

# Steepleviews

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

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30	Jackie Richmond
31	Rick Porter Joe Wade

## Coming Events

Oct 1	World Communion Sunday Benzie Senior Resources Golf Outing
Oct 8	25 Year Anniversary Brunch for Pastor Dinah
Oct 14	Fall Festival Cake Walk Fall Color Wagon Ride & Chili
Oct 15	Congregational Meeting
Oct 19	Parlor Movie: The Jesus Revolution
Oct 29	5th Sunday Potluck
Oct 31	Halloween Open House & Chili

## *the pastor's note*

Some time ago, I learned that there are two different kinds of help: the kind that helps and the kind that doesn't. Giving someone \$50,000 in single dollar bills is not helpful unless you also give them a bag to carry it in. Giving someone a rowboat isn't helpful unless there are oars that go with it.

Sometimes, in the desire to be helpful, we can give advice that isn't desired. If the recipient of such unsolicited advice should let you know, it can sting. But it can also remind us that we all get to make our own mistakes. Discounting someone's feelings when something bad happens can undermine a person's confidence.

What is helpful when donating to a food pantry? Pop-top cans are more helpful than regular ones requiring a can opener, although when there's a will there's a way. Hamburger Helper without hamburger isn't as helpful as it could be with the burger. Peanut butter and jelly without bread isn't helpful. And it seems that everyone loves Stove Top Stuffing, but it's helpful to remember that requires chicken broth.

Oil and butter are luxuries, spices or salt and pepper would be a real Christmas gift. Tea bags and coffee make them feel like you care. Fresh produce, meat and eggs are helpful help of the highest order. Dishwashing detergent is always appreciated, as are feminine hygiene products.

Seeds are great in spring and summer because growing can be easy for some. Cake mix and frosting makes it possible to make a child's birthday cake. Helpful help is truly helpful.

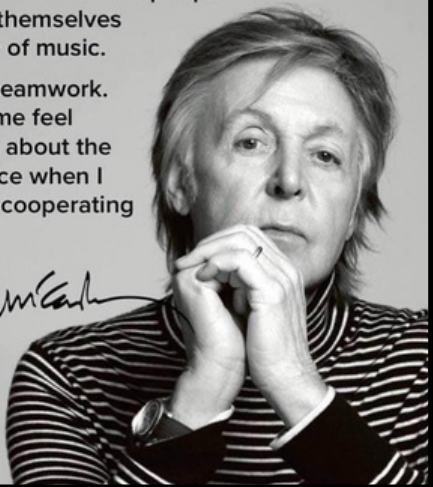
On Sunday October 8 following Worship, please join us for a Brunch Celebration of 25 years of shared ministry of this church and Pastor Dinah. Stories and photos are welcome.

**A Special Congregational Meeting** has been called by the Church Council for the purpose of voting, by official members, on funds to pay for necessary steeple repairs. The meeting will be held following the Worship Service on October 15. A copy of the proposed bid is available at the church.

'I love to hear a choir. I love the humanity to see the faces of real people devoting themselves to a piece of music.

I like the teamwork. It makes me feel optimistic about the human race when I see them cooperating like that.'

*Paul McCartney*



What Paul says! Do you like music? Would you like to experience the teamwork of singing in the choir? Join us for choir practice Wednesdays at 7 p.m.!

# cakewalk™

Saturday, October 14th is not only the Frankfort Fall Festival, but the FCCF Cake Walk Day!

Each year, contestants wait for the magic time of 1:00, which is the start of the Cake Walk. And the need to win is high. Some folks come back 6-8 times, just in case they might win a free cake.

If you can bake a cake or two, there is a sign-up list in the church Dining Room. You would make many happy people if you could get your cake to the open space (Goose Park) between 12:30 and 1:00 p.m. Thank you for making this such a spectacular community! Ideas for cake decor is with the sign-ups.

Round out the Frankfort Fall Festival with an Autumn Hay Ride on Saturday, October 14th at 4:00 PM.

An anonymous donor is underwriting the event that will take place at Fantail Farms located at 4700 Wallaker Rd in Benzonia. After enjoying the hour-long hayride through the wooded farm, we can meet back at the parsonage for some chili.

Available seating is limited to 24, and a sign-up list is available in the church dining room. If the hayride doesn't work for you, please feel free to join the party at 6 o'clock at the Parsonage.



## Halloween Open House & Helpers

### Halloween Open House

First Congregational Church of Frankfort

October 31  
5:30-7:30 p.m.  
431 Forest Ave.

