

Edgington EPC

"To Glorify God & Enjoy Him Forever"



May Newsletter 2018

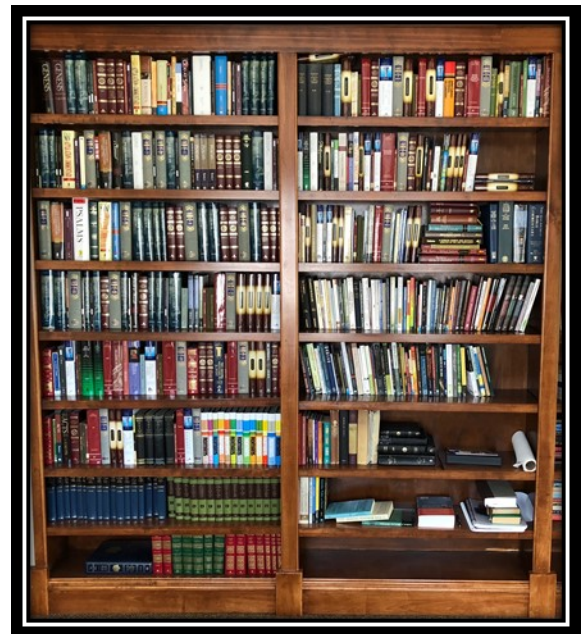
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ON PASTORS & BOOKS

With great regularity, new and even repeat visitors to my study will comment on the shelves and stacks with some form of, "that's a LOT of books." As a self-confessing bibliophile (lover of books), this brings me great joy. I do love books. I love books because I love *The Book*.

Our Christian faith is based upon the written revelation of God in the Bible. Several times in the Bible, God gave the command to a prophet or an apostle to write down the word as it was revealed orally, so that it might be recorded for future generations to also hear and obey. Consider the examples of Moses, "write this as a memorial in a book" ([Ex 17:14](#)), and Jeremiah, "write in a book all the words that I have spoken to you" ([Jer 30:2](#)), and the Apostle John who was commanded no less than twelve times ([Rev 1:11](#); [2:1](#), [8](#), [12](#), [18](#); [3:1](#), [7](#), [14](#); [14:13](#); [19:9](#); [21:5](#)) to write down the things revealed to him on the island of Patmos, which makes up the book of Revelation. The Bible is the sum of special revelation from God that we might know Him, obey Him, worship Him, glorify Him, and enjoy Him forever. It makes sense then, that we see this book, the Bible, as not just any book.

That is why as a pastor I have books (*lots of books!*) to help me study the Bible. The picture here is two of the four beautiful cases that Larry Pithan skillfully built for the recent office renovation. I couldn't wait to organize these new shelves! All of the shelves here are my Bible commentaries, organized by each of the 66 books in the Bible. They contain verse-by-verse and word-by-word examinations of the Words of the Living God.



I'm thankful to be a part of a theological tradition and a local church tradition that holds such a high view of the Bible. That view is summarized well in the first chapter of the Westminster Confession of Faith... "Afterwards it pleased God to put this entire revelation into writing so that the truth might be better preserved and transmitted and that the church, confronted with the corruption of the flesh and the evil purposes of Satan and the world, might be more securely established and comforted" ([WCF 1.1](#)). The Confession goes on to conclude this section by saying, "Holy Scripture is absolutely essential." It certainly is. To my life as a pastor, and all of our lives as believers.

If you haven't yet, I'd like to invite you to come and check out the wonderful work of our Trustees and a few other members in the renovation of the pastor's study. I am so incredibly humbled and thankful for this space, and hope that together we see this as an investment, not just for the sake of more space for books, but as a place to study and apply *The Book* in your life and mine.

Love in the Lord Jesus,

Zach

ELDERS

Steve Morrison (3rd)
Tara Johnson (3rd)
Kevin Oak
Mic Penry (3rd)
Patrick Shovar
Keith Wilson

DEACONS

Cindy Cullen
Scott Cullen
Janet Dunlap
Norman Dunlap
Beth Flickinger
Amy Oak (3rd)
Cora Schafman
Peggy Shovar

TRUSTEES

Mel Block (3rd)
Ken Benningfield
Phil Fuhr
Scott Nelson
Nathan Oak (3rd)
Larry Pithan (3rd)
Jeff Schmidt
Chris Stark
Jeff Thomas

