



Rev. Teresa Peterson, Pastor

Flushing Presbyterian Church

July 28, 7 PM - A Service of Healing

"Healing services and a healing ministry are subjects that make many Reformed Christians skeptical or uneasy. We've heard countless stories of the trickery and fraud of superstar 'faith healers' who've gathered millions of dollars as they've led their healing rallies around the country, and they've left a bad taste in our mouth. We've also been taught that John Calvin believed that the gifts of the Spirit ceased with the apostolic age. That philosophy has been reflected in the practice of our own congregations, most of which have never witnessed the anointing and laying on of hands that are part of a healing service."¹

So why would we, at Flushing Presbyterian Church, even consider conducting a service of healing or wholeness? A great question. One the Spiritual Growth (SG) Team has been considering for months because of a request to use a spiritual gift.

SG and the pastor began a discussion: Was this Biblically sound? Do Presbyterians even do such a thing? What would such a service look like? And addressed the very real underpinnings of - This makes us really nervous and uncomfortable!

What We Found: The Book of Order, PC(USA) governing manual, has a section on what a "Service of Wholeness" should be (BO W-3.5400) and why we might have such a service. In short, a Service of Healing/Wholeness with the Laying on of Hands (if desired) is enacting a piece of Jesus' ministry (we know he conducted many acts of healing, both physical and spiritual) and is a focus on prayer.

With that information and the sincerity of the request, SG took the request to Session who voted to move forward with this special worship service. We are seeking to be faithful and trying to step out of the way so the Spirit might lead us.

It is with confidence in Christ, that you are invited to explore this special worship service. It will be a worship service with prayers, singing, a short meditation, some "open space," and opportunities for anointing with oil and laying on of hands.

Come explore. The Spirit moves in many ways. We are opening a door for renewal and wholeness. Amen!

--Pastor Teresa

¹ *Reformed Worship*, "Healing Services," Wise, Robert L, March 1989.



KINDERCHURCH Help Needed

We have decided to continue providing Kinderchurch for children (3 years old through 3rd grade) during the summer months. We are in need of volunteers to help with this important ministry for the young members of our congregation. If you are willing to help with Kinderchurch one Sunday per month during July and August, please sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board. Contact Carrie Younkin or Julie Socha if you have any questions.



Please note that we will NOT be hosting coffee hour during July and August. Coffee Hour will return in September. Volunteers are needed to host. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.



Golf Outing Benefits Habitat for Humanity

Mark your calendar for the 18th Annual Jim Parciarelli Habitat for Humanity golf outing, which will be held on **Sunday, July 28th at 1:00 PM** at Briar Ridge Golf Course. The cost is \$50 per person with the proceeds to benefit Habitat for Humanity. Lunch will be a hotdog, chips and a soft drink. Prizes will be awarded, with the golfer having the lowest score picking first, then each player in order by their score. For more information, please contact Johnny Dulin, Mike Keeler or Scott Tucker.



July and August will bring us some great opportunities to hear and experience beautiful music from within and outside of our congregation. Spiritual Growth wants you to be sure to take note of the dates these guests will be here and to give them a warm FPC welcome! On July 28th, we welcome Linda and Tim Dubovsky as they share their gifts. And we welcome back soloist Dan Hayes on August 25th, as he shares his musical talents with us also!

Kathy Dubovsky will also be taking a couple of Sundays off. In her place will be one of her students. We are grateful for the chance to help encourage a young student as he learns the difficult skill of accompanying a large group. Be sure to again offer words of encouragement and thanks for his generous service.



