



June/July 2017 Newsletter



Flushing Presbyterian Church

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Besides our ongoing mission supported outreach projects, this summer we have three other projects we are supporting. One is for vulnerable people, one is for families and one is for our members and friends.

1. **Health Kits** – these kits are part of a mission project which will be distributed throughout the Synod of the Covenant regions this summer. The purpose of the Mobile Health Fairs are to partner with PC(USA) presbyteries and congregations, ecumenical and community agencies in order to reach out to underserved and disadvantaged communities to provide free basic health screenings and referrals, and basic health education. Donations and kits are being collected until June 18th (see details later in Newsletter).
2. **Take-out Church** – 10-inch pizza boxes filled with games, activities, and resources to use during vacation travel. Those hours in the car traveling can be perfect times for families to spend some of the time playing and talking together. The box is filled with fun and some serious components. Parents, grandparents and great-grandparents are encouraged to pick up a box and take it with them this summer. Keep it under the seat to be ready at any time. Be sure to let us know how you used the contents, what was helpful, and special moments which happened during your travels.
3. **Flat Jesus** – We are again reminding you that Jesus is with you always, and remember to “take him with you” in a very real way by snapping a picture with Flat Jesus. Pastor Teresa will be posting pictures in the narthex of his travels. On Facebook we will update where Jesus' travels have taken him this summer. We know you go many places, don't forget to snap a pic.





Baccalaureate

Flushing High School 2017 Baccalaureate will take place at 7:00 PM on Thursday, June 1, at Flushing Community Church of the Nazarene. All seniors and juniors are encouraged to attend this special sending of graduates by the church.



**June 3
9:00 AM**

Our second spring clean-up day will be **Saturday, June 3rd at 9:00 AM**. We will be spreading mulch around the church as needed. Please bring your yard work tools (rakes, shovels, gloves, etc.) and spend some time with us sprucing up the church grounds. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for all those willing to help. Please contact Scott Tucker for more information or if you have any questions.



"May we think of freedom not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right."

- Peter Marshall



Graduation Sunday - June 4th

Join us on **Sunday, June 4th**, as we celebrate the graduates in our congregation during our worship service. Following the service, a special coffee hour will be provided by high school juniors and their families in honor of our graduates.



We will be holding a **Blood Drive on Monday, June 5**, from 12:00 - 5:45 PM. To schedule an appointment, log onto redcrossblood.org, sponsor code: Flushing Community or call 1-800-Red-Cross (1-800-733-2767).



Acolyte Recognition Sunday, June 11

Our acolytes have a very important job - They bring the light of Christ into the sanctuary each Sunday and lead the congregation out of worship with the light as well. During the worship service on Sunday, June 11th, we will take a few moments to thank our acolytes for their participation and dedication during the past year. Our acolytes for the 2016 - 2017 year were: Kaitlyn & Megan Ruppel, Elyse & Marie Smith and Lilly & Max Socha.

Health Kits

We are currently collecting personal care items for Health Fair Kits. The Health Fair Kits will be used by the Mobile Health Van which reaches out to underserved and disadvantaged communities to provide free basic health screenings and referrals, along with basic health education. There is a collection bin in the narthex.

ALL ITEMS MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE CHURCH BY SUNDAY, JUNE 18.

How to Assemble a Health Fair Kit

Place in a Ziploc gallon bag, the following all NEW items:

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| 1 washcloth | 1 shampoo (10 oz) |
| 1 comb or brush | 1 conditioner (10 oz) |
| 1 bar of soap (in wrapper) | 1 toothbrush (in wrapper) |
| 1 deodorant (2 ½ oz) | 1 toothpaste (4-6 ½ oz) |

DO NOT include any other items in the kits because they need to be uniform.

DO NOT include any sample size items in the kits.

Other individual items needed: (DO NOT include in the health kit bags)

- Extra full size health kit items
- Sample sizes of toothpaste, soap, shampoo and deodorant
- Hand towels, socks, razors, dental floss, hair ties





June 18th - Honoring our Dads

A Special Father's Day treat for all our favorite guys!! **Coffee Hour on June 18th** will be a *Strawberry Shortcake Fest*. Come join us in Fellowship Hall following the worship service as we honor the men in our congregation.



June 24, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM, First Presbyterian Church, Flint, will host a workshop: "New Visions of Stewardship". Keynote speaker, Stephen Keizer from The Presbyterian Foundation, will present a renewed way of looking at stewardship. There are 8 workshops to select from. The audience is for Ruling Elders and Other Leaders (read interested persons).

