June 2014 Newsletter



SUNDAY, JUNE 22



We will be having an outdoor worship service in our pavilion at 10:30 AM on June 22nd. Bring a folding chair for comfort, if you would like, and dress casually for a non A/C environment and to play softball afterwards (in the event of cold or wet weather, we will move indoors). If you are able to assist in set-up, please arrive at 9:30 AM.



Please join us in the pavilion for a potluck following the outdoor worship service. Beverages and tableware will be provided. Please bring a dish to share and join us for good food and fellowship. After the potluck, plan on staying for a softball game (bring your gloves and other equipment for the game). All ages are invited to play and/or cheer the teams on!!



Graduation Sunday

Please plan on joining us on Sunday, June 1st, as we celebrate the graduates in our congregation during our worship service. There will be a special coffee hour following the service in honor of their accomplishments.



We will be holding a Blood Drive on Monday, June 2, 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).



Lake Huron Presbytery Meeting June 3, 9:30-2:30 First Presbyterian Church, Marlette, MI

Agenda Highlights:

- * Special Guest Presenters -Rev. Michael Ludwig, Mission Co-Worker Rev. Bruce Whearty, GA Staff, Mission Co-Worker
- * Examination of a Candidate for Teaching Elder
- * Dedication of New Peace Pole
- * Commissioning of GA Delegates
- * Round Table Budget Discussions
- * Plus Commission Reports and much Fellowship

Keep our Presbytery and its ministries in prayer.

"My father didn't tell me how to live; he lived, and let me watch him do it." - Clarence Kelland *From the Newsletternewsletter*



LIFT Ladies In Fellowship Together

LIFT will be going to Dow Gardens in Midland on Wednesday, June 4th. We will start our day by attending an afternoon Blue Grass concert in the park from Noon - 12:45. There will be a table set up for us for lunch. You can bring your own lunch or purchase a box lunch (includes sandwich, chips, cookie) for \$6.00. Following the concert, we will tour Dow Gardens. The admission price is \$5.00. A golf cart tour will be available at \$2.00 per person for those who are unable to walk the tour. The rest of us will split the \$20.00 cost of a tour guide. After the Dow Gardens tour, we will have the option to also tour "The Pines", which is the home that the Dow family lived in during the 1920's. The cost of "The Pines" tour is \$7.00. Plan on meeting at the church at 10:00 AM and carpooling to Midland. If you have any questions, please contact Darla Arn (659-3734). There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board.



Spring Cleanup June 7 9:00 AM

Our spring clean-up will be Saturday, June 7th at 9:00 AM. We will be working on the exterior grounds pulling weeds, trimming bushes, adding mulch, etc... Please bring your yard work tools (rakes, shovels, gloves, etc.) and help us spruce up our church grounds. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.



General Assembly Meeting Detroit, MI June 14 - 21

Every two years Presbyterians from across the nation gather to discuss and decide various matters regarding the work of the church. Delegates from all the Presbyteries will be present. A new moderator will be elected and many difficult decisions will be made. What I remember as a recent past delegate, was how much I relied on and prayed for all the others who were there, that we would indeed open ourselves up to the leading of the Holy Spirit. May that be our prayer for this year's Assembly.

Check out what's happening by downloading the App or following the various updates via pcusa.org. Our own Interim General Presbyter, Jim Browne, will be sending out daily updates to those of us he has email addresses for (It may be the Bi-Weekly Brief list. I'm not sure). Be sure to stay informed. Read all sides of issues. Seek God's counsel. And continue to walk in faith as you and the community of faith seek to live out God's calling.

Please pray daily for General Assembly and all those involved.



A Special Father's Day treat for all our favorite guys!! **Coffee Hour on June 15th** will be a Strawberry Shortcake Fest. Come join us in Fellowship Hall following the worship service as we honor the men in our congregation.





Double Coffee Hour...Please note that there will be two opportunities for coffee and fellowship on **Sunday, June 29th.** We will be having a preworship coffee hour at 10:00 AM as well as the traditional coffee hour at 11:30. Plan on joining us at one, or both, of these times.