Even though it seems that summer has just begun, preparation for the next school year has already started! The Community Outreach Team will again be assisting *Kinship Caregivers*, who are grandparents raising grandkids. This program is administered by Catholic Charities and has a support group that meets in Flushing. You can help by placing back packs, crayons, pencils, pens, scissors, glue stix, spiral notebooks, erasers, etc. in the large box in the Narthex. Cash contributions for purchasing school supplies will also be accepted - be sure to indicate "School Supplies" on the memo line of your check. **The deadline for donating supplies is Sunday, August 4th.**

Outdoor Worship Service



**August 18th
10:30 AM**

We will be having a special outdoor worship service in our pavilion on August 18th. Music will be provided by Fred Prause and Milly MacMain-Prause. They will be accompanied by Kathy Dubovsky on the piano. Be sure to bring a folding chair, and wear appropriate clothing for a non A/C environment. Special refreshments will be provided in the pavilion both prior to and following the service. If you are able to assist in set-up, please arrive around 9:00 AM.

the **TREES** of the forest
shall **SING** for joy.
Psalm 96:12



We will be holding a Blood Drive on Monday, August 5th, from 12:00 - 5:45 PM. Please consider giving blood if you are able.



A CHANGE: VG's "Community Sharing Fund" becomes "Cash for Class"

VG's Grocery Stores will be discontinuing their "Community Share" program in August. They will be replacing this program with "Cash for Class", a new program that will allow participants to raise money for our church. Their new program will be tied to their "Yes" card and requires that you link your card to Flushing Presbyterian Church. If you shop at VG's and would like more information, please contact Carole Tucker or the church office.



Beginning in September, Newsletters will **ONLY** be mailed to those that have requested that their Newsletter be sent in the mail. All other Newsletters will be emailed or available for pickup at the church.



A NEW children's after-school program will be beginning in September. Watch for details in the September Newsletter!!



Mark your calendar for **October 26th** ... We will be hosting a Special Fall Seminar led by Julianne Princinski. Watch for more details in the September Newsletter.



The Chancel Choir will begin their rehearsals on **Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 7:00 PM**. We welcome anyone who is interested in giving us a "try"!!

The Handbell Choir is in need of people interested in ringing. If you know a "little" about music, you are more than welcome to join us for a rehearsal or "two" and see if this would be of interest to you. As of this date, we are unable to begin our rehearsals until November 5, 2013 because of outside activities of our current members. But, if there is an interest for individuals wanting to learn to ring, rehearsals will begin sooner. Our choirs are full of friendly members, so, if you are looking for a fun-filled evening out, here is the place to come!!!

Please contact Marilyn Schmoak for more information.





Sunday, September 8th

- Christian Education Classes return - 9:30 AM
 - Classes for ALL ages
 - Parents – Bring the kids and check out one of the Adult Classes
 - Following the worship service, please join us in the pavilion for our Sunday School picnic and games (we are exploring a family style softball game)
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**Blessing
of the Backpacks
September 8th
10:30 AM**

Blessing of the backpacks (book bags, brief cases, etc.) will be conducted on Rally Sunday, September 8th, during our worship service.



Thank You Notes

From Flushing High School SAAD...

Thank you for making our mock accident a success. We really appreciate all of your help. The kids enjoyed it and we couldn't have done it without you.

From GFWC - Flushing Women's Club...

We are sending this card to thank you for allowing our club to have our meetings in your church. We appreciate your facility and the use of your kitchen. See you in August.

From Joyce Shepherd...

Vern is really appreciating the cards and visits. His life has been very difficult for quite awhile now - but he's doing better every day. We are very thankful. Thank you for your concern.



At God's Backyard Bible Camp, 27 kids learned all about how to serve family, friends, neighbors, community and Jesus! The children also made awesome crafts, played silly games, enjoyed some amazing snacks and sang some foot stompin' songs!! A fun time was had by all, including the staff!

We want to **thank everyone** who supported God's Backyard Bible Camp VBS last month. Your donations of money, food and other items were **greatly appreciated**. We truly could not make it happen without the support of this wonderful congregation. **A BIG thanks** to all the volunteers who continue to feel a calling to join us each year. We hope you had so much fun that you will be back next year! If we borrowed anything of yours for decorating, you can find your "stash" in the computer room located in the CE wing (VBS Supplies sign is on the door). And as we say in God's Backyard ... *"Love God, Love Neighbors!"*

Karen Howe and Julie Socha

Acolytes Needed!!