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

6 - Dewey & Shirley Flemming
12 - Michael & Joyce O'Hare
13 - Gene & Renee Meredith
18 - Matthew & Elisabeth Tomlin
19 - Augie & Mary Rose Kerres
25 - Michael & Sharon Orr
27 - Jason & Beth Flickinger
30 - Korey & Tara Miller
30 - Bob & Kathy Stegmiller

MAY BIRTHDAYS

4 - Amy Schelker	19 - Teresa Weber
7 - Beth Easterla	20 - Lawrence Milner
7 - Peggy Weiss	22 - Olivia Freyermuth
9 - Pam Johnson	22 - Phil Fuhr
9 - Mic Penry	24 - Lee-Ann Druckmiller
10 - Cade Reimers	27 - Renee Meredith
12 - John Rursch	28 - Roma Milner
13 - Jennifer Elliott	30 - Kyle Johnson
13 - Colton Landi	31 - Darcy Krueger
14 - Wyatt Fuhr	31 - Debbie Tomlin
19 - Bob Stegmiller	

Dear loving EPC Church Family,

I can't thank you enough for your encouragement through notes, cards, flowers, gifts, thoughts, and prayers.

God was so wise when He gave us church community families, and I certainly am thankful for all of you!

Wishing you much sunshine and joy for the glorious Sundays coming up!

Thank you all!

Love in Christ,
Cora Schafman



GREETERS FOR MAY

Sunday, May 6th - Lowell & Phyllis Titterington
Sunday, May 13th - Kevin & Cindy Oak
Sunday, May 20th - Jim and Carrie Reimers
Sunday, May 27th - Nathan and Amy Oak



SESSION

The Session met Tuesday, March 27th, 2018 at 7pm in the Jr. High Sunday School room with Kevin Oak, Patrick Shovar, Keith Wilson, Tara Johnson, and Zach Hopkins in attendance. Steve Morrison and Mic Penry were excused.

Zach opened the meeting with prayer, and after studying Westminster Confession Chapter 12 "Adoption," the Elders prayed for individuals on the membership roll. There was a motion to approve the docket and minutes of the last meeting. Motion was seconded and approved.

Zach reported on his activities for March which included: Hospital Visits, Home Visits, Discipleship Meetings, Communicants Class, Youth Group, and Presbytery Coordinating Council & Ministerial Committee.

- A review of the membership was role was completed in accord with Book of Government ch. 8.
- RE Mic Penry will represent Edgington at the 23rd meeting of Rivers & Lakes Presbytery in Sparta, IL on April 27-28th.
- Nathan Flickinger and Jim Johnson have expressed interest in preaching at some point during the Spring.
- TE Zach Hopkins will attend the 2018 General Assembly meeting in Memphis, TN this June.
- Communion will be served at the March 30th Good Friday Service at 7pm.
- Next Session meeting will be Tuesday, April 24th at 7:00pm.

The Meeting was adjourned with prayer by Zach.

Soli Deo Gloria,

Rev. Zachary A. Hopkins, Moderator of Session



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The new website is up and running! It is not yet complete, **MUCH** needing to be added to it (such as the media page, where the audio file of each Sunday's sermon will be available for you to listen to), but it does contain quite a lot of information already. This will, prayerfully, be a blessing to all of you here, and to everyone out there trying to check us out. Please check it regularly to see how it grows and check classes, ministry updates, sermons, etc. edgingtonepc.org

You will continue to see Missy Myers at various meetings and other gatherings taking photos for the new site. Please continue to worship and participate in your classes/meetings as if she is not there so her shots look as natural as possible.



TRUSTEES

3/13/2018

Present: Mel Block, Phil Fuhr, Larry Pithan, Nathan Oak, Jeff Schmidt, Chris Stark, Session Representative Kevin Oak.

Mel opened the meeting with a prayer at 7:01pm

Reviewed minutes from the last meeting of 2/13/2018. Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes as presented, motion carried.

No treasurer report was available.

Old Business:

- Discussed the issue of condensation in one of the east stained glass windows. Glass Blast has been notified and will check.
- Work continues for Pastor's office renovation. Drywall has been installed and is being taped. New bookshelves are being built. The old wall air conditioners have been removed and openings patched. New air conditioning units will be installed for the entire office area.
- New wireless microphone and digital recorder have been installed. The new system will allow recording of sermons and have them available on the church website.

