

THE HERALD

Coming Soon...The PNC

May 2019

Over the last ten months we at Heritage Church have been in a transition, and searching.

When I arrived in August as your Interim Pastor there was a lot to do. We were almost finished glancing back at twenty-four years previous (that is a long tenure!) and we had an initial task of Self-Study. Our beloved Denomination decrees that the place to start in any spiritual search is to reflect. To dig deep and look within to see how the Spirit may speak to guide us forward.

To that end we initially set in place the Study Team (that is Karen Sieber, Ron Miller, and Scott Minks). That initial part of the process (the Mission or Self-Study required of all congregations between pastors) continues. Fairly soon though it will wrap up. (There was, as you'll remember, an every member survey. Then, in late April, we planned two congregational meetings where you are encouraged, exhorted even, to be present in person to give your hopes and dreams for what's ahead.

Fairly soon (within months), we will be transitioning to the next/final step (Getting a new permanent pastor is basically always a two-step process: Study and Search). For your information the flow chart for this complete plan is posted next here in the newsletter.

What remains next will be to search high and low, everywhere, here and there to see who might be God's match for where the Spirit is calling Heritage Church in this season ahead. There will be a called congregational meeting to name a Pastor Nominating Committee. ONLY the congregation can name the members of this team and we hope you will be here to add your voice, and heart! Then the PNC will get busy. (Sometimes very busy!) Please note: there will be times when this committee is operating in confidence; there are some tough questions that must be asked and answered of personnel in this search). Still, they will keep us posted as to their general progress.

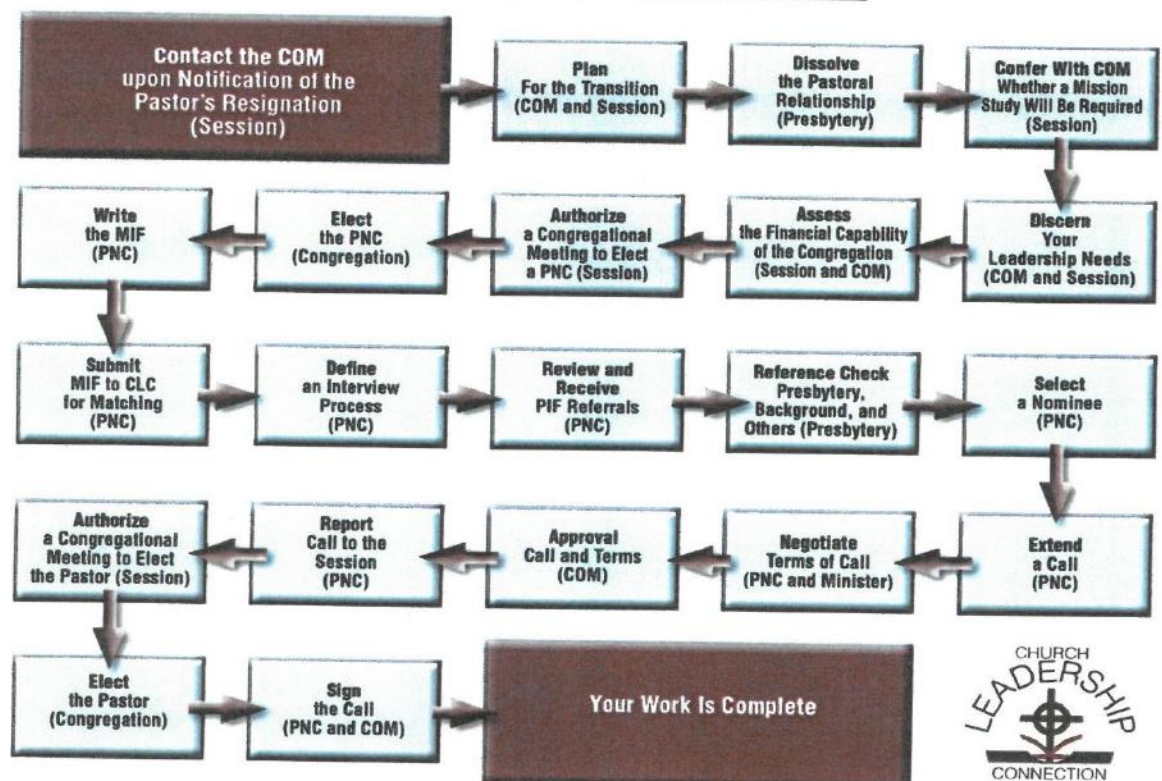
So, beloved, I **exhort** you to: trust in God, get your thoughts and hopes to the search committee, be patient. And pray.

Pray as if our life depends upon connecting to God now. Pray as if the Spirit of Heaven is opening the way to Heritage church! Pray and wait upon the Lord; wait *expectantly* and build towards a mission that will transform us! Amen!

