



November 2018

And whatever you do,
whether in word or deed,
do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks
to God the Father through him.

Colossians 3:17

November Highlights

2nd - Family Movie Night

4th - Day Light savings time ends
(set your clocks back)

4th - Reception for Herb Yoder &
Worship task force.

6th - Lions Pancake Supper

9th - Mental Health Workshop

11th - Veterans Day

13th - National Honor Society Reception

14th - Session

18th - New Membership Class

20th - Finance

21st - Soup Supper

22nd - Office Closed Thanksgiving Day

24th - Thank Offering Sunday



The journey continues....a message from Pastor K

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. . . . Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.
~ 1 Corinthians 12:4-6, 12-14

I recently received a text message from my siblings letting me know our mom's car isn't drivable. The tires have air, the engine is ok, the windshield wipers work, the doors open and close, the heater blows hot air, the air conditioner blows cold air, the car is registered, it is insured, etc. and yet the car can't be driven because it's missing a part . . . just one small part. The car is missing a working battery.

Now it really doesn't matter which part of one's car is missing . . . battery, window, door, engine, fuel, heater, etc. If your car is missing a part it simply won't run as well as it will if all its parts are up and running at their best. The same is true of the church . . . the Body of Christ. For the church to run at its best, it needs all its parts up and running, from the smallest and simplest to the largest and most complex. Can you run a church without greeters? Yes. But imagine arriving on someone's front doorstep for a dinner party and, after ringing the doorbell, the door opens but no one greets you or invites you in. No one smiles at you or says, "I'm glad you were able to make it" or offers to take your coat or shows you where to sit or any of the other things that make one feel warm and welcome when they arrive at someone's home. It's a little thing but it means a lot. In this church we need volunteers for the small and simple tasks of being greeters and ushers, bakers and servers, people to help take out the trash or clean up after the Fellowship time, fold bulletins and newsletters, etc. in accordance with the gifts you have been given. We also need volunteers who are willing to take on larger responsibilities such as being an Elder, a Deacon, a teacher, a CE helper, a committee member, a musician or singer, etc. in accordance with the gifts YOU have been given. Without the help of everyone who claims membership in this church, the Body of Christ here at United Presbyterian Church can't possibly function to the best of its ability. We need the time, talent, and money of the whole church to be an effective, efficient part of Christ's Body at large.

Do you remember the vision statement that came out of the mission study the church did with Pastor Bill? It says, "Transforming lives by sharing our experience of God's love and acceptance." That's not who the church is right now. The church's mission statement says who the church is right now is reflected in the words "Love God. Love Others." "Transforming lives by sharing our experience of God's love and acceptance" is who the church is aiming to be in the future. To get there, every part of the Body of Christ known as United Presbyterian Church will need to participate. The church's vision statement refers to "our experience" not the experience of two or three people. "Our" experience refers to the whole of the church's experience of God's love and acceptance. Since that is the case, this is a great time for the members of the church to start thinking about how the church can use these experiences to transform lives through worship, through stewardship, through missions, through Christian Education, etc. The vision of the church is solid, and the church's future is bright. Set your eyes on the goal and get going! Together, we CAN make a difference. . . . *the journey continues.*

UPMission *Love God. Love Others.*

Bernie & Farsijana Adeney-Risakotta are missionaries living and working in Indonesia that you are supporting monthly. Their vision is for “reconciliation, justice and peace among people of all faiths in Indonesia.” There are currently more Muslims in the world than the combined populations of China and the United States. Bernie and Farsijana have been working with Muslim tea farmers in a program on globalization at Duta Wacana Christian University. The program has helped Muslim farmers in the area deal with tourism change in the area due to the New Yogyakarta International Airport near Borobudur, which is the largest Buddhist temple in the world. (check it out on Google earth) This collaboration brings interreligious understanding and mutual respect. Muslims and Christians do not agree on many important religious

issues, but we can respect each other and work together for the common good.

Bernie has recently published a book *Living in a Sacred Cosmos: Indonesia and the Future of Islam*, published by Yale and available from Amazon or Yale at cseas.yale.edu/living-sacred-cosmos. They invite us to read the book and appreciate our prayers that it may bring fresh perspectives about Islam to many people.

