



Our Vision

The First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn
September 2014 Newsletter



RALLY DAY

SUNDAY SEPT. 7th

Join us - 9:00am
Mitchell Hall

Hear our exciting
Christian Education
plans for this fall!



A FAITH CHALLENGE

PRAY FOR YOUR FAITH TO GROW IN SEPT

Sermons in Sept will be opportunities for your FAITH to grow.. Expect God to do great things in your lives.

~ Pastor Dave

FISH

dinner & classes
begin

Wed. Sept 10th
6:00pm

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Through
rain,
flood,
the bomb...

see page 12

Saturday Night
Alive!
Contemporary
Praise & Prayer
See page 13



See the VBS Display
by Jan Cobb
& Wendy Palmer
(2nd floor, children's area)
Awesome!

Pray for God to provide for our financial needs.

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Pastor Mike Hoffman, CRE & Educational Coordinator

Rally Day - Our new programmatic year begins on Sunday, September 7th. We will begin the day at 9 AM with a light breakfast in Mitchell Hall. Teachers and Leaders for many of the fall classes will be introduced and all will share a brief description of their class. Children and adults are encouraged to attend. Come and kick-off the year with a wonderful morning.

Sunday Morning Adult Classes - We will offer two classes this fall from 9:00-9:50 AM. I will be teaching a Bible Study on Revelation from InterVarsity Press and Jane Dearth will be offering a practical parenting class. The Revelation class will debunk two common misconceptions about this final book of the Bible, namely that it is difficult to understand and that it is to be treated as a book of predictions (neither are true). The parenting class, based on the book, "Raising Kids Who Turn Out Right" by Dr. Tom Kimmel, will give Christ-centered advice to parents and grandparents on ways to raise up a well-behaved and responsible child. Come and hear more details about each offering.

FISH - FISH, our weekly Wednesday evening educational opportunity, begins on Wednesday, September 10th. Dinner will be at 6 PM with a suggested donation of \$7 per person. Our class will be from 6:45-8:00 PM. Come find out more about the special educational offering that is in the works as this September Vision goes to press!

Woman's Retreat - The annual Woman's Retreat will be held on Saturday, October 25th, in Mitchell Hall. As usual, there will be wonderful food, lots of laughs, Scripture study, afternoon centers, and joyful fellowship. I am encouraging ALL woman, single, married, young and not-as-young, introverts and extroverts, members of the church and those who are visiting to be a part of this wonderful gathering. Mark your calendars for October 25th and call the church office 313.274.1313 to register now!

Small Groups - Did you know that FPC-D has at least ten adult, small groups with a few young adult small groups? These meet on various days and at various times. Some are already full, each has a special focus, and I am always ready to have new ones sprout up. Sign-up sheets will be out in Mitchell Hall on Rally Day, as well as in the Narthex the following week. Sign up and be transformed!

Men's Retreat - Really, this is not a typo! Men, I want to share some ideas that I have for a men's retreat and get your input. A Friday evening (5:30-9 PM) and Saturday morning (8:30-12 noon) will still give you time to cut the lawn, wash the truck, and get ready for Sunday worship. Let's talk!

~ Pastor Mike

Children's Ministry

Fall is here! I hope that everyone had a good break over the summer.

Summer Sunday School was lots of fun. Elementary through mid-high kids were invited to explore the Psalms together. What a great songbook it is! The songs and prayers of the Psalms explore a wide range of feelings and experiences - from thankfulness, joy and security, to uncertainty and longing. We also pulled out the guitars and sang some music of our own - psalms and more.

Sunday School for all will start on September 7th. We look forward to seeing everyone! If your family hasn't been involved in Sunday School yet, now is a great time to start. Christian education is very important for learning about the faith that we celebrate in worship. It's also a time to form friendships and become more involved in the life of the church. Kids' Sunday School will begin that morning upstairs at 9:00am in room 14, all together, for a time of music and worship. Then we'll all divide into our classes by grade.

On Wednesday evenings, during the FISH program, all kids are invited to join us in our journey to Narnia. This year, we'll be reading *The Horse and his Boy*. In the words of C.S. Lewis, *"This is the story of an adventure that happened in Narnia and Calormen and the lands between, in the Golden Age when Peter was High King and his brother and his two sisters were King and Queens under him."* Let's read together and then explore Christian themes through scripture memory, art, games, discussion, and more. Join us at 6:00pm for dinner and 6:45pm for Narnia!