Cheers in Christ,

Jeff

The Call Process





MAY BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

03 Larry Tombs
 07 Dexter Thompson
 10 Emily Broeder
 10 Dorothy Hill
 12 Dennis Hett
 12 Christie Werner
 13 Wade Kendle
 14 John Gibson
 14 Audrey Schneider
 15 Arnold Wells
 19 Sonia Colberg
 19 Scott Hunzeker
 19 Ella Lowe
 22 Candice Minks
 22 Cynthia Smetter
 26 Ruth Hunzeker
 28 Norm Zink
 29 Isabella Kendle



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

07 Jim & Stephanie Newman
 07 Enrique & Nicole Ramirez
 10 Willis & Barbara Duerksen
 24 Ron & Leanne Miller
 26 Harvey & Kay Traudt (58 years)

Please notify the church office if your birthday or anniversary was omitted or incorrect so we can make the necessary changes.



HERITAGE BIRTHDAY CLUB

Thank you to the Mason's (Greg, Robyn, Piper, and Jemma) for your donation toward the Birthday Club. Anyone may join or renew their membership in Heritage's Birthday Club. Donations (usually 1 dollar per year of life) is made to our endowment fund.

YOUR INVITED

Everyone is invited to celebrate Sydney Miller's graduation from Lincoln High School on Saturday, May 25, 2019 from 3:00-5:30 in Fellowship Hall.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Circle will meet May 7 at 10:00 AM in the Gibson Room. We invite all women to join, even if you have not attended before.

Town Hall Meeting



The Self-Study committee requests that if you did not attend the first Town Hall, you attend the one on **May 19 following service**, as part of the continuing process for calling a new pastor. We will review the results of our recent survey and also ask you to consider the following questions:

- What is God calling us to do in the next phase of our ministry?
- What are the needs of our community and how is God calling us to meet those needs?
- What specifically will we do to strengthen our ministries in the next year?
- What must our pastor and lay leaders do to help that happen?
- What types of skills, experience, and personal characteristics do we need in our pastor?

BEST CHOICE



ONGOING YOUTH SERVICE

Saving Best Choice UPCs is a great way to help our youth. Every 1000 UPCs we collect are sent in for redemption. Keep saving, every little bit helps!

***Only Best Choice UPCs can be redeemed. No other UPCs are accepted**



THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who contributed candy for our Easter Egg Hunt last month, it was most appreciated. Also, a big thank you to the individuals who volunteered to help with the luncheon. We had a wonderful turnout from the congregation and the neighborhood. . God provided super weather!

PER CAPITA IS \$45.00 PER MEMBER

Per Capita helps support the regional, national, and global ministry of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Many members contribute their per capita in addition to their general giving. This greatly helps us to meet our budget. Thanks for going above & beyond!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Volunteer office team needed. Occasionally, our Administrative Assistant, Amber, needs to be out of the office. We would like a team of volunteers that we could contact on a same-day basis who would come to the office in these instances to make sure phones are answered, etc. Amber's scheduled hours are Tuesday - Friday, 9am - 1pm. If you're interested in joining this team, please contact Candice Minks at candice.minks@neb.rr.com or call Candice at 402-730-4392.



GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Thank you to all who joined with millions of other

Christians through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God's love with people experiencing need. Together, our gifts will:

- assist Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to work within communities, including Nebraska and Iowa communities, as they recover and find hope after the devastation of natural or human-caused disasters;
- help the Presbyterian Hunger Program take action to alleviate hunger and its systemic causes, and helps create access to healthy food for entire communities; and
- allow the Self-Development of People to partner with people and communities with tools for development and education to alleviate poverty, oppression, and injustice.

This year, the need is even more real to us due to the blizzard and flooding disasters experienced here in Nebraska. Heritage will be forwarding the funds we receive to the national church for this offering. Since we have not yet met our goal of \$1000.00, we will be accepting additional donations through the month of May. Thank you to all who have already donated!



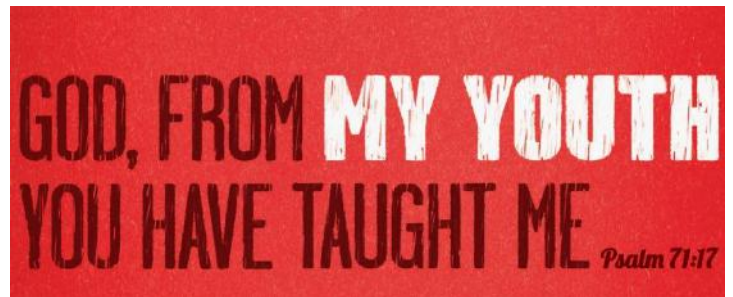
MOTHER'S DAY DONATIONS—MAY 12

We will continue our Mother's Day tradition of donating items to help other mothers in our community who need a little extra help and encouragement. Like last year, the items will be donated to the Healthy Families Program. Items most needed are large size diapers, diaper rash creams, wipes, and money for crisis funds.



HERITAGE MUGS FOR SALE

Stop by the coffee corner to buy your very own Heritage mug for only \$10.00. Proceeds will help support future Mission projects. (Special thanks to Nicole Ramirez for adding the Heritage logo to the mugs!)