An additional Mission tid bit...

Bells 2018...ringing time is near...

The Holidays are approaching...We will be Ringing Bells again this year. Give Sue Reed a call 319-591-0929 or an email, reed4tack@hotmail.com if you would like to help! It is a lot of fun...date is yet to be announced!



Annual Thank Offering Sunday Nov. 25, 2018

The Thank Offering has been received by Presbyterian Women since 1888 and has raised tens of millions of dollars for mission.

Grants from the 2018 Thank Offering will aid twelve projects in the United States and four international projects. More than 40 percent of the projects funded are health ministries.

If you will not be in church on November 25th, please put your gift in the offering on Nov. 18th or Dec. 2nd. All gifts, large or small, will help fund the sixteen projects this year. Thank you!

HACAP The United Presbyterian Church is participating in the adopt a family program this holiday season again. The HACAP adopt a family program is a great program where you can help a low income family from the area to help supply Christmas presents to the children that may not be able to receive them otherwise. If you are interested in adopting a family for this holiday season please contact Jordan Youngman for more details. Feel free to email him at youngmanj72@gmail.com



I would like to express my gratitude to everyone for their prayers, rides, food and other offers of kindness during my recent knee surgery. Thank you to Deacon Kathy Hunt and Pastor K for bringing communion to my hospital room. UPC has the greatest congregation. *Joyce Wilson*

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS - An Angel Tree

Something new, Something special, Something thoughtful

The Mission Committee is offering an opportunity for you to purchase a special ornament in honor, or in memory of, a family member, a special neighbor or that teacher / service worker you want to recognize.

The branches of our Angel Tree will be heavy with angel ornaments that can be purchased for a \$10 (or more) donation. Five dollars will be sent to 10,000 Villages to aid in their support of the artisans who created the ornament. The rest of the donation will

be gathered to send to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, aiding the effort to fill in the gap for those who have lost so much in recent weather catastrophes. Perhaps our gifts can help others to celebrate the gift of the birth of Jesus Christ in the months ahead.

Check out our tree available at the Inside Out Soup Supper, and each following Sunday morning through December 23rd. Stop by, pick an angel, honor a loved one, and support those who are devastated by the recent hurricanes in the Southeast.

FYI: Carver Mission Team



There are a number of members and friends who work concessions at about 10 Hawkeye Men's BB games and Wrestling Meets. This group works hard preparing, selling and cleaning up concessions at stand #5 in Carver Hawkeye Arena. The work is hard, our pay is low but a fun time is had by all. Our work includes donating about 5 hours to the cause each event. The money we earn from our work has allowed this group to cover costs of adult mission trips in the past. When a trip is not planned we have been able to support PDA, HACAP, Iowa Wins, Kids Against Hunger, Habitat for Humanity, School Supplies for local schools, and numerous individuals who find themselves in need for various reasons.

If you would like to be a part of this team and can commit to several events this season please see Karen Trotman or Andy McCall for details.

From the Session

Pastor Karen began the Oct. 17 session meeting with reviewing some of the history of the United Presbyterian church. Her question was "Who is UPC?" To the committees she asked "how does your committee live the Vision Statement?" The descriptions for the many committees were submitted to be reviewed. Pastor Karen recommended combining some of the committees and gave examples of how that could work. A new Worship Committee will be formed due to the Worship Task Force having been disbanded

following the completion of their responsibilities. In response to many requests from the congregation, a Children's Time will be added to the 10:45 service. Sunday, Nov. 4 was approved for the Presbyterian Women's Thank Offering service. Reports were given by various committees to the session with some also reporting in this newsletter, so to stay up to date, be sure to check out their reports.

*In Christ,
Kay Hall*

CREW: Packing Food For HACAP

On Nov. 4th CREW will load up and head over to HACAP to pack food for this local mission that does so much to help feed those who are food insecure in our community. We will meet at normal time, though we do ask folks to be punctual because we will need to head over soon after we meet.