And as a plug for the music department... Kids, come join Children's Choir! Music, fun and friendship are on the agenda!

~Beckie Dicks- Children's Ministries Director



Confirmation Class - Fall 2014

Attention 8th and 9th graders! There will be a **Confirmation Class** meeting for all students who plan to participate in the confirmation program starting this fall. Please bring your parents, too! The meeting will be held immediately following church on Rally Sunday, Sept. 7th in the North Parlor. It should last 30-minutes or less and will cover information about the confirmation program and expectations for the students and parents. This is a required meeting for all who plan to participate. Please see Sue Young or Jonathan Mallard with any questions.

~ Jonathan Mallard



Musings from Pastor Mike, CRE - **Young Adult Ministries and Converge Christian Community Director**

Pastoral Duties – I was blessed to be able to preach as Pastor Dave was away, and enjoyed sharing the Chancel with my friend, Pastor Doug Campbell, as he gave the message. This month I look forward to gearing up to present my message at *Saturday Night Alive*. I continue to mentor three young men and two middle-aged men on a weekly basis. Taking on some of Ann's duties, I now, more than ever, am engaged with Jonathan Mallard as Youth Ministries Director/Converge Discipleship Coordinator, as well as with Beckie Dicks in the position of Children's Ministries Director. God is good!

Young Adult Ministries – *Converge* continues to be going well at Panera Cares every Saturday from 6-7:30 PM, and our focus continues to be about food, fellowship, and faith. We have a meaningful worship time and my messages for the year are on becoming the best servant leader that one is able to become. We are still stressing missions and doing at least two a month, led by the young adult who has the passion to organize and make it happen. I have applied for additional monies from PC-USA's "1,001 New Worshipping Communities" and I should know by press-time if we received this second-tier grant. I am currently meeting every Friday for an excursion with a group of the International Students from U of M-D to visit interesting spots in the metro area, as well as speak exclusively in English. We have visited Astro coffee shop in Corktown, Greenfield Village, as well as had a barbeque in our backyard. Jonathan and I are going through discipleship training together and will branch off with our own "huddles" in a few months. Don Stanfill and I are winding down Converge Landscaping duties for the year and are looking forward to resting our weary backs! Below are two photos of some of the Converge attendees celebrating Summer's and Carolina's Birthday and an interactive lesson set-up on the relationship between Baptism and Communion.



GrouPeru! '15 – We are preparing again for our annual Mission trip to aid the rescued street boys in Peru. Many have told me that they are looking forward to our monthly fundraisers which give the congregation a reason to gather for food and fellowship- lunch always tastes better when you don't have to cook it! Interested in going on the trip? Talk to me! 313.213.8319. God bless you and yours! ~Pastor Mike

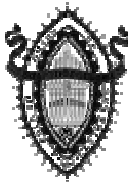
Organ Recital

Friday, Sept. 19th, 7 - 9pm

You are invited to an organ recital in our sanctuary on Friday, September 19th, performed by Mr. Josh Boyd (UM organ student). Josh will be performing his bachelor's recital before he performs it at U of M. Please consider attending this evening of music and enjoy a great performance on our Aeolian Skinner Organ.



American Guild of Organists (AGO) Convention



This past June I attended the National Convention of the American Guild of Organists in Boston. This was a week filled with concerts, workshops, worship opportunities and much networking and camaraderie. I was able to attend workshops dealing with music for children, various styles of worship as well as workshops directly dealing with the art and craft of the organist in church as well as concert.

*Peace to you,
Dr. Tim Huth, your organist*



LABOR DAY- Monday, September 1st

Since Labor Day first became a federal holiday in 1894, the first Monday of September has been set apart to celebrate and value in American society the role of our workers and their work by providing, ironically and fittingly, a day off to rest and enjoy the fruits of one's labor...

A worthy exercise on this Labor Day, amidst the resting and celebrating, would be to take a few minutes of reflection on the deeper meaning of one's labor, and how one's faith shapes our understanding of the value of our jobs. We ask, 'How is my job creating good in the world?' or 'How is my job helping fix what is broken in the world?'... if we take a few minutes on the Monday that is Labor Day to find compelling answers to these questions, we'll return to our labor Tuesday with a lot more passion to get down to work, and do our work well, for our sake, for the sake of others, and for God's sake.

