

Flushing Presbyterian Church



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June/July 2016 Newsletter



On May 15th, following worship, I explained to those gathered about a conversation the session has been having. Session and I have been reading the book *Lasting Impact*. In January, we discussed ideas and concepts from the book and pieces we wanted to begin to implement. The reality is that last year, this congregation took steps to be more current (i.e. the projection system in worship) and so, as session gathered in January and again in April, the question became: What are the next steps?

Our goal as a congregation is to "Know Jesus Christ and make his love known to others". To accomplish this, we the members, need to: Gather, Grow Together, and Be Sent Out. How does this happen? Where are the places we "grow together?" Session sees "growing together" as Christian Education or Bible Study times. Currently, these are not well attended. So Session wants to try a different approach: worship, followed by small group time (Christian Ed for all ages).

Here's the plan:

1. June 12th, Worship Time moves to 10:00 AM
2. In September, on the 11th, Christian Ed will begin AFTER worship, 11:15-12:00. Several small group classes will be offered for adults, plus groups for children, teens, and we'd love a young adult group. Grab your coffee and donuts and catch up with your friends as you head to small group.

Small group is where you can ask questions, raise concerns, share stories that are not possible to do during worship. This is where we grow together. We hope you will participate in a small group. However, we recognize that for some, you prefer to gather around a table in conversation with your friends for coffee hour. Fellowship Hall will still be available for that purpose.

Session and I hope you will give this a try. Watch for various group options for the fall. We pray you will be inspired and encouraged and bring friends, neighbors.....whomever God leads you to invite. And then, explore the way in which God is sending you into the world.



Please note that the church office will be closed on Fridays June 24 - August 26. Our summer office hours will be 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM, Monday - Thursday.



VOLUNTEERS MEETING for Family Promise will be held in Fellowship Hall on **Wednesday, June 1st, at 7:00 PM.** All volunteers that have any interaction with our guests are encouraged to attend. If you haven't been involved in the past and would now be willing, please join us. Our next week to host will be June 12 - June 19.



The illustration shows a newspaper titled "SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS" with a red cross on the cover. Next to it is a cartoon of a child in a yellow boat fishing. The entire illustration is enclosed in a black rectangular border.

The last day for adult Sunday School, youth Sunday School, and Youth Group will be June 5th. There will be Kinderchurch offered during the worship service in the summer months for children through 3rd grade. **We are in need of adults to teach Kinderchurch**, so if you are willing, please sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board. Even just one weekend during the summer would be helpful!!



*Mark
Your Calendar*

Graduation Sunday - June 5th

Join us on Sunday, June 5th, 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.



Don't Forget!! Sunday worship time will change to 10:00 AM beginning Sunday, June 12th.



Acolyte Recognition Sunday, June 12

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 12th, we will take a few moments to thank our acolytes for their participation and dedication during the past year. Our acolytes for the 2015 - 2016 year were: Elle Blanton, Kaitlyn & Megan Ruppel, Elyse & Marie Smith and Lilly and Max Socha.



Sunday, June 12th - Celebrating New Members!!

Come celebrate the receiving of new members on June 12th during worship. We will receive 5 new active members, plus 2 new baptized members. We are so excited to welcome each of them: Tim & Lisa Judson, Sharon Donaldson, Michael & Katie Whitman and Rylee and Olivia Whitman. Congratulations and Welcome!!



Community Outreach would like to invite members and friends to the "Flight to Freedom Tour" at First Congregational Church of Detroit. The church is part of Detroit's Underground Railroad Living Museum. Our tour will be a "storytelling" re-enactment of the original Underground Railroad passage that operated between 1840 and 1863. Visitors will be shackled with wrist bands at the entrance of the tour and led to freedom by a conductor.

Passengers hide from bounty hunters, cross the Ohio "Deep River," take retreat in a safe house and move to "Midnight" (the code name for Detroit), and take safe haven at the First Congregation Church of Detroit before moving on to Canada and freedom.

DETAILS:

Date: Tuesday, June 14th

Time: 9:00 AM, meet at the church; leaving by 9:15 - Don't be late!!

Tour: 11:00-12:30; Lunch 12:30-1:00; Leave 1:30 to return to Flushing

Cost: \$10.00, plus \$7.00 for optional bagged lunch (ham, turkey or tuna sandwich)

Sign Up & Payment Deadline: Tuesday, June 7 (see bulletin board for signup sheet)

Drivers are needed for carpooling.

