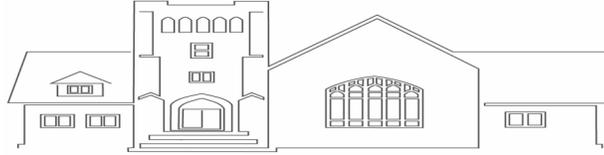


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## THE MESSENGER



JUNE 2016

### Meghan's Musings

#### Of Water Bottles and Martini Glasses

As some of you know, I'm the moderator of the Compassion, Peace and Justice task force of the Presbytery of Des Moines. Last week, at the end of our meeting when I asked if there was any other business, one of the members of the committee said that he had a very important personal question he needed to ask me. He wanted to know if I tie my water bottle to my back bumper and drag it behind me as I drive; and if not, what on earth have I done to it to cause its current condition? Now, if that seems like an odd question for him to ask, you probably have not seen my red water bottle.

I have three well-worn water bottles. All have shown the wear and tear of years of service but my red water bottle does look like it's been through a lot. The paint is chipping off at the bottom and all around the top where it curves, where there are also a couple good sized dings. The truth is, I'm not even sure *exactly* what has happened to my water bottle. I'm sure the dings are from being dropped, often on concrete, once or twice or a hundred times. I suppose the paint chipping off is just regular wear and tear (as I mentioned, I've had this bottle for longer than I can even say). But I do know that it's still perfectly functional. And I know that if I'd drunk the equivalent amount of water out of single use plastic bottles, that would have been a *lot* of plastic which, for a multitude of reasons, is bad for our environment. And so, while my water bottle's prettiest days are far behind it, if it still works, why replace it?

On the other hand, while my mother was here, she was freshening up a flower arrangement in my house and she placed a flower bud in a cool martini glass she found in my cupboard. I have also had the martini glass for many years, probably even longer than the water bottle, but the glass is in great shape. It should be: it's hardly been used! And as I was washing the glass to put it away, I had a tinge of guilt: why do I keep this thing that I never use? I really like it, it's a great design but—if I don't use it, why keep it? (I have this inner dialog every time I move so, who knows, maybe it won't make the cut for the next move?)

It seems to me that our faith, our spiritual lives, our walk with God and one another, ought to be more like the well-used, well-worn water bottle than the cool but rarely-sees-the-light-of-day martini glass. What does that mean? I leave it up to you to ponder what that means in your own life, but for me, it means allowing my faith to be an everyday primary facet of my life, not just something to take out and dust off on rare special occasions.





- \*Jack Nicholson who will be having an outpatient heart procedure on June 2 in West Des Moines. His daughter will be coming to be with him during his recovery time.
- \*Roger Harmelink, as he continues to recuperate at home from his recent hip replacement surgery.
- \*Peter Van Elswyk who has returned to work, but still has some recovery time from his recent surgery.
- \*Kim and Scott DeGraff and Kim's family, as they deal with her father's medical problems.
- \*Peggy Krong, Meghan's mother, who had knee replacement surgery recently.
- \*John Tyler, Joan's son in Georgia, who has been in the hospital with an abdominal infection.



†Jane Susan "Janie" Moles, the daughter of Clark Lewis and Edna Palmatier (Smith) Woodburn, was born September 4, 1931 in Iowa City, Iowa. She graduated from Iowa City High and the University of Iowa with a degree in Occupational Therapy. On July 4, 1954, Janie was united in marriage with Dr. Marvin Robert Moles at the First Presbyterian Church in Iowa City. She was a homemaker and, later in life, also worked for Mid-America Dairymen, Inc.

Janie was very active in many areas of service. She was a bagpiper for the University of Iowa Highlanders during college, played the violin in the Amadeus String Quartet in Newton, and was a 40 year member of the Newton First Presbyterian Church Choir. She was a longtime volunteer for the Woodrow Wilson elementary school reading program and the adult literacy program; served as a deacon and elder at the Newton First Presbyterian Church; served as a longtime Hospice volunteer; and was one of the founding members of the Crosslake Presbyterian Church in Minnesota. Janie enjoyed gardening, quilting, reading, the University of Iowa Hawkeyes; and traveling with her husband, and in later years, with her children and vacationing at their home at Upper Whitefish Lake.

