

SPUCC CROSSROADS

A Monthly News Publication Informing Members and Friends ~ Encouraging Fellowship and Spiritual Growth

St. Paul's United Church of Christ—The Church at the Crossroads where Faith Meets Life

July 2017

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

The 150th Anniversary of St. Paul's United Church of Christ September 24, 2017.

The celebration begins with Worship at 10 am, dinner will be served immediately after the service and then the 150th Anniversary Service will begin at 1:00 pm.

If you are planning on attending the meal on September 24th,

please RSVP as soon as possible to a 150th Anniversary Planning Committee Member.

July's guest speaker will be:

Pastor Susan Schneider-Adams

Thank you to our committee members:

Roxy Birkel, Denise Blaisdell, Merlin Blaisdell, Pam Enger, Marlene Gutting, Sherri Heise, Midge Kopp, Joyce Swan and Rick Swan. We appreciate all of your time and effort.



Spring 1915--The old church with tower and all was moved back to gain room for the new one. This was so the old building could be used for services during the summer. As soon as the frost was out of the ground, the

excavation for the basement was begun by the members. With the basement dug the masons were ready to work by dressing the rocks. The contractors were Kempfer & Sons. They along with their families had moved in from Lawton. For a time there were eight tents and shacks to be seen in the east side of the church grounds. Work progressed very slowly as the rainy season set in.

Prayer Concerns:

Ed Greske, Jane Langer, Chris Meyer, Paul Shingledecker, Greg Arends, Fae Dehaven, Eric Fisher, James & Chalotte Huppert, Albert, Maine, Horton Maine, JoAnn Strom, Roger Youngquist

In Care or At Home:

Daryl Feuerhelm, Ed Greske, Earl Kinneman, Leon Langer, Lola Schingledecker, Judy Ortwerth, Marjorie Peterson, Anna Schingledecker, Dorothy Schulte, Betty Ann Webster

In the military: Jake Huber

July Worship Leaders

Ushers

July 2— The Fuchs Family
July 9— The Funk Family
July 16— Matt & Maria Stress
July 23— Steve & Linda Hamilton
July 30— The Hakari Family

Video Technician

July 2—
July 9—
July 16—Grant Greske
July 23—
July 30— Bruce Schumaker

Worship Readers

July 2—Dave Hauschildt
July 9—Joyce Swan
July 16—Liz Bernitt
July 23—Glen Baumgartner



June 2017

St. Paul's UCC
Operating Fund

Our monthly budget for 2017 is \$10,069.63

Income - \$14,361.00

Expenses - \$9,015.06

As of 05/31/2017

Our Operating Fund Balance was

\$5,345.94

Prepaid Utilities—\$214.76

NET \$5,560.70

CONGRATULATIONS WESTRICH FAMILY!

Seth Adam Westrich arrived at 7:48 pm on Monday, May 29th. At birth he weighed 6 lbs. 14 oz. and was 19 inches long. Mom, Dad, and big sisters Verity and Felicity are all doing well. He is a cute little guy and I'm sure everyone is excited to meet him. Welcome to our Church Family Seth!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thanks to Karen Hakari for hosting our last gathering. We will meet next on July 15th at the home of Connie Vogt in Bay City. She and Steve are known for their beautiful flower and vegetable garden. July should find them at their peak. Please let her know if you plan to attend (715-594-3915). We registered our 400th Prayer Shawl at our last meeting. Once again we will be sending shawls

and stuffed animals with the Youth Mission group. As always the receiver of a Prayer Shawl does not have to be a member of St. Paul's. We give them to those who need extra comfort when illness strikes or as a comfort to family members who have lost a loved one. This can be someone who lives locally or across the world. Recently we have expanded our ministry to give a baby blanket to those being baptized.

A big thank you to Pam Langer for her donation of a big bag of stuffed animals. Also a big thank you to the person, who left a big bag of stuffed animals with little prayer shawls for the animals to wear.



A small group gathered for our annual evening out. This year we met at the Kinne Café in River Falls. Coming up in July will be the annual picnic on the 12th. JaNae has generously offered to be our hostess again this year. This is a carry-in at the parsonage, meeting at 6 o'clock. Please let

Pam (715-273-0310) know if you plan to attend, so we know how many chairs and tables are needed. We look forward to seeing you, tasting your dish-to-pass and an evening of socializing.