Inside Out: Soup Supper Mission Trip Fundraiser

On Wednesday Nov. 21 the Senior High youth will be hosting their annual Soup Supper Mission Trip Fundraiser. This is a great opportunity to get out of the kitchen for a little while and enjoy some home-cooked soup and warm fellowship as you prepare for Thanksgiving. The Mission Trip Planning Team is looking into the many different options we have to serve next summer. Please pray with us as we try to determine where God can use us in 2019.

Inside Out: Leaf Raking

We are hoping to be able to help out some of our neighbors again this year by doing some leaf raking, though it is always a challenge to time it just right (if only the leaves dropped at an agreed upon pre-arranged time). We will continue to monitor the turning and dropping of the leaves. Hopefully the timing will work out for us.

Son City (Elementary Ministry)

Nov 4th: 9:30am - Know & Follow 10 Commandments: Lesson @ Airport

Nov 11th: 9:30am - What's in the Bible, pt 2: Video Lesson @ UPChurch

Nov 18th: 9:30am - Don't Lose Your Saltiness: Lesson @ Road Salt Facility

Nov 25th: 9:30am - Don't Lose Your Saltiness: Arts & Crafts @ UPChurch

CREW (Middle School Ministry)

Nov 4th: 3:30pm - Packing food @ HACAP
Nov 18th: 3:30pm @ UPChurch

Inside Out (Senior High Ministry)

Nov 4th: Rake Leaves - *More Details to follow*
Nov 11th: 6:30pm @ UP Church
Nov 18th: 6:30pm @ UP Church
Nov 21st: 5:30pm - Soup Supper
Nov 25th: No Meeting **Happy Thanksgiving**

FROM THE LIBRARY:



The following books can be found in our church library. They have been recommended by members of our church family.

Carolyn Bollman recommends the **“Love Inspired”** books. They can be found in the Fiction section.

Kay Hall recommends **“Dakota”** by Kathleen Norris and **“The Case for Christ”** by Lee Strobel. They can be found in the Non-Fiction section.

Jordan and Jayse Thorius recommend the **“Veggie Tale”** dvds. They can be found in the Media section.



The Kingdom Kids

The Kingdom Kids have been learning about fire safety and Fall. We thank the Washington Fire Department for giving us a tour of the fire station and sharing their fire safety videos with us. Autumn is upon us and we are adjusting to cooler weather as we learn to zip our coats independently. We have enjoyed watching a squirrel from our window as he eats ALL of our sunflower seeds from our little garden. We will be raking leaves, collecting pinecones, and clearing our garden in preparation for winter. November brings conferences, thanksgiving activities along with our annual Thanksgiving “Feast” which the children prepare for a guest.

Time is flying! It has been a good start to the year. Please continue to pray for our families, staff, and children as we draw near to the business of holidays. May we find peace and contentment in little things God has put before us.



DEACONS REPORT

Our church shares responsibility for delivering Meals on Wheels with nine other local churches. We will be responsible for meal deliveries the weeks of November 12th, 19th, and the 26th. If you are interested in helping with the delivery of the meals, please contact Deacon Kathy Hunt at 653-6379. If you know of someone who would benefit from having a low cost, noon meal delivered to them in their home, please call the Meals on Wheels Coordinator, Jean Peiffer, at the Y, 653-2141 to make the arrangements.



EXTENDING THE TABLE

On Sunday October 6th, World Wide Communion Sunday was celebrated during our 8:45 A.M. Traditions service in our church sanctuary. On the following Tuesday, October 8, the communion table was extended to serve those of our church family who reside in care facilities. Six residents were served at Halcyon House in a chapel service led by Pastor Karen, Deacon Kathy Hunt, and pianist Eva Gallagher. Also on that afternoon, Pastor Karen and Kathy extended the communion table to serve a member in the local hospital. On Thursday, October 10th, a communion service was led by Pastor Karen, Deacon Marde McConnell, and pianist Julia Gamon to 16 residents and staff at the UP Home Brownlee activity center.



The Deacons recently hosted two Sunday afternoon worship services at Halcyon House. On September 29th, Pastor Herb and Dorothy Yoder led a service of worship. Pastor Karen and Mary Atwood led a worship service to the Halcyon House residents on October 21st. We give thanks that we can go out and extend the table and worship with those in our church family who have difficulty getting out.