Janie died on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at Skiff Medical Center in Newton, Iowa. She was 84 years old. Janie was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Marvin, on June 10, 2006; and her brother, Robert Woodburn, in 2015.

Those left to honor Janie's memory include her sons, David (Jackie) Moles of Waukee, Iowa, and Donald (Dortha) Moles of Fillmore, Indiana; her daughters, Diane Moles of Newton, Iowa, and Debra (Doug) Merfeld of Walford, Iowa; her 6 grandchildren; 8 great grandchildren, and one great-great grandson, nieces and nephews, cousins, and many friends.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 2nd at the First Presbyterian Church in Newton with Rev. Meghan Davis officiating. Burial was at Newton Union Cemetery.

†Jeannette Black was born July 15, 1919, near Conroy, the daughter of Charles and Frances (Hammell) Bavis. She graduated from Hilton Consolidated School in Conroy in 1937. Jeannette was united in marriage to Clyde Arthur Black on May 15, 1938 at her parents home in Conroy. She has worked as a Postmistress in Conroy, Browns Hardware in Marengo and was a homemaker. She enjoyed gardening, bowling, playing bridge, baking pies and cookies, and especially enjoyed spending time with their grandchildren. Jeannette passed Sunday, May 15, 2016 at the Highland Ridge Care Center in Williamsburg at the age of 96 years.

She is survived by her children: Don (Sharon) Black of Newton, Sue (David) Bengford of Marion and Gary (Rose) Black of Lena, IL; 6 grandchildren: Andy (Colleen) Black, Coleen (Brad) Hubler, Carrie (Pat) Mick, Chris (John) Shannon, Diane (Brian) Sloan and Jennifer (Scott) Livermore and 11 great grandchildren. A Celebration of Life Service was held on Sunday, May 22, 2016 at the Powell Funeral Home in Williamsburg. Burial will be in Oak Hill Cemetery.

†Doris A. Fisher, 87, passed away Tuesday, May 24 after battling Alzheimer's disease for two years. A funeral service was held at 10:30am Friday, May 27 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church with burial at Newton Union

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## REPORT ON PRESBYTERY

By Gary Parsons

The May 17, 2016 meeting of Presbytery took place at Union Park Presbyterian Church in Des Moines. It is a small, well kept brick church in a modest neighborhood on the northeast side of Des Moines.

Presbytery always starts with a worship service that is very similar to one we would have in our own churches. It is very interesting to see how it is approached in each situation. The sermon in this case was delivered by a woman from Sudan who is a CRE but is studying to become a Presbyterian minister. Although it was a little difficult to understand all words at times due to her accent, she gave a very good sermon and I was very impressed with her delivery.

The one agenda item that probably took the longest was the hiring of an interim General Presbyter to replace Phil Barrett, who retired in January. His name is Rev. James Koopman. He is actually a minister of the Reformed Church of America which is very similar to the Presbyterian Church. He appeared to have a great resume. He is in his early 50s, has served in positions in Texas and Nebraska and has lived in Iowa primarily since approximately 1998. He has been married to his high school sweetheart for 37 years, has one child and one grandchild who live in the Des Moines area. He has recently served two churches as Part Time Intentional Interim Minister including Ankeny Presbyterian in Ankeny, Iowa. He was hired by unanimous vote.

The Budget & Finance report indicated that there have been some areas that need some work to tighten up procedures. This is not so much an indication that there is a problem but to change some procedures to make sure problems do not occur. These changes are being made.

We celebrated the retirement of Rev. Goanar Chol and Rev. John Gilmore. Goanar fled the warfare and unrest in his native South Sudan many years ago. He has been a part of Des Moines Presbytery for about 20 years and has held various positions. He has done pulpit supply and preached at least once at our church. He is a very humble, caring, well loved man. It was obvious he will be missed around the Presbytery office. Rev. Gilmore has been active in the ministry for many years, serving many different churches. He has been serving as interim at Union Park for about 4 years and based on the accolades he received from his congregation, he also is very much loved.

The PCUSA is sponsoring a class titled, "Practical Presbytery Leadership Training" on August 26-27, 2016. Anyone involved in Presbytery leadership is invited to attend.

