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Anniversaries:

1 – Val & Steve Morris
9 – Gene & Sue Johnson
10 – Dave & Alanna Nalley
11 – Joe & Linnea Anderson
16 – Ron & Marge Patterson
17 – Clarence & Dorothy Roberts
19 – Chris & Marla Wood
24 – Swede & Terri Oehlert
28 – Neill & Jan Unger, Dave &
Jan Farber

Birthdays:

1 – Nancy Spicher
4 – Terri Oehlert
11 – Caitlin Mowrer
17 – Donna Reno
18 – Megan Molloy, Isaiah Whittom
19 – Jan Unger
23 – Martha Gilson
24 – Rowan Curry
25 – Sam Lonteen
26 – Larry Van Velsor
27 – Carson Stecher, Neill Unger
28 – John Foster
30 – Michele Kelley

... for **Pastor MJ** as she anticipates surgery on June 13th.
... for all our graduates.
... for **Raye Beasley**, for abdominal pain and upcoming testing.
... for **Rosemary Humphrey**, for lung and heart issues.
... for New City Church, Mbandaka, Congo.
... celebrating the birth of Oliver Elk to **Carrissa Empson** on May 26. He weighed 8 lbs. 14 ounces and is 20 inches long. Oliver is the great-grandson of **Rosemary and Tom Humphrey**.



During Coffee Fellowship on **June 4**, we will celebrate June birthdays. If you have a birthday in June, you are invited to bring treats to share.



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June 4, 2023

Be the Church Sunday

Message by Pastor Martha-Jean Fitch

“Building Blocks: Service”

Scripture: Matthew 20:20-28

June 11, 2023

Message by Pastor Greg Fitch

“Summer Baggage: Anxiety/Worry”

Scripture: Philippians 4:4-7



Worship will be in-person and on Facebook Live at 10am

Congregational Meeting



CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND CONGREGATIONAL MEETING JUNE 11

On June 11, we will have a Continental Breakfast at **9am** followed by a congregational meeting at **9:30am** to vote on the 2023-2024 Church Budget. Your attendance is important as we make plans and pray for the coming year of ministry of our church.



INTERIM FORREST “FROSTY” KRUMMEL

Pastor Forrest “Frosty” Krummel will be here on **June 11** to meet the congregation. We hope you will be present to welcome him.

Frosty retired as pastor from First Federated Church in Peoria, in 2020. Since then, he has been an interim/transitional minister in Pekin and Iowa City. A graduate of Butler University, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary and

McCormick Theological Seminary he is married to the Rev. Susan Davis Krummel. They have two daughters and six grandchildren.

BOOK CLUB

“Interior China .. a Novel,” by Charles Yu discussion: Let’s aim for **June 15 at 9:30am** for brunch at Hardee’s. Book club members, if this is NOT a good time, let Diane Eager know ASAP, so we can attempt to be flexible with a date and time that works for most of you.

Our next book, which we will discuss on a date to be announced at the end of June/early July, is a member’s choice: *“To Kill a Mockingbird,”* by Harper Lee. All are welcome to join with us in reading and talking about this iconic novel.



COLLEGE GRADUATE



Cooper Wilt

Son of David and Leslie Wilt
Graduate of Bradley University with a bachelor’s degree in management and leadership

He earned Summa Cum Laude honors.

Plans to work in human resources and recruiting.

Future address: 3517 Cross Hill Drive #117, Madison, WI 53718



HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES:

Aaron Kelley

Son of Michele and Jamie Kelley

Graduate of Galesburg High School

Participated in high school baseball and varsity football for three years. He is the recipient of the 2023 “Tom” Robert Rogers Scholarship.

Plans to attend Carl Sandburg College to obtain a degree in welding. He would like to work for an NHRA professional drag racing team like his brother.



Adelia Donna McGee

Daughter of Jenni McGee and

Granddaughter of Donna Flicek

Graduate of Galesburg High School

Participated with “Singing Six” (six girl Acapella group), choir, theatre, and art class where she had “Wall of Shame”. She earned a 3.5 grade-point average and worked at PALS Program. She has been attending FCC since she was 3 months old.

Plans to attend Carl Sandburg College.

Future address: 1974 Windish Dr, Apt 101, Galesburg, IL 61401



Brady Warner

Son of Julie Evans and Matt Warner

Graduate of Galesburg High School

He was named a Principal Scholar and a State Scholar, was a member of National Honor Society and Vice-President of Spanish Honor Society. He was awarded ILMEA All-District and All-State Tenor Saxophonist, DAR Good Citizen’s Award and the John Phillip Sousa Band Award.



Plans to attend the University of Iowa to double major in accounting and organ performance.