Contact: Darla Arn

More Info: www.friendsoffirst.com

Schools out! Bring the kids!! It will be a fun day of exploring.



June 19th - Remembering our Dads

During worship June 19th, we will honor our dads with a photo array. Men of the church have a vital role, not only in the Church but also in the community. So just as we honored women on Mother's Day, we will have a special time to lift up the men. You are invited to submit a photo of your dad to Steve Howe via email (he'll be putting the video together) or bring in a hard copy to the church and we'll scan it. **Deadline for submitting photos is June 11th.**

Following worship, the ladies will treat us all with Strawberry Shortcake (a tradition for us on Father's Day)! Come, Enjoy, and Remember all the men who have helped you grow in faith.



**FATHER'S DAY
TREAT**

Please Note

Pastor Teresa will be on Vacation June 28th - July 14th. Rev. Desiree Lawson is on call for pastoral care. Contact the office or Marty Williams or Carol Dulin if you are in need of pastoral care during this time.



Please Note ... Communion Sunday for July will be July 10th instead of July 3rd.



Sunday, July 17th

We will be having an outdoor worship service in our pavilion at 10:00 AM on July 17th. Bring a folding chair for comfort, if you would like, and dress casually for a non A/C environment (in the event of cold or wet weather, we will move indoors). If you are able to assist in set-up, please arrive at 9:00 AM.



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.



Beginning July 10th, 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 14th.**





June

- 3 Fred & Millie MacMain-Prause
- 5 Dave Finley
- 6 Diane Rowley, Marilyn Schmoak
- 7 Michael B, Beverly Blair, Cheryl Henry
- 8 Bill & Virginia Churchill
- 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
- 22 Ed & Ruth Spomer
- 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
- 19 John Daig
- 23 Gordon & Kay Hall
- 25 Bill Nicholas

Flushing Presbyterian Church 2016 Session

Budget & Finance
Bill Churchill, Jr.

Community Outreach

Pat Bemis
Natalie Lucas

Member Care

Loretta Hudson
Sandy Snyder

Property Team

Don Rowley
Scott Tucker

Spiritual Growth

Karen Howe
Julie Socha



Financial Highlights

Average 2016 Collections	\$3,392
Average April Collections	\$4,514
Average 2015 Collections	\$3,347
Average needed for 2016 Budget	\$3,814



*Thank You
Notes*

From Mary Graham...

I want to thank everyone for the cards, phone calls and good wishes during my recent illness. I appreciated each and every one!



June 5

Communion Preparer: Maxine Allen
Communion Servers: Kathy Lescelius, Natalie Lucas, Kathy Miller, Carole Noye
Coffee Hour Hosts: Junior Parents
Flowers: Bill & Denise Churchill
Sound Board Operator: Brett Albert
Ushers: Margaret & Ted Meehle, Dan & Flora Radspieler
Lay Leader: Gary Albert
Welcome Desk: Steve Howe

June 12

Coffee Hour Hosts:
Flowers: John & Luella Daig
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Maxine Allen, Dick & Kaye Barnett, Carole Noye
Lay Leader: Dona Ballard
Welcome Desk: Loretta Hudson

June 19

Coffee Hour Hosts:
Flowers: Deb & Bruce Coxworth
Sound Board Operator: Randy Socha
Ushers: Louise Elleman, Karen & Steve Howe, Marian McTaggart
Lay Leader: Chris Albert
Welcome Desk: Natalie Lucas

June 26

Coffee Hour Hosts:
Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Roy Rhoads, Dennis Sanborn, Carole Tucker, Bill Weiss
Lay Leader: Steve Howe
Welcome Desk: Kathy Miller



July 3

Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Brett Albert
Ushers: Sandy & Scott Tucker, Laura Widman, Mary Ellen Zellers
Lay Leader: Bill Churchill
Welcome Desk: Shirley Sanborn

July 10

Communion Preparer: Natalie Lucas
Communion Servers: Maxine Allen, Dick & Kaye Barnett, Louise Elleman
Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Brett, Chris & Paige Albert, Dona Ballard
Lay Leader: Lynette Daig
Welcome Desk: Julie Socha

July 17

Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Randy Socha
Ushers: Gary & Shirley Albert, Bob & Gail Barnhart
Lay Leader: Ed Davison
Welcome Desk: Drla Arn