Thank You to Our Church Family

This fall the Welcome Team and the Worship Task Force have collaborated to help facilitate the new worship schedules and fellowship times. Thank you to each of you for your great participation in the Fellowship Time opportunities. Thank you also for the very positive comments about our efforts.

One of our goals was to be VERY welcoming to EACH person who came through our doors. Another goal was greater fellowship within our church family and with our visitors. We feel VERY pleased with how things are going, thanks to each of you!

In response to our goals, the Welcome Team has worked hard to line up greeters for both services, as well as nursery workers. We helped with the coffee cart re-do and the table centerpieces. The Worship Task Force folks have been responsible for providing and serving the food and drink refreshments, as well as greeting and helping people

at the new Information and Welcome Center table in Fellowship Hall. They also worked hard on all the fabulous publicity about all of our new, fall worship opportunities. Together we have encouraged people to purchase the fantastic church t-shirts and sweatshirts. We have put together our Visitor Bags and have enjoyed reaching out in God's love with those gifts and our personal contacts. As you can tell, we've been very busy but we're thrilled with the results and we thank you for your enthusiasm for all our efforts.

For more information or if you're interested in being a part of the Welcome Team contact Marde McConnell (653-3884) or if you want information or if you're interested in being a part of the Worship Committee contact Mary Lou Saforek (653-8025), new chair of that committee. We'd love to have you join us!!



Family Movie Night

Facing the Giants

Friday, November 2

Movie 6:30 pm Doors Open 6:15 pm

United Presbyterian Church

*Come in your PJ's
and bring a sleeping bag*

*Popcorn, candy and drinks available
Everyone welcome!*





News from the Worship Committee

Thank You Reception for Herb Yoder and Worship Task Force

We give thanks for all who serve our church. On Sunday, November 4, 2018, we will be formally thanking Pastor Herb Yoder for his work as our visitation pastor, and the Worship Task Force for all their hard work during worship.

A reception for them will be held at 9:15 a.m. following the “Traditions” worship service.

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us!

Mark Your Calendar

Hard to believe but Advent is right around the corner. Please mark your calendars for the first Sat. in December (Dec. 1 which is the day before the start of Advent) to come help decorate the church as we prepare for the Advent/Christmas season.



A new worship committee is being put into place which will include the chairpersons of Welcome & Hospitality, and Sacraments & Flowers. If you have a passion for worship, welcome & hospitality (including participation as a greeter or usher, baker, server, behind the scenes clean-up or set up, nursery attendant, etc.), the sacraments of communion and baptism, or arranging for flowers or other decorations within the church building, please contact Mary Lou Saforek, Elder of Worship.

Opportunities To Serve

In addition, **volunteers are needed** to assist with the audio/video portion of worship. If you are interested to participating on the tech team please contact Butch Zwicky.

Mental Health and the Faith Community

What do you do when a friend, church member or family member is threatening suicide?

Have you walked with an individual or family as they seek help for a family member and keep encountering closed doors?

How do you talk about mental health and faith?

The Synod of Lakes and Prairies is hosting Mental Health and Faith workshops throughout Iowa including one in the Presbytery of East Iowa. Join other PEIA leaders on November 9, 1018 at Washington, United Presbyterian Church.

This event for church staff, deacons and members will provide a tool box of responses and resources for addressing mental health in your congregation and community. In the morning Mental Health professionals will bring a case study approach to mental health in general and rural mental health in particular.

Afternoon workshops will include:

1. Join a Community of Practice for Mental Health!
2. Local resources led by Regional Leaders
3. Presbyterians and Mental Health
4. Responding to Mental Concerns in Rural Ministry

**For more information call
Jeannie Stolee 319-233-1747**



Financial Update

Through September pledged and unpledged receipts are \$12,000 below our budgeted estimate of \$206,000. Expenses are 7% below our 9 month budget total. Please continue your gifts this last quarter to meet our projected expenses. Also, remember to pay your per capita if you have not done so yet.