Any youth in second through seventh grade who is interested in participating in the Sunday service by being an acolyte should contact Diane Rowley at 720-1356 or Jeanne Blanton at 659-8767.

Our acolytes have a very important job. They bring the light of Christ into the sanctuary and lead the congregation out of worship with the light as well. They also assist the pastor with communion and baptisms.



Stay connected with Weekly Updates from the Pastor

If you would like to receive weekly email updates from Pastor Teresa about prayer requests and upcoming events, please contact the office with your current email address.



RELAY FOR LIFE FLUSHING – SWARTZ CREEK

Scott & Sandy Tucker would like to thank all the members of Flushing Presbyterian Church for their wonderful support and participation in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life on the weekend of June 14-15, 2013. We raised a total of \$5,300.00 as a team, the Relay raised over \$37,000 so far, and those totals are still going up! We would like to say a very special, heartfelt thank you to Todd and Rayna Roddie. Sandy and I might have been listed as team captains, but Todd and Rayna were just as much captains as we were. Reaching our team's fundraising goal would not have been possible without Todd and Rayna. They helped Sandy and I get enthusiastic about Relay again. Thank you Todd and Rayna!!

We would also like to thank some other special people who helped out immensely... Youth Group members past and present, Ryan and Tyler Roddie, who helped set up the team campsite. Alexis Allred, Paige Albert and Jackson Bitterman, who stayed down at the park with us all through the night. Carol Noye, Mike and Sylvia Keeler, who helped work at the site allowing us to go to many of the ceremonies. Rosie Nicholas deserves a thank you of her own as she came down at 3:00 am to walk and stayed at the site while those of us that had been there all day and night took a break to get some much needed sleep. We also want to thank our mothers, Carole and Norrine - they are our inspiration for why we Relay every year. Lastly, a HUGE Thank You to all the walkers, you all round out the team.

We can't wait for next year... Happy Relaying!!

Scott & Sandy Tucker





July 7

Communion Preparers:
Communion Servers: Dave & Joan Finley, Carole Noye, Dennis Sanborn
Flowers: Steve Howe
Sound Board Operator: Brett Albert
Ushers: Carol Dulin, Brenda Hollenbeck, Karen Howe, Kathy Lescelius
Lay Leader: John Dulin

July 14

Flowers: Betty Harley
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Jerry & Loretta Hudson, Lisa & Tim Judson
Lay Leader: Carol Dulin

July 21

Flowers: Rosie Nicholas
Sound Board Operator: Randy Socha
Ushers: Kathy Miller, Natalie Lucas, Bob & Joyce Tassell
Lay Leader: Ashley B

July 28

Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Carole Noye, Bev & Bob Blair
Lay Leader: Sylvia Keeler



August 4

Communion Preparers:
Communion Servers: Dan & Flora Radspieler, Dennis Sanborn, Carole Tucker
Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Brett Albert
Ushers: Ginnie Panek, Pat Pratt, Roy Rhoads, Michael R
Lay Leader: Shirley Baker

August 11

Flowers: The Hudson Family
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Dan & Flora Radspieler, Dennis Sanborn, Ed Shipley
Lay Leader: Ed Davison

August 18

Flowers: Jeanne & Mac McClellan
Sound Board Operator: Randy Socha
Ushers: Bob & Joyce Tassell, Sandy & Scott Tucker
Lay Leader: Lynette Daig

August 25

Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Carole Tucker, Bill Weiss, Laura Widman, Mary Ellen Zellers
Lay Leader: Carole Tucker