The Personnel Committee presented several people to fill empty spots, including Karen Quinn on the Sexual Misconduct Response Team. There are still several openings remaining.

Thank you, First Presbyterian Church family, for your concern since the death of our daughter, Michelle Kirchhoff Capman. The prayer shawls, funeral luncheon, and the care received from Meghan for our entire family are greatly appreciated.

Our daughter Melissa wrote this:

"On March 13<sup>th</sup>, our lives forever changed. We have been so blessed for the outpouring of support for all of us. You may have sent notes, meals, flowers, gifts, offered to do anything we asked, helped to organize, listened, cried, shared memories and pictures, hugged and were just there, all things Chelle would have done. We have learned to be stronger than we thought, to ask and accept help and have learned how much we are all loved and how much Chelle impacted everyone. Thanks to you all for continuing to keep us in your thoughts and prayers."

Linda Kirchhoff and Gary Kirchhoff on behalf of Melissa, Jim and Kacey Sommars, Terry Capman and Terry and Michelle's children, Mikayla, Kennedy and Corbin

## Summer Music

We are looking for individuals and/or groups who are willing to share their talents with our church family sometime during the summer. The choir is on summer hiatus, and this is the time we enjoy hearing from others.

Please contact Norm Grimm at [grimmnorm@gmail.com](mailto:grimmnorm@gmail.com) with the date you would like to offer special music.

Thank you.



summer  
music

# NEWTONFEST

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During the weekend of June 9-12, the city of Newton will be alive with a variety of activities. This will be in connection with the annual Alumni weekend and the Iowa Sculpture Fest. There will be activities for all ages.

One item of special interest to our congregation is the historical church walk at 2 pm on Saturday afternoon, June 11. Join local historian Larry Hurto for a walking tour of historic churches in downtown Newton. The walk includes eight churches including First United Methodist Church, United Presbyterian Church, First Presbyterian Church, Salvation Army, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, First Lutheran Church, Congregational United Church of Christ, and First Christian Church.

We will not be holding services at our church on Sunday, June 12, as there will be a Community Church Service & Picnic from 10:30-11:30 am at the Maytag Bowl. Enjoy a non-denominational worship service for the entire community. Those attending are asked to bring blankets and lawn chairs for seating. Families are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch to enjoy following church services. In the event of rain, a rain site will be announced.



At our May 8 meeting, we:

#Received reports on visits that were made in April.

#Discussed some opportunities for donating money, but tabled these until our next meeting, as we didn't have our latest financial statement.

#Received a report from Shirley Stevens that she had sent out 26 cards in April.

Dana Hashman, Moderator

## Budget and Finance Corner

Jonnie Carpenter, Chair

Pledges for the month of March were \$11,568.50. This was \$1,048.50 above budget for the month. Other Regular Giving, which represents donations from people who tithe, but do not pledge, was \$543 for the month, which is \$193 below budget.

Church Life committee received \$413 in donations for the potato bar. These funds support other fellowship events throughout the year. We collected \$80 in per capita donations, bringing our total to \$4,720, which is \$180 more than we had budgeted. In total for the month, expenses were \$788 over budget.

Year-to-date through April, pledges are \$6,192 over budget and expenses are \$2,497 over budget.

The Deacons made donations to the Salvation Army meal program and the Muñozes fertilizer program and paid for supplies. The Mission-Local fund made a \$100 donation to the Catholic Peace Ministry as an honorarium for mediation services provided for Presbytery El Salvador.

We received an additional \$13.24 for the One Great Hour special offering. The total offering of \$745.93 was remitted in May.



## Church Life Activities

Tara Zehr, Chair

### Next Event: Worship at Woodland on July 17

Date & Time	Event
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

On May 22nd, 48 people celebrated the graduation of Brad Ritter. The Christian Nurture Committee decorated the tables beautifully with black, white and silver - CMB's school colors. We tried a new recipe for biscuits and gravy casserole - courtesy of Cheryl Ritter - and it was a huge success. Egg casseroles, fruits, breads and drinks were also provided by the Church Life Committee. It was a wonderful breakfast celebrating a successful graduate. Good luck in all your future endeavors Brad!

