are still worth something. Bring them to the church, and we will see that they get to an animal shelter in the Upper Peninsula that has a source to transform them into cash.

Thanks from the critters!

August is First Congregational Church's Flower People Appreciation Month

Thank you so very much to all who take care of the altar flowers and gardens and those who donate memorial arrangements. All your efforts add to the beauty of this place we call our church home.



150th Anniversary Concert Series

Three Husbands on the Loose

Bryan Kimble, David McCord, and Doug Trumble
In It for the Fun of It

Sunday, August 27, 2017
10:30 a.m.

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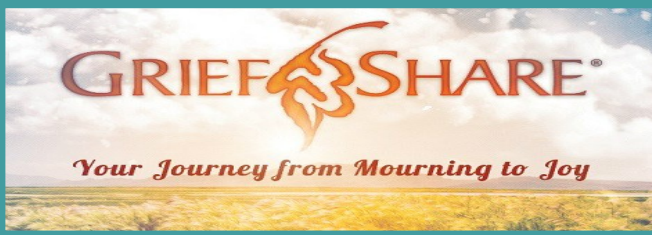
Gone Fishin'

Pastor Dinah will be on
vacation August 10th
thru August 25th.
Us cats can now play!!!





- To Bill Frostic for putting up the pencil sharpener for the choir. Totally necessary and very grateful!
- To Julie Hirschfeld on the delightful bulletin board on Michigan authors in the church dining room to go along with our 150th anniversary celebrations.
- To everyone who helped out with the Fourth of July activities. 960 hot dogs were served and greatly appreciated. And the parade people were truly great, too. (Thank you to Serenity and Dawn Schutz for making the pencil carrying baskets!)



The Grief Support Group will meet on Sunday, August 6, 3:00 PM at the home of Doug and Carol Luther (104 George ST, Frankfort). Let's do a "Grief Check Up". We can discuss problems, progress, and other grief issues that you are experiencing on your grief journey. We hope you'll join us for snacks and conversation. Please let us know if you plan to attend (399-0141 or carol.doug@gmail.com).

If you know someone grieving a loss we would be happy to contact them and invite them to one of our meetings. If you would like more information about the group or have questions, call Carol/Doug Luther (Group Leaders) at 399-0141.



- Ron & Billee (Beyette) Wardwell's great grandson, Stephen Sala, graduated from Annarunda Community College 6/5/17. He was the Valedictorian of a class of 2,300 students and got a standing ovation for his speech. He received a full scholarship to George Washington University for the next 2 years working towards his Bachelor's in Computer Science. As part of his scholarship he also will have unique opportunities to intern with the Federal Government in a cyber security capacity.
- Jacob Bingham had his induction into South Carolina National Guard. His grandparents are Rosemary and John Abbett .
- New grandparents, John & Mary Bateman, on the birth of Ella Joy Bateman. She arrived a little early and was in the NICU for a while, but things are looking good now.
- Sesquicentennial Committee! You've done a great deal of work and our Celebration Sunday in July was wonderful. But this is a year-long celebration, so keep up the good work!

The Sesquicentennial polo shirts are available. Check with the church office to get yours.

The BACN Bacon Cook-off

Saturday, August 26

11:00-1:30 p.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Frankfort

\$3 per small plate and half pig raffle



Council Notes

There were 14 Council Members at the June 14, 2017 Council Meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Andy Mollema

Offerings for June:	\$6873.00
Expenses for June:	\$8514.79
Carry over for previous month:	- \$6317.48

Committee Reports

Outreach: Dinah Haag

- 1) Six new members joined at the June 25 service plus one couple will transfer membership to FCCF.
- 2) The 150th Celebration billboard across from the A&W is up.
- 3) The 4th of July hot dog sale brought in \$2,234.15 before expenses.
- 4) Upcoming events include the Block Party on July 18 and the 150th Celebration Services/ Luncheon on July 23.

Outreach/Sesquicentennial: Andy Mollema

- 1) Payment is due to the State of Michigan for our Commemorative Plaque in the amount of \$2,700.00.
- 2) There are still a number of Sesquicentennial Shirts available for purchase.

Personnel: Myra Elias

Chris Etc., has been hired to help with minor maintenance and the cleaning of the church.

Property: Andrea Frost

- 1) Motion #1 was made by Andrea Frost and seconded by Mary Reed to install AC in the Pastor's and the Secretary's offices. Moore Mechanical was chosen for the installation, not to exceed \$7,000.
- 2) Motion #2 was made by Mary Reed and seconded by Myra Elias to hire Huron Electric to install electrical hook-ups for Motion #1.
- 3) More research is needed for air conditioning in the Sanctuary.
- 4) Will Church will begin work on the Sanctuary balcony in August.
- 5) More discussion and research is needed on replacing or repairing the storm windows covering the stained glass windows in the Sanctuary.