July

- 1 Jake B, Kathy Dubovsky
- 4 Flora Radspieler
- 6 Megan R
- 7 Chris Bitterman, Kathy Lescelius,
Jean & Ray Hagan
- 8 Ella Baney, Lois Miller, Joyce Tassell
- 9 Bridget Kastar, Griffin H
- 11 Bill Ballagh
- 12 Walker Fesmire, Karen Howe, Julie Socha
- 13 Joshua Y
- 14 Tim Bradish, Virginia Churchill, Christine
Cooper, Betty Harley
- 17 Kip Hogan, Jeff Rumsey
- 19 John Daig
- 20 Nancy Shell
- 23 Gordon & Kay Hall
- 25 Bill Nicholas
- 26 Earl Sanders
- 28 Al Basner



August

- 1 Jeanne Sanders, Steve Walther
- 4 Norman Dickenson
- 5 Virginia Basner, Brenda Hollenbeck,
Kathleen & Roy Rhoads
- 7 William Wolfe, Joyce & Vern Shepherd
- 9 Brett Albert, Elle B, Todd Roddie
- 10 Dan Radspieler
- 11 Sandy & Steve Walther
- 12 Brian & Janet (Daig) Tweddle
- 13 Dan & Flora Radspieler
- 14 Morgan B, Alex W, Helen & Norman Dickenson
- 15 John Dulin, Dale Linscott
- 16 Bill Churchill, Lauren Timmons, Beverly &
Bob Blair
- 17 Carol Brownell, Carole Noye, Jeanne & Mac
McClellan
- 18 Kiriel D, Ken Hagenbuch, Kelly Stein
- 21 Beverly Tuttle
- 22 Jerney & Shamiah Specht
- 25 Dean & Pat Bemis
- 26 Ken Taylor, Michael & Sylvia Keeler
- 27 Nancy & Ronald Young
- 28 Alan Watterworth
- 29 Kay Hall, Janet & Bill Ballagh
- 30 Marty & Bob Williams



The email address for the church office is
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If you would like to send an email directly to Pastor
Teresa Peterson, her email address is:
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Financial Highlights

Average 2013 Collections	\$3,554
Average May Collections	\$3,934
Average 2012 Collections	\$3,734
Average needed for Budget	\$4,202

Lectioary Readings

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

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

July 21: Amos. 8:1-12; Ps. 52; Col. 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

July 28: Hos. 1:2-10; Ps. 85; Col. 2:6-15 (16-19); Luke 11:1-13

August 4: Hos. 11:1-11; Ps. 107:1-9, 43; Col. 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21

August 11: Isa. 1:1, 10-20; Ps. 50:1-8, 22-23; Heb. 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40

August 18: Isa. 5:1-7; Ps. 80:1-2, 8-19; Heb. 11:29 - 12:2; Luke 12:49-56

August 25: Jer. 1:4-10; Ps. 71:1-6; Heb. 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17



The Flushing Christian Outreach Center (FCOC) is desperately in need of the following items: brown paper sacks and personal items. Personal items include: razors, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products, diapers (all sizes), deodorant, shampoo, etc. Also, during the month of August, The FCOC is going to be handing out new socks and underwear to school age children. If you would like to help, you can deliver the items directly to the FCOC or bring your donations into the church and put them in the FCOC bin located just outside of the kitchen door.

New FCOC Board Member Needed

After years of faithful service, Helen Dickenson has stepped down as our board member representative to the Flushing Christian Outreach Center.

The Community Outreach Team, which oversees our relationship with FCOC, is seeking to fill this position. Requirements are to attend monthly board meetings and to report back to us updates regarding FCOC. We are hoping for a commitment to the end of the year.

If you are interested, please contact Pat Pratt or Kathy Miller. Helen can certainly fill you in if there are other duties. Thank you for considering this position.



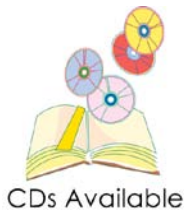
You Eat, We Earn!!

