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Anniversaries:

- 17 – Jake & Mary Runge
- 18 – John & Debbie Hagan

Birthdays:

- 4 – Matt Gohlinghorst,
Judy St. John
- 8 – Ron Collinson
- 12 – Walter Bjorkman, Dick Welty
- 14 – Karen Bjorkman
- 16 – Jan Farber
- 20 – Mark Davis
- 21 – Greg Fitch
- 22 – Sue Johnson
- 24 – Cindy Andrews, Carol Blair,
Cindy Napier
- 25 – Jacque Gohlinghorst
- 26 – Todd Peterson
- 27 – Linda Bjorkman
- 28 – Brandy Hossain
- 29 – Carole Batterton
- 30 – Cameron McAlister,
Isaac Runge
- 31 – Al Bower

... for **Shannon Edwards and her son Daniel**, for strength and hope as they are apart from one another. Also pray for a healthy pregnancy for Shannon.
... for **Keith Mundstedt** who was hit by a car, crossing the street in Canton. Pray for his knee which was injured.
... for **Tom Dougherty** hospitalized at St. Francis.
... for family members of **Janet Christiansen** and their health issues.
... for situation with Ukraine and Russia – that peace and diplomacy will reign.
... for New City Church, Mbandaka, Congo.



Thank you for your cards and prayers before and after my surgery. The surgery went well. I am grateful and blessed with a kind and caring community of believers. – Mary Gehring.



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July 3, 2022

Message by Pastor Martha-Jean Fitch

“Faith and Fireworks”

Scripture: Mark 5:21-43



July 10, 2022

Message by Pastor Martha-Jean Fitch

“Did God Really Say: Everything Happens for a Reason?”

Scripture: Romans 8:18-28

Worship will be in-person and on Facebook Live at 9:30am



**PASTORS
ROUNDTABLE**

PASTORS' ROUNDTABLE – JULY 10

You are invited to attend our next Pastor's Roundtable Discussion on **July 10 at 3:30pm** in the Conference Room to discuss our hopes, dreams and visions for the church. We definitely want to hear everyone's voice and how God is speaking to your heart. If you cannot attend in person, please join us on Zoom:

Meeting ID: 854 3676 1939 Passcode: 184462

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85436761939?pwd=nQSKsFdFy4MwyZNhtpKWMQD5fLLm6.1>



ALL GOD'S CHILDREN: SUMMER MINISTRY

We are excited to offer the opportunity for **Summer Church** during four Sundays: **July 3, July 24, August 7 and August 24.**

During these weeks we will meet outdoors for a time of worship, discussion, prayer, craft/games, and snacks, beginning at **9:30am** and going until approximately **11am**. (Bring a lawn chair.)

This models the early church in Acts 2:42, "*They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers*" by providing intentional time and space for generations to learn and grow together through Bible study, a shared meal, worship, arts, and recreation.

People of all ages get to live out the view that nurturing people into a full life-giving relationship with God through Jesus Christ is the most important thing the church ever does.

Mark your calendars now to join us for:

July 3: Faith and Fireworks: Mark 5:21-43

July 24: Still Small Voice: I Kings 19:1-13

August 7: Storm Stories: Mark 4:35-41

August 14: Walking on Water: Matthew 14:22-33

NEW OFFERING ENVELOPES

New offering envelopes are ready to pick up outside the church office. These are for the new fiscal year of 2022-2023 and you can start using them **July 3**. Please discard/recycle any past year's envelopes as the new envelopes may have a different contributor number.

If you do not find a box of envelopes with your name on them, please contact treasurer so you may be assigned a box of envelopes. Only the people who have envelopes will receive a financial statement with their giving.



MISSION STATEMENT

Growing Spirit-filled, Christ-centered disciples of Christ.



CHRISTMAS IN JULY – CHRISTMAS OFFERING

July 10 and 17

Together Making Disciples of Christ

Each year we take our Christmas offering in July! And the Christmas Special Day Offering supports regional ministries. In 31 regions across the United States and Canada, ministers are nurtured and congregations are provided opportunities for work and worship. Often recognized for the ministries of camps and conferences, regions also play a critical role in the preparation and authorization of ministerial ordination. Both are key to church leadership and development. Regions partner with congregations to support the work required to call a new minister.

Your gift to the Christmas offering supports the work of the Christian Church in Illinois and Wisconsin (CCIW) Region, sustaining the life of our church. Thank you for providing your finest gift.