New Business:

- Received several bids for removal of the two large pin oak trees. Tommy's Home Service in Illinois City had the low bid at \$1,500. Trustees tentatively set the date of April 7th for the work.
- Discussed scheduling a spring cleanup day for the lawn and landscaping.
- Mel noticed a section of gutter that needs to be repaired. Will take care of this on cleanup day.
- Trustees will install a new outdoor water faucet on the east end of the church.

Mel closed the meeting with a prayer at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Pithan

TREES COMING DOWN - DELAYED

The large pin oak trees on the west side of the church property need to be taken down. We had a tree service scheduled to come and do just that on Sat., April 7th, but do to mechanical difficulties they had to cancel. We are still trying to work out a new plan, and will keep you updated as is possible.

MANY THANKS to all who showed up to help!



DEACONS

Date: April 15, 2018

In attendance were: Scott Cullen, Norm and Janet Dunlap, Beth Flickinger, Amy Oak, Peggy Shovar, and Session Representative Patrick Shovar.

Amy opened the meeting with prayer.

Minutes from the January Meeting: Approved as written.

February and March Activities: 13 visits, 1 meal, 1 transportation, and 13 cards sent.

Old Business:

- The spring blood drive was successfully held on March 10. We had 29 units donated, and 2 new donors gave for the first time at our event. The next blood drive is slated for September 15.
- Communicants were welcomed with a cake reception on March 25.
- Patrick Shovar has recruited new some new acolytes and training is in progress.

New Business:

- A reception for new members will be held April 29.
- May baskets will be ready to deliver to shut ins by April 25.

The next Deacon meeting is set for June 24th at 11:30.

Amy adjourned meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Flickinger

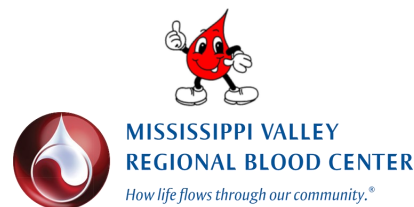
ILLINOIS CITY ELEMENTARY BLOOD DRIVE

Everyone that donated to the EEPC Blood Drive will be eligible to donate again for this drive. If the school blood drive collects at least 20 donations, the school will receive a \$270 grant from the blood center to pay for something education – they get to choose. The more donations they collect, the more funds they receive.

Date: Friday, May 18th, 2018

Time: 2:00 to 6:00 pm

Note: A photo ID is required for each donor!



To schedule your donation, or if you have questions, please contact Rikki Hetzler at 309-781-7770.

If you have been told previously by the Blood Center that you are deferred from blood donation, please contact them at 800-747-5401 before scheduling an appointment to donate, as you may not be eligible to give. If you recently gave blood, or if you have already scheduled an appointment for donation, please accept our thanks on behalf of the patients, hospitals and communities we serve.

To donate blood, you must be at least 17 years old (or 16 with a signed parental consent form that is available on our web site), weigh at least 110lbs, have a photo ID, and be in good health.

MISSION COMMITTEE

The Mission Committee met on March 13, 2018 in the basement of the church. Those attending were Deb Wagamon, Jim Cooksey, Mary Ann Vroman, Mic Penry, Nancy Engstrom, Paige Schmidt, and Todd Stegmiller.

Mic opened the meeting with prayer.

Old Business:

- The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

We opened the meeting with a presentation from Braking Traffik. They are a local leader in Iowa and Illinois to end human trafficking. They provide multiple services to survivors to ensure they obtain the help they need.

Rebecca and Marci shared the yearly statistics on how many fall victim to trafficking each year, educational programs on warning signs, vulnerabilities, and red flags. It was a very thorough presentation and incited lengthy conversations on how our church may assist. We discussed educational opportunities in our area and local resources. It was finally agreed we should table this discussion and pray about how we should proceed.

New Business:

- Kas Elsbury requested a Kid's Club donation of \$45.57 which will be utilized for flash cards, resource packs, and lesson kits
- The donation for Kid's Club was approved
- It was decided to table the discussion on additional donations until the next meeting

Todd led us in a closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25PM.

Our next meeting will be held on April 17, 2018 @ 6:30PM.



Many of you know Rev. Dr. Steve Woodworth with EPC World Outreach's organization ITEN. [HERE](#) is a link to his April update. Please take a moment to read it and pray for Steve, his partners, his family, and all those whom he serves through this ministry.