Olio's Cafe & Grill (1072 Elms Road) offers a program that pays our church 10% of the cost of your dinner. Just let your server know that you want your check credited to Flushing Presbyterian Church and they will take care of it. A win-win situation - you enjoy a meal out AND earn money for our church!

ONGOING EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES



Book & Breakfast Club meets at 9:30 AM on the first Friday of the month at Liberty Restaurant on Pierson Road. All are welcome!



CD copies of our worship services are available to those who are unable to attend worship on Sunday. Please contact the church office. You can also listen to the sermon on our website, flushingpres.org.

Card Ministry



Card Ministry...Sympathy, Get Well, Thinking of You and blank note cards are collected for our ongoing card ministry. Please deliver cards to the church office.



FCOC (Flushing Christian Outreach Center)
One of the ways we support the Outreach Center is by collecting food and personal care items. The collection basket is located by the kitchen door.



LIFT (Ladies In Fellowship Together) is a group that meets for fellowship among all ladies of the church. Trips are planned for all ages to enjoy.



LOGOS

LOGOS is an after school program for children in grades K – 6 that meets on Wednesdays from 3:45 – 6:30 PM during the school year. Contact Bill or Rosie Nicholas for information.



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Men's Fellowship/Bible Study...This group meets for breakfast and study at 8:30 AM on Thursdays at Liberty Restaurant on Pierson Road. (September through May) All men are welcome.



Music Opportunities

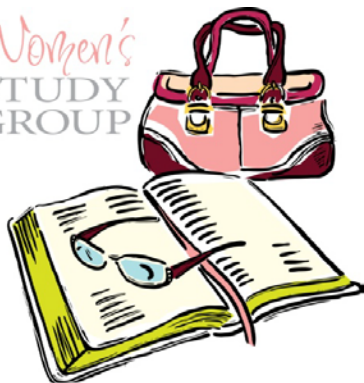
Music Opportunities...The Chancel Choir (Vocal choir) has rehearsals at 7:00 PM on Thursdays and the **Handbell Choir** rehearses at 7:00 PM on Tuesdays (September through May). Please contact Marilyn Schmoak for information on these choirs.



The Noisy Offering

The Noisy Offering is collected by the children of the congregation on the second Sunday of each month. This offering is part of "Two Coins a Meal" that funds hunger programs.

Women's
STUDY
GROUP



The Priscilla Circle meets at the church at 9:30 AM on the fourth Thursday of each month for fellowship and study. All women are invited to attend.



The Perpetual Book Sale...Gently used books can be donated for this sale. Proceeds will be given to local missions. Refer questions to Carol Dulin or the church office.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Group meets in the church library at 9:30 AM on the second Thursday of each month. Contact Bev Blair with any questions, or if you would like instructions.



Ronald McDonald House

Aluminum tabs from beverage containers are collected and donated to the *Ronald McDonald House* in Ann Arbor to help support families who stay there while their children are hospitalized at the Children's Hospital.

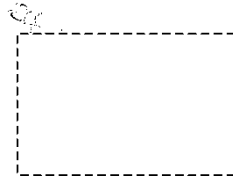


Opportunities To Serve

Session Teams...All members are invited to serve as “at-large” members on our Session Teams: Spiritual Growth, Community Outreach, Member Care, Property and Budget & Finance. The church office can put you in contact with the team chairperson.



Soup Kitchen...Volunteers work at the North End Soup Kitchen in Flint on the second Tuesday of each month, from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Contact Mary Ellen Zellers with any questions.



VG’s Community Sharing Fund...VG’s receipts are collected and we receive a percentage of these receipts to use to help fund mission projects.



Youth Group (The “Believers”) is for teens in grades 7 through 12. They meet at 6:00 PM on Sundays for fun, fellowship, study and mission projects. Contact Sandy or Scott Tucker.

Please address questions to the contact person listed or call the church office at 659-5831