July 24

Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker
Ushers: Maxine Allen, Dean & Pat Bemis, Gordon Hall
Lay Leader: Louise Elleman
Welcome Desk: Shirley Albert

July 31

Flowers:
Sound Board Operator: Steve Howe
Ushers: Dick & Kaye Barnett, Bill & Denise Churchill
Lay Leader: **Volunteer Needed**
Welcome Desk: Maxine Allen



Flushing Christian Outreach Center (FCOC)

FCOC sends to you a heartfelt thank you for the peanut butter and jelly donated to our children's summer lunch program. That, along with the cereal from last month, allows us enough to feed all of the school-aged children breakfast and lunch that they would have otherwise received free or reduced from school.

We are collecting canned fruit for the month of June. Your compassion for the people in our community is amazing.

"A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed."

Proverbs 11:24-25

God bless,
Terry Bigelow
FCOC Program Manager

If you can help by purchasing canned fruit, or any other non-perishable food 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.

REMEMBER YOUR PLEDGE THIS SUMMER



Lectionary Readings

June 5: 1 Kings 17:8-16 (17-24); Ps. 146; Gal. 1:11-24; Luke 7:11-17

June 12: 1 Kings 21:1-10 (11-14) 15-21a; Ps. 5:1-8; Gal. 2:15-21; Luke 7:36 - 8:3

June 19: 1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7) 8-15a; Ps. 42 and 43; Gal. 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

June 26: 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; Ps. 77:1-2, 11-20; Gal. 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62

July 3: 2 Kings 5:1-14; Ps. 30; Gal. 6:(1-6)7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

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

July 17: Amos 8:1-12; Ps. 52; Col. 1:15-28; Luke 10:38-42

July 24: Hosea 1:2-10; Ps. 85; Col. 2:6-15 (16-19); Luke 11:1-13

July 31: Hosea 11:1-11; Ps. 107:1-9, 43; Col. 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21

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!

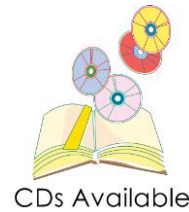


Bread 4 Life is a feeding program that provides weekend food for students that have been identified by the Flushing Schools as needing such assistance. Our church provides a portion of the funds for this project. Volunteers pack the bags at 5 PM on Thursdays, at Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Coutant 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 7:00 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.



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 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. 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. Contact Mary Ellen Zellers with any questions.



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



JUNE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 7:00 PM - Family Promise Volunteer Meeting	2	3 9:30 AM - Book & Breakfast Club - Liberty Restaurant	4
5 Communion Graduation Sunday 10:30 AM - Worship Service 6:00 PM - Youth Group	6 12:00 PM - Blood Drive	7 1:00 PM - MARSP	8	9 9:30 AM - Prayer Shawl 2:00 PM - Community Outreach	10	11
12 Noisy Offering 10:00 AM - NEW WORSHIP TIME *Acolyte Recognition *Welcome New Members	13 1:00 PM - Member Care 6:00 PM - B & F 6:30 PM - Girl Scouts 6:30 PM - Spiritual Growth	14 9:00 AM - North End Soup Kitchen 9:00 AM - Underground Railroad Tour 6:30 PM - Property	15	16	17	18
-----Family Promise-----						
19 10:00 AM - Worship Service	20 6:45 PM - Session	21	22	23 1:00 PM - Priscilla Circle	24 Church Office Closed	25 12:00 PM - Bemis Open House
26 10:00 AM - Worship Service	27	28 6:30 PM - GFWC - Flushing Women's Club	29	30		

JULY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 9:30 AM - Book & Breakfast Club - Liberty Restaurant Church Office Closed	2
3 10:00 AM - Worship Service	4  Independence Day Church Office Closed	5	6	7	8 Church Office Closed 6:30 PM - Piano Recital	9
10 Communion Noisy Offering 10:00 AM - Worship Service	11 6:30 PM - Girl Scouts	12 9:00 AM - North End Soup Kitchen	13	14 9:30 AM - Prayer Shawl	15 Church Office Closed	16
17 10:00 AM - Outdoor Worship Service	18 Newsletter Deadline	19	20	21	22 Church Office Closed	23
24 10:00 AM - Worship Service	25	26 6:30 PM - GFWC - Flushing Women's Club	27	28	29 Church Office Closed	30
31 10:00 AM - Worship Service						