WINNIE'S WISHES RESALE SHOP

NEEDS: BBQ Sauce, Ketchup, Peanut Butter, dishwasher Detergent, Parmesan Cheese, Eyeliner, Tea, Coffee Creamer, Crackers, Pillows, Radios, Juice, Kool-Aid, Sugar, Sour Cream, Cheese, Frozen Pizzas, Frozen Potatoes, Lunch meat, and Fresh Fruit/Veggies.

Call us at 309-764-9466 if you can help!

1605 Harrison Street, Davenport, IA





Several years ago, 15 year old RJ had no stable home and had given up all hope. "I was living with friends, couch surfing. I was really in a bad state of mind and I started using drugs and alcohol....I dropped out of school my freshman year," RJ said.

A divine encounter crossed his path with Chris Britton, who invited him to Camp Summit where he experienced freedom and hope! He found that camp was a place "to get away from everything, all the stress of your life and...put it on pause for a week."

RJ recalled, "My counselor, Andy, explained the gospel to me...I realized what the message really was. I knew Jesus Christ died on the cross for *my* sins."

"At that point, I had pretty much decided I wanted no father figure in my life. I [learned] that in Christ, He makes an orphan His child. That gave me hope. I felt like I belonged somewhere."

After his week at Camp Summit, RJ made God number one in his life. He said, "Camp went so well that I decided to go back to school." RJ went on to graduate high school, was accepted into Tom and Sarah's family, and now is serving in the U.S. Army, and volunteers as a youth group leader. RJ is grateful for and attributes his success to God, YouthHope, and Tom and Sarah. RJ says, "If it wasn't for camp, I wouldn't be where I am today." This is one of the many amazing stories from Camp Summit. RJ's experience at camp turned him towards a life full of hope, a loving relationship with God, and a desire to serve. You not only made RJ's camp experience possible, but now he is impacting others in his community.

- Kevin Perrine, Camp Director

For more information on Camp Summit and the complete YouthHope Newsletter click [HERE](#)

For direct link to YouthHope's website donation page click [HERE](#) - use the donation drop down box to designate which part of the ministry you want your donation to be allocated to. "Send a Kid to Camp 2018" pops up first.

Questions? Want to help? Contact Hannah at (309) 762-4577 or email: hcarr@cfyouthhope.org

Specific prayer requests:

1. Kids and teens registering for Camp Summit to be good ground for the seed of the Word, and for the opportunities to speak love, life and hope through Jesus into their lives!
2. We are still short 2 male and 2 female counselors. Please pray God provides passionate and Jesus loving individuals to fill these positions.
3. Wisdom for YouthHope's leadership to manage and navigate upcoming staff changes in the youth centers.
4. Expansion of M.A.D. Skills into Davenport to be fruitful and open the door for many opportunities to reach hurting and lost youth.
5. Praise God with us for the opportunities He is providing to allow YouthHope to get back into public schools!

WE CONTINUE TO NEED YOUR HELP!

Each week YouthHope serves hundreds of meals at both our Youth Centers. The food program previously providing these meals for free has been shut down. We were hoping that the new food program would be up and running by April 1st (that is what they projected), however, they are now projecting that they will not make it in time for the end of the school year. There is so much red tape and paperwork for them, but when it is all complete, the program will be running out of the YMCA and we are so excited about that!!

And so I come to you, both grateful and in need. We have added 20 more nights to the calendar to finish the school year. Please consider signing up for a meal.

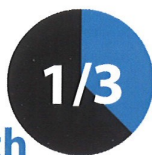
For more information and to sign-up:

Rock Island Youth Center: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/e7vr8l>

Moline Youth Center: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/r3ddk7>

A LIFE-CHANGING EXPERIENCE FOR URBAN YOUTH

Only
of **youth**
get enough
exercise.



85% of YouthHope
kids and teens **do not** have
biological father present.



83% of **Christians**
accept Christ between
ages of 4-14

Kids and teens took home
hundreds of **Bibles**
from Camp Summit in 2017!

Average
screen time is



per day!

