



August 2018 Newsletter



Flushing Presbyterian Church

Be the Church Opportunities Year Round (see inside)

Worship: 10AM year Round C.E. 11:15AM Sept—May

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Unexpected Treasurers

Recently I, Pastor Teresa, was contacted by a friend from the Presbytery of Detroit and asked if Flushing Presbyterian "needed" anything. Drayton Avenue Presbyterian Church had closed and they were in the process of dispersing assets. While I could think of little that we might "need," I decided to go to Ferndale and take a look.

Flushing Presbyterian now owns: two (2) brass table crosses, two (2) like new fans, a lace tablecloth, a "Crucifixion" picture, a framed needlepoint PC(USA) symbol, a new office chair, some office supplies, two communion stoneware chalices and plates (used at GA in Detroit), a handmade Noah's Ark and wooden figures, a standalone metal display sign, a box of percussion instruments and a season of multi-graded curriculum.



Scott Tucker and Mike Keeler went with me July 23 to collect 8 - 8ft round hard plastic tables plus 1 - 6ft round table.

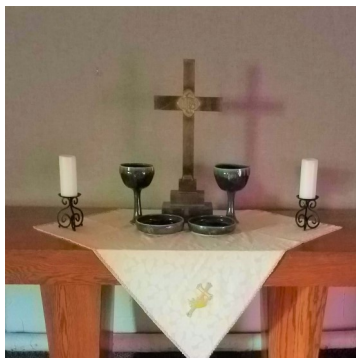


New brass Celtic Cross on communion table in sanctuary

We are grateful to Rev. Scott Miller and the members of Drayton Ave who have so generously donated these items for our use.

Please say a word of thanks in your prayers as you also pray for this congregation who is on a new journey. They are currently sharing space at Cana Lutheran Church in Berkley.

Worship in Original Sanctuary - August 19



New brass Latin Cross and communion sets in Fellowship Hall

Join us in Fellowship Hall, the original sanctuary, August 19th for a special time of worship.

Following the service we will gather in the pavilion for fellowship and potluck.

Chicken and drinks will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert to share.

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July/August**SUMMER
OFFICE
HOURS:**


9AM-1PM

Mon—Thurs
Closed Friday

**HOSTED
COFFEE HOUR**
resumes in September. Please feel free to make a pot of coffee and catch up with friends.

Be sure to clean up, leaving the space ready for others to use. Thank you!!

Blood Drive - August 6th

We will be hosting  **American Red Cross** a Blood Drive, Monday, August 6, 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).

Host Volunteers Needed!! We need intake and kitchen volunteers. Contact Kathy Miller if you can help.

School Supply Drive - Aug 12th

Once again, we are collecting school supplies for *Kinship Caregivers* (i.e. grandparents raising grandchildren). A local support group meets here in Flushing.

You can help by bringing: backpacks, crayons, pencils, pens, scissors, glue sticks, spiral notebooks, erasers, etc. Place in the large box in the Narthex.

Cash donations are also accepted. Label: *School Supplies*.

Deadline: August 12th

**Dinner & Boat Cruise! - August 24th**

Step back in time as we prepare to board the Genesee Belle, a riverboat reminiscent of those in the 1800's.

Friday, August 24th, 5PM, we will meet at Roma's Pizzeria and Restaurant, 5227 N. Saginaw St, Flint, MI 48505 for dinner.

Following dinner we will head over to Crossroads Village (a 5 minute drive from dinner) where we will board the boat.

Tickets to Crossroads Village are NOT necessary to ride the boat. The cost for adults \$3, children \$2. The lower level of the boat is enclosed and climate-controlled for your comfort.

Sales for the tickets begin at 6PM, cruise begins at 7PM.

Reservations are required. Sign up at the bulletin board no later than Sunday, August 19th.

One person will be designated to leave dinner to purchase the tickets for the group.

Mark your calendar and join the fun!



Boat similar to the Genesee Belle

Back to School Welcome - August 28th

On Wednesday, August 28, Spiritual Growth is planning once again to spread goodwill and well wishes to the Middle and High school students of our community.

We will be handing out free chips, water and Gatorade as a show of support and encouragement.

The team invites you to spend about an hour of your time helping us with this endeavor (2:00PM until approximately 3:00PM).

If you can help, please let a team member know.



Session Highlights

June 2018

Session met June 18th and began the meeting reflecting on Psalm 34 - a psalm which praises the Lord for deliverance from trouble. The question: Do we see God at work? In the blessing. In the trouble? In what ways?

