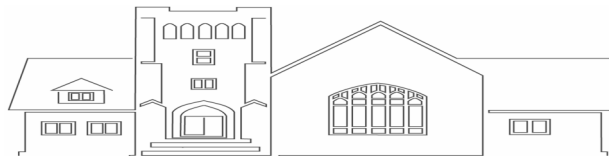


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THE
MESSENGER



MAY 2016

Meghan's Musings

"Partnering with God (to help save the Earth)"

We without God cannot, and God without us will not.

~St. Augustine

As a follow-up and re-cap of my Earth Day sermon from April 24, I wanted to share some of the "ways" highlighted in *50 Ways to Help Save the Earth: How You and Your Church Can Make a Difference* by my friend Rebecca Barnes. As Buddhist leader Thich Nhat Hanh points out, "Cherishing our precious Earth is not an obligation. It's a matter of survival." As **humans**, we are called to care for the earth as a matter of survival. And as **people of faith**, we have an additional, higher calling to care for the Earth as a matter of love, respect and obedience to the One who created it - not for us to pillage - but that all might have life in abundance.

A key premise in Rebecca's book - and in our understanding of environmental issues as a matter of faith - is the concept of "eco-justice." Eco-justice is an understanding that social, economic and environmental concerns are and must be intertwined. We cannot pursue the health of our physical environment at the expense of the well-being of those who inhabit it. And at the same time, when we pursue our own material well-being without regard for the physical environment, eventually we all suffer, and most often it is those at the low end of the socio-economic spectrum who suffer first and suffer most.

The book is (very biblically) divided into seven categories with seven suggestions for each category (the 50th "way" is to "Live Jubilee!"). I'll just share a few from each category.

Energy

Reduce Energy Consumption
Support Renewable Energy
Audit Energy Use

Food and Agriculture

Eat Locally and Seasonally
Eat Lower on the Food Chain
Garden (food)

Transportation

Assess Automobiles
Check Out Carpooling and Ridesharing
Walk or Bike Your Way to Good Health for Yourself and the Planet

Water

Reduce Personal Water Consumption
Stop Purchasing Bottled Water
Clean Up Our Water



For the Janie Moles family. Janie died on April 26. Visitation and the funeral will be at First Presbyterian Church on Monday, May 2. Visitation will start at 10:30am and the funeral at 11:30am.

For those families who have recently lost a loved one.

For Brad Ritter as he graduates from high school and begins the next phase of his life.

For our students, teachers, and administrators as another school year comes to an end.

For people who are having to rebuild their lives after having been hit by earthquakes.



✠ To the family of Karen Allan. Karen passed away on Sunday April 3, 2016 at Iowa Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines, IA. Her funeral service was held at on Saturday April 9, 2016 at the First Presbyterian Church in Fort Dodge, IA with burial following at the North Lawn Cemetery. The visitation was held on Friday at Gunderson Funeral Home in Ft. Dodge. Karen was an elementary and resource school teacher in Storm Lake, Iowa City and the Marshalltown school district prior to being diagnosed with MS. She became a member of our church in 1999 when she relocated to Newton from Marshalltown. Karen is survived by her son Dr. Neal (Cindy) Allan and grandchildren Sydney and Drew Allan of Colorado Springs, CO; her daughter Nicole Allan of Broomfield, CO and her brother Dale (Julie) Kohler of Bedford, IA. Memorials were for the National MS Society.

✠ To Dan, Cheryl, Brad and Megan Ritter and Dan's family in the recent death of his mother, Joye Ritter. Mrs. Ritter of rural Newton passed away on April 5, 2016 at Unity Point Health Methodist Hospital in Des Moines, Iowa. A funeral service was held at Saturday, April 9, 2016, at the Wallace Family Funeral Home and Crematory. Visitation was held at the funeral home on Friday, April 8, 2016. Memorials may be made to the Metz Church for the roof fund. In addition to Dan, she is survived by her husband, Ronald of Newton; and daughters Sandy (Randy) Stidham, and Trina DeBruyn both of Newton; seven grandchildren; and one step great-grandchild.

