Steepleviews

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nniversaries & Birthdays

01 Joel & Saskia Buzzell

- 02 Randy Gilbert Cassie Henry Matt & Nancy Reed
- 03 Betsy & Dave Goodman
- 04 Sonia Duffy Jared Kelly
- 05 Cara Chicky
 Ella Whiting
 Peggy Burns & Phil Deloria
- 06 Brandon Nostrandt
- 07 Bill & Julie Hirschfeld
- 08 Debi Kennedy
- 09 Andrew Dougherty Cary & Eric Buzzell
- 11 Dale & Polly Herscher
- 13 Polly Herscher Don Setterbo
- 14 Caitlin & Matt Anderson Luke & Sarah Reed
- 17 Jeryl Colby David & Linda Schweyer
- 18 Lynn Buzzell Dick & Norma Godsey Becky & Joe Hubbard
- 19 Katie Condon
- 20 Jordin Gilbert Kelly Phil Wade
- 21 Cherie Hunt Cole Schindler Maverick Holmgren
- 23 W. Gigous
- 24 Kathy Walthorn
- 25 Lauren Church
 Asher Robert King
 Casey Ottinger
 Ryan & Tricia Strom
- 27 Jen & Robert Kennedy
- 28 Ann & Paul Osborn
- 29 Alden Smith
- 30 Robin MacKenzie Alex McNamara Carolyn & Jim Lalas
- 31 Dru Milliron Jackie & Tom Richmond

August 2022

Upcoming Events

July 31
Puppetry Event at
Paul Oliver Art Center

August 6
Benzie Senior Resources
Walkathon
Celebration of Life for
Susie Vigland
Cristin & Matt Hubbard
Concert @ CSA

August 28
Internet Access Sunday



Pastor's Page

August 26, 27 and 28 brings together some interesting entities in this area. It is first and foremost the

Benzie Fishing Frenzy which is just one stop of the fishing tournament trail. The Ladies' Classic is on Friday while professionals and amateurs have their chance on Friday and Saturday to bring in the biggest fish to win some money.



Then there is the **Order of**

Naucratius (nuh cray' shious), a group that commits to three rules of life: Prayer, Conservation, and Charity. They believe that hunting and fishing are sacred activities, and with that premise, their goal is to help connect

local hunters and fishers who have harvested in abundance with people who are hungry.

Incidentally, one of the founders of this Order is the Rev. Fr. Chiristian Baron, recently of St. Phillip's Episcopal Church in Beulah.

St. Naucratius was a son to the great Basil the Elder and brother to eight or nine siblings, many of whom became recognized saints in their own right. Naucratius and Francis of Assissi would have found much in common.

Anyway, he Naucratius folks—who love to have volunteers—take any fish that the fisherfolk wish to donate to clean and package for local food pantries. Some folks seem to think that the frenzy is in fishing to the last minute in case you get that last big one. Perhaps the real frenzy is when huge coolers of big fish come together and have to be cleaned, bagged, labeled and cooled down again in a matter of minutes!





Fish for hungry bellies.

If you are interested in being a part of the wonderful mayhem, the greatest need for help is on Sunday afternoon about 2:00. You don't need to bring anything and you don't need to know how to clean fish. You won't even need any special clothing as it is amazing how slick it goes down at the fish cleaning station.

And won't your friends be amazed that you were able to help feed hungry tummies along with your pastor, cleaning fish for a good cause? Yep! I'll be cleaning on Sunday. And by the way, not all the necessary jobs require getting dirty hands. Oddly enough, the smell of the cold water actually outweighs any fish smell!

Even if you can't be there that day, make sure you pass the word so that other folks can contact me and get in on the action. It's such a win-win-win deal in a world that can use all the winning we can get.

See you in August! Pastor Dinah







Prayers and Condolences for the Families of





Andrea Frost Steve Johnson Marvelee Kneisel Norma Robinson Krohn Susie Vigland





And Continued Prayers for the Families of



Dick Brown Pat Hessler



First Congregational Church of Frankfort Council Minutes

FCCF COUNCIL MINUTES JULY 13, 2022

Council Vice-Chair, Kris Richards, called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. followed by the Opening Prayer.

The Minutes from the June 8 meeting were reviewed. A discrepancy was found in the YTD Carryover amount in the Treasurer's Report. For the permanent record, Ann will make the correction (+ \$3,970.00 to - \$3,970.00) on last month's meeting Minutes. With no other corrections noted, the Minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Rob Burch

- 1. Offerings for the month of June totaled: \$7,334.00
- 2. Budgeted expenses for the month of June \$ 9,176.47
- 3. YTD Carryover: -5,787.50

Rob reports that the Budget is in pretty good shape thus far in 2022.

Committee Reports

<u>Memorials</u>: Judy Welch – Contributions for the month of June totaled \$875.00 in memory of Dick Brown and Pat Hessler. Pat's contribution has been designated for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund for immediate use.

Investment: Chris Porter – 1) The total in both Restricted and Unrestricted Baird Accounts is \$672,931.63. 2) \$40,000.00 was transferred to the State Savings Bank account from the unrestricted accounts during the first quarter of 2022 for Parsonage refurbishments. 3) Baird transferred funds from account 9 to a new account 5 at the end of May, 2022, with data from the new account not captured in the June Council Report. 4) With the stock market in fluctuation at this time, our totals are somewhat down and a meeting with Ed Schindler is scheduled for an update. However, no changes are recommended at this time.