New Members Are Joining

Interested in becoming a member of United Presbyterian Church? November 18th at 3pm is the first class. Please contact the church office if you'd like to join us.

DID YOU KNOW?? We can email you the newsletter or you can access it on our website!!
Currently we have over 75 households on our newsletter paper mailing list!

We want to hear from all of you that receive a paper copy of the newsletter! If you still want a paper copy mailed to you or dropped off, please send us a note or give us a call. You may email Jess at upsecretary@gmail.com or call the office at 653-6588. PLEASE LET US KNOW!

Visit the Holy Land, Israel and Jordan, with Presbyterians from PEIA.

Visit the Holy Land, Israel and Jordan, with Presbyterians from PEIA, First Presbyterian Church in Mt. Pleasant has arranged a trip to Israel and Jordan and would like to invite others from East Iowa. We will be going March 12-27, 2019 and are looking for a group of 15-20 people. More information is on the website www.peia.org. If you have interest or questions, please email Sarah Hegar at sarah.f.hegar@gmail.com or call 319-217-9444.



Team UP and Friends

Join us at Unc and Neph's Tuesday, Nov. 20!



Thanks to the generosity of many of you, Team UP and Friends donated over \$3000 to the 2018 Washington County Relay for Life event (YEA!) AND ... we're starting in on 2019!! We have arranged a yummy, fund-raiser at Unc and Neph's on Tuesday evening, November 20 from 5:00 - closing. Our team receives a portion of that evening's receipts so we hope many of you will join us at Unc and Neph's on the 20th. Help us fight cancer, help us support those who lives are currently being affected by cancer and help us celebrate its survivors!

By the way, mark your calendars for June 22, 2019 - the date for the 2019 Relay for Life event here in Washington.

As Team Captains we, Ann Conklin and Marde McConnell, encourage anyone who's interested in knowing more about Relay for Life or about our team to contact us. We'd love to tell you more about Team UP and Friends! (Ann at 653-1898 and Marde 653-3884)



Presbyterian Women Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, November 14th
9 am at the UP Home

Connect with us on Facebook:



"Washington United Presbyterian Church" "Kingdom Kids Preschool Washington Iowa"

the saturday kitchen Good News

taste and see that the Lord is good!

We hosted the Saturday Kitchen on October 13th and served 102 people with over 20 takeouts!! Wow - we're definitely meeting a need in our community! That Saturday over thirty 10# bags of potatoes were also shared with many of our guests. They were provided by United Methodist men who made a trip to Wisconsin and brought back 600 bags of potatoes! These were donated to those in need throughout the county.

By the way, we are in the process of lining up our 2019 hosts. It looks like we may have a couple of new host groups, too – that's exciting!

For those of you who have never helped with the Saturday Kitchen – some of our guests are people living on a fixed income, some are individuals with disabilities, some are families much appreciating a free meal, others are individuals wanting fellowship with their family and friends and unable to afford a meal out and some are just individuals who are lonely. What a gift that we can share our church and ourselves with others through the Saturday Kitchen.

In closing, as always thanks to EACH of you who helped serve our guests in October. We couldn't do it without EACH of you, whether grillers, food prep folks, set-up people, servers, clean-up workers and, of course, the brownie makers!!

Please contact the church office or call Joe or Marde McConnell at 653-3884 if you have questions or suggestions about the Saturday Kitchen or . . . if you want . . . to volunteer! **Our next date is December 22nd.**

Thank You!

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ERIN THORIUS is the contact person for those wanting to be married in our church. We know she represents "us" well and we're grateful she's willing to serve in this way, many thanks to you, Erin.

EMORY VAN GERPEN donated two lovely, large flower arrangements to the church following his dear Phyllis' celebration of life service. After the contemporary service on Sunday, Oct. 21st, those arrangements were taken apart. Over 25 people were able to enjoy small arrangements of flowers

created from the two large arrangements in memory of Phyllis. Emory was thrilled and knew Phyllis would have been, and . . . the recipients of the arrangements were thrilled, too!

