

# Roots & Wings

# First Presbyterian Church of Chili

"Rooted in Faith, Growing Together, Caring for the Community"





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- Graduation Sunday

Our Officers: Session, Board of Deacons, Board of Trustees

Staff: Pastor: Rev. Brandi C. Wooten, Temporary Supply: Elders Whitney Scoville, CP

& Fred Mollon, Minister of Music and Youth Director: Adam Scoville, Office

Administrator: Sandra McCauley, Custodian: Marla Guarnieri, Media Coordinator:

Rory O'Connor

2023 Season Teams: Lent/Easter, Season of Renewal, Season of Reflection and

Advent/Christmas /Epiphany

Our Music Program: Choir, Glorious Ringers, Chili Worship Team

Mission / Community Support: Cameron Community Ministries, Habitat for Humanity, Presbyterian Church special offerings, Caring For The Community, Chili Pres Food Cupboard, and much more.

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**BEHOLD**.... following last month's potluck kick-off, we are into our sabbatical and taking photos along the way with Jesus...who is always with us on this journey of renewal. If you haven't done so, get your "Jesus on the Journey" figure to color and cut-out. Take photos of Jesus wherever you may be and send them (or bring them in to Sandy) so they can be shared weekly on our website, our bulletin board, and Facebook.

Remember to support the Renewal Team Outreach project by placing your donations

in the "Spreader/Fertilizer Bin" in the sanctuary to for Homesteads for Hope. Thanks to all who have donated so far! Help us to exceed our \$900 goal!



BEHOLD...Mark your calendars for upcoming Renewal activities!

June 11 Church Picnic- Worship (10 AM) and Church picnic at Union Station Park Lodge.

The picnic is funded by the Lilly Grant and catered by Texas BBQ. The menu includes pulled chicken, pork, and beef, macaroni and potato salad, coleslaw, beans, rolls (gluten free available) and cornbread. Dessert will be cupcakes and ice cream. Iced tea and lemonade provided. All tableware provided. Be sure to sign up by June 4<sup>th</sup> so we know how many to plan for.

July 14 (Friday evening, 6:30 PM) -- Alpaca Yoga at LaDue Alpaca Farm in Brockport Enjoy this one-hour experience including 15 minutes learning about the alpacas and 45 minutes of gentle yoga with the alpacas. Take a selfie photo too! This is partially funded by the Lilly Grant. Cost is \$10 per person. Attendance limited to 20 people. Watch for the sign-up sheet. Deadline for signing up is Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.

July 22 (Saturday evening)- Red Wings Baseball game Enjoy seeing Fireworks and celebrating Christmas in July. Two rows behind Home Plate have been reserved for Chili Pres. Tickets are \$15.00 each. Watch for the signup sheet. Deadline for signing up is July 16<sup>th</sup>.

August 5 (Saturday at 9 AM) Devotional Walk at Homesteads for Hope This Devotional Walk will be led by Pastor Whitney Scoville.



Dan & Stephanie Gittens



Jerry's "co-pilot"



**Marlowe Gittens** 



Enjoy Faith, Fun and Fellowship on June 11<sup>th</sup> at Union Station Park Lodge, 25 Rock Island Road (left off Union Street south of the Chili Avenue-Rt 33 intersection at Byrne Dairy

10:00 Hymn Sing and Worship

Lunch catered by Texas BBQ Behold! .... the "Sprayground", good fun, and friends!

Don't forget to bring your Jesus in the Journey for photos!

Sign up in Fellowship Hall by June 4th so we know how many to plan for.









Memorial Art Gallery 21 of us toured the gallery on Sunday, May 21st







#### Personal Care Items needed....

Our Youth Groups are collecting FULL SIZE hygiene items. We are providing bags of these items for people who come to the Food Cupboard each month. It has been a huge gift to families who truly need it. Your donations can be placed in the collection bin in the fellowship room. Thanks for your support of this community ministry.

Tooth brush	Deodorant (men & women)	
Tooth paste	Bar soap	Paper towels
Shampoo	Dish soap	Toilet paper (smaller pkg)
Hair conditioner	Laundry detergent	



For emergency Pastoral care please call either

Elder Fred Mollon (253-324-7553) or Whitney Scoville, CP (585-217-2596)

Summer Newsletter (for July & August) deadline is June 20



We will be celebrating graduation Sunday on June 25 and presenting our student scholarship. You won't want to miss it.....