Source: Rev. Bill Haley, Associate Rector at the Falls Church Anglican, and contributor to the Washington Post's local faith leader network.



Music Corner

Here we go! It's September and time to kick off our music ministries for the fall! There are many ways to be involved in the music ministry here at First Presbyterian. I'd love to have anyone who's interested in singing or playing music involved!

Adult Choir meets on **Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm** after the F.I.S.H. dinner. We meet in the choir loft. All are welcome! We'd love to have you come and "check us out!" We look forward to singing in the services and preparing for the NOËL festival in December!

Youth Choir meets on **Sunday afternoons at 5:00pm** in the loft. We look forward to adding several new singers this fall. The choir is open to all youth grades 6 and up. We try to sing a wide variety of music, and look forward to singing both some traditional type pieces and also singing with the band again this year.

Children's Choir meets on **Sunday afternoons at 3:30pm** in the loft. This choir is open to all children, grades 2 to grade 5. We have a lot of fun singing and learning about music! We'd love to see you there!

Handbell Choir meets on **Sunday afternoons at 4:30pm** in the Handbell Room (rooms 3A & 3B) downstairs. This is open to all children and youth. We look forward to ringing both chimes and handbells. It's a fun time and we're all learning as we go, so come check us out!

For those of you who play instruments, we'd like to see you get involved, playing along with the hymns and providing "Special Music" moments for the congregation. If you're interested, please see me!

We're always looking for people who are interested in providing "Special Music" for the service. If you would like to minister in this way, please see me.

I hope your last month of summer vacation was wonderful!

~ In Christ, Marshall

Dear Pastor Dave,

Thanks so much for your help in finding a Pastor for my mother's, Virginia Beaudette, memorial service. Robert McQuilkin was wonderful. It was a short but meaningful service.

I would also like to thank you for the cards and church newsletters that my mother received in the three years she lived in Tennessee. She read them over and over again.

*God bless you,
Barbara Robinson & Jo Pritchard (Virginia's daughters)*



Dear friends at First Church-Dearborn,

We at Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church wish to give you a note of 'Thanks' for all the food you've donated for our HELPING HANDS FOOD PANTRY. Thus far this year (through July 2014) you have donated 724 food items!!!!

God bless you for helping people in need of food assistance.

*Carolyn VandenBosh
Helping hands*



A Huge Thank-You from GrouPeru! for all of the support & attendance at the August 10th Corn and Brat Roast. A special thank you to Bob and Carol Brinton for donating all that corn and watermelon, Bob and Diane Missler for the use of their grill, and to all those who made extra donations beyond the suggested price. Hats –off to Chris Masouredis and Lynn Hoffman for all the Saturday prep work. Whoo-who to Lynn Hoffman, Chris Masouredis, Elissa Hoffman, Grace Doverspike, Natalie Husby, and Wendy Palmer for serving and cleaning up. We were also able to make a generous donation of left-over food to the Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries. When God gives us “just enough,” we share what we have with those in need. When God blesses us abundantly, we share with reckless abandon!

- Pastor Mike



A special 'Thank You' to Lorraine Lamkin for her years of dedicated service to the Presbyterian Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study. Lorraine's insights and wise counsel have provided a wonderful ministry to those seeking His truth.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
	Labor Day 1 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAY (DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN)	2 9am Men's Fellowship Work 10am Physical & Spiritual Fitness- YC 7pm Property- Library 7-8pm Deacons- R12 7-9pm Worship & Arts- SP 7:30-9pm AA- MH	10am Stephens-Currie- NP 10am-4pm Treasure Chest 10:30am-12pm ALL Staff - SP 7-9pm Adult Choir- Sanct., Turco
Communion 7 Rally Day 9am Rally Day Breakfast- MH, K 9:25am Adult Choir 10am Worship Service- Sanctuary After worship- Confirmation Mtg- NP 1-2:30pm Hoffman Small Group- R16 3-4:30pm 4:12 Youth Group – YL, YC 7pm Bible Study- Bert Ebi's	8 11:30am-2pm Garden Club- MH 6:30pm NAMI- NP 7-9pm Greeting Card- R14 7-9pm Outreach & Missions- SP 7:30-9pm Boy Scout Troop- YC DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN	9 9am Men's Fellowship Work 10am Physical & Spiritual Fitness- YC 7:30-9pm AA- MH	10am-4pm Treasure Chest 6-6:45pm FISH Kickoff- MH, K (dinner) 6:45-8pm Class- NP 7-9pm Adult Choir- Sanct., Turco DEADLINE FOR VISION
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2014