Thank you to **ANGIE SCHLUETTER** for so attractively sprucing up the Fellowship Hall coffee cart and for her idea for the table centerpieces. Thank you also to **KRISTA GAAL** for sewing the lovely placemats and completing the look. We appreciate you both, Angie and Krista, thanks for sharing your talents

PIPE DOWN!

Part Two cont. from Oct.



Pipe organs produce several types of sounds, each caused by pipes of different materials and construction. In our sanctuary, you can easily see square, cylindrical, and cone shaped pipes made of either metal or wood. Some of the wooden pipes look like they have handles on top. Those projections are plugs that make each pipe sound an octave lower than without the plug.

Types of sound: Principal/Diapason (characteristic organ sound—the main voice of the organ); flutes (like blowing into a pop bottle or jug); reeds (vibrating metal tongues that buzz in the air stream); mixtures (preset combination of several pipes sounding when one key is depressed); mutations (play an F and hear a C, for instance); and some sounds that imitate particular instruments or the human voice. In addition, our instrument has a Tremolo on the swell that produces vibrato for sounds coming from the swell box.

General types of pipes are flues (chimneys) and reeds (the ones with vibrating metal tongues.) The organ responds to changes in temperature, which affects the pitch of each pipe. With temperature fluctuations, the flues travel up or down (in pitch) together, but the reeds (trumpet, trombone, fagott, etc.) are in tune with the rest of the instrument only at the temperature at which they were tuned. Thus, I can use the big Posaune stop on Easter because that one was tuned in the spring. The rest of the year, it might sound weird. In winter when the west wall is really cold, the organ sounds fine until the room begins to warm. Then, for a couple of hours, it sounds like a circus calliope until all the pipes warm up and play nicely together again.

The swell division, played from the upper keyboard

on the console, has 748 pipes, all of which are housed in the boxes above the choir loft. The shutters on the swell boxes, operated by an accelerator-type pedal on the console, make it possible for the organist to adjust the volume of the enclosed pipes by covering or uncovering their mouths, so to speak.

The great division, played from the lower keyboard, has 672 pipes, all of which are out in the open. Most of the great division pipes are located in the loft on the west wall. The bourdon—a 16' cylindrical metal rank—resides behind the large cone-shaped pipes on the south wall.

The pedal division's 364 pipes are spread around. The huge wooden pipes of the Kontrabass stop rest on the north wall shelf. The Subbass's smaller wooden pipes with knobs on top appear toward the north end of the west wall. The Fagott (bassoon) is behind the Subbass; the Spitzflote, Choral Bass and Mixture are also in the west loft; and the Posaune (trombone) and trumpet for the pedal are the cone-shaped metal pipes on the south shelf.

The chimes, which hang on the west wall behind other pipes, were saved from the organ of one of our parent churches. These chimes, playable from the lower manual, are completely separate from the carillon that plays outdoors. In April of 1999, Casavant representative Carroll Hanson spent two days climbing around in the sanctuary and tapping on every pipe, giving the instrument its first and only complete tuning ever.) He used an extension ladder to reach the walkway behind the pipes on the west wall, where there is enough room for a person to walk or crouch down, and crawled inside the swell box through a door on the north side. He also climbed up on the north side of the sanctuary to check those big wooden pipes and found a few balloons stuck up there. I was glad when Jared Long produced tethered balloons last Easter and nothing got away from him. On the south side, Carroll did most of his work from the ladder, reaching with a notched metal rod to tap the tuning collars on the pipes.

The largest pipe we have is 16 feet long, made of oak, and weighs 300 pounds. When the north pipes

PIPE DOWN - continued

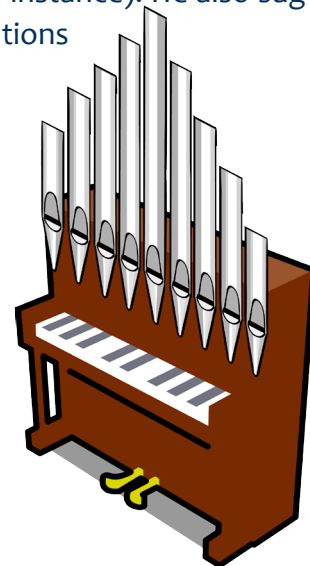
were installed in the 1980s, Carroll was concerned about how he would manage, even with scaffolding. His helper, a huge guy from Wayland, picked up one end of the biggest pipe, walked it up to a vertical position, and said “Where do you want it?” Carroll was astounded! They finished installation of north side pipes in about half a day. He later commented that there’s enough lumber up there to build a garage.