The July 2023 through June 2024 Sunday volunteer list was distributed in May to those who are scheduled to help with greeting, communion and childcare. Many people graciously give of their time and talent to help out in those areas. But sometime situations come up where they can not help on a particular Sunday. We are ALWAYS looking for more volunteers. If you are interested in occasionally helping out with greeting or child

care, please contact the church office.

Having our church family provide their time to be greeters, communion servers and care for our babies and toddlers in the nursery, is an important ministry of Chili Presbyterian Church. Thank all of you in advance for your service.



June 2023

- 1 Kathy Stowe
- 2 McArthur Anniversary
- 5 Geoff Wasmer
- 9 Wasmer's Anniversary
- 12 Sandy McCauley
- 15 Harvey Heer
- 17 Alice Alger & Zah Anniversary
- 19 Tim Abell
- 20 McKenlee Scoville
- 21 Shane Oliver
- 26 Jean Leiske
- 29 Dan Gittens

### Worship Schedule for June 2023

June 4 - Communion Whitney Scoville, CP

June 11 - Worship Church picnic Whitney Scoville, CP

June 18 - Worship Father's Day Whitney Scoville, CP

June 25 - Worship Graduation Sunday Fred Mollon, preacher

#### June Volunteers

June 4, 2023

Greeters: Sharon Breeze & Jeff Snover

Communion: Grace Engelbrecht (bread), Debbie

Lamphron (juice), Whitney Scoville Jr. Greeter: Henry Gernhardt

Childcare: Vicky Leahy & Becky Sosik Host of Coffee Hour: Cindy Blair

June 11, 2023

**PICNIC** 

Greeters: Beth & John Rowe

June 18

Greeters: Grace & Evan Engelbrecht Childcare: Lori Gittens & Barb Wasmer

June 25

Greeters: Barb Boerschlein & Gail McArthur Childcare: Kathy Mathewson & Beth Rowe

## Jesus in the Journey



Wherever you might go this summer, take pictures so we can share images weekly on our website, on the bulletin board in the hall and on the screen on Sunday. If you have not gotten your "flat Jesus" they are available on the table in the fellowship room or you can call the office (889-9896) and we will send it to your electronically.



The next book we will be reading is <u>The Women of Chateau Lafayette</u> by Stephanie Dray.

Our meeting date to discuss this new book is **Tuesday**, **June 13 at 8:00 PM**. Once again, we will hold our discussion via Zoom. I hope everyone can join us.

# Leadership News

At Special Called Meeting on April 21, 2023 for the purpose of discussing the Personnel Committee's salary proposal for Roland (Adam) E. Scoville III for the position of Director of Families and Youth, the Session, and the Board of Trustees...

...participated in a discussion led by Tim Engelbrecht, Chair of the Personnel Committee, and noted that Session has approved a job description for Director of Families and Youth which enfolds and incorporates responsibilities for the current position of Youth Director and expands responsibilities to include families.

...reviewed and discussed salary and benefit options for Adam Scoville projected over a five-year period at which time the status of position will be evaluated. The five-year projection includes using Miller Trust Funds to support compensation for the position, Director of Families and Youth.

...VOTED to hire Roland (Adam) E. Scoville III for the position of Director of Families and Youth effective August 1, 2023.

...VOTED to approve using up to \$156,000.00 of the Miller Trust over a five-year period to support Roland (Adam) E. Scoville III Scoville's compensation as Director of Families and Youth effective August 1, 2023.

...VOTED to express deep appreciation to Tim Engelbrecht and the Personnel Committee for the extensive research and diligence involved in preparing the job description for Director of Families and Youth, compensation for the position, and benefits options.

...VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 PM. Pastor Brandi closed the meeting with prayer.

Remitted By,

Nancy P. Huffman Clerk of Session



Our Boards will be on Sabbatical too....seeking renewal

- The Board of Deacons will not be meeting in June, July and August
- The Board of Trustees will not be meeting in June, July & August
- The Session will not be meeting in May, June and July. A special meeting may be called if necessary.



### Hope

Last month I shared my views about faith. This month I would like to investigate the word HOPE.