To Note

- ♦ The \$10 fee for submitted photos to the new directory will be covered by a private donation for homebound
- ♦ The \$500 to Mandric Bronner-Stoder, parolee, was also covered by a private donation
- ♦ Pastor met with Pastor Mike from West Flint Nazarene RE "Be the Church" Sunday. Found they no longer do this, but had suggestions if we wished to engage in such a Sunday.
 - * It was noted this congregation has a high level of outreach activities in which we participate.
 - * There's a need to invite others to participate from the congregation
 - * Highlight opportunities to volunteer and connect that with "Being the Church" (i.e. FCOC, Family Promise, Backpack & School Supplies, Parking Lot Give Away to students, plus more)
- ♦ **Movie Nights:** Since the first movie night was so successful, it was decided to have a movie night once a quarter. Encourage inviting community, neighbors and friends. Next dates are: July 15, Oct 14, Jan 13. All begin at 6pm
- ♦ **Fun & Fellowship Events:**
 - * **Dinner Cruise:** Bruce gathered info about renting the Genesee Belle for a dinner cruise. While we love the idea, the cost is prohibitive. So, we will invite the congregation to dinner at a designated place and then follow with a cruise on the Genesee Belle Aug 24.
 - * **Canoe/Kayak Trip** on the River: Bruce is still waiting on information from Flint Watershed Coalition for details on such a trip. A potential date for such an excursion is Sept 22.
- ♦ **60th Anniversary:** Plans are moving forward for this celebration. Invites are planned to go out by end of August. The committee has a caterer booked, decorations outlined and is working on a program for the evening.
- ♦ **Two New Policies** are being explored. Elders were assigned to work with the pastor on creating these new guidelines or policies.
 - * Church Cancellation Policy
 - * Electronic Sign Policy
- ♦ **Emergency Contact Info:** As part of our Emergency Preparedness, members will be asked to provide emergency contact info that will be kept in a secure location in the pastor's ofc.
- ♦ **Training** has taken place for both Personnel and Nominating Committees
- ♦ **Property asked** for guidance on which carpets should be cleaned. Session voted to clean Fellowship Hall, Nursery, Narthex and Sanctuary.

There were other matters discussed. But as you can see, Session had a full plate in June.

Respectfully,

Rev. Teresa Peterson, Moderator



Notes of Thanks

Dear Flushing Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for all your love and on-going prayers and kindness. I am so very blessed with calls, cards, hugs and lots of love. My prayer shawl is amazing and reminds me that God's arms are around me. So much support - it strengthens me on this journey and I love each of you!

—Natalie Lucas

The vase of flowers was lovely. This gesture of kindness means so much to me as Norbert and I go through this most difficult time. Thank you for thinking of me and keeping us in your prayers.

—Lee Burwell

Your generous gift is a blessing for men, women and children who turn to Carriage Town Ministries for support in their time of need. Whether they need extra help with food and a safe place to rest or assistance in their education or career, God is using your compassion to help guests turn their lives around.

The summer months are underway, and the children are out of school. Daily life can become even more chaotic and difficult for homeless children and families. Therefore, it is important to create a positive environment full of activities, such as our summer enrichment program and various garden activities. Thank you for your kindness and the important role that you play in this necessary work.

—Carriage Town Ministries

We would like to thank your congregation for their generous donation. Serving Genesee County's needy children since 1924, the Old Newsboys' programs are funded entirely through the annual paper sale, fundraisers and the generous support of people like you. Your continuing commitment assures that we *"Let No Child Be Forgotten."*

—Old Newsboys of Flint



Thank you for your generous gift to the CWS Blankets program. As families and communities around the world recover from emergencies and struggle in the face of challenges, you are standing with them. You are providing relief and hope.

Your contribution provides hope to neighbors near and far, from migrant families facing cold and wet conditions to refugees who have just arrived in the United States to build a new future to guests at homeless shelters to families who have lost their homes to tornadoes, floods, earthquakes and other disasters. Around the world, your support of this program means vital supplies and support for those in need.

Because of you, CWS is able to respond when disasters occur and support is needed. We thank you!

—Church World Service (CWS)

(NOTE: Thanks to your generous donations, we were able to send \$645 to Church World Service for the Blanket Program.)



August 5

Communion Preparer: Kelli Peter

Communion Servers: Dan & Flora Radspieler,
Dennis & Shirley Sanborn

Flowers:

Sound Board Operator: Brett Albert

Ushers: Randy Socha, Sandy & Scott Tucker

Lay Leader: Chris Albert

Welcome Desk: Karen Howe

August 12

Flowers:

Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker

Ushers: Brett, Chris, Gary & Shirley Albert

Lay Leader: Debbie Bayer

Welcome Desk:

August 19

Flowers:

Sound Board Operator: Randy Socha

Ushers: Maxine Allen, Dick & Kaye Barnett,
Shirley Delbridge

Lay Leader: Bill Churchill

Welcome Desk: Sylvia Keeler

August 26

Flowers:

Sound Board Operator: Scott Tucker

Ushers: Bob & Gail Barnhart, Bill & Denise
Churchill

Lay Leader: Ed Davison

Welcome Desk: Vonnie Koehn



Financial Highlights

Average 2018 Collections	\$3,517
Average June Collections	\$2,849
Average 2017 Collections	\$3,299
Average needed for 2018 Budget	\$3,773



- 4 Norm Dickenson
- 5 Brenda Hollenbeck, Kathleen & Roy Rhoads
- 9 Brett Albert, Elle B
- 10 Dan Radspieler
- 13 Dan & Flora Radspieler
- 14 Sandy Snyder, Helen & Norm Dickenson
- 16 Beverly & Bob Blair
- 17 Carol Brownell, Carole Noye
- 18 Ken Hagenbuch, Kelly Stein
- 21 Beverly Tuttle
- 25 Dean & Pat Bemis
- 26 Michael & Sylvia Keeler
- 29 Kay Hall, Janet & Bill Ballagh
- 30 Marty & Bob Williams



Coming in September:

Sept 9: C.E. Classes begin

Sept 9-16: Family Promise guests are with us that week. Volunteers will be needed.