-Pastor Teresa





RELAY FOR LIFE 2014

Friday, June 13th at 2:00 p.m. - Until - Saturday, June 14th at 2:00 p.m. Riverview Park (behind Flushing A)

There are sign-up sheets in the Narthex for:

- Team Members/Walkers
- Volunteers
- Luminary Bags

If you don't want to be a walker, but would like to be a part of this very important event, we would love for you to bring a chair out to the event and be a supporter.

The Survivor Celebration will be Friday evening. More information to follow.

Whether you are a walker/team member, volunteer, survivor, caregiver, or supporter, we need you to make this very important event a success.

Alone we are only one voice, but together We can make a difference...





Our first week hosting Family Promise guests went smoothly, with 66 people working together during the week. There were 16 people from Fenton Presbyterian Church who covered 2 full days plus Saturday afternoon, and 52 individuals from our church who staffed 5 days plus much more "behind the scenes" work. Many people from our church family worked multiple times during the week filling many roles. Thank you so very, very much.

We heard great comments about our church and our willingness to meet needs, give support and especially to care. I was told "the week went too fast. We like it here and are not ready to move." Great work everyone!

Many thanks, Carole Tucker

Family Promise Follow-Up Meeting Sunday, June 8

Please meet with Pat Bemis and Carole Tucker to share your Yea! parts of our first hosting experience and to make suggestions for improvements. We will meet in Heaven's Highway immediately after church on June 8th. This meeting will serve to help us make improvements for the future, starting with our next week to host - July 20-26.



July 20-26 will be our next opportunity to host Family Promise. We know that there will be many on vacation at that time, so be sure to volunteer to help if you are available that week. Please address questions to Carole Tucker or Pat Bemis.





WHAT IS PER CAPITA? Fair question. Let's attempt to answer it.

PER CAPITA has been part of our funding history for over 150 years. When presbyteries, synods, and the General Assembly meet, they are conducting the legislative and judicial business of the church and incur necessary expenses. There are also some necessary administrative expenses involved which enable these ecclesiastical, legislative, and judicial functions to be performed. Historically, per capita has been used to fund these. Importantly, per capita funding enables governing councils to make decisions regarding distribution of mission dollars without itself being funded by those same dollars.

The whole church shares in these expenses since everyone who is a member shares in the benefits of this system of church government. Per capita provides for the financial participation of all local churches as part of a connectional and representative church, thus providing for unity and mutual responsibility within the church.

2014 PER CAPITA

General Assembly \$7.02 Synod \$3.25 Presbytery \$13.76 **Total per member \$24.03**

TO BE COLLECTED IN 2014

Presbytery of Lake Huron \$125,491 Synod of the Covenant \$29,640 General Assembly \$64,022 Total \$219,153

HOW IS PER CAPITA COMPUTED?

The Per Capita Apportionment in the Presbytery of Lake Huron is based on a portion of certain salaries and expenses which are part of the operating expenses of the Presbytery.

Per Capita is the cost of being a Presbyterian, and if each member pays the per capita amount above his/her pledge or regular giving, pressure on the local budget is reduced.

Paying per capita is similar to:

- contributing one's dish to a potluck meal
- paying to be connected to the internet
- paying for the benefit of utilities, such as electricity, gas, water

• pitching in with others to pay for gasoline on a road trip

In order to keep Presbytery's per capita rate from escalating the per capita portion of the budget is subsidized with a distribution from Presbytery's investments.

WHERE DO OUR PER CAPITA DOLLARS GO?

The amount that is set for per capita apportionment is a calculation based on the number of church members and the budget established annually by each governing body. At the Presbytery level per capita pays for a number of items including:

- The mortgage payment on the Presbytery office
- The office of the Stated Clerk including his salary and that of the Recording Clerk
- Salaries of the Business Manager/Treasurer and the Administrative Assistant
- Insurance coverage, legal counsel, annual audit
- Costs associated with operating the Presbytery office
- Meeting costs for our standing units



This summer, Spiritual Growth in cooperation with the previous directors of VBS, are beginning to plan something different for our children and tweens. VBS has been wonderful and we love it, but it seems the time has come to try something different.