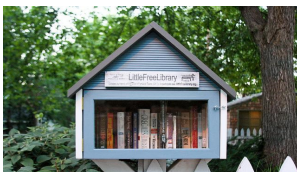
We were happy to be able to make a donation to Deb Ottman for her mission trip to Honduras. We will be anxious to hear how the trip went and hopefully to see pictures of what was accomplished during her time there.

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

The memorial Committee at its recent meeting purchased 2 stands for the microphones and decided to look into the purchase of a side railing for the elevator. As always we take suggestions of items to purchase for the church.

SPUCC MISSION TRIP—July 23-29 to Bullock Creek Michigan

Please keep the following youth and chaperones in your thoughts and prayers: Hallie Clafin, Emma Gutting, Grace Hakari, Isabelle Hudson, Emily Leonard, Ginger Leonard, Marissa Schumaker, Riley Schumaker, Maria Stress and Megan Stress. They will be sharing their experiences during worship on July 30th—we hope you can join us then.



LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

By the time you read this, you will notice that we have a new addition to our grounds. The Ellsworth Public Library has asked us to be host to a Little Free Library. There will be five others placed around the county.

The Little Free Library Project was started by a man from Hudson, WI about a decade ago and has grown to occupy spaces all over the world. If you go to want to find locations around the world go to littlefreelibrary.org. Once ours is installed we will be on that map as well. Here's how it works: You take a book/return a book, it can be the one you borrowed or another book you wish to share. There will be books for all ages to share.

Coming up in August

August 8—Church Life
 August 14—Pastor Parish Relations
 August 17—Council
 August 19—Prayer Shawl Ministry
 August 20—Susan (Stull) Carr
 August 23—Ice Cream Social



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9a Worship 25	26	27	28	29	30	01
9a Worship Kevin Waltz, preaching 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9a Worship 9	10	11	6:00 p Guild picnic 12	6:30 p Council Mtg. 13	14	9:30a Prayer Shawl Ministry at Connie's 15
9a Worship 16	1p 150th Anniversary Planning Mtg. 17	18	19	20	21	22
9a Worship Pastor Sue here 23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Youth Group Mission Trip—Bullock Creek Michigan						
9am Mission Trip led Worship 30	31					
Fischer Family Reunion						

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Youth Ministry:
 Confirmation:
 SS Superintendents:
 Music Ministry:

Custodians:
 Bookkeeper:
 Administrative Assistant:

Peggy Schumaker
 Pastor Adam Westrich & Linette Greske
 M. Blaisdell, L. Greske & P. Schumaker
 Kris Webster, Joyann Johnson,
 Kaden Funk, Bernie and Julia Larson,
 Marissa & Riley Schumaker

Marlene Gutting, Dawn Gutting
 Sherri Heise
 Mary Jane McEathron



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*The mission of
St. Paul's United Church of Christ
is to welcome, worship, and serve,
while sharing our faith in Jesus Christ with all
God's children.*

Lectionary

July 2—Proper 8

*Gen 22:1-14 • Ps 13 or Jer 28:5-9 • Ps 89:1-4, 15-18
Rom 6:12-23, Matt 10:40-42*

July 9—Proper 9

*Gen 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 • Ps 45:10-17 or
Song of Sol 2:8-13 or Zech 9:9-12 • Ps 145:8-14, Rom 7:15-25a
Matt 11:16-19, 25-30*

July 16—Proper 10

*Gen 25:19-34 • Ps 119:105-112 or Isa 55:10—13
Ps 65: (1-8), 9-13, Rom 8:1-11, Matt 13:1-9, 18-23*

July 23—Proper 11

*Gen 28:10-19a • Ps 139:1-12 23-24 or Wisd of Sol 12:13, 16-19
Or Isa 44:6-8 • Ps 86:11-17, Rom 8:12-25, Matt 13:24-30, 36-43*

July 30—Proper 12

*Gen 29:15-28 • Ps 105:1-11, 45b or 1 Kings 3:5-12 • Ps 128 or
Ps 119:129-136, Rom 8:26-39, Matt 13:31-33, 44-52*