Property: Kris Richards – No report. However, the front steps to the Parsonage front porch need to be painted.

<u>Outreach</u>: Dinah Haag for Kelly Ottinger – the Church received \$3,582.00 in donations for the 4th of July Hot Dog Sale with approximately \$2,000 paid out in food and supplies, etc. Proceeds totaled approximately \$1,500.00.

Personnel: Dinah Haag for Linda Schweyer – Mary Ann Short, our newly hired Administrative Assistant, has had to resign from this position due to a conflict in her other work schedule. Therefore, we need someone to replace Mary Ann. Katherine Johnson, our previous Administrative Assistant, has agreed to come in on the two Fridays during Pastor Dinah's vacation to make sure the Sunday service bulletins are ready.

<u>Women's Fellowship</u>: Mary Reed – The totals, as of June 30, are: \$2,211.17 in the checking account and \$1,143.40 in the CD.

Pastor's Report: Dinah Haag – Report submitted.

No Reports: Finance, By-Laws, Missions, Nominating, Rel. Ed, Worship

Unfinished Business: None

<u>New Business</u>: Rob Burch, our Treasurer, stated that we should begin the 2023 budgeting process in September.

Kris Richards, Vice-Chair, called for the meeting's adjournment at 4:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Osborn, Church Council Clerk



thank you!

- ALL you who helped to make the Hot Dog Sale the success that it was! The perfect day combined with the perfect event and perfect crew made for a really fun time for so many people.
- Donna Phillips and your car for representing the church in the parade. It was a great hit!
- Those who helped with the very first Hot Dog Sale - 15 years ago! Even those who have gone on before us, your work is still making waves!
- Dawn Schulz for gathering so many of the various pieces for the sale - from the attic, under the stairs, etc.
- Judy Grant for taking inventory after the fact
- Casper and Sterling and all the other newbies to the Koegel Hot Dog Sale. We're so glad you joined us, and your smiles were the icing on the cake of joy. Jacob Grant, your granddaddy was surely grinning big on you!
- Mitchell and Ida Jaworski (neighbors to the north) for donating bricks, sand and labor to create a landing pad for the basketball hoop in the wintertime.



Your Prayers Are Appreciated for

Ed Baldwin John Baldwin Cherie Boswell Joanne Brown Paul Clemeno Isaac Dings Linda Eckerman Forrest Grandson Russ Gesme Becky Hirschfeld Maverick Holmgren Trevor Holmgren Mike Jones Sandy La Belle Diana Monovich Ron Phillips Wendy Pratley Vern Reed Cheryl Reichel Robin Rommel Dawn Schultz Tom Teatek Barb Wagner Felicia Whiting

The Families of

Andrea Frost Steve Johnson Marvelee Kneisel

Senior Living:

Cadillac

Don Bonderenko

Maple Valley

Steve Elrick

Orchard House

Joan Miller

The Homesteader

Mary & Roy Pearce

Bea Stone

John Young

The Maples

Dave Siuda

- Jave Stada

Dori Turner

The Pines

Nora Bungard

Military:

Jacob Bingham CJ Kinney Tyler Kinney Ryan Ruddy

As of this writing, the NACCC (National Association of Congregational Christian Churches) comprises 312 congregations and 28,715 church members.

Congratulations Team
Lautenbach for your first
place award in the
Frankfort Sandcastle
Contest on the 4th of July.
Your U.S.S. Constitution,
was indeed a work of art!



NOW HIRING



Administrative Assistant

15-20 Hours/Weel

Competitive Wag

including computers, spreadsheets, software file management, social media, and office machines are preferred.

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Letters of interest may be mailed to 431 Forest Ave. or emailed to pastor431@gmail.com

Mackinac Island Fudge Facts

- •13 fudge stores located on the island
- •100+ years of fudge history on the island
- •10,000 pounds of fudge are made each day
- •10 tons of butter are imported each year
- •10 tons of sugar are imported per week

Unique fudge flavors: pumpkin, lemon, orange



dream-sicle, double dark espresso, blue raspberry with sprinkles, and birthday cake.

If you happen to be around, the Mackinac Island Fudge Festival is August 24-26!

Have a Taste for Historical Happenings?

Benzonia Academy Lectures — The Cherry Hut Panel Discussion—August 11, 7:00p.m.

Guided Tour—S. S. City of Milwaukee Manistee, MI August 4th, 11:00a.m.

Drake School Museum open Saturdays & Sundays 1:00—4:00p.m.

How To Clean Tombstones August 14th



Mental Health Hotline Dial 988

All are welcome to attend the 2022 Congregational Summer Assembly's Musical, "Beauty and the Beast." The shows are Friday and Saturday, August 12 and 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Meeting House.





For all the tramping through ditches, getting full of pollen and bramble scratches, for all the beauty and creativity and faithfulness in seeing to one of the delightful

aspects of our worship, we are grateful!

Flower People Appreciation Month



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7	Judy Grant, Chris Porter Myra Elias, Jim Buzzell
14	Bill & Julie Hirschfeld Ann Osborn, Mary Reed
21	Beth & Mike McNamara Robin & Jim MacKenzie
28	Kris & Dennis Richards Julie & Mike Morris