

THE HERALD



From the Session:

June 2018

The search for our interim pastor started in December 2017, when the session met with the liaison from the Committee on Ministry (COM) to get everything started. We created a “MIF”, which is a Ministry Information Form about our church and the qualities we would like in an interim pastor. Pastors create a “PIF”, which means Pastor Information Form. The acronyms alone almost did us in!!

Once we got our MIF out there, we started receiving PIF’s. We had about 30 applicants to sift through. The Session got together and were able to eliminate some applicants based on them not having previous experience or not having the interim training. We decided on six candidates to interview, but we only ended up interviewing four (one already had a job and one wanted a more permanent job), three over the phone and one in person.

Of the four we interviewed, we had one candidate that we really “clicked” with. After a very long process of approvals, and negotiations, we were able to offer to Jeff Hopson and he has accepted. Jeff comes to us from Stockton, California most recently, where he has been the pastor at First Congregational Church since 2008. He is originally from New Mexico and Oklahoma. He holds degrees from Oklahoma State University and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

Jeff plans to start August 1 (pending finalization of contract) and will be working Sunday- Tuesday. Session will be working on a plan if pastoral care is needed while he is not in the office. We hope you will all join us in welcoming Jeff to Lincoln and to Heritage.

From Amber Rumbaugh (Administrative Assistant):

I want to start this by saying THANK YOU! The transition that we will all experience is a huge learning curve for me being that I am from a RCA (Reformed Churches in America) Church and am still learning the ins and outs of a PC (USA) Church. The one thing I do know for sure is that everyone has been more than willing to offer assistance and guidance which will make this transition easier for me.

As you can see, the newsletter is about a week late. The reasoning for this is last week I attended an APA Conference in Minneapolis, MN. What is APA? I said the same thing when Ray suggested that I attend. There began my Google search to find out what APA was and how this conference would benefit me. This was one of the best things I could have done given the transition that Heritage Presbyterian is experiencing.

APA stands for Administrative Personnel Association of the Presbyterian Church. The mission of the APA is to offer opportunities for professional development and personal growth for those called by God to serve as support staff of the Presbyterian Church. This mission is accomplished by providing continuing education events for certification and occasions for fellowship, worship and spiritual nurture and prayer at both National and Regional meetings as well as seminary sponsored training events.

During the APA Conference I attended classes that included Presbyterian Polity, Churches and persons with disabilities, and a class that I think will be most helpful, Interim Ministries. Not only did these classes help me gain knowledge about the PC (USA) but I met so many Administrative Assistants whom seem to wear many hats and will be a great network of people if I feel “lost”.

So once again thank you for the opportunity to grow and learn. I will leave you with a quote that was given to me at the conference. “Every day you have the opportunity to learn and experience something and some-one new. Learn and experience everything you can, and use it to change the world.”



JUNE BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

02 J. Mitchell Robertson
 04 Jeanne Bonnett
 11 Jan Crouch
 12 Jessica Broeder
 12 Mora Singaas
 14 Miranda Smith
 16 Robyn Mason
 19 Larry Brage
 19 Corinne Crouch
 19 Breannah Weyers
 21 David Crawford



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

02 Danny & Tamra Broeder
 06 Scott & Lori Helvie
 09 Bruce & Ruth Hunzeker
 11 Raymond & Ramona Meester
 12 David & Dawn Thompson
 21 Bill & Missy Bahr
 28 Larry & Sharon Baker (60 years!)

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



HERITAGE BIRTHDAY CLUB

Consider renewing or joining Heritage's Birthday Club. Donations (usually 1 dollar per year of life) are made to our endowment fund.

WITH SYMPATHY



Our condolences go out to the family of Marilyn Smith who passed away on June 5. Her funeral will be held on Tuesday, June 12 at 10:30 AM at Heritage Presbyterian.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER & ATTENDANCE RECOGNITION

A huge thanks goes out to all our wonderful Sunday School teachers who were recognized during Worship on May 13. Children were also recognized for their attendance at Sunday School, and summer birthdays were celebrated. Sunday School resumes September 9.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Join us for VBS 2018 to learn about the Fruit of the Spirit! At each session we will enjoy music, games, lessons, snacks and crafts. Children ages 3-fifth grade are welcome. There is no need to pre-register; sign in will take place at arrival of each session. This year Vacation Bible School will take place on **Tuesday, June 12, 19, 26, July 10, 17.** As always, guests are welcome so invite your friends and enjoy the Fruit of the Spirit together!