The Session is seeking others interested in attending. The keynote speaker is very good. Pastor Teresa has heard him speak and gives high marks to this speaker. Check out the flier on the bulletin board and let Pastor Teresa or a session member know of your interest. Cost is \$10, which session is willing to cover because they want you to attend! Currently, two have already signed up. Hope you consider being part of the group.



Please note that our office hours in July and August will be from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. The office is closed on Fridays.



HOSTED coffee hour will be suspended during July and August. You are welcome to prepare coffee for an informal fellowship hour on any Sunday. All we ask is that you clean up after yourself! Our regular Coffee Hour will return in September. Volunteers will be needed to host. The sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board.



This summer, plans are in the making for Sundays with our own musicians plus outside guest musicians to provide us with special music. If you, or someone you know, would be willing to provide special music, please talk to Pastor Teresa or Kathy. We miss our choirs in the summer, but love hearing the gifts God has given others.



Summer Seating

There has been concern/comments from ushers and communion servers in regards to the difficulty collecting and serving due to the large spaces between those attending. It has been discussed how we might better the situation. Yes, the most obvious is to get more people to attend. That is our goal.

For the summer, we are asking you to sit in front of the reserved signs, which will be about four rows down, creating a new location for the back row. We hope you will understand and adjust, sitting closer to one another; making friends with new pew mates.



Two times this summer we will meet in the “original” sanctuary (Fellowship Hall) for our Sunday worship service. During the summer we typically have reduced attendance and so we will take two opportunities to gather in a smaller setting.

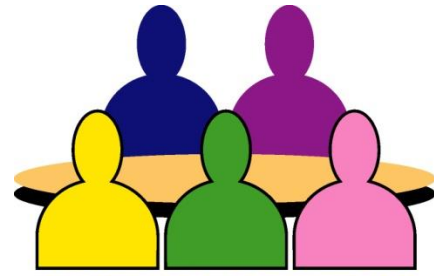
July 9th and August 6th (both communion Sundays), we will be in Fellowship Hall. It will be different and not our traditional sanctuary experience. We know God meets us wherever two or three gather in his name. May we gather and be blessed.

On August 6th, we will follow the worship service with a picnic out in the pavilion. Bring a dish to pass and enjoy a meal together in our beautiful pavilion. We hope to make it a fun time for families of all sizes. Hope you can be there!!





Please Note ... Communion Sunday for July will be July 9th instead of July 2nd.



"Conversations Around the Table"

At its May meeting, the session heard an initial report of the feedback from the congregation. In June session will lay out a recommended way forward, focusing on the top ministries selected. In late August or perhaps early September (a date has not been selected), we will come back to the congregation to discuss the plan and the way forward. Session is encouraged and excited about the possibilities which lie before us.



Beginning in July, we will be collecting school supplies for *Kinship Caregivers* (grandparents raising grandchildren). 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 13th.**



If you are replacing old appliances or household items and would like to donate the old ones, consider the "Restore" of Habitat for Humanity. The store will take your items to sell and if you specify that you want the proceeds to go to Family Promise, they will give our families from Family Promise credit vouchers for their purchases. All donations need to be clean, unbroken, and in good working condition.

Donations are accepted during Restore's regular business hours or a pickup can be arranged within Genesee County. To schedule your FREE pick-up, please contact Restore at (810) 766-9089, Tuesday through Saturday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Check the website for more information about items the Restore can and cannot accept. <http://www.geneseehabitat.org/restore.html>





June 4

Communion Preparer: Sylvia Keeler
Communion Servers: Dan & Flora Radspieler, Julie & Randy Socha
Coffee Hour Hosts:
Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Brett Albert
Ushers: Carol Dulin, Kathy Lescelius, Kathy Miller, Carole Noye
Lay Leader: Sylvia Keeler
Welcome Desk: Shirley Albert

June 11

Coffee Hour Hosts:
Flowers: John & Luella Daig
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Mike & Sylvia Keeler, Dan & Flor Radspieler
Lay Leader: Carole Tucker
Welcome Desk: Maxine Allen

June 18

Coffee Hour Hosts:
Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Randy Socha
Ushers: Lisa & Tim Judson, Marian McTaggart, Maxine Allen
Lay Leader: Louise Elleman
Welcome Desk: Deb Bayer

June 25

Coffee Hour Hosts:
Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Dona Ballard, Dennis Sanborn, Randy Socha, Bill Weiss
Lay Leader: Mike Keeler
Welcome Desk: Sharon Donaldson