We will take the month of June off from Church Life events, but come see us on Sunday, July 17th for Worship at Woodland.

## Christian Nurture

Karen Quinn, Chair

Our committee worked in connection with the Church Life committee on the graduation breakfast and celebration for Brad Ritter. Thank you to Jenny Verwers for doing the write-up on Brad, George Wilkening for being our MC for the program, Linda Kirchoff for speaking about Brad and Marlys Grimm for putting together the video about Brad.

“Cave Quest” is the title of the materials we will be using for Vacation Bible School on June 20-24. Jane Repp will be in charge of the kitchen and snacks for the attendees. We will be needing donations for the snacks. Watch the bulletin and Church Happenings for what our contributions will be. Please consider helping by providing some food items needed. The snacks go along with the lesson for that day.



## Our Congratulations to...

- Kyle Doerring who recently graduated from the University of Iowa. Kyle secured employment at Pella Windows and will be remaining in the area.
- Allie Norvell and her four team mates (7th and 8th graders) who won first place in the Middle School Pentathlon held at Central College on Monday, May 23. In addition, Allie won the overall individual girl athlete award.
- Marilyn McCallister as she is beginning the next chapter of her life called retirement. Marilyn officially retires on June 3 from EMC Insurance in downtown Des Moines, where she has worked for 31 years. Marilyn sees travel and reading a few good books in future.
- Rachel Rickers will be attending the 125th Continental Congress of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution June 15 -19, 2016. She earned this opportunity by paging at the last several State Conventions of the Iowa Daughters. At the end of each annual Convention, all of the eligible Junior  
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## Worship and Music

Linda Kirchhoff, Chair

\*A review of Holy Week services was held. It was a consensus that all services were meaningful and worshipful.

\*There are a few people choosing gluten free bread so we will continue to make it an option.

\*Flowers on communion Sunday should be placed behind the server's benches where they will be seen but not in the path of people serving.

\*A need for large print hymnals was discussed and it was determined that Meghan should order a few,

\*There are many special services during the summer at various places and times. Reminders of these will be posted in bulletins and on the Church Happenings for updates. Below is a listing:

\*June 5 will be the beginning of our summer hours with worship starting at 10:00am.

\*Starting with the June 5 service, we will continue to have communion the first Sunday of each month being done by intinction,

\*June 12, in connection with the Newton Fest celebration, a community worship service will be held at Maytag Bowl weather permitting. A choir will perform with several churches participating. See an additional article about this on page 4.

\*June 26 will be the joint Vacation Bible service held with United Presbyterian, likely at their church.

\*July 17 is First Presbyterian's Worship at Woodland.

\*July 24 we will be having a combined service with UCC, likely at their church.

\*August 28 will be the second Annual Street Rally Fall Kick-off,

We took the following two items to Session for approval:

\*Serving communion for any graduates on Graduation Sunday this year and in the future.

\*Summer hours (10-11) begin the Sunday after Memorial Day and continue through the Sunday preceding Labor Day this year and in the future unless a change is deemed necessary.



## MEMBERSHIP



## MOMENT

Membership, in conjunction with Building & Grounds, held another work event on May 16. We now call it PEW (Pray, Eat, Work). It is a takeoff on Barb Taylor's suggestion that we consider having an adult VBS. We gather to work on a "mission" type project, eat, and have a short devotion. The first "PEW" in February was well attended, and we got a lot of cleaning done upstairs. This time we met at 4:00 p.m. to have more daylight available, worked for about 2 hrs. on the sanctuary, with Deanna Manley directing the effort. We vacuumed the pew pads, removed wax from them, and used a LOT of Murphy's Oil Soap on woodwork, especially on the pews where hands have rested for many years. They are a lot cleaner! We had a short devotion and enjoyed a meal of salad & desert provided by Val McKee, drinks by Gary & Kay Parsons, and pizza by Casey's. It was a fun evening filled with accomplishment. We are planning to do it again in the future, and invite you to join us next time.

The committee has decided to do a church entry in the 4th of July parade and has settled on a theme concentrating on the many Presbyterians who were involved as founding fathers in the formation of our country. More information will be forthcoming and we'll be asking for church members to participate!

We will soon be working on updating the church brochure.