The current thinking is to do a couple of days with an outreach activity followed by something fun for the group. We need YOU to be a part of this conversation. Contact Julie Socha or Karen Howe to be a part of this exciting conversation. It's still in the early stages - we're gathering ideas and possible dates.

We love our children and look forward to developing this opportunity!

Like Father, Like Child

As we celebrate Father's Day, we likely see traits in our dads (or other father figures) that we hope to be known for ourselves: integrity, gentleness, a great sense of humor, a love of learning, a humble spirit.

Amy Grant's song "Father's Eyes" tells of a young girl who wants nothing more than for others to recognize her father — and her heavenly Father in her. "When people look inside my life, I want to hear them say, 'She's got her father's eyes.""

What characteristics of God your Father are reflected in your eyes, heart and life? And what godly qualities would you like to cultivate?

May others see our heavenly Father in us! From the June 2011 Newsletternewsletter



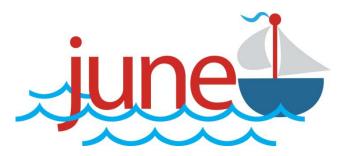
From the Family of Joyce Shepherd...

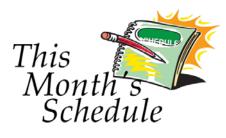
We would like to thank everyone for your love and support during this time in our lives. Thank you to Teresa for visiting Joyce at McLaren and for the really nice funeral service. Thank you to Marilyn for the lovely music, and to Chris for the beautiful song during Joyce's service. Thank you to Shirley and helpers for the wonderful luncheon - it was really special. And thanks to all who sent cards to Joyce and also to Vern.

Joyce was a very special leady and we are all going to miss her.

From Carole Tucker...

Thank you to all of you who worked long and hard hours to make this year's Rummage Sale a success. Additional big thanks to the many who donated items to be sold. We again filled Fellowship Hall, Heaven's Highway, 2 Sunday School rooms and the hallways. Thanks to the Believers Youth group and their leaders and others for helping set up the tables and also to those who helped bring in many of these items. As of this time, we have earned a little over \$2,500 to be used for mission causes. Again, thank you to all who helped make this possible.





June 1

Communion Preparers: Scott & Sandy Tucker Communion Servers: Mike & Sylvia Keeler, Kathy Lescelius, Kathy Miller Coffee Hour Hosts: Flowers: Sound Board Operator: Brett Albert Ushers: Carole Noye, Ginnie Panek, Dan & Flora Radspieler Lay Leader: Julie Socha

June 8

Coffee Hour Hosts: Flowers: Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker Ushers: Kathy Lesceius, Kathy Miller, Roy Rhoads, Michael R Lay Leader: Shirley Baker

June 15

Coffee Hour Hosts: Flowers: Sound Board Operator: Randy Socha Ushers: Dennis Sanborn, Ed Shipley, Sandy & Scott Tucker Lay Leader: Elle B

June 22

Coffee Hour Hosts: Flowers: Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker Ushers: Carole Tucker, Bill Weiss, Laura Widman, Mary Ellen Zellers Lay Leader: Chris Albert

June 29

Coffee Hour Hosts: Flowers: Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker Ushers: Brett & Chris Albert, Kaye & Dick Barnett Lay Leader: Bill Churchill