Congratulations to Peder Hopkins. Peder is studying in England this year at the University of Nottingham. He has been playing on their ultimate Frisbee team, which Steve explained is not like Frisbee golf, but rather more like soccer. The team he plays on won the championship of the University Outdoor Nationals. How exciting!



Congratulations to Mercedes Wathan and Thomas Phanphsay on the birth of their son, Ezekiel James, born March 26. Besides Mommy and Daddy, Zeke is welcomed home by big sister, Athena; grandma, Karen Wathen, uncle Blake Wathen and great-grandparents, Dick and Shirley Mielke.

Sound System Operators Needed

Doug Cutts, head of the sound system operators, is looking for a couple of new recruits. These positions are not restricted to men only - anyone can do this, male, female, young or old. Complete instructions and training would be given.

By having a full roster of people who can take turns running the system, you would only be taking a turn about once or twice a year for 3 or 4 weeks. As with most opportunities within our church, you are given a schedule ahead of time and can trade with one of the others, should the need arise.

Please contact Doug at 641-521-0065 or the church office at 792-2790 if you feel called to help with this important component of our worship service.

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People

- Advocate for Environmental Justice
- Support Disaster Assistance
- Work for Peace

Other Species

- Preserve Biodiversity
- Remove Invasive Species
- Create Backyard Habitats

Wilderness and Land

- Plant Trees
- Make Space for More Green
- Purchase Products That Protect Wilderness

If you'd like to dig more into any of these topics or if you'd like to look at my book, let me know. A revised edition is coming out in June. I'd love to start a "Green Team" at First Presbyterian to study these issues to find ways to partner with God in healing Creation in our lives as individuals and as a church family. Please let me know if you are interested in joining in this vital effort.

*God writes the gospel not in the Bible alone,
but also on the trees and in the flowers and clouds and stars.*
~ Martin Luther

Meals on Wheels

Linda Curtis-Stolper

First Presbyterian members have an opportunity to participate in a local mission activity as we take our turn delivering weekend meals for the Meals on Wheels program. Organized by the Mission Coalition, churches are responsible for deliveries for one month - June is the month for our church.

Volunteers are needed to deliver meals on Saturdays and Sundays during June. Names and addresses of persons to receive meals will be provided; meals are picked up at the Skiff Medical Center cafeteria. The delivery process usually takes under an hour and is much appreciated by those receiving the food.

Sign-up sheets are posted on the Mission bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Please consider taking part in this important service to members of our community. Thank you!



Presbytery Nominating Committee

Gary Parsons

Called to Serve - I chose you - I want you - I appointed you - I set YOU where YOU are. (John 15:16).

The nominating committee has compiled brief summaries about the various committees of the presbytery. The full descriptions can be found on the bulletin board or by asking me. This article will list those committees that are in need of new members. We are asking for help to assist us in seeking those who may be "Called to Serve". If you are a ruling Elder, please take time to prayerfully consider if you have the talents and interest in serving God in a new and different way.

Budget and Finance Committee. Cheryl Ritter is currently serving on this committee, but there are more openings. This committee deals with the financial health of Presbytery.

Committee on Preparation for Ministry. Walk beside those who feel God's call to a particular ministry within the Church as an ordained Teaching Elder.

Committee on Representation. This committee is the keeper of the statistics of the Presbytery of Des Moines.

Leadership Council. This council provides visioning, leadership, and administration for the presbytery.

Permanent Judicial Commission. This commission assembles if and when someone has charges brought against them by an investigative commission of the presbytery.

Personnel Committee. This committee works closely with all employees and volunteer staff of the presbytery.

Sexual Misconduct Response Team. This team assembles if and when there is an accusation of sexual misconduct within the presbytery.