July Schedule

July 2

Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Brett Albert
Ushers: Bob & Gail Barnhart, Pat Bemis, Sharon Donaldson
Lay Leader: Dona Ballard
Welcome Desk: Karen Howe

July 9

Communion Preparer: Nancy Young
Communion Servers: Maxine Allen, Dick & Kaye Barnett, Carole Tucker
Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Brett, Chris & Paige Albert, Carol Dulin
Lay Leader: Lynette Daig
Welcome Desk: Loretta Hudson

July 16

Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Randy Socha
Ushers: Gary & Shirley Albert, Karen Howe, Loretta Hudson
Lay Leader: Bill Churchill
Welcome Desk: Lisa Judson

July 23

Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Maxine Allen, Dick & Kaye Barnett, Vonnie Koehn
Lay Leader: Gary Albert
Welcome Desk: Sylvia Keeler

July 30

Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Steve Howe
Ushers: Lisa & Tim Judson, Mike & Sylvia Keeler
Lay Leader: Louise Elleman
Welcome Desk: Vonnie Koehn



June

- 3 Fred & Millie MacMain-Prause
- 5 Dave Finley
- 6 Diane Rowley, Marilyn Schmoak, Olivia W
- 7 Michael B, Beverly Blair, Cheryl Henry
- 9 Chris Albert
- 10 Bill Churchill, Jr.
- 11 Jeanne McClellan, Sueann Smith
- 12 Carol Dulin, Dave & Joan Finley
- 13 Shirley Wolfe
- 15 Lynette Daig, Sandy Tucker, Jean & Ron Weirauch
- 18 Bob & Gail Barnhart
- 19 Helen Dickenson, Louise Elleman
- 21 Erna Coxworth, Norma Zuehlke
- 26 Isabella B, John & Kathy Miller
- 28 Don & Diane Rowley
- 30 Scott Smith & Diane Tuttle-Smith

July

- 1 Jake B, Kathy Dubovsky
- 4 Flora Radspieler
- 6 Megan R
- 7 Kathy Lescelius, Jean & Ray Hagan
- 8 Ella Baney, Joyce Tassell
- 11 Bill Ballagh
- 12 Karen Howe, Julie Socha
- 13 Joshua Y
- 14 Tim Bradish, Virginia Churchill, Christine Cooper, Betty Harley
- 17 Kip Hogan, Jeff Rumsey
- 18 Katie & Michael Whitman
- 19 John Daig
- 23 Gordon & Kay Hall

Lectionary Readings

June 4: Acts 2:1-21 *or* Num 11:24-30; Ps. 104:24-34, 35b; 1 Cor. 12:3b-13 *or* Acts 2:1-21; John 20:19-23 *or* John 7:37-39

June 11: Gen. 1:1 - 2:4a; Ps. 8; 2 Cor. 13:11-13; Matt. 28:16-20

June 18: Gen. 18:1-15 (21:1-7); Ps. 116:1-2, 12-19; Rom. 5:1-8; Matt. 9:35 - 10:8 (9-23)

June 25: Gen. 21:8-21; Ps. 86:1-10, 16-17; Rom. 6:1b-11; Matt. 10:24-39

July 2: Gen 22:1-14; Ps. 13; Rom. 6:12-23; Matt. 10:40-42

July 9: Gen. 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Ps. 45:10-17 *or* Song of Sol. 2:8-13; Rom 7:15-25a; Matt. 11:16-19, 25-30

July 16: Gen. 25:19-34; Ps. 119:105-112; Rom. 8:1-11; Matt. 13:1-9, 18-23

July 23: Gen. 28:10-19a; Ps. 139:1-12, 23-24; Rom. 8:12-25; Matt. 13:24-30, 36-43

July 30: Gen. 29:15-28; Ps. 105:1-11, 45b *or* Ps. 128; Rom. 8:26-39; Matt. 13:31-33, 44-52



Financial Highlights

Average 2017 Collections	\$3,349
Average April Collections	\$3,414
Average 2016 Collections	\$3,230
Average needed for 2017 Budget	\$3,663



Flushing Christian Outreach Center (FCOC)

There are hundreds of Flushing families who depend on food from FCOC. With school dismissing for the summer, children no longer have free or reduced school meals. Your financial donations will help feed these hungry children. FCOC is requesting juice for the month of June and cereal for July. Thank you for all you do!

