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July 2021 Newsletter

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Dear JUMC Family and Friends,

Effective June 30, Pastor Audrey has retired, and the Conference is in the process of finding a new, full-time pastor for Janesville/Hudson. In the meantime, we are filling our pulpit each Sunday with volunteer "Circuit Riders". These Circuit Riders are a group of Lay Speakers and Ministers who reach out to help churches in our area when they are without a Minister.

These Lay Speakers will be able to do Communion for us, as they will bring the elements of the Eucharist with them, since they must be recently blessed by a Minister. We will have Communion the 1st Sunday of each month, as usual, as will Hudson. The Lay Speakers do not do Baptisms, Weddings, or Funerals. If we should be unable to secure a speaker, we will do a Hymn sing that Sunday.

(Special Note: If for any reason you find yourself needing ministerial support, please contact Nancy Beenblossom at 319-230-9658 and she will assist you.)

If you have any suggestions, questions, or concerns about how things are going during this time, please feel free to share. We are in this together and we will be doing some things a bit differently as we move forward.

*****Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 15 when Retired Pastor Fred Lewis will be our special guest Speaker.**



Barb has returned to her duties as church secretary. Please do not hesitate to contact the church office if you have a question or a concern or you want to suggest a change.

New Office Hours will be Mondays thru Thursdays from 8:00 to 11:00.



Upcoming Events in July

Sunday, July 4
Independence Day Holiday

Sunday, July 11
Cancer Society Illuminaria Display

Wednesday, July 28
RAGBRAI is coming through Janesville

Thursday, July 29 thru Saturday, July 31
Janesville Days

July thru August
Missions will be collecting donations for
Imagine No Malaria



A big THANK YOU to everyone for the cards and prayers. And to MaryDeborah Circle for the extra cards, with a special thanks to the Tuesday morning Study and Support Group (JoAnne, Dorla, and Esther). You all mean so much to me!
~ Lavonne

Thank you to everyone for the special calls, texts, cards, and Facebook messages to help us celebrate our birthdays in May! We look forward to seeing everyone in person soon!!

Love,
Ty and Teague

Thanks to everyone for your words of encouragement and appreciation as I start my job as church secretary all over again. I always have enjoyed working for the church, but I have been reminded about how serving all of you is such a joy.
~ Barb

Thank you so much for the graduation recognition for me and all the graduates this year!
I am so appreciative of my church family and grateful for the support through the years!
~ Chloe Kiene

July Birthdays and Anniversaries

July Birthdays

Brad Conradi	7/1
Jan Guzman	7/1
Derek Johnson	7/1
Jim Whitney	7/6
Don Dorman	7/6
Karen Borglum	7/13
Scott Immerzeel	7/15
Kim Knapp	7/17
Rachel Moses	7/17
Larry Stapleton	7/18
Jenna Lafrentz	7/18
Larry Borglum	7/20
Isabel Foelske	7/21
Camden Dierks	7/22
Sharon Shaulis	7/22
Amelia Baldwin	7/23
Luke Dobbs	7/23
Carol Jennings	7/26
Robin Johnson	7/26
Callahan Levi	7/26
Nicole Destival	7/27
Colette Ruth	7/27
Callie Osborn	7/28
Emily Herbst	7/28
Betsy Knapp	7/28
Eli Barnes	7/28
Klaire Osborn	7/29
Emily Stensland	7/30
Annabella Hansen	7/31

July Anniversaries

Daniel & Kim VerSteege	7/6
Dave & Nancy Beenblossom	7/14
Dan & Wendy Brace	7/16
Paul & Betty Jean Borgwardt	7/17
Mark & Shelley Herbst	7/18
Geary & Jean Eibey	7/19
Laurel & Vlasis Stratiou	7/26
Jim & Barb Hamlyn	7/30

Liturgists for July

July 4 - Margaret Shepard
July 11 - Sharon Heiser
July 18 - Kathy Whitney
July 25 - Nancy Beenblossom

THANK YOU!



WE NEED YOU!

Volunteers are needed!

If you would like to help serve our church in ANY way (as a liturgist, or an usher, or anything you would like to do to help serve God and His church), please contact Sharon Heiser, Nancy Beenblossom, or the church office.

Ushers are needed for the 3rd and 5th Sundays of each month.

Please notify the church office if we have missed a birthday or anniversary so we can publish it next year.



Cindy is back!

Cindy Spencer has agreed to return as Chair of the Missions Committee!
This is such great news!

WELCOME BACK, CINDY!

Imagine No Malaria



The mosquitoes have arrived!! Luckily the ones in our sanctuary are cute and harmless. Unfortunately, over half of our world is at risk from malaria-carrying mosquitoes. Over 400,000 people die from malaria every year - most of these are children. **Malaria is 100% preventable.** A single insecticide-treated net can protect a whole family.

Let's help rid the world of malaria. The Missions Committee will be taking donations from now through August. Make your checks out to the church and put "malaria" in the memo part. And feel free to take one of our cute mosquitoes home as a reminder to pray for an end to this terrible disease.



We will not be having VBS this summer, but Sunday School WILL be starting up again in the fall. More details will be coming soon!



Prayer Requests

Our JUMC Shepherds plan to resume visiting shut-ins and nursing home residents in September.

Prayers for our Shepherds and those who will be visited by them:

- Flo Shephard
- Marlys Cook
- De & Carol Dix
- Georgia Eibey
- Marilyn Taylor
- Harriet Schares
- Bill Burman
- Evelyn Wubbena
- Lois Boeck
- Lorraine Hallberg
- Lolita Huber
- Lavonne Dorman



God Hears Prayer

Please keep them in your prayers

- Tom & Char Brickman
- Wendy Brace
- Johnny & Esther Folkerds
- Barry Huber
- Karen Borglum
- Sharon Barr
- Dave Peters
- Amy Shook

Please keep the family of Steve & Cindy Dobbs in your prayers. Steve's mother, Joan Becker Short, passed away on Monday (June 21).

Please notify the church office if you, yourself, or someone you know needs to be put on our prayer lists. Our lists are in need of updating, and your help would be greatly appreciated.



Illuminaria Sunday - July 11

To honor all our loved ones who have bravely faced or are facing cancer, the Janesville United Methodist Church is having an Illuminaria Sunday on July 11. The illuminaria are decorated bags with the name of loved ones on them. We will have them lining the sidewalk and steps of the church. Due to COVID, the cancer walk, that we normally give the illuminaria to, is not having the large gathering this year, so we are doing this to honor them.

Please contact Jean Eibey (319-269-8260) or Lisa Kiene (319-231-6598) if you are interested. The cost is \$10 per bag and all the money goes to the American Cancer Society.

Chloe Kiene went to play ball at Collins Maxwell and look who showed up to cheer her on!

Pastor Kerrin sends her best wishes to everyone!



FREE FREE FREE

If anyone is interest in an HP1512 printer, scanner, copier - you can pick it up from the church office for FREE! It is in good working condition and also has brand new black and color ink cartridges to go with it.



**Let's close this
Newsletter
with a prayer
for the 4th and
something to
make you
smile.**



Father

Today we think of our nation's independence. The ability that we have to worship you freely, openly, and without the threat of persecution. We ultimately thank You for bestowing that freedom on us as a nation. May we use that freedom to help lead others to the true freedom that comes from knowing Your Son, Jesus, our LORD. May we forever praise and honor Your name.

Amen.