Stewardship and Mission Interpretation Committee. This committee has three jobs. 1. Promote and interpret the mission of Presbytery. 2. Educate Presbytery regarding the meaning of stewardship. 3. Seek funding for mission.

If you are interested in any of these committees or have questions, please contact me. Thank you.



Highlights from our April 10 meeting are:

- ✦ Steve and Sara Hopkins reported they attended Karen Allan's funeral and shared stories of events they shared with Karen over the years.
- ✦ Shirley Stevens sent 19 cards since the last report.
- ✦ Approved sending \$100 to the Salvation Army for use on food for the Wednesday night community meals.
- ✦ Thanks was expressed for those who helped set up the Lily Cross and deliver lilies after Easter service.

Dana Hashman, Moderator

Budget and Finance Corner

Jonnie Carpenter, Chair

Pledges for the month of March were \$10,846. This was \$326 above budget for the month. Other Regular Giving, which represents donations from people who tithe, but do not pledge, was \$405 for the month, which is \$331 below budget. We collected \$860 in per capita donations, bringing our total to \$4,640, which is \$100 more than we had budgeted. In total for the month, expenses were \$1,027 over budget.

Year-to-date through March, pledges are \$5,143 over budget and expenses are \$1,709 over budget.

The Muñozes fund received \$955 for fertilizer and other donations at the luncheon. We paid \$2082 to Presbytery for Muñozes.



Church Life Activities

Tara Zehr, Chair

Next Event: Graduation Breakfast

Please help us in celebrating the graduation of Brad Ritter by attending our Graduation Breakfast on Sunday, May 22nd at 9:00 am. This will be a joint event with Christian Nurture.

Date & Time	Event
May 22, 2016, 9:00 a.m.	Graduation Breakfast jointly with Christian Nurture Committee. Brad Ritter is our lone graduate
July 17, 2016, 10:00 a.m.	Worship at Woodland jointly with Worship and Music Committee
August 28, 2016, 10:00 a.m.	Rally Day Ecumenical Worship Service
September 18, 2016, 4:00 p.m. from church	Hayride and Weenie Roast at the Ritter Camp
October 23, 2016, 4:00 p.m.	Progressive Dinner
November 20, 2016, 11:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving Feast and Communion, jointly with Worship and Music Committee
December 18, 2016, 4:00 p.m.	Christmas Caroling followed by supper

The Church Life committee served 76 at our Easter breakfast before church on Sunday, March 24th. We offered an amazing selection of egg casseroles, muffins, coffee cakes, monkey bread, an assortment of rolls, yogurt and of course fruit kabobs. Thank you to Toni Peska for creating the centerpieces at each table and the Christian Nurture committee for the Easter egg/treats hunt for Piper and Emmett. Another big thank you to Linda Anderson, Carol Camp, Ann Cutts, Shari DeCook, Norm Grimm, Harriet Harmelink, Dana Hashman, Diane Moles, Nancy Mott, Kay Parsons, Kevin Peska, Jane Repp, Ritter family, Mickey Van Baale, Ruth Ann Van Elswyk, and Kathy Ventling for providing our wonderful breakfast.

The Potato Bar proved to be another success! We served 55 people and raised just shy of \$400. Chili was donated by the Ritter family and bars, brownies, cookies and fruit were provided by Diane Moles, Nancy Mott, Kay Parsons, and Tara Zehr. Clean up was a Church Life group effort! Thank you to all who attended our Potato Bar, please be looking for our next event in May, the Graduation Breakfast!

Christian Nurture

Karen Quinn, Chair

Youth Sunday will be on May 8. We have several youth members who will be taking part by either presenting a musical number, reading a poem, designing the bulletin cover and participating in parts of the worship service. It is special that this will be taking place on Mother's Day.

June 20-24 are the dates for this year's VBS (Vacation Bible School). The theme for this year is "Cave Quest". We will be holding this in conjunction with United Presbyterian Church and First Lutheran Church. We will have a combined church service on June 26, which will include the VBS program. If you would be willing to help out in any way with VBS, please let me know. We can always use additional help.