Children play

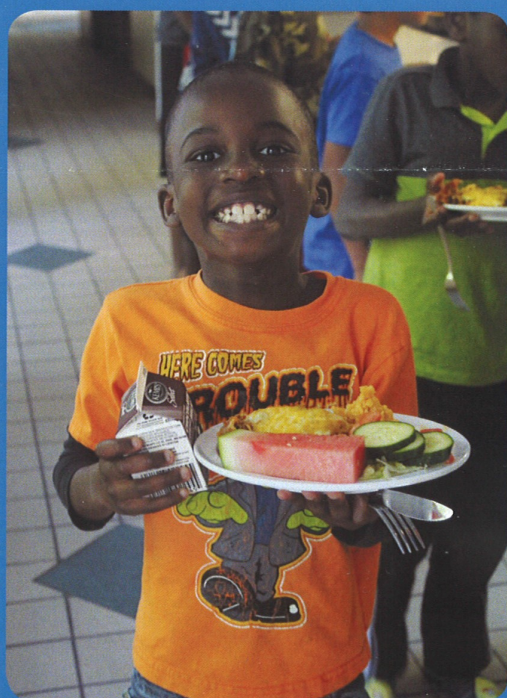


outside an average
of **4 minutes a day.**



1 in **5** households
do not know
where or **when**
the next **meal will**
come from.

Kids Build
Confidence
Character
Courage



Sponsoring a Camper Provides:

- One week of overnight camp
- Three nutritious meals per day
- Caring staff and volunteers
- Opportunity to experience nature
- Recreational activities
- Character development
- Exposure to God's love
- Safe haven for one week

Camp Summit is focused on providing a unique summer camp experience to low-income children and teens. Camp Summit is made possible by generous donors like you.

At Camp Summit, youth experience fishing, zip-line, canoes, swimming, archery, Bible study, worship, daily message, creative expression, and character building activities.

Edgington Presbyterian Church

Treasurer's Report March 2018

	Balance	Receipts	Disbursement	Balance
General	86,786.70	11,327.59	18,889.49	79,224.80
Jahn	9,183.64	\$41.31	\$0.00	9,224.95
Edgington	5,808.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	5,808.78
Boughton	16,099.48	\$209.75	\$0.00	16,309.23
Lauby	11,531.74	\$68.20	\$0.00	11,599.94
Capital Campaign (organ)	23,714.40	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	24,714.40
Mueller Fund	42,132.32	\$10.21	\$2,484.00	39,658.53

Ending Gen. checking balar	85,442.62
Uncleared Transactions	\$ 3,335.94
General checking Balance	\$ 82,106.68

Reconciled Bank Accounts	
Gen. checking	\$82,106.68
Gen. MM	\$12,151.85
Total	\$94,258.53

March 2018 General Fund Expenses

Zach Hopkins salary	4,077.34		
EPC (pension)	906.30		
EPC (health)	26.33		
Zach's mileage	249.85		
Lisa Bowman	1,060.80		
Lori Dixon	299.66		
Chris Heimann	424.40		
Ritchie Sound (sound equpitment)	1,528.00		
Organ Fund Payment	1,000.00		
MidAmerican Energy church	574.00	General	79,224.80
MidAmerican Energy manse	157.00	Jahn	9,224.95
ABS	77.24	Edgington	5808.78
AT&T	205.52	TOTAL	94,258.53
MediaCom	157.25		
Millenium	27.29		
US Postmaster (postage)	18.80		
Kas Elsbury (mission)	45.57		
Great Commission (Sunday School)	90.97		
Youth Hope (mission)	1,500.00		
YH MAD Skills (mission)	500.00		
YH Banquet Tables (mission)	400.00		
S Burdsall (mission)	1,500.00		
S Woodworth (misssion)	1,750.00		
E McCallum (mission)	1,500.00		
J Thomas (security light)	126.74		
Edgtn Hardware	3.99		
Missy Meyers (photography)	300.00		
Sharefaith (website)	50.00		
IL Dep Rev (payroll Tax)	97.73		
Ministry Designs (website)	30.00		
Airbnb (presbytery hotel)	148.81		
Basnner of Truth (cont Ed)	55.90		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$18,889.49	

MUELLER FUND

Group (reservation fee)	2,484.00
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Included in General Fund Total