There are many ways to define hope in Webster's dictionary. As a noun, hope can be defined as the feeling that what is wanted can be gained, or that events will turn out for the best. As a verb, hope can be defined as looking forward with desire and reasonable confidence, or putting your trust into something.

There are many verses in the Bible that discuss the word hope as well. These are among my favorites:

Jeremiah 29:11 – "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."

Romans 5:2-5 – "Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us."

As I reflect on the word hope, I have come to realize that life on this earth would be so meaningless without it. If there was no hope, there would be no reason to live with purpose. There would be no drive to seek something better. Our faith would lack depth without knowing that God has planned so much more beyond our lives on earth.

And without hope, healing may not even exist. Individuals who are suffering would have no incentive to get better and would not push to live.

Hope is essential to our existence. It is a life force that keeps pushing us to the next step in our journey. It gives us purpose and something to look forward to, rely on, and pray for in the midst of all our struggles.

It is important to note, however, that hope is not a "get everything my way" attitude. There are times when I believe God is molding us and helping us become stronger, and sometimes we do not get what we hope for. And that is okay! As it says in the Jeremiah passage above, that God is in control and knows what is best for us and has a purpose for us. We can continually pray that we put our hope in God to carry us through each day.

I personally hope in many areas. I always hope that the music which the Lord prepares me with each week during our Sunday Services will reach out and change the hearts and lives or our congregation and beyond for God's glory. I have hope that one day I will see my biological father again, beyond this world. I remember hoping that the Lord would give us children many years ago, and that hope became a reality twice! Now I hope that they grow up to be God-fearing, courageous individuals, with a fire and passion for God's kingdom. These things give me the drive to live each day with purpose because I know God has great plans for me and my family.

Hope is always there – so reach for it! I know that God has great plans for you, and I truly hope that you believe and trust in that fact as well.

Be blessed and continue to let the music play - Adam

## **CHILI PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH GROUP**

Leader: Adam Scoville

cpministerofmusic@gmail.com 585-269-8746

Bio: Junior High and Senior High Youth looking to strengthen their faith in Christ and build lifelong



The coolest kids on the block!

#### Another year coming to a close!

It's hard to believe we are finishing another year of programming for youth group! This year seemed to fly by faster than the others! And as things wind down for the summer, we have a few things important things to share. But first, let's talk about May!

Our youth had a very events in May. We continue to do our Joint Youth group meetings with the various churches. We have averaged 16 kids each week and it has been a blast to get together! Pray that this continues next year! Our Jr. High group attended the church wide Memorial Art Gallery event as well, which was fun! Our youth were eager to see every room in the gallery and it was hard to keep up!

As always, we appreciate the support of our Hygiene Cupboard that we have at church, and continue to ask for donations. As we serve at the Food Cupboard we have been providing bags of hygiene to people who come to the Food Cupboard each month. It has been a huge gift to families who truly need it. A list of items is available at the entryway of church and feel free to contact Adam for questions about our current needs. Also, after a huge donation of diapers we received from Foodlink, we do NOT need any diapers for awhile!

And now for the big announcements! We will be celebrating this year's graduate, Aidan Snover on Sunday, June 25. Please come out and support him as we wish him well on his new journey into college!

Our other announcement is very big! We have a number of youth and adults taking a mission trip together this summer to Houston, TX! We will be leaving August 5 and returning August 11. We will be serving alongside the FAM Houston ministry, which works with refugee and immigrants within the Houston area. Please pray for this group as this trip forms into what God has for us! Mission trips are always life changing! More information to come in next month's newsletter. Please check out FAM Houston's website at <a href="https://www.famhoustontx.org/">https://www.famhoustontx.org/</a> for information on where we are heading and who we will be serving.

Below is the rest of the schedule for the spring!

Peace and love,

Adam, Whitney, McKenlee, and Ethan

Pauly Box schedule:

May 22-June 4 – Brooke Wilson June 5-18 – Leahy's June 19-July 2 – Aidan Snover June 4 – Joint Youth Group! – Both Groups! Leaving from church @ 11:30am-2pm.

June 11 – Church Picnic! Service @ 10am, food and games to follow

Saturday, June 17 – Serving at church for the Chili Food Cupboard. Both Groups! 9:30-11:30am.