# Steepleviews

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# **September 2017 Birthdays & Anniversaries**

01	Dan Lautenbach
	Sawyer Reed
	Albie & Myra Elias
03	Signe Ruddy
	Doug & Robin Somero
04	Carlisle Clevenger
05	Will Church
	Michelle Frostic
	Julie & Mike Morris
06	Nora Bungard
	Kyah Robinson
07	Eric Buzzell
	Jack Dulaney
	Frank Ikens
10	Tom Marshall
	Denis & Kathy Crosby
11	Mary & Tom Osborn
12	Bob & Sue King
14	Betty & Fred Milliron
16	Carol Ehle
17	Missi Gilbert
18	Sandra Grant
	Moore Peregrine
	Doug Rath
19	Katie Robinson
	Mark Steigerwald
20	Saskia Von Wolferen
	Ron Wardwell
	Chris & Marjorie Porter
22	Devin Gokey
24	Luann & Michael Elwell
25	Bea Gray
26	Sarah Dougherty
27	Tom Osborn
	Jason & Naomi Kolehmainen
28	Nancy Simmons
	Johnny & Kendra Nuske

Mary Osborn

Cecelia Schmitt

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# Catch These Coming Events!

September 4 **Labor Day** The Gathering September 8 September 10 Blessing of the Backpacks, **Sunday School Begins Grandparents Day** & Dan Straubel Golf Outing September 19 Talk Like a Pirate Day September 21 **International Day of Peace** September 22 First Day of Fall



Join us on Friday,
September 8th
6:00 p.m.

at

Jim and Robin MacKenzie's home 1515 Bellows Ave in Frankfort. Bring your own beverage and a dish to share. Hopefully, weather permitting, we can enjoy our fellowship outside.

# Pastor's Page

## Calling All Savers:

Each General Mills



Box Tops for Education are worth .10 cents to Crystal Lake Elementary, Benzie Middle School and Frankfort Schools. It's free money for our schools!

## 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 can transform



them into cash. Thanks from the critters!

### Family Fare Receipts



FCCF is going to begin participating in the Direct Your Dollars Program. For every \$150,000 in receipts collected, the church will earn \$1,000 check from SpartanNash.

There is a collection box in the Dining Room at the church. Only FULL receipts may be submitted and no photocopies. Shop 'N Save receipts are NOT accepted. Every little bit helps!

We will also collect empty ink cartridges from printers and dead batteries and recycle them for you.



It's that time of year when thoughts begin to turn toward

Sunday School and the young ones that God has given us. Those on the Sunday School teaching team take turns, roughly less than once a month, to teach the elementary children. Lessons are delivered electronically, and help is available for any needs that may come up for each individual lesson. If you would be willing to be a part of the team, please let either Bill Hirschfeld or Pastor Dinah know. Thank you for your consideration.

### Fírst Congregational Church's Sesquicentennial Report

15th Publication

In the year 1938, the church had 116 members. There were 79 resident members, 4 shut-ins, and 34 distant members. Of the resident members, 15 attended church regularly, 29 attended occasionally, 9 attended very seldom and 22 never attended.



Al's Academy: The History of FCCF



YEAR PHOTOS

Cantata Sunday



Four Man Fishing Tackle Choir



Children's Songs for Grown-Ups Concert



Koegel Hot Dog Sale



150th Celebration Sunday: Mrs. Voorheis



4th of July Parade



Community Party



150th Celebration Sunday: Special Musicians



150th Fine Arts Series: The Hubbards



150th Celebration Sunday: Rev. Dr. Michael Chittum, NACCC



150th Celebration Sunday: Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Cobb, composer of commissioned choir anthem



- To all those who covered the bases while the Pastor was on vacation. It's great to know that ministry carries on without the Head Cheese – not to be confused with a Cheese Head or Headcheese!
- Special thanks to the Salt City Dixie Jazz Band, Rev. Dr. Tim Murtaugh and Three Husbands on the Loose for leading and enhancing our worship services while Pastor Dinah was on a well-deserved vacation.
- To our church ladies for providing a meal and refreshments to Habitat for Humanity workers building a home just north of Honor.
- Katherine Johnson for keeping all the plants around here alive. They liked it.



The monthly Grief Support Group will not be meeting in September. Please plan to join us Sunday, October 1, at 3:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 955 James Street, Frankfort for a discussion on a grief related topic (to be determined), conversation, coffee, cookies, and comfort. If you would like to or need to talk please feel free to give us a call at 231-399-0141. If you know someone grieving a loss we would be happy to contact them and invite them to the meeting. We will look forward to seeing you in October.

Carol and Doug Luther, Group Leaders.



- Mary Reed on the birth of her 8th great-grandchild. Mildred Josephine (Millie) was born July 27th, 6 lbs, 6 oz., 20 inches long.
- Chris Porter for catching a 24 lb.
   King Salmon. (Pastor Dinah's 18 inch walleye felt almost as big!)