Free hot chocolate, cider, candy and restrooms are available for everyone!

Truly one of the great things we do as a church family. Sign-up lists are on the counter in the dining room.

Candy donations can be left in the pantry. When it gets closer, cider donations can be left in the dining room fridge. Thank you!

LET'S BREAK BREAD TOGETHER.

## 5th Sunday Potluck

BRING A DISH TO SHARE, BUT IF YOU FORGET, COME ANYWAY...THERE IS ALWAYS PLENTY OF FOOD!

October 29

Correction: In the last edition of steepleview's, the photo on page 4 was inadvertently attributed to Ann Osborn. The photo was by Marti Mollema.



Join us for a free viewing of the Jesus Revolution. It's the story of a countercluture movement that became one of the great spiritual awakenings in American history, which took place in California in the 1970s. We'll have the popcorn on Thursday, October 26 and you can bring your beverage for the 6:00 start.



## Welcome New Members!



Jen Osborn moved to Crystal Lake four and a half years ago because she knew the lake was the one place she could live that every family member would come home to eventually. Jen works in child welfare for the Sate of Michigan in Benzie and Manistee counties. Her daughters, Jordy and Ally, live in the suburbs of Seattle with their respective dogs. When Jen isn't working, traveling, or visiting with family and friends, she likes to cook, read, make jewelry, or create things with glass.



Kathy Sheridan grew up in Chicagoland. Her husband's dream job took them to the Bay Area of CA where they lived for 30 years. Wherever they lived, they made time to come to Frankfort and the CSA every summer. She loves the trees, lakes, and dunes, so they bought a house in Frankfort. Their two kids got engaged here - one plans on living in Traverse City, the other is in California.

### Home Delivered Meals Drivers Needed!

Once a month, once a week, every day—you decide. Must possess a valid driver's license and pass a background check. Drive our vehicles and we'll provide the gas. Head to our website at [BenzieSeniorResources.org](http://BenzieSeniorResources.org) and grab an application or give us a call at 231.525.0600. We guarantee you will make a difference on day one!



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SENIOR RESOURCES



*Celebrating*  
**48**  
**YEARS**  
of Service to  
**BENZIE COUNTY**  
**SENIORS**

## Time to Think about the Festival of Trees!

The Benzie Area Historical Society is seeking wreaths, center pieces, or decorated trees for their annual holiday auction benefitting Habitat for Humanity. All funds raised are for the sole purpose of building affordable housing in Benzie County. Over the past 14 years, volunteers and homeowners have completed 14 homes, with another 3 due to be completed in 2023! To contribute an item for the auction, contact Joy Foster at (email...checking with Joy to make sure this is correct) joyfoster2020@gmail.com



## Prayer Concerns

Kathleen & Jeff Bell	<u>Hospice</u> Denis Crosby
Susanna Burnham	Bill Deloach
Lynn Buzzell	Norma Elias
Bob Classens	Don Limer
Sonia Duffy	<u>Orchard House</u> Joanne Brown
Peggy Hawley	<u>Assisted Living</u> Charlie Seipelt
Dale Henry	John Young
Baby John Locke	<u>Senior Living</u> <u>At Home</u> Diane Brutzer
Jill Lutz	Norma Elias
Robin MacKenzie	Marilyn Reed
Jim McDaniel	<u>Cadillac</u> Don Bondarenko
Ron Phillips	<u>The Maples</u> Sandy Gill
Cade Rath	Dave Siuda
Marie Reisinger	Dori Turner
Roger	<u>The Homesteader</u> Mary & Roy Pearce
Heidi Romans	Bea Stone
Serenity Schulz	<u>Military</u> Tyler Kinney
Charlie Seipelt	Ryan Ruddy
Pat Voigt	<u>The Pines</u> Nora Bungard
Chris Young	

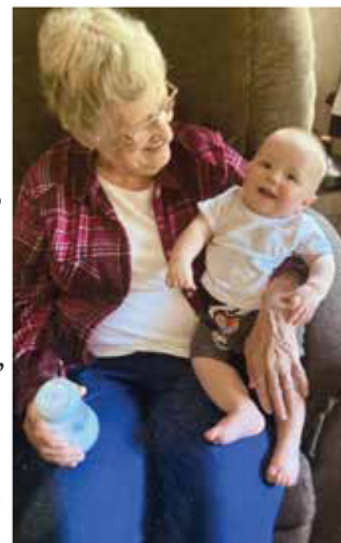
This is a testament from a client of Benzie Senior Resources. Bonnie is able to live in her own home due to home-delivered meals five days per week. The program is in need of volunteers! Might you be able to help? Even a few hours makes a difference. For more information call 231-525-0600, or grab an application at [benzieseniorresources.org](http://benzieseniorresources.org)