PENTECOST OFFERING: BUILDING A LIFE OF FAITH

The Pentecost Offering is all about helping young people begin life with a strong start – a solid foundation of faith formed in the first third of life, from childhood through young adulthood. Gifts to the Pentecost Offering unite young people in Christ and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. This offering will be received until Pentecost Sunday on June 9.



FAIR TRADE PRODUCTS

Don't forget Mother's Day! Chocolates, tea or coffee makes great gifts for the mothers in your life! Checkout the displays in the narthex of our Fair Trade products.



May 12: Mother's Day Donations

**May 19: LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL, Pentecost Party, Town Hall
& Monthly Birthday Bash**

May 21: Session meets

June 4: Circle salad luncheon

June 30: June Birthday Bash

July 21-26: Synod School at Buena Vista University

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**DEADLINE FOR THE
NEXT HERALD**

May 22, 2019

Items received after
this date may
not be included!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 12:00 PM Town Hall 12:00 PM Monthly Birthday Bash	29	30 6:00 PM Session Meets	1 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	2	3 10:00 AM Al-Anon in Gibson Room	4
5 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 12:00 PM Mission Committee meets	6 6:00 PM Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall	7 Election Day 10:00 AM Circle meets	8 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	9 6:00 PM Boy Scouts Pack 39 Dens in Fellowship Hall and Calvin Hall	10 10:00 AM Al-Anon in Gibson Room	11
12 Mother's Day 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship & Mother's Day Collection	13 6:00 PM Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall	14 6:00 PM Session Meets	15 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	16 6:00 PM Boy Scouts Pack 39 meets in Fellowship Hall	17 10:00 AM Al-Anon in Gibson Room	18 12:00 PM Lincoln Deaf Club meets in Fellowship Hall
19 9:00 AM Sunday School Pentecost Party 10:30 AM Worship & Sunday School Recognition 11:45 AM DUCs meet, May Birthday Bash 12:00 PM Town Hall Meeting	20 6:00 PM Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall	21 Newsletter Deadline 6:00 PM Session Meets 6:30 PM Girl Scouts meet in Fellowship Hall	22 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	23 6:00 PM Boy Scouts Pack 39 Dens in Fellowship Hall and Calvin Hall	24 10:00 AM Al-Anon in Gibson Room	25 3:00 PM S. Miller Graduation Party
26 10:30 AM Worship	27 Memorial Day	28 6:00 PM McBride Piano Recital	29 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	31	31 10:00 AM Al-Anon in Gibson Room	1

Please refer to the online calendar or weekly insert for updated/changed event



MISSION COMMITTEE AND PDA FLOOD RECOVERY

How is the Mission Committee planning to assist with flood recovery?

- We are contacting Homestead Presbytery for information on what the PDA team that has been deployed to the area recommends on where assistance is needed. If you would be interested in joining a team from Heritage to deploy to an affected area, please contact Karen Sieber. Or if you have family/friends in an affected area who can help us identify a need, please contact Karen also.
- We will also encourage monetary donations to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance program as part of the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering.
- We have donated 5 clean up buckets to aid in flood relief.



THE RAMONA MEESTER LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

The Ramona Meester Little Free Library is not complete thanks to Lew Sieber. There are so many books ready to be read and exchanged. The Library is located under the tree in the front which allows

anyone to sit on the bench in the shade and read. Tell your friends and family to come visit!

LINCOLN MARATHON SUNDAY, MAY 5

Just a reminder that the Lincoln Marathon will take place on Sunday, May 5. Below is the race route. Plan on delays, or having to find a different way to Church on Sunday.

Lincoln Marathon route

Whether you're looking to cheer on the runners or want to avoid traffic backups, here's Sunday's Lincoln Marathon route.



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Expected times

Location	First	Last	Location	First	Last
16th & K	7:05 a.m.	8 a.m.	Capitol Pkwy. & J	8:21 a.m.	10:58 a.m.
16th & South	7:12 a.m.	8:21 a.m.	Normal & South	8:29 a.m.	11:20 a.m.
South & Sheridan	7:15 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	Normal & 56th	8:35 a.m.	11:35 a.m.
48th & Calvert	7:25 a.m.	9 a.m.	Holmes Lake	8:43 a.m.	11:56 a.m.
48th & Nebraska 2	7:31 a.m.	9:18 a.m.	Normal & 56th	8:55 a.m.	12:17 p.m.
27th & Nebraska 2	7:40 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	Capitol Pkwy. & 27th	9:04 a.m.	12:49 p.m.
20th & Van Dorn	7:47 a.m.	10:06 a.m.	Finish full	9:20 a.m.	1:30 p.m.
10th & Harrison	7:50 a.m.	10:18 a.m.			
10th & K	8 a.m.	10:45 a.m.			
Finish half	8:05 a.m.	11 a.m.			

EASTER SUNDAY CHILDRENS SERMON



TREASURER'S REPORT

Jan-April 2019 Income	\$33,683.16
Jan-April 2019 Expenses	\$50,993.33
Net income (loss) 2019	(\$17,310.17)

Jan-April 2018 Income	\$38,499.18
Jan-April 2018 Expenses	\$57,149.61
Net income 2018	(\$18,650.43)