- 6) The plexi-glass on the Rose Window and the Dove Window has discolored and needs attention.
- 7) The altar railing will be built by Pete Wright who constructed our Time Capsule.

Religious Education: Bill Hirschfeld

- 1) More Sunday School teachers are needed for the fall.
- 2) Subject suggestions and ideas are wanted for future Bill's Bible Studies.
- 3) Dinah will be offering a four session Music & Worship Study Group on Thursday evenings in October.

Worship: Ann Osborn

- 1) Upcoming events include: the 150th Celebration Regular Service and Anthem Premiere at 10:30 am followed by the Catered Luncheon at 11:45 am and the Celebration Service with speakers/ dignitaries at 1 p.m.
- 2) The Worship Committee members will serve as greeters for the 1 p.m. service on the 23rd.
- 3) Pulpit fill, emcee and special music still needed for the Sundays Pastor Dinah is on vacation (August 10 -25).
- 4) The next Communion Sunday is August 6th.
- 5) Banner storage is still a work in progress.

Historian: Al Bryant – Al is asking for volunteers to help digitalize/scan old Church minutes and records.

Pastor's Report: Rev. Dinah Haag - report submitted.

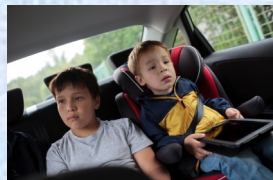
No Reports: Constitution & By-Laws, Finance, Investment, Memorials, Missions, Nominating, Women's Fellowship

Unfinished Business: none

New Business:

- 1) Council vote to transfer monies from the Memorial Funds at the Frankfort Credit Union to an account at the State Savings Bank, as our other accounts are there. Motion passed.
- 2) A second motion was made that the current treasurer's name be added to the Memorial Funds account. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Osborn/Church Council Clerk



Benzie County 12th Annual Car Seat Event & Community Resource Fair

Saturday, August 19, 2017

10 am – 2 pm St. Philip’s Episcopal Church
785 Beulah Hwy/US 31, Beulah, MI

Event includes:

Free lunch, free kid’s dental screening by
Northwest Michigan Health Services,
Women’s Resource Center, Community
Resource Agencies, WIC, MI Works,
Benzie Bus, Games, Prizes, & Petting Zoo.

Car seats will be checked by Professional
Technicians – to schedule car seat check call
Marilou at 882-4059 & if needed, new car
seats are available at **NO CHARGE!**

Why recycle phones?

Rainforest Connection (RFCx) transforms recycled cell-phones into autonomous, solar-powered listening devices that can monitor and pinpoint chainsaw activity at a great distance. This changes the game by providing the world's first real-time logging detection system, pinpointing deforestation activity as it occurs, and providing the data openly, freely, and immediately to anyone around the world. For the first time on a scalable level, responsible agents can arrive on the scene in time to interrupt the perpetrators and stop the damage, and the world can listen in as it occurs. **Please drop off any unused phones to the church & we will recycle them!**

Line Dancing

Tuesday, August 22, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

No Charge. We’ll try it for four or five weeks, and see if anyone wishes to continue. Bring your boogie and your enthusiasm!



No experience necessary.

Please Remember in Prayer

Prayer Concerns:

Ed Baldwin
Ella Joy Bateman
Gayle Brown
Portia Young Butler
Owen Canavan
Brenda Case
Betty Croft
Marnie Curtis
Danielle Gardner
Melissa Grant
Karen Hagan
Karen Hartman
Pat Hessler
Janice Heusted
Doug Hren
Kristy Jackson
Daniel & David
Kinney
Norma Kroon
Lori Lalas
Tina Larson
Libby Little
Amy MacCaskill
Michelle Masters
Kim McClaren
Sophie McClaren-
Cobb
Jim Murray
Brian Neuhardt
Amy Nugent

Don Nugent
Paul Patterson
Marjorie Porter
Vern Reed
Judy Rummelhart
Phil Ryder
Kristin Schauger
Jason & Josh Schulz
Serenity Schulz
Wayne Smith
Maddie Webb
Peter Webb
Gladys Wilson
Peyton Wollen

The Families of:

Bob Cheppo
Terese Cheppo
Marilyn Rice
Karen Switzer
Leigh Ann Tubbs

Senior Living:

John Abbett
Brenda Case
Jan Condon
Bea Gray
Pat Hessler
Charlie Holtrey
Moore Peregrine
June Roen
Susie Vigland

Mail from:



Elizabeth Little-Saxton
Re: NOOR Eye Clinic
in Afghanistan:

Dear Friends of FCCF:
I want to thank you for your continued support of the Kabul NOOR Eye Project. God bless you for your faithfulness.

Libby

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