Worship and Music

Linda Kirchhoff, Chair

The committee did not meet in April. We did bring to Session a recommendation to always serve communion on Graduation Sunday. This was approved and will be served this year on May 22.



Building and Grounds

George Wilkening, Chair

Steve Hopkins and myself met with our project architect, Jack Topp, to further discuss the replacing of the front steps and sidewalk. Per a suggestion from Mr. Topp, we brought to Session a recommendation to use Karl Peters Construction for this project. Topp and Peters have worked on several projects together over the years and because of this, several costs would be reduced. Session approved this recommendation. We are on Peters' schedule to have the work done in mid-summer.

The furnace that heats and cools the offices stopped working in early April. Warnick and Reeves determined that an internal leak in the condensate collection basin had allowed water to drip onto the main circuit board, frying it. The board and basin were replaced.

Manleys continue to work on the lights with replacements and repairs being made to several. They replaced a fluorescent fixture in the social room with an LED fixture as a trial to see if that is a direction we wish to pursue as a measure to conserve energy.

Finally, we discussed finishing the remodeling of the Power Room on the second floor and possibly reconfiguring the office for Jenny.



Celebrate with Brad Ritter on Friday, May 20. From 6-9 pm at his home. 5595 N. 59th Ave. W. Newton.

MEMBERSHIP



MOMENT

Our committee encouraged First Presbyterian members to attend the Seder service at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church on March 22. We had an increase over the number from our church that

attended last year. It is a service or ceremony that is celebrated in Jewish homes during Passover to commemorate the exodus of the Jews from Egypt. It can be a very meaningful service for non-Jewish people, also. We hope you will consider attending with us next year.

We are still planning to have another work event at the church similar to the one we had in February. This time our focus will be on windows, lights and the sanctuary. We are planning to have it in May, but due to scheduling conflicts we are having difficulty arriving at a date that works for the majority. When we arrive at the exact date, we will announce it in the bulletin, Church Happenings and during church announcements on Sunday morning. As with the last event we are planning to have a meal, devotion and work. It was a lot of fun and we got a lot done. Please consider joining us.

A special thanks goes out from our committee to Mary Jane Tripp who has been coordinating our Member Care ministry for one to two years. The purpose of Member Care is to connect church members to those going through life situations in which contact with others might be of benefit. It is less formal and usually of a shorter duration than with deacon involvement

Gary Parsons



Sunday, May 8

Mission Committee

Marilyn McCallister, Chair

Reviewed the Vision and Purpose of the Mission Committee (2013)

“Mission is the practice through which we share with others the endless bounty of God’s grace. As a mission-minded church, we are committed to ministries locally, regionally, and globally. It is essential our members are aware of our involvement and are inspired to participate in our mission efforts. The purpose of this committee is to recommend, approve, manage, and terminate mission projects. The committee communicates about opportunities for mission involvement and promotes congregational participation.”

No changes were recommended.

Reports

March 6 - Fund-raising lunch with program by Kimberly Schnell: Successful lunch and program. A total of \$955.00 was collected during the month of February and at the luncheon for fertilizer for the Muñozes farmers.

March 20 - One Great Hour of Sharing: \$792.02 was raised which was similar to recent years and more than last year.

March 25 - Cross Walk: A successful event with over 100 people participating.

Upcoming Events

May 14 – Spring Style Show and Luncheon. See article on page 9.

May 22 – Solicitation for Salvation Army Food Pantry and Wednesday night community meal donations. A great opportunity to help those in need in our community.

Meals on Wheels recruitment for the June weekend meal deliveries. See article on page 3.

Mariners in Mission May event in Missouri – Contact Barb & John Taylor for details.