Mission \$11,903.46
Assistance Fund \$ 4853.46

TREASURER'S REPORT *Cont. from p. 9*

Edgington Presbyterian Church General Fund Profit & Loss March 2018

	Mar 18
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Per Capita Contributions	40.00
Basement Rent	25.00
Flower Contributions	64.00
Interest Income - General Fnd	15.74
Loose Offering	249.85
Pledges	10,933.00
Total Income	11,327.59
Expense	
Operating Maintenance - General presbytery expense	31.28
Continuing Education	148.81
Mileage	55.90
Miscellaneous	249.85
Mission	2,984.74
International Mission - Presbyt	4,750.00
Local Mission	2,445.57
Total Mission	7,195.57
Office Supplies	
Copier	77.24
Office Supplies - Other	50.00
Total Office Supplies	127.24
Payroll Expenses	
Custodian Payroll	424.40
Choir Director	252.47
Organist Services	47.19
Pastor Salary	4,077.34
Payroll Taxes	97.73
Secretary Services	1,060.80
Total Payroll Expenses	5,959.93
Pension & Health Care	932.63
Postage	18.80
Sunday School	90.97
Utilities	
Gas & Electric - Church	574.00
Gas & Electric - Manse	157.00
Internet Service	157.25
Telephone	205.52
Total Utilities	1,093.77
Total Expense	18,889.49
Net Ordinary Income	-7,561.90
Net Income	-7,561.90

Edgington Presbyterian Church Mueller Fund Profit & Loss March 2018

	Mar 18
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Mueller Fund Income	10.21
Total Income	10.21
Expense	
Mueller Fund Disbursements	2,484.00
Total Expense	2,484.00
Net Ordinary Income	-2,473.79
Net Income	-2,473.79

GET YOUR MAY COPY OF
THE *TABLETALK* DEVOTIONAL



LOCATED IN THE ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH

JUNE NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE WED., MAY 16TH

Please have all submissions for the June Newsletter to the church office by Wednesday, May 16th.

Items received after that date may not make it into the newsletter.

Thank you for your cooperation!

~ Lisa



BIBLE READING PLAN

To encourage your personal study of God's word, and prepare for each Lord's Day message, please consider reading in advance to familiarize yourself with the sermon texts.



Sunday, May 6th - Mic Penry preaching - John 17

Sunday, May 13th - Nathan Flickinger & Jimmy Johnson preaching,
John 18:33-38

Sunday, May 20th - James 3:3-12

Sunday, May 27th - James 3:13-18

In order to understand and apply God's word, ask yourself the following questions as you read. Notice the acronym "MIRROR":

MAGNIFY - What does this text reveal about God that leads me to praise Him?

INSPIRE - How does this text lead me to pray?

REVEAL - What sin or disobedience does this text show me that I need to turn from?

RECOGNIZE - How does this text point to or anticipate Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?

OBEDIENCE - How does this text command my obedience to God's revealed will?

RESPOND - How must I respond in faith to this passage?

SCRIPTURE LINKS

Blueletterbible.org has many wonderful tools on their website. For instance: under the "Tools" tab to the left of each scripture verse. Click on that tab and you are taken to the Strong's Concordance link for each word in the verse. Click on that link, and you see the transliteration, pronunciation, part of speech, root word, dictionary aids, outline of Biblical usage, and much more. I pray you are finding these links to be a helpful aid and resource in your study of God's Word.



Blue Letter Bible

Download the app!



~ Blessings, Lisa Bowman

New Testament

2018 ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Survey

LORD'S DAY MORNINGS 9AM

Please join us each Sunday morning at 9am as we journey book by book through the New Testament. There will not be a schedule each month, as we are going to take our time, picking up each week where we left off the week before.

All adults are welcome and encouraged to join us for growth in their walk with Christ!



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Every Sunday morning at 9am

We offer six different levels of classes for children ranging from toddler to high school using Great Commission Publications "Show me Jesus" curriculum.

- Toddler - Hillary Terrill & Kortney Geirlus
- Pre-K - Beth Flickinger
- 1st-2nd - Katie Pearson
- 3rd-5th - Kathy Stegmiller
- Junior High - Tara Johnson & Deanna Parchert
- High School - Mic Penry



All of Scripture is the unfolding story of salvation and Jesus is its focus. We show how Jesus, revealed throughout the Bible, came to seek and save the lost.

We look forward to the privilege of caring for and teaching your children about Jesus each Sunday!

IS ANYONE MISSING THE NEWSLETTER???

If you, or someone you know, is not receiving the newsletter via email or hardcopy, please contact the church office. If you do not have email, and sometimes have a difficult time getting to church on Sunday mornings to pick up a copy in the sanctuary, please let me know, and I will be happy to place you on the mailing list. If you do have email, but are not receiving the newsletter in that manner, please let me know, and I will add your email address to the group mailing.