	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3	4	5	6 Set up Communion 9am-11am Rebekah Circle- MH or R12 6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares
10	11 10-11:30am PW Bible Study- NP 11am C.O.M. (Pastor) offsite 6:30-7:30pm Physical & Spiritual Fitness- YC	12 6:30-9pm Game Night- MH 7pm Praise Event Rehearsal- Sanctuary	13 10am-12pm BEOM Club- NP 10am-2pm Treasure Chest 6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares
17	18 10-11:30am PW Bible Study- NP 6:30-7:30pm Physical & Spiritual Fitness- YC 7-8:30pm GriefShare- SP	19 7pm Josh Boyd Organ Recital- Sanctuary	20 9am PW Board- NP 4:30-5:30pm Saturday Night Alive- Sanctuary 6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares
24	25 10-11:30am PW Bible Study- NP 5:30-9pm Boy Scout Council- MH, Kit., NP 6:30-7:30pm Physical & Spiritual Fitness- YC 7-8:30pm GriefShare- SP 7-9pm Knitting Group- Sewing Room	26 12-6pm Scrapbook Event setup- MH, K	27 8am-9pm Scrapbook Event- MH, K 6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares

All Day Scrapping, Stamping and Crafting Fall Fundraising Event

Saturday September 27th from 8am-9pm

Registration Fee: \$40

Registration includes personal 8 ft. table space, 1 raffle ticket, meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks and beverages), free workshops and fellowship! Consultants from different crafting vendors (e.g. Close To My Heart, Ahni & Zoe, Oragami Owl and It Works!) will be performing demonstrations throughout the day and offering scrap-book supplies for sale.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the ChristNet program, a local rotating night shelter and permanent daytime shelter for the homeless, located in the downriver communities.

To register or for info., please contact Jeni Cole at (248) 470-7875 or jlcole1971@gmail.com.



Hydrocephalus Awareness



Congratulations to AJ Alley on completing his 30-mile Walk to raise money and awareness for Hydrocephalus!! His walk began at 10 am at Lower Huron Metro Park and ended at 6 pm at Lake Erie Metro Park. If you didn't get a chance to support him and you still want to, there will be a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser Sept. 20th from 1-3pm at the Allen Park Community Center (15800 White Avenue, Allen Park, MI 48101).



There are simply no words to express my heartfelt thanks for the support you have extended to me during this time of healing. Your presence and absolute willingness to help with anything needed was a great comfort. Whether you made a meal, visited, texted, called, sent a card, brought flowers, grocery shopped, knit a prayer shawl and/or, most of all, prayed, I am deeply grateful.

Thank you, Ann Phillips



... for though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks to Him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their senseless minds were darkened. *Romans 1:21*

What is so important about belief in God? What difference does belief in God actually make?

Our verse is in a passage (*Rom. 1:18-32*) about suppressing truth (v.18) that brings God's wrath. God reveals Himself so clearly in Creation that unbelief is inexcusable (vv.19, 20). Despite seeing God's works, mankind rejects Him, resulting in dark and confused thinking (v.21), (*Eph. 4:17-19*). Human arrogance replaces the incorruptible God with worship of corruptible lesser things (v.22, 23) and ingratitude for His mercies and Creation. The resulting wrath includes the consequences of our sinful choices. Morality declines, sexual sins increase (vv.24 – 27) as do envy, strife, insolence and ruthlessness (vv.28-31); this culminates with human society deliberately praising those who openly practice what they know to be wrong (v.32).

The first half (verses 1-17) of Romans 1 is about the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ; this second half of Romans 1 is the contrast – man deliberately rejecting God (and Christ). After rejecting God, we claim mastery of all things, we do our own will instead of His, and we seek meaning for our lives excluding Him. Our claim to be wise leads to folly (*Psalms 14:1*), futile thinking, and dark minds (v.22).

Verse 21 teaches that despite knowing about God (*Psalms 19:1-4*), we do not like Him. Those who realize their sin will repent and turn to Christ for forgiveness and a new life with God. "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (*Rom. 6:23*). Others reap the godlessness they have chosen (*2 Thess. 1:9*).