Dates of Interest

May 7 – Presbyterian Women meeting at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Des Moines – Look for details on the Mission bulletin board in fellowship hall. If you have questions, contact Barb Taylor.

June 7 – Annual Ice Cream Social scheduled to raise funds for Work Week 2016. Mark your calendars!

June 27 – July 1 – Mariners in Mission event in Illinois. If you have questions, contact Barb Taylor.

July 30 – August 6 – Work Week 2016 at AMEN Ministry in St. Louis, Missouri



What the Pastor's Reading



Join Meghan at Uncle Nancy's at 11:30 am one Saturday a month (dates below) to discuss a book she's reading. While you are encouraged to also read the book, you are welcome to come learn about it, even if you haven't!

May 21—*The Invention of Wings*, by Sue Monk Kidd, described by Oprah as “A remarkable novel that heightened my sense of what it meant to be a woman—slave or free... A conversation changer.”

June 25—*The Year Without a Purchase: One Family's Quest to Stop Shopping and Start Connecting*

2016 MUÑOCES FERTILIZER REPORT

Warren and Linda Erickson

Below is a portion of the information we received from Katherine Pater about the farming conditions in El Salvador and our help with providing fertilizer to the residents in Muñoces. The full report and several pictures can be found on the Mission bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

“I think we are going to be the first people to die from climate change,” Mercedes said. His neighbors’ heads nodded slowly and sadly in agreement. We were discussing the eminent loss of the corn crop in his community— something that many communities in eastern El Salvador experienced last year due to a severe drought. Most families in Berlín lost 90% - 100% of their corn, leaving them with little to no food and no extra corn or beans left over to sell. Selling surplus corn and beans is often the only source of income for Berlín-area farmers. This lack of rain is not normal, and was partially related to the dreaded but temporary El Niño phenomenon—the recurrent warming of the Pacific Ocean that wreaks havoc on the west coast of the Americas. But climatologists predict that El Niño phenomena will only become more and more powerful and common due to climate change, and even in non-El Niño years, rain is becoming a less frequent and predictable phenomenon in Central America. For the 30%-40% of the Salvadoran population that relies on subsistence farming for survival, climate change is not a theoretical problem. It is a real and present danger.

Another problem right now is the price of corn. The price of corn remains fairly low. This means that the farmers have trouble purchasing basic necessities. One of these basic necessities is chemical fertilizer. The soil of El Salvador has been abused and overworked for centuries, meaning that it will not yield a good crop without the help of chemical fertilizer. Without it, families face poor nutrition or even starvation. Fertilizer, at its cheapest, costs somewhere between \$25 (for suflato, the post-emergent fertilizer farmers use) and \$60 (for formula, the pre-emergent fertilizer) per bag, which makes these essential fertilizers impossible for many families to afford. The drought has only made their socioeconomic situation worse.

That’s where you all come in. When you help families purchase a bag or two of fertilizer, you increase their harvest dramatically. This is particularly important in years like the last one, when the corn harvest was poor and fertilizer can mean the difference between harvesting little to nothing and having just enough to eat. Even in good harvest years, your generosity might mean the difference between having little to eat and having a little extra corn to sell, making it possible for farmers to buy other things their families need.

Our fertilizer journey always begins in Mercedes Umaña, where we purchase the fertilizer from our favorite agricultural supplies store. The owners of this store are very good to us: they give us a discount when we buy large amounts of fertilizer at once. We then drive out to the community receiving the fertilizer. We are usually met by a large crowd of people, all of them anxious to meet us. Most of them are carrying a sack of corn or beans with them. This is because, per a years-old agreement with most of the communities that receive fertilizer, we ask the families to give something back to the larger community during this delivery. Some have no corn left to spare, and they still receive their fertilizer, but most do find some to contribute. The Pastoral Team then sells some of this corn and uses it to help people who come to our door asking for help with various needs. Some of the proceeds are added to our House Maintenance Fund, which helps pay for the upkeep of the Pastoral House.