Thank you so much! ~ Lisa Bowman

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

PW MEETING

Thursday, May 3rd, 1pm

BIBLE STUDY - Psalm 102, from "Sing a New Song"
"God Hears" - Pastor Zach Hopkins

Hostess & Devotions: Sharon Orr

All women of the church are welcome!



QUILTING DAY

Thursday, May 17th, 9am - 12:00pm

*Please consider joining us and helping us
with this outreach!*

PW CHURCH RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE

When: Saturday, May 12th, 7am - 2pm
Sunday, May 13th, after church



Donations: Gently used items such as household goods, clothing, toys, jewelry, tools, electronics; baked goods, etc.

Pricing: If possible, please price your items with masking tape, except for books, clothing, jewelry, and baked goods.

Delivery Dates: Between Sunday afternoon, May 7th - Thursday, May 10th. Baked goods on Friday, May 11th. Please place items on designated tables or in designated areas.

Lunch: Pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs, and desserts will be served.

Questions or comments: Nancy Cooksey 309-798-5512

Sale Proceeds will be used for church remodeling projects.

We provided several boxes of food to each of 39 families consisting of 99 adults, 15 teens and 28 children. Thank you to the 20 folks that helped us pack on Friday, March 23rd and those who helped with the distribution. Unfortunately, after being prepared to distribute the food on March 24th, the weather turned bad. Seven families came for their food before Sue Penry was able to contact everyone and tell them that the distribution would be postponed to March 31st at which time the other boxes were distributed.



Thank you to all who donated their time, food, and money to make this mission possible. We spent approximately \$4,300 on meat, produce, canned goods, paper products, detergents, and personal hygiene items.

The Rockridge Community Food Pantry's half of donations from Antioch, Eliza, EEPC, and Taylor Ridge was \$369.75. There was also a collection at St. Pat's, but I'm not sure of that total.

A special thank you to Jim and Sharon Schaubroeck who oversaw the distribution in the absence of Shirley and Dewey Flemming.

Shirley & Dewey Flemming, Sharon & Jim Schaubroeck, Sue Penry



2018 VBS PLANNING MEETING

Sunday, May 20th at 12:30pm

We are busy planning for our VBS this summer July 23rd - July 27th. Our theme is Shipwrecked....Rescued by Jesus. We are developing our survival skills to make it through the week, and we hope that includes you! Our leaders are in place, but there are areas where we still need more helpers.

Areas of need:

- **Helper for games** - 9:30 - 11:30 each morning
- **Craft Helpers** - 9:30 - 11:30 each morning
- **Kitchen Helpers** - Any part of any day that you are available, but especially 8:30 - 10:30 each morning to assemble morning snack
- **Camp Secretary** - Stays in dining hall and is "go-to" person for campus, counselors, parents, and leaders
- **Set-Up Committee** - Load up supplies after church service on July 22nd, then unload at camp, and set up tables and chairs
- **Clean-Up Committee** - Come in Friday, July 27th about 3pm to clean areas at camp we have used, load up our supplies, and return to church
- **Jr. High Helpers** - Full or part-time, to move with Jr. H. group, assist with shooting BB guns 11:30am-3:30pm on 2 days, or archery for approximately 2 hours on 2 afternoons. Must be able to stand the heat and walk from place to place

Online registration went well, but fast. We were full in 2-1/2 hours! The committee has graciously reserved spots for 221 kids. We currently have 54 H.S./College age youth signed up as counselors. We still have room for more counselors if you want to sign up, but we ask that you do so very soon by going to the website vbspro.events/p/rrvbs and registering.

This community outreach takes **MANY** hands, **MUCH** work, and **LOTS** of planning! We could use your help! Please look for ways to be involved and contact Kathy Stegmiller at 795-1774 for more info.

Thank you!

Just want to thank everyone who helped with the Easter breakfast and all those who came. We collected \$385.00 in donations which will go to help with expenses for the July Youth Mission trip to Minnesota. Thank you again for all your support.

Blessings, Tara Johnson

EASTER BREAKFAST



Numerous items are turning up here and there about the church...

Please check the table in the sanctuary foyer in front of the elevator maintenance doors to see if any of these items belong to you.

Thank you!

2018 GRADUATES

We would like to recognize and celebrate all our 2018 students that are moving on to their next adventure!