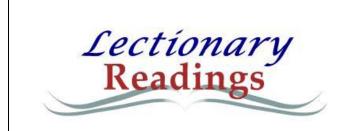
June

- 3 Fred & Millie MacMain-Prause
- 5 Dave Finley, Michael R
- 6 Diane Rowley, Marilyn Schmoak
- 7 Michael B, Beverly Blair, Cheryl Henry
- 8 Wendy Winchester, Bill & Virginia Churchill
- 9 Chris Albert
- 10 Bill Churchill, Jr.
- 11 Jeanne McClellan, Sueann Smith
- 12 Carol Dulin, Greg Shell, Norrine Taylor, Dave & Joan Finley
- 13 Shirley Wolfe
- 14 Evelyn Oleyar
- 15 Lynette Daig, Sandy Tucker, Jean & Ron Weirauch
- 16 Flo & Lyle Marshall
- 18 Sydney S, Bob & Gail Barnhart
- 19 Helen Dickenson, Louise Elleman, David & Evelyn Oleyar
- 21 Erna Coxworth, Norma Zuehlke
- 22 Ed & Ruth Spomer
- 23 Jane Fredrickson, Ryan R
- 26 Isabella B, Lyle Marshall, John & Kathy Miller
- 27 Cheryl & Roger Henry
- 28 Bud & Geraldine O'Brien, Don & Diane Rowley
- 30 Scott Smith & Diane Tuttle-Smith





Average 2014 Collections	\$3,287
Average April Collections	\$3,549
Average 2013 Collections	\$3,396
Average needed for Budget	\$3,776



June 1: Acts 1:6-14; Ps. 68:1-10, 32-35; 1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11; John 17:1-11

June 8: 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 15: Gen. 1:1-2, 4a; Ps. 8; 2 Cor. 13:11-13; Matt. 28:16-20

June 22: Gen. 21:8-21; Ps. 86:1-10, 16-17; Rom. 6:1b-11; Matt. 10:24-39

June 29: Gen. 22:1-14; Ps. 13; Rom. 6:12-23; Matt. 10:40-42



The email address for the church office is <u>flushingpc@sbcglobal.net</u>

If you would like to send an email directly to Pastor Teresa Peterson, her email address is: <u>pastorT90@gmail.com</u>



From The Flushing Christian Outreach Center (FCOC) ...

During the month of April, the FCOC served a total of 420 clients, which included 157 households. There were 17 new clients served in April. As you can see, there still is a very big need in the Flushing area for outreach, and we appreciate our member churches who make it possible to meet the needs of these clients.

Our special needs donation for the month of June is toothpaste. We also would love your prayers which, of course, make all the difference in our ministry.

Again, thanks for all your support. God Bless You,

Terri Szukhent Chairperson of Faith Network, FCOC



EMAIL UPDATES

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 and verify that we have your current email address.

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!



CDs Available

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...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.



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 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.



Pioneer Kids ... Our new after-school Program for K-7th graders offers a proven kid's ministry program that is Bible-based, Christ-centered, relationship-focused and fun for kids and volunteers. There is no charge for this program. Vest and patch rewards are given as they learn about Jesus, being Christian and working with others. Pioneer Kids meets on Wednesday afternoons at 3:45 during the school year.



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.



VG's "Cash for Class" A program that will allow participants to raise money for our church. This 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.



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



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Communion Graduation Sunday 5:00 PM - NCCG	2 12:00 PM - Blood Drive 6:45 PM - Session	3 9:30 AM - Presbytery Meeting, First Pres, Marlette 12:00 PM - MARSP Potluck	4 10:00 AM - LIFT - Dow Gardens 6:00 PM - NCCG	5 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant	6 9:30 AM - Book & Breakfast Club - Liberty Restaurant	7 9:00 AM - Church Clean- Up Day
8 Noisy Offering 5:00 PM - NCCG	9 10:00 AM - Community Outreach 5:30 PM - B & F 6:30 PM - Girl Scouts 6:30 PM - Member Care 6:30 PM - Spiritual Growth	10 9:00 AM - North End Soup Kitchen	11 10:00 AM - Memorial 6:00 PM - NCCG 6:30 PM - Property	12 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant 9:30 AM - Prayer Shawl	13 Relay F	14 For Life
15 Father's Day 5:00 PM - NCCG	16 Newsletter Deadline	17 1:00 PM - MARSP	18 6:00 PM - NCCG	19 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant	20	21
22 10:30 AM - Outdoor Worship Service 11:30 AM - Potluck & Softball Game 5:00 PM - NCCG	23 6:45 PM - Session	24 6:30 PM - Piano Recital	25 6:00 PM - NCCG	26 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant 9:30 AM - Priscilla Circle	27	28
29 5:00 PM - NCCG	30				Sunday Schedule 10:30 AM - Worship Service 11:30 AM - Fellowship Hour	