If you can help by purchasing juice and/or cereal, or any other non-perishable food or personal care items, there is a collection basket for the FCOC in the shelving unit just outside of the kitchen.



**Stay connected
with Weekly Updates
from the Pastor**

EMAIL UPDATES

If you would like to receive weekly email updates from Pastor Teresa about prayer requests and upcoming events, please contact the office and verify that we have your current email address. You will then be put on the email list. Emails are not published or given out without the owner's permission.



From Margaret Meehle...

A big thank you to the 20 bakers who made homemade pies, cakes and cookies for the second annual Bake Sale held during our Rummage Sale in April. A total of \$337.00 combined with the rummage sale earnings went toward the Outreach Team's eight charities and missionary support.

Flushing Presbyterian Church 2017 Session

Budget & Finance

Dick Barnett
Bill Churchill, Jr.

Community Outreach

Pat Bemis

Member Care

Sharon Donaldson
Sandy Snyder

Property Team

Don Rowley
Scott Tucker

Spiritual Growth

Karen Howe
Julie Socha

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!

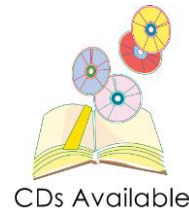


Bread 4 Life is a feeding program that provides weekend food for students that have been identified by the Flushing Schools as needing such assistance. Our church provides a portion of the funds for this project. Volunteers pack the bags at 5 PM on Thursdays, at Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Coutant Street. If you are willing to help, please contact Dennis or Shirley Sanborn.

Card Ministry



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



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.



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 throughout the year for all ages to enjoy.



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...The Chancel Choir (Vocal choir) has rehearsals at 7:15 PM on Thursdays and the **Handbell Choir** rehearses at 6:30 PM on Wednesdays (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.



PRISCILLA CIRCLE

The **Priscilla Circle** meets at the church at 1:00 PM on the fourth Thursday of each month for fellowship and study. All women are invited to attend.



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 at the church at 10:00 AM on the first Wednesday of each month.



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. Collection box is located in the shelving unit in the hall outside of the kitchen.



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.



Women's Evening Group

Evening Women's Fellowship Group will be held at 6:30 PM on the 4th Tuesday of each month (September through May). Join us at Pastor Teresa's home for fellowship, conversation and study!



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






Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant 7:00 PM - Baccalaureate-Flushing Comm Church of the Nazaarene	2 Church Office Closed 9:30 AM - Book & Breakfast Club - Liberty Restaurant	3 9:00 AM - Spring Clean-Up
4 Communion Graduation Sunday 10:00 AM - Worship Service	5 12:00 PM - Blood Drive	6 9:30 AM - Presbytery Meeting, Alma College 12:00 PM - MARSP	7 10:00 AM - Prayer Shawl Group	8 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant 1:00 PM - Community Outreach	9 Church Office Closed 6:00 PM - Boy Scouts	10
11 Noisy Offering Acolyte Recognition 10:00 AM - Worship Service	12 1:00 PM - Member Care 6:00 PM - B & F 6:30 PM - Girl Scouts 6:30 PM - Spiritual Growth	13 9:00 AM - North End Soup Kitchen 6:30 PM - Property	14 10:00 AM - Memorial	15 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant	16 Church Office Closed	17
18 Fathers Day 10:00 AM - Worship Service	19	20	21	22 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant 1:00 PM - Priscilla Circle	23 Church Office Closed	24
25 10:00 AM - Worship Service	26 6:45 PM - Session	27 6:30 PM - GFWC - Flushing Women's Club	28	29 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant	30 Church Office Closed	

Please note that the church office is closed on Fridays



July

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2 10:00 AM - Worship Service	3	4  Independence Day Church Office Closed	5 10:00 AM - Prayer Shawl Group	6 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant	7 Church Office Closed 9:30 AM - Book & Breakfast Club - Liberty Restaurant 6:00 PM - Piano Recital	8
9 Communion Noisy Offering 10:00 AM - Worship Service	10	11 9:00 AM - North End Soup Kitchen	12	13 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant	14 Church Office Closed	15 11:00 AM - Stein Baby Shower
16 10:00 AM - Worship Service	17 Newsletter Deadline	28	19	20 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant	21 Church Office Closed	22
23 10:00 AM - Worship Service	24	25 6:30 PM - GFWC - Flushing Women's Club	26	27 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant	28 Church Office Closed	29
30 10:00 AM - Worship Service	31					

July - August Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM