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The Tidings

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A Pastor's Prayer

For the most part, as we participate in worship services we look forward to the sermon. Sometimes, we are caught up in the pastoral prayer and most of us love to sing familiar hymns. As this Tidings article takes form, I share with you a pastoral prayer written by me as an associate minister many years ago. My hope is that it can bring a sense of caring and blessing for you.

O Thou in whom there is no darkness, from whom no adversity comes, Your presence strengthens us when we are weak, and your love redeems us from all our imperfections. All things become meaningful; each day has its purpose; every life is worthwhile when You are considered as Father of us all.

We thank You for the privilege of knowing Your ways. We count as gain every day we live in accord with conscience and You. Help us we pray, to work for those qualities in life which radiate a sympathetic understanding; to recognize those aspects of our lives which can deprive us of Your grace, and to serve where our service is needed most.

On this day, make us mindful of Your Son, of how it was that he continued to strive for his ideals, of how it was he was committed to be just and to honor goodness in the struggle he had to be heard. For we would be followers of him and more, we would take up his work and carry within us new hope in an ever changing world where at times, we struggle to be heard. Grant us courage.

Our Father, remind us that we are Yours and that as Your people we have an indebtedness to You to live as we are able with integrity. Forgive us our shortcomings and bless us each one, in Christ's name. Amen.

Hopefully your summer days are refreshing.

E. Huntzinger

Board Of Christian Education News

There is a need for Sunday School Teachers for the following grades:

- One teacher is needed for the 1st Grade
- Two teachers are needed for the 3rd Grade



Vacation Bible School Information

Dates: July 24th, 25th, & 26th (Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday)

Theme "God's Bible VBS Bible Camp"

Schedule: 6:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m. Supper

6:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m. VBS Activities

No Cost for VBS - Donations Only

Sign-up forms can be found in the Narthex

Completed forms can be brought to the Church Office



Rural Church Fellowship Youth Volleyball Tournament

Sunday, July 30th AT NOON!

At Immanuel UCC, near Lakeland University, corner of County Rd. M & FF

Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Food and refreshments will be available to purchase.

Come and enjoy Christian fellowship with our neighboring churches and cheer on the Saron youth.



Dear Saron UCC,

Thank you for the financial contribution at the end of my time at Seminary. It is great to know my church supports my vocation.

Blessings, Lucas Williams



In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Those who are homebound or in care centers: Verna Groene, (Prairie Crossing), Janice Hartmann (Pine Haven, Haven Drive Campus), Norb Meyer (Pine Haven, Haven Drive Campus), Janet Klemme (Pine Haven Assisted Living, Giddings Ave. Campus), Ilene Struve (Rocky Knoll), Marilyn Perronne (at home), Mae Schmidt (at home), Beverly Kleinhans (at home)....

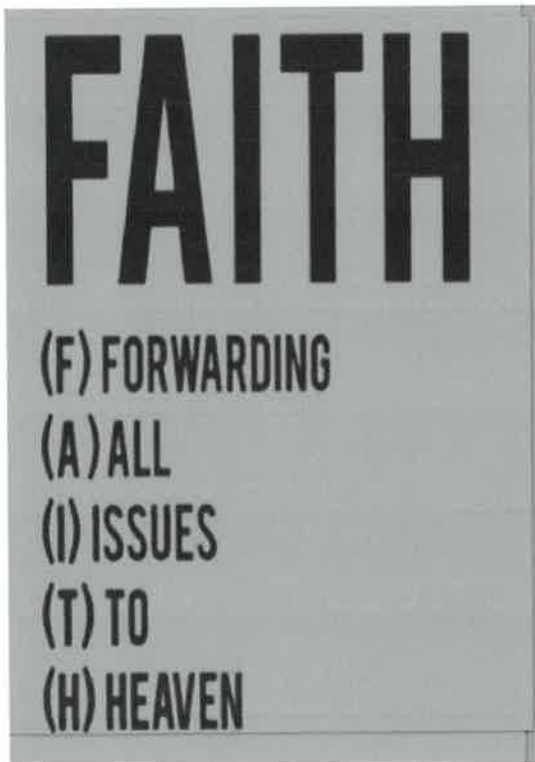
Saron members as well as friends and family of Saron who have been hospitalized or receiving ongoing medical care for challenging health problems or are battling cancer.....

Those in military service: Jordan Rick (U.S. Marine Corps); Christopher Kletzien (U.S. Army)....

Elaine, the student we sponsor in Haiti....

We extend our Christian sympathy to the: family of Du Wayne Daye (Erlinda Beebe's father) who passed away on June 18, 2017....

We celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism of: Ava Rose Schneider, daughter of Justin Schneider & Jayla Mineau who was baptized on June 18, 2017....



55th Annual Meeting of the Wisconsin Conference of the United Church of Christ June 9—11, 2017

The theme of this year's annual meeting was "SH/FT: Our Unfolding Story" in our endeavor to "Do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly" (Micah 6:8).

Five Plenary sessions, devoted to the business portion of the conference, began Friday afternoon and concluded Sunday morning.

- Presentations of the 2016 Financial report and the 2018 budget
- Introduction of the Resolution to Become an Immigrant Welcoming Conference, passing vote Saturday afternoon
- Looking forward to the WI Conference hosting General Synod in 2019, which will be held in Milwaukee
- Voting on nominated Conference officers and committee members and 2018 budget
- Reports from United Church Camps, Inc. (UCCI), Lay Academy, and other church supported organizations

Friday's keynote speaker was the current President and General Minister of the UCC, Rev. Dr. John C Dorhauer. He emphasized the need to seek justice for everyone, highlighting the UCC's core values of Extravagant Welcome, Continuing Testament, and Changing Lives. John insists "that the Holy Spirit envisions a future in which the United Church of Christ matters."

Rev. Everett Mitchell, Pastor of Christ the Solid Rock Baptist Church and Dane County Circuit Court Judge, was our Saturday morning keynote. His presentation focused on "A Theology of Race: Empowering churches to use radical inclusiveness of Jesus' ministry to dismantle spiritual and social racial segregation." He believes this will result in a church where everybody is somebody. One of his favorite quotes speaks directly to our shifting times: "Do not follow the path that has been given, instead go to where there is no path and leave a trail."

The weekend included: Workshops - offering over a dozen topics; Exhibitor Hall - providing new resources and items to enhance spiritual or personal life; Share Fair - consisting of 21 congregations sharing their inspiring stories of ministry; After Hours Sessions - engaging in conversation around common interests; Faith Formation - offering group and personal reflection.

A video of the Conference is available at www.wcucc.org.

We extend our appreciation and gratitude to the consistory and congregation for providing the opportunity to represent Saron at Annual Conference. Delegates - Judy Dumke, Lucas Williams; Visitors - Dawn Williams, Sharon Schlundt; Retired Clergy - Rev. Arlan Schlundt.



Happy Anniversary We hope you keep the following couples in your prayers as they celebrate their Anniversary this month. If we missed your special day or reported a wrong date please let us know by calling the church office at (467-6202 or e-mail barb@saronucc.org).

July 1 Dan & Cindy Roehrborn

July 3 Chris & Tiffany Suemnicht

July 4 Jack & Marian Jarvis

July 5 Amanda & Dylan Bell
Bob & Luann Travis

July 6 Keith & Deb Henning

July 7 Doug & Heidi Taylor—5 yrs.

July 11 Howie & Marilyn Heiden

July 13 Don & Nancy Collar
Doug & Katie Van Helden—15 yrs.

July 15 Dave & Kathy Thomas
Du Wayne & Linda Wieck—45 yrs.

July 16 Nicole & Jarrod Brown
Du Wayne & Peggy Nohl

July 20 Scott & Janice Curtiss
Rick & Mary Margenau

July 23 Tom & Cindy Beitler

July 24 Carl & Robin Lindquist
Eric & Kelly Rabe

July 30 Randy & Sue Kleinhans

July 31 Ben & Carrie Nickel
Kevin & Julie Wieck



Happy Birthday We hope you keep the following people in your prayers as they celebrate their Birthday this month. If we missed your special day or reported a wrong date please let us know by calling the church office at (467-6202 or e-mail barb@saronucc.org).

July 1 Dennis Nelson
Stacy Wagner

July 2 Casey Schneider

July 4 Jane Hanke

July 5 Corin Trumm

July 6 Bernice Justinger
Lois Roehl

July 7 Heather Jankus
Joseph Schuler

July 8 Sharon Boedecker
Zachary Dulmes
Lauren Schneider
Glenn Ubbelohde

July 9 Jordy Hitsman

July 10 Jim Karstaedt
Anthony Leu
Mark Schmidt

July 12 Donna Rabe
Harper Schmidt

July 14 Ralph Anger

July 15 Patti Boedecker
Brayden Schneider

July 16 Lexi Haas
Natalie Mauk

July 17 Kathy Herzog

July 18 Brittney Mauk
Sara Schnicke



July 19 Brennan Nickel
Dawn Williams
Sonya Yellstrom

July 20 Amy Kober
Morgan Reichwald
Tom Roth
Dale Verhage

July 22 Kim Abston
Ethan Albsmeier
Brian Feider
Joyce Riviers

July 23 Randy Kleinhans
Rachel Peichl-McGee

July 24 Todd Havlinek

July 25 Mason Fleck
Judy Prange
Emily Schnicke

July 26 Alyce Beeck
Steve Boll
Eugene Weiskopf

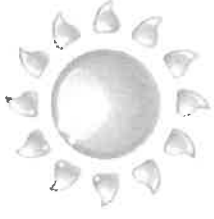
July 27 Katie Van Helden
Riles Walsh



July 29 Kira Athorp
Sue Nohl
Dennis Roehrborn
Heidi Taylor

July 30 Diane Frazier
Mike Mooney
Luann Travis



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 9:30 Worship – Holy Communion NO Volleyball	3 8 Men's Breakfast Club @ Church House	4  Saron offices closed	5 6:30 Volleyball practice	6	7	8
9 9:30 Worship 6:30 VB game @ Bethlehem UCC	10 6:55 Softball Game @ Vets Park NW	11	12 2:15-3 Bookmobile 6:30 Volleyball	13	14	15
16 9:30 Worship 6:30 VB game @ Saron vs. Immanuel/Bethel	17 5:30 Consistory Mtg. 5:45 Softball Game @ Vets Park NW & 8:05 @ Roosevelt SW	18	19 6:30 Volleyball	20	21	22
23 9:30 Worship 6:30 VB game @ St. Marks/St. James	24 5:45 Softball Game @ Vets Park NW	25	26 2:15-3 Bookmobile 6:30 Volleyball	27	28	29 
30 9:30 Worship Noon - Volleyball Tournament @ Immanuel UCC	31 5:45 Softball Game @ Vets Park SW		Vacation Bible School – Monday-Wednesday July 24-26, 2017 – 6:00-7:30 PM			
A.M. Activities are noted in Bold Italic						