The Membership Committee is looking for several new members. If interested, please contact Val McKee or Gary Parsons.

## Changes in Volunteers' Schedules

Due to upcoming times when we will not be holding services in our church, some changes have been made. Please watch the information in the bulletins and in Church Happenings to see when you might be a worship leader, usher, greeter, candle lighter, counter or bread baker and/or taker.

Thank you for your patience and understanding with these changes. Without your willingness to help out in these areas, our worship service each Sunday would not run smoothly.

## Mission Committee

Marilyn McCallister, Chair

**Mission Committee Purpose:** To recommend, approve, manage, and terminate mission projects. The committee communicates about opportunities for mission involvement and promotes congregational participation.

### Reports

May 14 – Spring Style Show and Luncheon – With attendance of close to 80, a delightful time was had by all. The meal began with a delicious cold cucumber soup, followed by a wonderful frittata, mixed green & strawberry salad, homemade croissant, and then a selection of delectable desserts – lemon bars, chocolate ganache covered brownies, and apricot topped cheesecakes. While the meal was being enjoyed, The Hall Tree clothing store manager, Tammy Smith, narrated the new spring fashions modeled by our own church members. This fund raiser to support our church mission work netted close to \$1,000. A big “thank you” to those who planned, prepared and participated in this wonderful event.

May 22 is the fourth Sunday of the month which means it's Salvation Army Food Pantry Sunday! The Salvation Army continues to help individuals and families as well as provide a free Wednesday night meal open to all in the community. Food Pantry cash donations can be designated to family or Wednesday meals, if desired. Suggested food items are: baked beans/pork and beans, canned green beans, canned corn, canned peas, canned spaghetti sauce, complete pancake mix, hamburger helper, jelly, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, Ramen noodles, canned peaches, canned pears and canned tuna.

### Upcoming Events

Meals on Wheels mission: June Saturday & Sunday delivery volunteers this year are:

June 4 – Linda Curtis-Stolper & Dave Stolper

June 5 – Doug & Ann Cutts

June 11 – Dick & Shirley Mielke

June 12 – Dick & Shirley Mielke

June 18 – John & Barb Taylor

June 19 – John & Barb Taylor

June 25 – Dixie Zegers & Sharon Black

June 26 – Tom & Nancy Mott

THANKS for helping with this much need mission!

**June 7, Tuesday** – Ice Cream Social fund raiser for Work Week, 2016. Plan to come for a wonderful meal of hot turkey sandwiches, baked beans, potato salad, cole slaw, a choice of desserts and, of course, a variety of homemade ice cream! Work Week participants will be ready to serve you from 4:30 to 7:00 pm. A free will donation will be collected. Come for great food and fellowship plus support the Work Week mission.

**June 20, Monday** – Days for Girls International mission opportunity exploration. Days for Girls is an organization that empowers women and girls around the globe by providing sustainable feminine hygiene solutions and health education. In areas where women have been taught that menstruation is a curse and a reminder that they are somehow less, Days for Girls is helping them to remember that their bodies are their own, and that they are worthy of health, opportunity and dignity. An informational meeting will be held Monday, June 20 at 7 pm in Fellowship Hall, to learn about Days for Girls.

### Dates of Interest

June 27 – July 1 – Mariners in Mission event in Illinois. Questions, contact Barb Taylor.

July 9 – Kids Against Hunger event at St Luke United Methodist Church

July 31 – August 6 – Work Week 2016 at AMEN Ministry in St. Louis, Missouri



## Building and Grounds

George Wilkening, Chair

We are now on the schedule to have the front steps and sidewalk repaired. Work should begin the first of July and is planned to take four weeks to complete. We need to remember that these are the projections we have been given and could change.

We had a concern if the church contained enough exits with the front door blocked, in case of an emergency during this time. The Fire Marshall was contacted and inspected the church. We were given an assurance that there are enough exits.

Worship will be conducted in the sanctuary during this period of construction.



It's almost here. Mark your calendar for Tuesday, **June 7 for our annual Ice Cream social.** It is election day, so do your civic duty by voting and then stop by the church between 4:30 and 7:00 pm for a hot turkey or pork loin sandwich, baked beans, cole slaw, potato salad, a variety of desserts and of course, homemade ice cream. We'll have vanilla, chocolate, strawberry and pineapple. A free will offering will be accepted with the proceeds going to our Work Week trip to St. Louis. Hope to see you there!