While these communities need our solidarity in advocating for public policies to stop and reverse climate change, we cannot fix this global problem on our own. However, we can help these communities to feed themselves in the midst of this crisis. We can do, as Mother Teresa once said, “small things with great love.” This fertilizer is one such small thing.

THANK YOU, FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEWTON!

Spring Style Show And Luncheon

We are happy to announce that following a 2 year absence, we will again be hosting a Spring Style Show and Luncheon. The following changes are being made:

- ◇ Date: Saturday, May 14. In the past we have held our event on a Friday, but have decided to move this to a Saturday with the hopes of allowing more to attend.
- ◇ Venue providing clothing: We will be featuring fashions from The Hall Tree. There are two locations of this store; one in Pella and one in Urbandale. In visiting with the owner, Tami Smith, she indicates her store is similar to Mode Huis, carrying many of the same brands and sizes.

The following details will remain the same as in the past:

- ◇ Cost: Tickets will be \$20 each and only available through our church office. Seating will be limited to 85 and over half of those have been sold. Tickets are available at the church office on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.
- ◇ Luncheon: Linda Campbell and her kitchen help will once again be preparing a delicious meal, sure to please all.
- ◇ Models: Elsie Nelson is contacting several of the ladies who modeled for Mode Huis and perhaps some of our own church members.
- ◇ Experienced waiters: We are pleased to feature some well known waiters who will be willing to help with your needs.
- ◇ This is a fund-raiser for our mission committee.

Please get this marked on your calendar. Invite your friends, relatives, neighbors, and co-workers. The money is for such a worthy cause for our church and it will be a fun experience for all. If you have any questions, please contact Mickey Van Baale at 641-521-0549 or grandmavb1@gmail.com (new email address).



Highlights from Session

Toni Peska, Clerk of Session

- ◆ Our church will participate in Newton Fest on June 12 with the community-wide worship service.
- ◆ Approved having joint worship services with UCC, likely in July. This would be done for 2 weeks, one week at our church and one week at theirs.
- ◆ Approved holding communion on Graduation Sunday each year.
- ◆ Approved Building and Grounds recommendation on the front steps and sidewalk project. These are scheduled to be redone in mid-summer.
- ◆ Received information from the Christian Nurture committee on Vacation Bible School and Youth Sunday.





2016 BIRTHDAYS & EVENTS

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

<p>1</p> <p>6p Youth Downtown</p>	<p>2 <i>Warren Erickson</i></p>	<p>3 <i>Gary Parsons Ahren Rickers</i></p> <p>11a Gentle Yoga 5:30p Building & Grounds 6:30p Worship & Music</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:30a WBS 7p Choir</p>	<p>5 <i>Tom Fitzgerald</i></p> <p>6:30a Early Men's Group 9a Men's Group 3p Chair Yoga 4:30p Mission 7p Christian Nurture</p>	<p>6 <i>Andi Hollenbeck Cody Barney</i></p>	<p>7</p> <p>10a Yoga Flow</p>
<p>8 <i>Mother's Day Youth Sunday</i></p> <p>9a Deacons 4p Combined Choir Concert 6p Youth Downtown</p>	<p>9 <i>Laura Miller</i></p>	<p>10</p> <p>11a Gentle Yoga</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9:30a WBS 5p Membership 6p B&F 7p Choir</p>	<p>12 <i>Eloise Krajnovich</i></p> <p>3p Chair Yoga</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 <i>Nancy Mott Dave Funk</i></p> <p>11:30a to 1p Style Show and Luncheon</p>
<p>15 <i>Pentecost Sunday</i></p> <p>6p Youth Downtown</p>	<p>16 <i>Anders Hopkins</i></p>	<p>17</p> <p>8:30a-3:30p Presbytery Meeting in Des Moines 6:30p Session</p>	<p>18 <i>Mary Jane' Tripp</i></p> <p>9:30 am WBS 7p Choir</p>	<p>19</p> <p>6:30a Early Men's Group 9a Men's Group 3p Chair Yoga</p>	<p>20 <i>Kim DeGraff</i></p>	<p>21 <i>Ruby Davis</i></p> <p>10a Yoga Flow 11:30a Pastor's Book Club</p>
<p>22</p> <p>9a Graduation Breakfast 7p Work Week Covenant Meeting in Brooklyn</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 <i>Chandler Sturtz</i></p>	<p>28 <i>Dave Moles</i></p>
<p>29</p>	<p>30 <i>Sandy Simbro Rick Miller</i> Memorial Day Observation</p>	<p>31</p>				<p>Every Sunday</p> <p>9a Adult S. S. 10a Fellowship 10:30a Worship 11:30a Fellowship</p>