BEST CHOICE



ONGOING YOUTH FUNDRAISERS PLEASE SAVE BEST CHOICE UPCs AND USED PRINTER CARTRIDGES

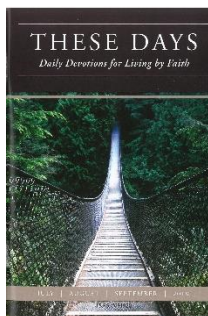
Please continue to gather Best Choice UPC labels. Each Best Choice UPC nets 3 cents for our youth! Thanks to all who continue to support this program which provides financial assistance to our youth program. **If there is anyone who would like to volunteer to trim and count the labels on a monthly basis, please contact the office.**



SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PENTECOST

PENTECOST OFFERING-INVESTING IN OUR GREATEST RESOURCE

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Pentecost Offering! To date, the congregation has donated \$301.26 to this offering with our 40% share (\$120.50) to be directed to the Heritage DUCs to help them continue to provide youth activities.



THESE DAYS

The July/August/September issue of *These Days, Daily Devotions for Living by Faith* are now available in the Narthex and the parking lot entrance.



MISSION B-I-N-G-O IS IN FULL EFFECT!

Have you gotten a BINGO yet? If you have not picked up your own card, make sure to join the fun this summer with the Mission

Committee's BINGO game! BINGO cards are available on the mission bulletin board in the narthex. See how many of the 20 different activities you and/or your family can complete during the summer months. Activities include things you can do at home, at the church or in our community. Some will cost nothing, some will be donations of items, some will ask for donations of money. Hopefully, we have included something for everybody! At the end of the summer, turn in your card for a chance to win a prize. The more BINGO's you have the better your chances!



WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR TALENT

The Choir year has wrapped up and it is time to showcase the talents of the members and guests of Heritage.

During the summer, there are several Sunday's in which you can share your time talent with the congregation. If you are interested in signing up for a Sunday, please sign up using the sheet on the door across from the office (the directors' door). If you need accompaniment, please indicate as such so that Pris can connect with you for practice time. We do have the capability to use a sound track as well if you would prefer.

MISSION SUMMER FOCUS

The Mission Committee is asking for your help this summer as we focus on giving opportunities on various levels – national, church and community:

- **June** – PDA Cleanup Buckets and Hygiene Kits -- check out the list of items needed by the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance on the Mission bulletin board in the narthex
- **July** – School supplies for local schools – take advantage of the school sales for the following items: #2 pencils, Kleenex, hand sanitizer, spiral notebooks (wide or college ruled), loose leaf paper, yellow highlighters, crayons – we will donate them to Randolph Elementary
- **August** – The Well Project – details coming. . .

SPECIAL THANKS FROM THE MISSION COMMITTEE

Thank you to those who donated to our annual Mother's Day drive for the local health department's Healthy Families Home Visiting program. The 24 packs of diapers, 15 packs of wipes, 16 toothbrushes, 20+ washcloths, various other items and \$90.00 will help young families in our community!



Thank you to those who donated food items or money to fill 16 backpacks that were distributed to students of Randolph Elementary before summer break!

SESSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS FROM MAY 29

- Accepted the request of transfer of membership of Mike and Denise Lagueux
- Received 3 separate bids from Gagner Restoration Quote to repair/clean the bricks in the northwest corner of the Fellowship Hall, repair/tuckpoint 54 bricks on the north exterior wall of the church, and waterproof the west basement wall. Will refer bids to Lew Sieber, Building & Grounds for his input and recommendations to approve bids or obtain additional bids.
- Recommended that a listing of total expenses and income continue to be included in the monthly newsletter
- Approved the continued use of church meeting rooms by the Lincoln Association of the Deaf, the Nebraska Association of the Deaf, and the Lincoln Deaf Club.
- Accepted the resignation of Dorothy Hill from the Finance Committee and as a Deacon.
- Approved the salary and housing allowance offer to Jeff Hopson to serve as interim pastor effective date of August 1.
- Approved hosting a potluck on August 5 after worship to welcome Rev. Hopson to our church.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jan - May, 2018 Income	70,951.82
Jan-May 2018 Expenses	74,324.25
Net income (loss) 2018	(3,372.43)
Jan – May 2017 Income	83,441.97
Jan – May 2017 Expenses	77,891.32
Net income 2017	\$5,550.65

LECTIONARY FOR JUNE

June 3 – 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20); Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:23-3:6

June 10 – 1 Samuel 8:4-11 (12-15), 16-20 (11:14-15); Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35

June 17 – 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, (11-13) 14-17; Mark 4:26-34

June 24 – 1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23) 32-49; Psalm 9:9-20; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41

SAVE THESE DATES

June 12, 19, 26, July 10, 17: Vacation Bible School

July 25: Newsletter deadline

July 22-27: Synod School at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, IA

September 9: Sunday School resumes

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**DEADLINE FOR THE
NEXT HERALD**

Items received after

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may not be included

in June Herald.