The NACCC will be collecting funds through our "One Great Hour of Sharing" program to help those in need affected by Hurricane Harvey. You can send your donations thru our church, and we will see that they get to the national office in Oak Creek, WI. Your entire donation will go to Church World Service( CWS). This organization is working with partners in Texas to determine the most



effective way to respond. May God bless all the efforts of help.

# WinSome Women Sharing Christ's love with women since 1971.

Mackinac Island will be the location for Win-Some Women retreats October 17 through 20, 2017. This year's theme is "Strong Tower." Keynote speakers will be Elisa Morgan, Gary Thomas, and LaDonna Gatlin. Featured musicians will be Selah. Register online at wswretreats.org. Make plans now to attend.

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### Wizard of Oz Sing-along

September 9, 2017, 2:30 p.m., Garden Theater, Frankfort. Free admission; however, donations will be gratefully accepted. Come in costume or as you are and enjoy this musical trip to Oz!

Sponsored by Benzie Area Christian Neighbors. Come early for great door prizes!

Sesquicentennial polo shirts and Christmas ornaments are still available.
Check with the church office to get yours.

# It's not just serving coffee...

It's ministry!
A few cookies and a little lemonade and coffee are ways to welcome those who are new to the church family. Yes, it's a way to catch up with friends, but it



is much more about welcoming and hosting the stranger. Sign up sheets are in the Dining Room for anyone interested in hosting our weekly Coffee Fellowship. Sign up with a friend or another couple. We enjoy all the variety-donuts to cookies to crackers and cheese, store bought and homemade. Beverages will be provided along with paper products.

First Congregational Church's Children and Youth Appreciation Month

# Let's All Celebrate Our Youth!

September brings the start of school and



new challenges
for our young
people. Pray for
them as they
grow in
knowledge and
in the love of
God. We have
the honor of
holding them up

and embracing their presence.



Don't forget to check out our website every so often. We try to keep it up-to-date and as interesting as we can. You can find it at

www.fccfrankfort.org. And Like us on Facebook, too! Sometimes other cool stuff comes along that way.



If you're out for a drive, don't forget to check out the **Homestead Dam** on Love Road, out Shop 'N Save way.

Sometimes some of the best beauty is right in our backyards!

#### Line Dancing

Tuesdays, 1:30-2:30 p.m. No Charge.

We'll try it for the rest of September, and see if anyone wishes to continue. Bring your boogie and your enthusiasm!



# Please Remember in Prayer

#### **Prayer Concerns:**

Ed Baldwin Ella Bateman Gayle Brown Portia Young Butler **Ed Carter** Marnie Curtis Carole Dipzinski Danielle Gardner Melissa Grant Karen Hagan Bonnie Heaney Janice Heusted Mary Kimball Daniel & David Kinney Norma Kroon Lori Lalas Michelle Masters Jim Murray Brian Neuhardt Amy & Don Nugent Paul Patterson Marjorie Porter Jeff Reed Jason & Josh Schulz Wayne Smith Gladys Wilson Peyton Wollen

#### The Families of:

Cameron Baker Larry Bennett Tina Larson Ann Pringle

#### **Military:**

Matthew Conrad Cheyenne Dubois Mike Kinney Mike Porter Clark Robinson Ryan Ruddy

#### **Senior Living:**

POLAR
John Abbett
Brenda Case
Charlie Holtrey
The Maples
Jan Condon
Bea Gray
June Roen
Orchard House
Gordon Banks
Pat Hessler
Susie Vigland
The Homesteader
Moore Peregrine
Bea Stone



### Dine Out For Benzie Area Christian Neighbors

Αt

The Thistle Bar & Grill at Crystal Mountain in Thompsonville on

Thursday,
September 28th and
20% of your dinner
bill will be donated
to BACN



# First Congregational Church of Frankfort

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September is National Suicide Prevention Month					1 9:30 a.m. BalA VisX Group 4:30 p.m. Moore- Tuller Rehearsal Dan Lautenbach Sawyer Reed Albie & Myra Elias	2 4:30 p.m. Moore-Tuller Wedding Mills House
3 10:30 a.m. Worship Signe Ruddy Doug & Robin Somero	4 9:30 am. Yoga Class  * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	5 1:30 p.m. Line Dancing  Will Church Michelle Frostic Julie & Mike Morris	6 10:00 a.m. BalA VisX Group 4:00 p.m. Worship Mtg. 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Nora Bungard Kyah Robinson	7 9:30 a.m. Yoga Group 4:30 p.m. Sesquicentennial Mtg. 5:15 p.m. Outreach Mtg. Eric Buzzell Jack Dulaney Frank Ikens	8 9:30 a.m. BalA VisX Group  Gathering 6:00 p.m. The Gathering At The MacKenzie's	9
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