### I'm still in my own home.

Living on her own since the death of her husband in 2016, Bonnie receives home-delivered meals five days a week. "Oh my, this has just helped me tremendously," she says. "I'm unable to prepare things like I used to when my husband was here. My knees are completely shot now, down to the cartilage, and I have to use a walker or a cane."

Bonnie is impressed by the quality of the meals. She says, "I told my son that in the first few weeks of receiving these meals, I'd eaten more fruits and vegetables than I have in years. I'm just never sick, and I believe this is a huge factor."

Bonnie has been an active and contributing citizen her whole life, having at one time been Elberta's postmaster, and having served on the village council. The independence of living in her own home is very important to her. Her tidbit of 85-year-old wisdom is: "As long as you keep going, you keep going!"



*Bonnie Ness, Elberta*  
(photo with great grandchild)

# Thank you...

Dennis and Kris Richards for powerwashing the parsonage decks, cleaning out a gutter and getting the basketball hoop back into play. (Big storms and winds keep knocking it over.) Now the kids in the neighborhood as well as those from the church can play again. Thank you for buttoning things up for the winter and the giving of your time, muscles and ingenuity.

Jim Buzzell for painting and trimming and brushing away the oodles of cobwebs and spiders around the church. The church looks good for the coming winter!

Everyone who have helped me during my shoulder surgery recovery. Carrying a plate, calling with food, giving me a ride and all other many other offers of help are so very appreciated.  
Pastor Dinah

# Congratulations

Congratulations, Serenity Schulz, for being named a Commended Student by the National Merit Scholarship Program. Commended students demonstrate outstanding potential for academic success. While commended students do not move forward in the award program, they are recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Classmate, Aiden O'Dwyer also received this designation.

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**FRANKFORT FIRE  
PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

▶▶▶ \$12 Adults  
\$8 Children 5 and over  
Under 5 is Free

Annual Fundraiser  
**October 14<sup>th</sup>**  
8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

The Frankfort Area Land Trust is celebrating the occupancy of its first two homes with an open house on Wednesday, October 11, 4-6:00 p.m. The ribbon cutting is at 50 Grove Place and the open house is at 40 Grove Place. All are welcome.

Blaine Christian Church will be holding their annual Heavenly Pie Day sale again this year. Homemade 8 inch apple pies will be available at the Blaine Township Hall between noon and 2 PM on Friday, November 3 for the cost of \$10 each. Orders must be received by Monday, October 23 at the church office, 231-352-9148. It's a fundraiser for their mission projects.

# October

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 10:30 a.m. Worship</p> <p>World Communion Sunday</p> <p>Faith Delaney Brad Nostrandt</p>	2	<p>3 Tucker Hubbard</p>	<p>4 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. MOBBI</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Worship Meeting</p> <p>4:00 p.m. Outreach Meeting</p>	<p>5</p> <p>2:20 p.m. Emergency Alert Test Messages to All TVs, Radios and Cell Phones</p> <p>Bailey Grant Nancy Marshall</p>	<p>6 Dori Gigous</p>	7
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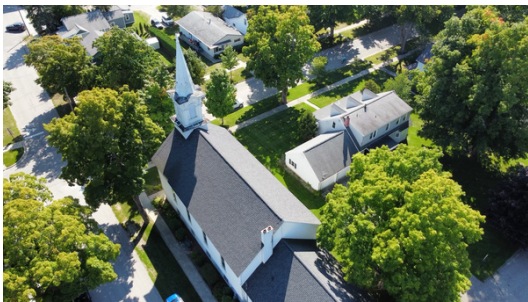


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Date	October Greeters & Ushers Head Usher: Linda Schweyer
1	Judy Grant Beth & Mike McNamara Ann Osborn (Communion Sunday)
8	Sonia Duffy Katherine & Randy Johnson Kelly Ottinger
15	Jim & Robin MacKenzie Jennifer Osborn, Michael Webb
22	Molly and Scott Harrison Alma House, Kathy Sheridan
29	Tom Hafer, Ann Osborn, Mary Reed, Serenity Schulz