Sept 22: Canoe/Kayak trip on the river. Details TBD

In September, consider:

- Joining a team for the school year
- Volunteering more times
- Trying something new
- Join Chancel or Handbell Choir (talk to Marilyn)
- Suggesting something to Session or the Pastor for us to consider doing or trying (i.e. Want to study a specific topic? Have an idea for mission?)
- Make it a priority to grow your faith this year.



Flushing Christian Outreach Center (FCOC)

The **special focus** item requested by the Flushing Christian Outreach Center (FCOC) for August is **canned fruit**.

If you can help by contributing canned fruit, or any non-perishable food or personal care items, there is a collection basket for the FCOC in the shelving unit just outside of the kitchen.

Lectionary Readings

August 5: 2 Sam. 11:26-12:13a; Ps. 5:1-12; Eph. 4:1-16; John 6:24-35

August 12: 2 Sam. 18:5-9, 15, 31-33; Ps. 130; Eph. 4:25-5:2; John 6:35, 41-51

August 19: 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14; Ps. 111; Eph. 5:15-20; John 5:51-58

August 26: 1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10-11) 22-30, 41-43; Ps. 84; Eph. 6:10-20; John 6:56-69



**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

Flushing Presbyterian Church 2018 Session

Budget & Finance

Dick Barnett
Kelli Peter

Community Outreach

Bruce Coxworth
Sylvia Keeler

Member Care

Sharon Donaldson
Sandy Snyder

Property Team

Don Rowley
Scott Tucker

Spiritual Growth

Karen Howe
Julie Socha



Be the Church Growth & Service Opps

Book & Breakfast Club meets at 9:30 AM on the first Friday of the month at Liberty Restaurant. 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...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.

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/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 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.

The Prayer Shawl Group meets in the church at 10:00 AM on the first Wednesday of each month.

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

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.

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 Marian McTaggart 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 (September through May). Contact Sandy or Scott Tucker.



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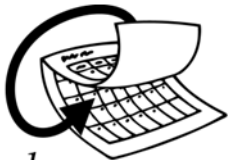
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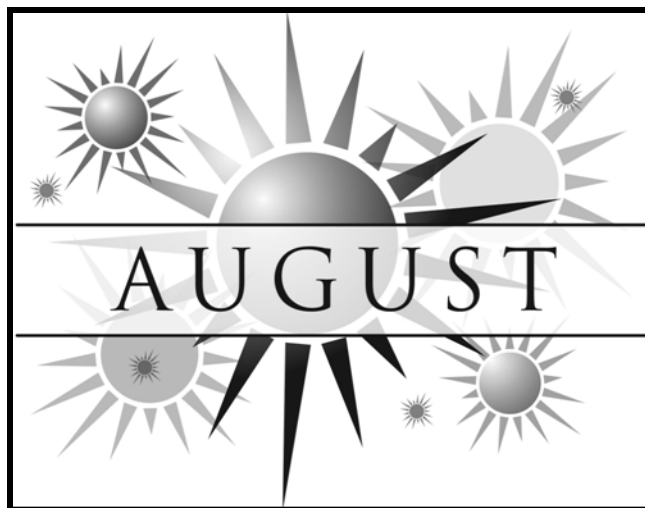
Mark Your Calendar

Monday, Aug. 6
12PM Blood Drive

Sunday, Aug 19
10AM Worship in Original
Sanctuary followed by picnic in
the Pavilion (weather permitting)

Friday, Aug 24
5PM Dinner & Boat Cruise

Wednesday, Aug 28
2PM Back to School Welcome
(in the parking lot)



This Month's Collections

Sunday, Aug 12
- School Supplies Due
- Noisy Offering

All Month: FCOC
- Canned Fruit
- Bottled juice
- Non perishable food



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday Schedule 10:00 AM - Worship Service & Kinder-Church			1	2	3 Church Office Closed 9:30 AM - Book & Breakfast Club - Liberty Restaurant	4 2- 5 PM Pavilion in use
5 Communion 6:00 PM - Youth Group	6 12:00 PM - Blood Drive	7	8 9:30 AM - Community Outreach	9 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant	10 Church Office Closed	11
12 Noisy Offering	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 6:00 PM - GFWC Bd Mtg 6:30 PM - Property	15	16 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant	17 Church Office Closed	18
19 Worship in Fellowship Hall & Picnic	20 Newsletter Deadline	21 5 PM SALT Picnic	22	23 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant 1:00 PM - Priscilla Circle	24 Church Office Closed 5 PM - Dinner & Cruise	25
26	27 6:45 PM - Session	28 2 PM - High School Handout 6:30 PM - GFWC - Flushing Women's Club	29	30 8:30 AM - Men's Bible Study-Liberty Restaurant	31	

Please note that the church office is closed on Fridays