Future address: 316 S. Madison St., Unit 211, Iowa City, IA 52240

June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<i>Note: Worship services are in-person as well as Facebook Live</i>	<i>Note: Disciples Sunday School and Wednesday Bible Study are both on Zoom and in person.</i>		1 9am – Staff meeting 7pm – Worship meeting	2	3 11am to 2pm – Graduation Open House for Adelia McGee in large fellowship hall
4 BE THE CHURCH 8:45am – Coffee House Theology Sunday School in library 9:30am – Coffee Fellowship – June birthdays 10am – Worship 11:30am – Free lunch in large hall 12:30-2pm – Serving Out	5 10:30am – Naomi Circle 5pm – Narcotics Anonymous 6pm – Elders/Council joint mtg Newsletter week	6 1:30pm – Caring Ministers	7 9:30am and 5:30pm – Bible Study 3pm – Worship at Hawthorne Inn	8 9am – Staff meeting 10:30am – DWF Council planning meeting 2pm – Worship at Knox County Nursing Home	9 Lorraine vacation – out of office	10
11 9:00am – Continental Breakfast 9:30am – Congregational Meeting 10am – Worship 11:30am – Disciples Sun. School	12 5pm – Narcotics Anonymous Lorraine vacation – out of office	13 Lorraine vacation – out of office	14 Lorraine vacation – out of office	15 9:30am – Book Club at Hardee's for brunch 5:30pm – Men's Night Out at Pizza Ranch and Ladies' Night Out at Jimmy's Pizza Lorraine vacation – out of office	16 Lorraine vacation – out of office	17
18 Father's Day 8:45am – Coffee House Theology Sunday School in library 9:30am – Coffee Fellowship 10am – Worship	19 5pm – Narcotics Anonymous 6:30pm – Trustees	20	21	22	23 6pm – Ladies Potluck at the church	24
25 8:45am – Coffee House Theology Sunday School in library 9:30am – Coffee Fellowship 10am – Worship 5:30-8:15pm – Vacation Bible School	26 5:30-8:15pm – Vacation Bible School Newsletter week	27 5:30-8:15pm – Vacation Bible School	28 5:30-8:15pm – Vacation Bible School	29 5:30-8:15pm – Vacation Bible School	30	



NAOMI CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY JUNE 5

All women are invited to participate in the Naomi Circle Bible Study which will be at **10:30am Monday, June 5**, in the Conference Room. We are studying “*Bad Girls of the Bible*” by Liz Curtis Higgs.

VBS – June 25-29

Join us for “*Stellar – Shine Jesus’ Light*” Vacation Bible School on **June 25-29, 5:30-8:15pm each evening**. Launch kids on a cosmic quest where they’ll have a blast shining Jesus’ light to the world. Stellar rockets kids on an out-of-this-world adventure that’s light years of faith-building fun. If you have any questions, contact Jackie Smith-Esters at (309) 569-7960.



This QR Code can be scanned to register your child or to participate as a volunteer for VBS.

WORSHIP SERVING SCHEDULE

June 4 – Diaconate Serving: Jan Unger and Janet Foster

Lead in Communion: Steve Jackson

Offering Message: Tracy Jackson

Prayers: Pastor

Greeters: Jan Unger and Janet Foster at North St.; Kaleb Brown at Broad St.; Raeleen Brown at canopy door

Elder Serving Out: Neill Unger

June 11 – Diaconate Serving: Aaron Barton and Kim Barton

Lead in Communion: Misty Stecher

Offering Message: Pastor

Prayers: Cindy Andrews

Greeters: Aaron Barton and Kim Barton at North St.; David Wilt at Broad St.; Leslie Wilt at canopy door



BE THE CHURCH SUNDAY – JUNE 4

Worship will be at **10am** followed by a free lunch at **11:30am** in large hall. Serving Out will be **12:30pm to 2pm**.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE:

➤ KITS FOR HOMELESS VETERANS

Prepping Kits. Did you know that in 2022 there were 737 homeless veterans in Illinois? And did you know that the Salvation Army of North Central Illinois housed 87 in shelters until they could find permanent housing? Most Americans are one paycheck away from being homeless. Usually economic crisis or mental health is the cause of veteran homelessness. To help our veterans, who sacrificed their lives for our freedom, we can give them a hygiene kit when they enter our shelter programs. Most are able to take a shower but most will have to use dirty towels and put back on dirty underwear after they shower. So how wonderful would it be if we could help them by giving them a new towel and clean, new underwear and socks to put on after a shower. The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is **to preach the gospel of Jesus ...** . Good for low mobility volunteers.

DONATION OPPORTUNITY (*drop off to Church Office OR leave in boxes at front of Sanctuary*)

Towels

New Underwear (buy the size you wear)

New Socks (buy the size you wear)

Washcloths

Loofahs

➤ CLEAN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Exactly what you are thinking! Gloves, trash bags, and maps of assigned cleaning areas will be provided. Let’s get our neighborhood looking clean!

➤ VISITS WITH KNOX COUNTY NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

The residents are ready to chat and get outside! They are short staffed so going outside isn’t always an option. They have a wonderful, shaded garden, farm animals to visit and walking paths. For residents that don’t want to go out they might want to stay in and play uno or another card game like pitch. What better way to serve our community than to visit with them!