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members who have paged are put into a drawing to win an all-expenses paid trip to the National Convention. It is a terrific honor to be selected and Rachel is thrilled to go. We are hoping that she will be assigned duties as a Page, but we have not yet received confirmation or an idea of what she would be expected to do. Pages run errands for officers, carry messages, carry the flags during opening and closing ceremonies, stand guard at doorways, and generally assist in any way they can to facilitate the meeting. They are required to wear all-white clothing, gloves and a sash denoting that they are a Page. All dinners and receptions are formal and the girls wear floor-length dresses. At the National level these are also white, with gloves. At the State convention, they may wear colored formals. Here is a picture of Rachel in one of her daytime outfits.



Well done to all of you!

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Cemetery. Doris was born in Newton on December 10, 1928 to George and Mayme (Curtis) Douglas. She was a 1947 graduate of Newton High School and was homecoming queen her senior year. She was a homemaker until helping her husband, Bob, open a picture framing gallery "Fishers Gallery" in 1985. They retired in 1991, and spent their winters in Surprise, Arizona.

Doris was a founding and active member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church for more than 60 years. She was a member of the M.N.O. Club (Mother's Night Out) that started in 1953. Doris loved to dance, goonwalks, watch sports, work in her yard and flower garden and clean and decorate her home. She and Bob traveled the country extensively in pursuit of their passion for collecting antiques. Her greatest joy was following whatever program or sporting event her four boys and her 13 grandchildren were involved in.

She is survived by her husband of 66 years, Robert A. Fisher, four sons, Doug (Pam) of West Des Moines, Dan (Lynnette) of Urbandale, Dave (Melissa) of Newton and Don (Julie) of Newton, 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



Bradley Ronald Ritter is the son of Dan and Cheryl Ritter and big brother to Megan. His grandparents are Marlys Smith and the late Wendell Smith and Ronald Ritter and the late Joye Ritter.

Brad graduated from Baxter High School on Sunday, May 22. Their class flower was the peony and their class motto:

“No matter what people tell you, words and ideas can change the world.” -- Robin Williams

His post graduate plans are attending the University of Northern Iowa, majoring in accounting. Brad will be participating in UNI’s honor’s program.

**Brad’s Activities List (9th through 12th Grade)**

**Sports:**

- Football (4 Years, 2 Years All-District Honorable Mention, 3 Year Varsity Letter Winner, Jim Talbott Award, Academic All-State)
- Basketball (4 Years, 3 Year Varsity Letter Winner)
- Track and Field (4 Years, 4 Year Varsity Letter Winner)
- Baseball (4 Years, 4 Year Varsity Letter Winner)
- Football and basketball youth camp volunteer (4 Years)
- Officiating Baxter Rec Basketball Games (Senior Year)

**School:**

- Band (4 Years, Letter Winner, 2 Years Jazz Band, Simpson College Honor Band)
- Student Council (4 Years, held various offices, including Class President during senior year)
  - Big Brothers, Big Sister school-based mentor (4 Years)
    - National Honor Society (3 Years)
  - Talented and Gifted Program participant (4 Years)
    - School Play (2 Years)
  - School-based leadership conferences (3 Years)
    - Named Student of the Quarter (3 times)
  - Named Raider of the Quarter (based on character traits)

**Church Based:**

- Baxter Area Youth Group - faith-based organization (4 Years)
  - Week-long faith-based mission trips (3 Trips)
  - Church Foundation – assistant treasurer (2 Years)
  - Volunteer audio technician at my church (4 Years)
- Member of church life committee at my church (4 Years)
  - Church Day Camp Youth Counselor (2 Years)
  - Vacation Bible School Youth Leader (2 Years)

**Other Volunteering:**

- Active blood donor (Over 1 Gallon - 10 donations)
  - LifeServe Blood Center volunteer (2 Years)
- Kids Against Hunger food packing volunteer (3 Years)
- Meals on Wheels food delivery volunteer (4 Years)