May God continue to bless you as you grow in your fellowship with Him.

~John Holden

Sunday Bulletin Announcements: Please submit your announcements for the **Sunday Bulletin** to **Vicki no later than noon the Monday prior to the service at vickidfpcd30@gmail.com**. Please use Microsoft Word format when sending your articles via email. There is also a bin in the front office of the church for your submissions. ~ Thank you, Vicki Davidson—Administrative Assistant.

Our Vision is the monthly newsletter of The First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn. Articles are to be turned in to the office or emailed to Jim Barber at jimb@firstpresdearborn.org no later than the **10th** of the month. Please date your articles & **keep them brief - one page or less. Longer articles will result in smaller font. We reserve the right to edit as needed.**

**If you are KEEN... and over 50 years of age,
YOU ARE A ~ Keenager**

Please join us the fourth Wednesday of each month for Christian Fellowship and Information as we go for lunch, or meet in Mitchell Hall. Check the Keenager bulletin board for details and sign-up sheet.



Through rain, flood, the bomb...

For some reason we received a package that contained components that resembled a bomb. The Dearborn Police Bomb Squad determined it to be harmless.

Electronic Giving Update

Testing for Phase 1 has been successfully completed. Thank you to my testing volunteers! On to Phase 2 which will involve connecting to online giving through the web site. If you would like to participate in electronic giving and have your offerings electronically withdrawn from your checking or savings account, please contact **Nancy Setterlun at church, (313) 274-1313; ext. 15** for more information. ~ *Nancy Setterlun*



Knitters Welcome!

Knitters of all ability levels and knitter “wannabes”: Please join the FPC knitters Thursday, September 25th from 7-9 pm in the Sewing Room for a relaxing evening of fellowship and knitting. Bring your own project, come for some knitting tutoring, or just come to see what we are about. We meet on the fourth Thursday of each month so if this month doesn’t work out, plan on joining us next month. ~ *Lynn Hoffman*

Financial Challenge

Over-runs due to high heating and snow removal costs have resulted in notable financial deficit. We anticipate that our faithful will catch up on their giving over the next few weeks and enable us to be in a healthier financial position.

In the interest of dealing with our financial challenges, please forward any ideas you may have on lowering our church’s operating costs to Pastor Dave or Jim Barber.

We thank you for your faithfulness and commitment to our church family.

God bless, ~ *Pastor Dave*



SATURDAY NIGHT ALIVE!

- **Saturday, Sept. 20, 2014**
- **4:30-5:30pm**
- **First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn**

Contemporary Praise Music & Prayer Event

Come join us for an hour of contemporary praise music and worship. All are welcome! We hope to fill your hearts with the love of God through some upbeat, powerful music and messages! See you there!



4:12 Youth Group (6th-12th Grade)

It's fall again, and along with school and football comes weekly 4:12 gatherings! We are ready for another exciting year with the 6th-12th grade students. We meet on Sundays from 3-4:30pm. Please pray that the students will experience the life transforming power of God's Word, worship and prayer. We also have 13 students that will be going through the confirmation program during Sunday morning education hour.

We plan to include more parents and church members in 4:12 this year as we all use our gifts and talents to help raise up the next generation of the church. We will also have boys and girls' retreats in September. Please pray that the students will encounter the Holy Spirit and form strong friendships for the school year. Thank you for loving and supporting the youth as we raise up students to be and make disciples who share God's love, seek His truth and serve His world. ~ Jonathan Mallard, Youth Ministries Director

Grief-Share Support Group- Thurs. Sept. 18th—Dec. 18, 2014, 7-8:30pm at First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn, 600 N. Brady, Dearborn, MI 48124. Christ-centered support group for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one due to death. \$25 fee. Website for group: www.griefshare.org Please call for reservations at 313-274-1313.

~ Chris Mayer, R.N.; Parish Nurse



CALLING ALL QUILTS

If you're like me, you probably enjoy making quilts but run out of places to use them and people to give them to. I discovered by accident that the VA Hospital in Detroit is in need of quilts and lap robes for the veterans there. While people don't mind going to Ann Arbor's VA hospital, few seem to be willing to go to Detroit's. Please consider bringing your extra quilts, lap robes, and afghans to church and leaving them in the office. I will make sure they get delivered to the Detroit hospital. Thank you for making our veterans' lives a little nicer. ~ Dottie Kennedy



With Sympathy

We offer our sincere condolences to:

~ The family and friends of long-time, active member Margo Martinez who passed away on August 1st.

