



LIVING HOPE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June/July 2017 Newsletter

PENTECOST REFLECTIONS

June 4 is Pentecost Sunday in our church calendar, the day we celebrate the “birth of the Church.” It is the day that the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles, and they began to “speak in tongues.” This did not mean that they voiced meaningless sounds. On the contrary, it meant that they could speak and be understood in other languages, which meant they could go out and spread the amazing story and the faith to others outside their group. And that began the spread of Christianity throughout the world!

I have to tell you, I love Pentecost. It is a celebration full of passion and color and amazement and languages and excitement. It is the day when it is OK to sing and dance and wear red and unabashedly rejoice. It is pretty evocative and emotional for Presbyterian sensibilities, I know. Maybe that is what I love. We are a people who value thought and care and learning and intentionality – a People of the head, if you will. And that is why I am Presbyterian. But, this is the birthday of the Church! The day the Holy Spirit touched the apostles, made them “drunk with the Holy Spirit” and sent them out to speak in languages beyond their knowing, to people everywhere, in Christ’s name! Even we Presbyterians must have permission to shout for joy, don’t you think?

We, too, are called to go out beyond our comfort zones sometimes, and to speak love and life to others, to show by who we are and how we are, that Christ is Lord -- to take the best of our heads **and** our hearts, wherever we are, and shine God’s grace on life around us. Something to celebrate!

Kelly

TRANSITION AND VISIONING UPDATE

We look forward to worshipping with Dee and Kelly Talley through June. Transition Team is looking at longer term transitional pastor options to start as soon as possible. Pulpit supply is being arranged for Sundays starting in July until a new long term transitional pastor can start.

Please see session Notes on Page 6 more details.

Transforming Neighborly, Spiritual Bonds: Teens Empowered in Interfaith Engagement

By Claire Hoffmeyer at St. John Vianney

(full article printed at church or at <https://togoforth.org/2017/05/18/transforming-neighborly-spiritual-bonds-teens-empowered-in-interfaith-engagement/>)

...Last April...I welcomed Jewish, Lutheran, Nondenominational Christians, Unitarian Universalists, Mormon, and Muslim teen representatives to our parish. This was not in an effort to evangelize or convert. Rather, this was a response to a request of our active interfaith community for more youth engagement and empowerment.

My mission was to offer space for interfaith teens to explore the graces of interfaith collaboration and dialogue. I sought to cultivate young leaders equipped with training in diversity particularly regarding religious views and practices because interfaith dialogue can give birth to mutual understanding, respect, and friendship of all people, no matter how or where you worship.

These youth delegates commune unlike any youth group. They treat each other with kindness and gentle curiosity about each other's faith beliefs. They laugh with one another. Every time we

gather, roaring laughter fills the space. They like one another and are genuinely excited to just be in each other's company. They captivate one another. They leave no room for division, intolerance, or cruelty. The differences they have, they embrace. Impressively, they exercise these behaviors effortlessly....

...Through their powerful contributions, our youth delegates unassumingly displayed transformation from division to unity. They know how to be good neighbors. They love others, their faith, and God fiercely – they find unity in this shared love and gratitude. Muslim, Catholic, Christian, Jewish, and Mormon teenagers have imparted this wisdom, this truth, upon my heart. I am forever transformed....

(the Trivia Night is the next event led by these youth – all are welcome!)

BEGIN *youth interfaith* TRIVIA NIGHT

For all ages // Teams will be random

SATURDAY, JUNE 17TH 6:00-8:00PM

UNITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, CROSS OF LIFE CAMPUS
20700 W North Avenue Brookfield WI 53045

We will be collecting the following items to donate to the Sojourner Truth Peace Center of Milwaukee!

- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Wash Cloths (New)
- Chapstick
- Body Lotion/wash

Please RSVP using this QR code by Friday, June 9th



FRIENDS! FAITH! FACTS!



Women's Association:



Circles have concluded their Bible Study for the year.

Naomi Circle is going to Vino Cappuccino at noon on Tuesday, June 13. Contact Ginny Maurer for a reservation.