**Academic Information:**

- GPA: 3.99 (class rank 1/32)
- graduating from high school with 29 college credits

**Recent awards:**

- Governor’s Scholar Recognition Award – awarded to the top high school senior in each school in Iowa



# 2016 **BIRTHDAYS & EVENTS**

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

<p>Every Sunday</p> <p>10a Worship 11a Fellowship</p>			1	<p>2 <i>John Miller</i> <i>Suzanne Funk</i> <i>Marilyn McCallister</i></p> <p>3p Chair Yoga 4:30p Mission</p>	3	4	<p>10a Make Ice Cream for Ice Cream Social</p>
5	6	<p>7 <i>Jeannette Shannon</i></p> <p>4:30-7p Ice Cream Social 5:30p Building &amp; Grounds 6:30p Worship &amp; Music</p>	8	<p>9 <i>Tom Cheney</i></p> <p>6:30a Early Men's Group 9a Men's Group 3p Chair Yoga 7p Christian Nurture</p>	10 <i>John Erickson</i>	11	<p>Work Week Fundraiser at Flag Day celebration in Brooklyn</p>
<p>12 10:30a Community Church Service and picnic at Maytag Bowl 4p Sundays at 4</p>	13	14	15	16	17	18	10a Yoga Flow
19	20	<p>21 <i>Terry Rickers</i> <i>Val McKee</i> <i>Dave Stolper</i> <i>Cheryl Ritter</i></p>	<p>22 <i>Jordan Norvell</i> <i>Vince VerSteegt</i></p>	<p>23 <i>Kelly Koenen</i></p> <p>6:30a Early Men's Group 9a Men's Group 3p Chair Yoga</p>	24	25	<p>10a Yoga Flow 11:30a Pastor's Book Club</p>
<p>26 Joint worship service at UP Church for the VBS program 7p Work Week Covenant Meeting in Brooklyn</p>	<p>27 <i>Shirley Mielke</i></p>	<p>28 <i>Isaac Mathison</i> – <i>Bowie</i></p>	<p>29 <i>Don Fisher</i></p>	<p>30</p> <p>3p Chair Yoga</p>			

**SERVING  
THIS  
MONTH**



June	5	12	19	26	July 3
Worship Leader <i>Office</i>	Kathy Ventling	<b>Newton Fest Community Worship Service</b>	Dick Mielke	<b>Combined worship service at UP</b>	Linda Campbell
Host Elder/Deacon <i>Diane Moles</i>	Tom Mott		Jonnie Carpenter		Elaine VandeBroek
Greeters <i>Julie Brodersen</i>	Terry Rickers Bev Rossow		Chris & Peggy Lickiss		Dick & Shirley Mielke
Ushers <i>Office</i>	Les & Kay Gause		Ritter Family		Terry & Cathy Rickers
Audio <i>Doug Cutts</i>	Doug Cutts		Les Gause		Les Gause
Candlelighter <i>Office</i>	Allie Norvell		Garrett Sturtz		Cody Barney
Counters <i>Jonnie Carpenter</i>	Jonnie Carpenter Tara Zehr		Kelly Koenen Jen Norvell		Terry Rickers Mickey Van Baale
Bread Ministry Baker <i>Barb Taylor</i>	Jane Repp		Val McKee		Dixie Zegars
Bread Ministry Taker <i>Barb Taylor</i>	Carol Russell		Toni Peska		Dana Hashman
Communion Set up <i>Linda Kirchhoff</i>	Sandy Simbro				Sandy Simbro

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# Lectionary —

## 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

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### July 3 - 7th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Kings 5:1-14; *Ps. 30*; Gal 6 (1-6) 7-16;  
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

### July 10 - 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 7:7-17; *Ps. 82*; Col. 1:1-14;  
Luke 10:25-37

### July 17 - 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Amos 8:1-12; *Ps. 52*; Col. 1:15-28;  
Luke 10:38-42

### July 24 - 10th Sunday after Pentecost

Hosea 1:2-10; *Ps. 85*; Col. 2:6-15(16-19)  
Luke 11:1-13

### July 31 - 11th Sunday after Pentecost

Hosea 11:1-11; *Ps. 107:1-9, 43*;  
Col. 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21