**SERVING
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May	1	8	15	22	29	June 5
Worship Leader <i>Office</i>	Val McKee	Bev Rossow	Sara Hopkins	Tom Mott	Mickey Van Baale	Kathy Ventling
Host Elder/Deacon <i>Diane Moles</i>	Val McKee	Marilyn McCallister	Sandy Shaver	Janet Shields	Shirley Stevens	Tom Mott
Greeters <i>Julie Brodersen</i>	Dick & Shirley Mielke	Doug Cutts Cole Doerring	Janet Shields & Valerie Barney	Gary & Kay Parsons	Randy & Carol Camp	Terry Rickers Bev Rossow
Ushers <i>Office</i>	Gary & Kay Parsons	Pete & Pat Koppin	Kevin & Toni Peska	Dick Mielke & Doug Cutts	Larry & Shari DeCook	Les & Kay Gause
Audio <i>Doug Cutts</i>	Dan Ritter	Dan Ritter	Brad Ritter	Doug Cutts	Doug Cutts	Doug Cutts
Candlelighter <i>Office</i>	Allie Norvell	Garrett Sturtz	Cody Barney	Skye Koenen	Natalie Camp	Allie Norvell
Counters <i>Jonnie Carpenter</i>	Kelly Koenen Jen Norvell	Terry Rickers Mickey Van Baale	Jonnie Carpenter	Tara Zehr Bill Shields	Roger Harmelink Dave Stolper	Jonnie Carpenter Tara Zehr
Bread Ministry Baker <i>Barb Taylor</i>	Diane Moles	Shari DeCook	George Wilkening	Barb Taylor	Linda Campbell	Jane Repp
Bread Ministry Taker <i>Barb Taylor</i>	Barb Gallaher	Mickey Van Baale	Mary Jane Tripp	Barb Taylor	Linda Campbell	Carol Russell
Communion Set up <i>Linda Kirchhoff</i>	Norm Grimm Bret Doerring			Linda Kirchhoff Jonnie Carpenter		Sandy Smit

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Lectionary —

May, 2016

May 1 - 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:9-15; *Ps.* 67; Rev. 21:10; 21:22-25:5;
John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9

May 8 - 7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:16-34; *Ps.* 97; Rev. 22:12-14,
16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26

May 15 - Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21 or Gen. 11:1-9;
Ps. 104:24-34, 35b; Rom. 8:14-17 or
Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17 (25-27)

May 22 - Trinity Sunday

Prov. 8:1-4, 22-31; *Ps.* 8; Rom. 5:1-5;
John 16:12-15

May 29 - 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 18:20-21 (22-29) 30-39; *Ps.* 96;
Gal. 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-10

June, 2016

June 5 - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 17:8-16 (17-24); *Ps.* 146;
Gal. 1:11-24; Luke 7:11-17

June 12 - 4th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 21:1-10 (11-14) 15-21a; *Ps.* 5:1-8;
Gal. 2:15-21; Luke 7:36-8:3

June 19 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7) 8-15a; *Ps.* 42 and 43;
Gal. 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

June 26 - 6th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; *Ps.* 77:1-2, 11-20;
Gal. 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62