Martha Circle will go to lunch at the Emperor's Kitchen on Tuesday, June 13, at 12:30. Please contact Jan Davis if you can attend.

Join the circles and men's group on Tuesday, August 8, at 1:00 p.m. in the sanctuary to hear a friend of Ann Tennyson, Judy Schendlinger, share her Jewish Faith. Living Hope members and friends are welcome. Light refreshments will be provided. Please contact Mary Dalton or Peggy Waterman to let us know you are coming.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP meets Wednesday mornings at 9:30 AM in the Brookfield

Room of Living Hope Presbyterian Church. *You are invited to join us!!* The passages we study are the scripture passages for each upcoming Sunday and come from the weekly Revised Common Lectionary texts listed below. You are invited to read any or all of the passages below before bible study. Even if you cannot attend our study group, you are invited to read through the passages prior to worship in your preparing for worship.



Lesson Date and Passages:

For Sunday:

5/31	Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39	6/4
6/7	Genesis 1:1-2; 4a; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; Matthew 28:16-20	6/11
6/14	Genesis 18:1-15; Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:8	6/18
6/21	Genesis 21:8-21; Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17; Romans 6:1b-11; Matthew 10:24-39	6/25
6/28	Genesis 22:1-14; Psalm 13; Romans 6:12-23; Matthew 10:40-42	7/2

7/5	Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Psalm 45:10-17; Romans 7:15-25a; Mathew 11:16-19, 25-30	7/9
7/12	Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-112; Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	7/16
7/19	Genesis 28:10-19a; Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24; Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43	7/23
7/26	Genesis 29:15-28; Psalm 105:1-11, 45b; Romans 8:26-39; Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52	7/30

Session Notes - May 2017

Session notes from the regular session meeting held May 21.

- ♦ LOCK DOORS - everyone is reminded to check the main doors leading into our LHPC space. If you are the last to leave, check both doors and lock if unlocked. These doors not only secure our space but help to secure Dickson Hollow.
- ♦ The office will be publishing a June/July combined newsletter.
- ♦ The Collaboration Committee will hold a listening session on Sunday May 28 immediately following worship to discuss any other concerns about the sound system in the sanctuary before closing the project.
- ♦ Update from the Visioning Team (Eileen reported on behalf of team): they have begun to process what was heard at the 3 congregational meetings and how we move forward with this knowledge.
- ♦ Update from the Transition Team (Eileen reported on behalf of team): they are currently working with Kelly and Lisa to update website, will be working on Facebook page, are recruiting pulpit supply for July/August and emergency on-call pastoral care for the same time and are looking for Transitional pastoral leadership for the fall and on. The team will hold a listening session and invite the congregation to hear their plans and discuss. The session made the following MOTION- *The session concurs with the direction of the Transition Team to look at longer term transitional pastor as soon as possible. They are to evaluate all possible configurations of a pastorate in consultation with the following groups: finance, vision, and the session.*
- ♦ The official record of each session meeting is posted once it's approved at the next meeting. Talk with any session member with questions or comments.

Kathryn Fresch, Clerk of Session

FINANCIAL UPDATE - As of April 30, 2017				Actual	Budget	Fav/(Unfav) Variance
Total Income - YTD			\$ 42,833.60	\$ 46,300.00	\$ (3,466.40)	
Total Expense - YTD			\$ 61,276.50	\$ 66,684.00	\$ 5,407.50	
Net Loss - YTD April 30, 2017			\$ (18,442.90)	\$ (20,384.00)	\$ 1,941.10	
Unrestricted Funds as of April 30, 2017			\$ 55,543.47			

