

Roots & Wings

Rooted in Faith, Growing Together, Caring for the Community

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A Stephen Ministry Church

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Hello,
June

Worship Each Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

(childcare is always available)

June 4

Pentecost Day

Service of the Lord's Supper

Please bring your SWEM Donations!

June 11

Trinity Sunday

Annual Church Picnic / Worship

June 18

2nd Sunday After Pentecost

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Wooten's Wonderings...



I don't know about you, but it seems to me that this spring has gone by very quickly. End of school year activities are in full swing and before we know it, June will be over and we will be fully immersed in summer. This year, the Pentecost Season, which, in many ways indicates that summer is not far off, begins June 4th. This Season's theme is:

**"Floating in God's Hands;
Guided by the Spirit;
Navigating with Compassion"**

The image which drives this theme is that of a boat. Traditionally, the sailboat has been a symbol for the church. Over the summer we will explore that metaphor and what it means to be the church inspired by the Spirit. To begin our thinking on this topic, I came across a poem by James Philip Noble about finding our calm center in God in the midst of life's storms.

"Deep Calm"

**The sea ebbs and flows with waves large and small.
The fury of wind and storm
agitate only the surface of the sea.
They may penetrate two or three hundred feet,
but below that is the calm unruffled deep.**

**Life goes on from day to day
Like restless waves out at sea.
And their gentle lapping on the shore.
But there are days when the strong winds blow
and occasionally with the fury of a storm.
Then we are troubled, agitated, and anxious.
We are ruffled and disturbed and maybe scared.**

**The human spirit has the capacity for great depth.
When at our deepest level there is a strong faith
in the eternal God of love,
it brings a deep-down calmness
that gives us stability
when the strong and stormy winds
that come to all on life's journey
disturb and test our spirits.**

Written by John Phillips Noble July 11, 2008.

Found in the book Words and Images that Seep into the Soul.

~Grace and peace, Brandi



SESSION MEETING SUMMARY

At its meeting on May 16, 2017, Session...

...received the Treasurer's Report and Financial summary for the month ending April 30, 2017.
...reviewed the staff evaluation process with Elder Horton, Personnel Committee Chair and Pat Jones, Personnel Committee Representative and shared thoughts pertaining to Pastor Brandi's and Candy Rogers' performance review.
...noted that the team is in place for developing a Child Protection Policy. Adam Scoville and Ken Miner will serve to draft the policy, with Mel Olver and Whitney Scoville acting as consultants.
...noted that Pastor Brandi will be offering an adult study based on the book, Unclobber by Colby Martin. She recently led a discussion study with the Simple Supper group based on this book and what the Bible says about homosexuality.
...noted that Pastor Brandi will be taking vacation May 25, 2017 (and possibly 5/26/17); June 29 – July 9, 2017; and September 3, 2017. Rev. Rod Frohman will preach both Sundays (7/2 and 7/9) and Elder Geoff Wasmer will serve as liturgist on 7/2; Elder Huffman will serve as liturgist on 7/9. Elder McCauley will serve as liturgist on September 3, 2017.
...established Session's summer meeting schedule. There will be no Session meeting in July. The August Session meeting will be August 15, 2017 at 5 p.m. at Ferrari's.
...approved an exception to the Scholarship Fund Policy which will allow 2016 recipient, Audrey Engelbrecht, to use her award during 2017.
...agreed to host the Presbytery Council Meeting on August 21, 2017 at 6 p.m.
...changed the date of the June Session meeting to Thursday, June 22, 2017.
...noted that our Presbytery "Neighborhood Group" will meet together June 13, 2017 for Session training at First Presbyterian Church in Caledonia.

***Remitted by,
Elder Nancy Huffman
Clerk of Session***



SWEM NOTES

As we're all searching the basement, closets, and cupboards for rummage sale donations, it's the perfect time to check your shelves and pantry for food items (not outdated) to donate to SWEM. Our donations are always needed since hunger is an ongoing problem in the Rochester area.

Our donations are always greatly appreciated and we have always been willing to help our neighbors who depend on SWEM. Picking up an extra item or two when you do your food shopping is a great way to help those in need. **Please bring food for SWEM on Communion Sunday, June 4th, and thank you for your donations in May!**

~Jane & Fred Schultzy

EASTER SEASON 2017

(4-16-17 to 6-3-17)

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Season Team events.

*Easter Season Team Members:
Andy Atwater, Whitney Scoville,
Barb Wasmer, Roger Willis*



ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE SATURDAY JUNE 3, 2017

9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

There is a sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall.
Contact Roger Willis at 293-3561
or rwillis004@rochester.rr.com
with questions, or to volunteer.



Personnel Team

The Personnel Committee would like to invite all members of the church for discussion of Chili Presbyterian Church's Staff.

Join us on June 4, 2017, after worship.

We will be asking 3 questions:

1. *What would you like me to do more for the church?*
2. *What would you like me to do less for the church?*
3. *What would you like me to keep the same for the church?*

These questions are asked by the staff member, and the same questions will be asked of the congregation.

This will help the Personnel Committee to do our Annual Reviews.

Thank you in advance for saving the date and thoughtfully and prayerfully considering these questions.

Your Personnel Committee:

*Tim Engelbrecht
Harvey Heer
Carrie Horton
Pat Jones*



Please note that all staff job descriptions are available for your review.

VOLUNTEERS SERVING IN:



June 4*

Greeters: Harvey Heer and Sharon Breeze
Jr. Greeter: Ashleigh Naugle
Childcare: Pat Olson
*Communion: Harvey Heer, Roger Willis, Sara Heer, Barb Wasmer, Geoff Wasmer

June 11 (Picnic)

Greeters: Tim Engelbrecht and Marla Guarnieri
Jr. Greeter: Jennifer Bilyou
Childcare: TBD

June 18

Greeters: Mark Baker and Portia Westfall-Baker
Jr. Greeter: Aidan Snover
Childcare: Whitney Scoville

June 25

Greeters: Tom Leahy and Vicky Leahy
Jr. Greeter: Jessica Bilyou
Childcare: Lisa Snover

PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY

Contact Sharon Breeze (293-1340)

or Pastor Brandi on Sunday,

or call the Church Office (889-9896).

UPDATED POLICIES

Check out the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall for copies of these updated policies:

Funeral/Memorial
Wedding

**Deadline for articles for the
SPECIAL SUMMER 2017 ISSUE of
"Roots & Wings":**

Thursday, June 22nd, by 10 a.m.



2017 PENTECOST SEASON

"Floating in God's Hands; Guided By the Spirit; Navigating with Compassion"

6-4-17 to 9-9-17

**Geoff Wasmer (facilitator), Grace Azzolino, Evan Engelbrecht,
Tim Engelbrecht, Marla Guarnieri**

Sunday, June 11th

Annual Church Picnic

Watch for details!



FELLOWSHIP

Coffee Hour will continue until June 25th.

After a summer sabbatical,
Coffee Hour will return in September!

faith
does not
make things easy
it makes them
POSSIBLE
luke 1:37

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