WORSHIP SERVING SCHEDULE

July 3 – Lead in Communion: Chris Mowrer

Offering Message: Chris Mowrer

Prayers: Pastor

OUTDOOR WORSHIP – No Deacons or Greeters

Elders Serving Out – Steve Spicher & Renee Galvin

July 10 – Diaconate Serving: Janet Foster & Marnie Herring

Lead in Communion: Tina Burns

Greeters: Janet Foster & Marnie Herring at North






St.; Aaron Barton & Kim Barton at Broad St.; Janet Christiansen at canopy door

Offering Message: Jan Luallen

Prayers: Carolyn Spratt



JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 8:30am – Coffee House Theology Sunday School 9:30am – Outdoor Worship 11am Disciples Sun. School	4  4th of July – Office closed	5 1:30pm – Caring Ministers	6 4pm – Narcotics Anonymous	7 9am – Staff meeting 6pm – Girl Scout leaders	8 7pm – Narcotics Anonymous	9
10 8:30am – Coffee House Theology Sunday School 9:30am – Worship <i>Christmas in July offering</i> 11am Disciples Sun. School 3:30pm – Round Table	11 5pm – Narcotics Anonymous 6:30pm – Elders (hybrid) <i>Newsletter week</i>	12 6:30pm – Council	13 4pm – Narcotics Anonymous	14 9am – Staff meeting	15 7pm – Narcotics Anonymous	16
17 8:30am – Coffee House Theology Sunday School 9:30am – Worship <i>Christmas in July offering</i> 11am Disciples Sun. School	18 5pm – Narcotics Anonymous 7pm – Trustees	19 10:30am – Naomi Circle	20 2pm & 3pm – Worship at Seminary Manor & Hawthorne 4pm – Narcotics Anonymous 6:30pm – Historical Society	21 9am – Staff meeting 5:30pm – Men’s Night Out at Pizza Ranch and Ladies Night Out at Jimmy’s Pizza	22 7pm – Narcotics Anonymous	23 3-6pm – Miller Anniversary – Large Hall
24 8:30am – Coffee House Theology Sunday School 9:30am – Outdoor Worship 11am Disciples Sun. School	25 5pm – Narcotics Anonymous <i>Newsletter week</i>	26	27 4pm – Narcotics Anonymous	28 9am – Staff meeting	29 7pm – Narcotics Anonymous	30
31 8:30am – Coffee House Theology Sunday School 9:30am – Worship 11am Disciples Sun. School				<i>Note: Worship is in-person as well as Facebook Live at 9:30am</i>	<i>Note: Adult Sunday School and Wednesday Bible Study are both on Zoom and in person.</i>	<i>In person classes are held in the Conference Room, along with Zoom, at the same time.</i>

BEAUTIFUL BLOSSOMS

Once again, this summer the outside of our building is graced with beautiful blossoms. Flower beds and pots are planted and doing well. We are blessed to have Raye Ann Beasley who does a wonderful job tending to all these flowers as well as the memorial garden. We are needing additional help with watering the flowers and weeding the flowers at the church, along with picking up trash. Please consider assisting Raye Ann with this important project. Contact the church office to sign up.



WELCOME ROWAN MICHAEL CURRY

Son of Rachel and Ryan Curry

Born June 24, 2022

7 lbs. 4 oz.
20 inches long

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BRIDE AND GROOM

Congratulations are in order for **Rachel Ridgeway and Matt Sutor** who were joined in marriage on Friday, June 24 in Standish Park.



SOLES4SOULS SHOE DRIVE

A shoe drive has been launched in Galesburg to collect gently used shoes for Soles4souls, a nonprofit enterprise that creates sustainable jobs and provides relief through the distribution of shoes around the world.

Please go through your closets, kids and adults, and collect the shoes that aren't being worn and bring them to one of the following locations:

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church,
2401 N. Broad St.

First Presbyterian Church, 101 N. Prairie St.

Faith United Methodist Church, 876 E. Knox St.
488 Jefferson St. (front porch)

The donated shoes will be packed and sent to Soles4souls in Nashville, Tennessee, and they then distribute to their micro-enterprise program which creates jobs in places like Haiti or Honduras. This model provides individuals, especially moms, with no means to support their family with a supply of shoes to sell. Also for many, the primary means of transportation is walking and providing safe, sturdy shoes can eliminate the risk of cuts, fungus and infection from contaminated soil.

For more information on Soles4souls, visit www.Soles4souls.org.



COVENANT CHURCH VBS

Covenant Church has requested help with their Vacation Bible School to be held **July 24-28 from 6 to 8:30pm**. The theme is "Monumental" – think Southwestern, canyons, desert – God's love is Monumental.

All children preschool (3 and potty trained will be in a separate class) through going into 6th grade are welcome to attend. You can see more information about the themed program at: www.group.com/childrens-ministry/vbs/monumental/

Junior High and up can help but **MUST** be at the **Wednesday, June 29** training from 6 to 8pm. Background check necessary for those above 18. If you are willing to help, contact Lynn Burton at (309) 337-9395 or Chris Bailey at (309) 299-3281.