JUNE 2017

Office Hours
 Tuesdays 8:30-12:00
 Wed and Fri 8:30—3:00

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		30 May	31	1 June	2	3
		<p><i>*Friday Morning Prayers – Join us in the Brookfield Room at 11 AM each Friday as we start the weekend together in prayer.</i></p>			11 AM Morning Prayers*	
4 PENTECOST 10 AM Worship— with Communion 11 AM Fellowship 11:15 AM Deacon Mission, and CE Meeting	5	6	7 9:30 AM Bible Study	8 7 PM Finance	9 11 AM Morning Prayers*	10
11 10 AM Worship 11 AM Fellowship	12	13 12 PM Naomi Circle at Vino Cappuccino 12:30 PM Martha Circle at Emperor's Kitchen	14 9:30 AM Bible Study	15 6:30 PM Session and Deacon Joint Meeting	16 11 AM Morning Prayers* 2:30 PM Dementia Support Group	17
18 Father's Day 10 AM Worship 11 AM Fellowship 11:30 Larry Under the Bridge	19	20 1 PM Collabora- tion Meeting	21 9:30 AM Bible Study	22	23 11 AM Morning Prayers*	24
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SERVING ON SUNDAYS — *If you are unable to fulfill your role in our Sunday work together, please arrange for a substitute and let the church office know.*

	June 4	June 11	June 18	June 25
Communion Servers	Joe Fresch* Peggy Waterman Kathryn Fresch Keith Pierce Julie Camp			
Fellowship Hosts	Joan Junek Don Olson	Paul, Amanda, Zion, Zachery, and Ziva Lavoe	Ginny Mauer and Kathy Mathews	Bruce and Kris Parker
Counters	Jean Freuck Marge Gauen	Joan Junek Ginny Maurer	Jeff & Julie Camp Kathy Mathews	Jean Freuck Peter Kirchhoff
Welcome Host/ Lock up	Curtis MacDonald	Curtis MacDonald	Tom Tennyson	Tom Tennyson
Ushers	Tom Tennyson* Ann Tennyson Don Waterman	Tom Tennyson* Ann Tennyson Don Waterman	Ken DeBoer* Diane DeBoer	Ken DeBoer* Diane DeBoer

	July 2	July 9	July 16	July 23	July 30
Pulpit Supply	Rev. Barbara Jordan				
Communion Servers	Ann Tennyson* Marcia Sinner Peggy Waterman Judy Bauer Curtis MacDonald				
Fellowship Hosts	Bill and Pat Perkins	Steve and Marcia Sinner	Todd, Lora, and Fritz Stangler	Jennifer, Madi, Olivia and Katie Stevens	Tom and Ann Tennyson
Counters	Don Waterman Judy Bauer	Jean Freuck Marge Gauen	Joan Junek Ginny Maurer	Jeff & Julie Camp Kathy Mathews	Peter Kirchhoff Dan Brankle
Welcome Host/ Lock up	Marcia Sinner	Marcia Sinner	Nancy Molstad	Nancy Molstad	Joe Fresch
Ushers	Jeff Camp* Don Olson	Jeff Camp* Don Olson	Keith Pierce* Karl Bertram Barry James	Keith Pierce* Karl Bertram Barry James	Tom Tennyson* Ann Tennyson Don Waterman



Larry Under the Bridge Ministry

June 18 after worship

Monetary donations to purchase food to pack lunches is appreciated

—please mark your donations: LUTB.

Sign up sheets for making homemade cookies, packing lunches and delivering lunches is on the Community bulletin board.

PENTECOST OFFERING

We start collecting the Pentecost offering on June 4 through June 18. This offering supports young people ministry – 60% within the wider church and 40% stays with LHPC to be directed to an agency of our choice that has programs for young people and young adults in our immediate community.

Thank you for giving generously.



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Co-Pastors: Reverend Dee Talley and Reverend Kelly Talley
Director of Music: Dr. Wallace Cheatham

Clerk of Session: Kathryn Fresch
Administrative Assistant: Lisa Quinn

Session Members

Judy Bauer, Joe Fresch, Kathryn Fresch, Curtis MacDonald, Nancy Molstad, Keith Pierce, Eileen Pierce, Marcia Sinner, Steve Sinner, Tom Tennyson

Deacon Members (designated last names)

(A-B) - Julie Courtney
(C-F) - Karen Stephan

(G-K) - Kris Parker
(L-O) - Ann Tennyson

(P-R) - Peggy Waterman- Moderator
(S-Z) - Julie Camp