8th Grade moving into High School:

Drew Hall

Gianna Johnson

Rachel Preston

Cade Reimers

High School Graduates:

- Nathan Flickinger* Will be attending Iowa State University majoring in Agriculture Systems Technology.
- Reilly Fuller* Will be attending Purdue University to pursue an Associates Degree of Applied Science in Business Administration.
- Carson Hall* Will be attending Illinois State University to major in Marketing.
- Jimmy Johnson* Will be attending College of the Ozarks, double majoring in History & Political Science, minoring in Theology & Christian Ministries.
- Colton Landi* Will be attending Western Illinois University in Macomb to major in Business and Accounting.
- Emily Parchert* Will be attending Northern Illinois University to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing for Registered Nurses.
- Anna Pearson* Will be attending Black Hawk College to pursue a career in teaching.

College Graduates:

- Zach Krueger* Graduating from University of Iowa in August with a degree in Computer Informatics. He will be completing his degree online, as he has accepted a position with Microsoft in Dallas, TX, and starts in June.
- Amy Oak* Graduating from Trinity College of Nursing and Health Sciences with a degree in Respiratory Therapy. She will be working at Genesis Medical Center.
- Colten Ransdell* Graduating from Iowa State University with a bachelor of science degree in Mechanical Engineering. He is looking for employment in Omaha, NE near his fiancée, Katie Noble.



Come help us celebrate
Jimmy & Emily's High
School Graduation on
Sunday May 20th from
Noon to 3 o'clock at the
QCCA Expo Center
2621 4th Avenue, Rock
Island, IL 61201

The families of
Nathan Flickinger,
Jimmy Johnson, and
Emily Parchert would
love for you to join
them in their High
School Graduation
celebrations.
Please see the
invitations for all the
details!



Parchert Martin Pavilion
19408 Loud Thunder Rd; Illinois City, IL
Monday, May 28th
11:00am - 3:00pm

2018 Youth Mission Trip



July 14th – 21st



WHO: 7th grade - 12th grade (including graduated seniors)

WHAT: You and your group will provide home repairs at no cost for elderly, disabled, and disadvantaged people who need your help. Project crews typically serve the same resident for the entire trip, creating an environment where meaningful relationships develop. Projects typically include painting houses, repairing porches, and general home repairs.

WHY: Because you want to have a meaningful summer experience of service and Christian growth while making new friends from all over the country.



WHERE & WHEN?

7/14 Riverside Evangelical Church – 405 Riverside Ave. N. – Sartell, MN 56377

7/15-21 Worksite projects in Red Lake, MN – Staying at Red Lake Elementary School
23990 Highway 1 East (PO Box 499)
Red Lake, MN 56671



- **I think I want to go! What do I need to do?**

- Get this trip on your calendar! Make sure you don't have any schedule conflicts. Spots are limited so we need to be sure that those students who sign up can go.

- **How much is this going to cost?**

- A deposit of \$100 will secure your spot. Turn this into the office ASAP.
- A second payment of \$150 is due before the trip.
- The total of \$250 covers ****everything****
 - Except whatever random snacks or weird things you might want to buy – that's on you!
- Please don't let finances be a factor, there are support opportunities available to help you cover your costs. Just ask!

- **What's next?**

- Register online starting March 1st (watch the Church Facebook Page)
- When we have our spots filled, there will be more info including: lodging details, tool lists, estimated schedule, and more!



YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group meets Sunday nights from
6-7:30pm unless otherwise noted.

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Sunday School 9am
Worship Service 10am

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29 New Member Reception 11:30am Basement Reserved Youth Group 6pm	30 Meal Site	1	2	3 Meal Site PW Mtg. 1pm	4	5 Zach on vacation through 12th →
6 Mic Penry Preaching Food Pantry Sunday Youth Group 6pm	7 Meal Site	8 Trustees Mtg. 7pm	9	10 Meal Site	11	12 Rummage & Bake Sale 7am - 2pm →
13 Mother's Day B/P Checks Nathan Flickinger & Jimmy Johnson Preaching Rummage & Bake Sale open after service	14 Meal Site	15 Mission Comm. Mtg. 6:30pm	16 Newsletter Items Due	17 Meal Site	18	19
20 VBS Mtg. 12:30 RHS Baccalaureate 4pm	21 Meal Site	22	23	24 Meal Site	25	26
27 B/P Checks RHS Graduation 2pm	28 Memorial Day NO Meal Site	29 Session Mtg. 7pm	30	31 Meal Site	1	2