In contrast to the 300-pounder, the smallest pipe in the organ weighs less than one ounce and lives in the swell box. It is about a foot long and the diameter of a drinking straw, with a speaking part shorter than a pencil eraser.

The organ’s breath comes from a blower in the basement. Tubes feeding air to the wind chests under the pipes travel up from the basement through the brick columns beside the west window. When switch on the console is turned on, the organ puffs up its chests, getting ready to play. It sounds very much like huge

lungs inhaling.

In February 2018, Susan See brought students and parents to play our organ, listen, and learn how it works. Carroll Hanson came for the occasion and explained in detail the construction of each type of pipe and how sound is produced (vibrating metal tongue or wind blowing over a pop bottle, for instance). He also suggested different stop combinations as students played their prepared pieces. Adults and kids alike enjoyed both the organ and harpsichord, the mechanical and structural aspects as well as the wildly different sounds that can be produced from acoustic instruments.



Keep listening!

PNC Report

Your PNC continues to receive and evaluate Pastor Information Forms. There are several on the table now, waiting for our next meeting when we will discuss what to do with each one: reach out for more information; call references; arrange a skype interview and ask for a background check. We have completed all these steps for one candidate.

Now we are looking forward to a planned weekend when we will meet the candidate in person! It will be a time when we will try to present our church and community in the best light and to determine whether or not this candidate is the “right fit” for us. Please continue to pray for us as we search for God’s will in the work of this committee.

NOVEMBER IS STEWARDSHIP TIME

The theme for this year’s campaign is “Take The Next Step”. We are sending out four letters describing the steps we all need to take to have a successful stewardship campaign.

A Billy Graham quote seems appropriate:

*“God has given us two hands- one to receive and the other to give with.
We are not cisterns for hoarding. We are channels for giving.”*

Our hope and prayers go out to the entire congregation that you will be generous and Step-Up your giving to the church we all love. Great joy and happiness come when we give generously for the Lord’s work. We need your support more than ever this year.

Thank you, the Stewardship Committee:

Sandy Dunlap, Kathy Hunt, Cyndy McCall, Mary Lou Saforek, Anne Youngman, and Joe McConnell

There will be a Stewardship brunch following the Traditions Service on Nov. 18th

Interested in getting to know Pastor K in a small group setting?
Sign up sheets for morning coffee, afternoon tea, or evening dessert with her are located outside the sanctuary doors during the week and on the hospitality table on Sundays. The last small group meeting will take place on Sunday, Nov. 11th.

Happy Birthday

1 Dean Garrett
1 Carol Winga
2 Arnel Baughman
2 Gavin Smith
3 Rodney Letts
3 Cori Tinnes
5 Bailey Rees
5 Ally Rees
7 Pam Pump
7 Colton Woods
8 Ben Baughman
8 Dorothy Miller
9 Gary Murphy
11 Sami Harvey-Smith
11 Ricky Pierce

11 Julie See
12 Ron Brock
12 Nick Spencer
13 Sarah Rodgers
14 Holly Youngquist
14 Kimberly Goodwin
15 Taylor Brinning
16 Adison Shellman
16 Malissa Willers
16 John Winga III
17 Wanda Skubal
20 Amy Kleese
20 Katie McCall
20 Mitzie Popejoy
20 Adele Reese

21 Halle Cuddeback
21 Aurora Kane
21 Julie Zahs
22 Judy Wertz
23 Myron Krotz
24 Dick Colby
24 Lane Keeler
24 Ben Schiefer
24 Kael Williams
25 Carly Coakley
26 Rob Martin
26 Richard McCall
26 Tom Murphy
28 Stella Eaton

All articles for next month's newsletter are due the 21th of the month.