~ Lynette Carlson and family on the August 16th passing of Lynette's mother, Viola Beagan.

~ Diane Perkovich and family on the August 25th passing of her father, Reginald Robinson.

Please keep these families in your prayers.

Pastor Dave's new address!

**Oakwood Common
16351 Rotunda Dr. APT 366D
Dearborn, MI 48120**



Special thanks to Tom Kopke for helping arrange this great new apartment for me. The apartment is really nice and the facilities are excellent.

~ Pastor Dave

Sunday Night Bible Discussion Group

The Sunday night Bible discussion group will begin a study of the Gospel of Matthew on Sunday, September 8th. Rev. John Sefcik started and ran this class for many years prior to his death. His wife, Delfine sent John's notes to us, so we still have the benefit of John's Biblical insights. If anyone is interested in studying Matthew, please read the first 3 or 4 chapters and join us at 7:00PM at Bert Ebi's house (501 Kingsbury). The meetings last one hour.



Mission Sewing

To all our members who wish to support this ministry we ask that you look for us in the Narthex during the month of September. We work with several charities through the presbytery to collect articles which are needed by the charities. These are personal articles such as clothing, school supplies, personal hygiene, and toys. In March sewers get together to make some articles like receiving blankets, adult bibs, and walker bags. We also knit baby hats. But there are many other things we cannot make ourselves and these are the ones we ask you, our members, to donate.

Yours in Christ, Olimpia Todor - Mission Sewing coordinator

NEED A LIFT? WE'D LIKE TO HELP!

Not just to church. If you or someone you know needs a ride to an appointment, the store, Sunday service or a church event, your FPC family would like to help. Contact Nancy Barber at (313)565-2741, Bob Missler at (313)791-0377, or call the church at (313)274-1313. Also, if you are free to occasionally help with driving, we'd like to hear from you too. ~Bob Missler, Deacon Moderator. *Matthew 25:40 "Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."*



New Logo Name Tags

Name tags with our new cross logo can be ordered through the deacons. This is a good way for all of us to get to know each other. To order, please see Bob Missler, Deacon Moderator (313)791-0377.

Our church family,

Thank you for all the love, friendship & spiritual guidance in the last four years.

We take your teachings with us.

~Bill & Betsy McNab

September Birthdays



09/01: Jane Currie
09/02: Diane Perkovich, Drew Schwartz
09/03: Nathan Barranger
09/05: Jose Brailsford
09/06: Jewell Dean, Linda Hall
09/07: Lynn Hoffman, Marion Westby
09/08: Nancy Badore, Bill Kennedy
09/09: Johanna Bolash, Michael Hoffman, Callie Wyatt
09/10: Bud Cashwell
09/11: Reymond Sullivan
09/13: Lutz Reiter, Karen Fink, Lucas Wyatt, Elissa Hoffman
09/16: Gary White, Irene Watts
09/20: Sharon Laura, Beth Ehrenberg, Chris Martin
09/21: Jean Johnston, Phoebe Hough
09/24: Betty Brown, Chad Hanson
09/25: Marie Shearer, Kelsey Knoop
09/27: Beverly Fisher, Megan Hemp
09/28: Andrea Hanson, Leah Behrens
09/29: Dick Smith, Doris Matthews, Robert Miller, Geoffrey Dicks, Laura Mallard
09/30: Eugene Smith, Richard Klepinger

	Flu/Pneumonia Shots Sunday, Sept. 21st 11:00am-Parlors \$25-Flu \$35-Pneumonia
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Meals for the Homebound

Some of our homebound congregation could use assistance with meals. The next time you are preparing something that is easily frozen, just make a little extra. Freeze enough for two people in a nonreturnable container and drop it off at church, letting the office know. The Deacons will deliver it. This small gesture will mean a lot to the recipients and what a wonderful way to show our Christian love. Bob Missler - Deacon Moderator

Sunday Morning Worship

10:00 am

September 7 / - Communion, Rev. Dave Bleivik

September 14 / - Rev. Dave Bleivik

September 21 / - Rev. Dave Bleivik

September 28 / - Rev. Dave Bleivik

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Our Vision

Sent with a Prayer

Are you praying for Vision?
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