

# **AUGUST 2016**



Communion August 7th



Aug 7 – Pastor John Everett/Communion

Aug 14 – Pastor John Everett

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Aug 28 – Carrie Munson



Carroll and Delphi School Begins August 8th



August 28th

### Christian Education

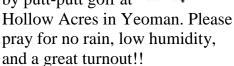
by Barb Mayfield

#### Oasis Cook-Out and Putt-Putt Golf

Sunday, July 31st at 5:30pm, the Mayfield's will host Oasis children and their families for a



cook-out followed by putt-putt golf at





#### **Oasis Planning** for our 15<sup>th</sup> year

We will begin meeting to plan our 15<sup>th</sup> year of Oasis on Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. We will meet again on August 31st and Sept 7th. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please come! Our kick-off carnival is planned for September 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Presbyterian Women

by Jane Bishop



The Mary-Martha Circle will meet August 16 in the basement dining room at 7:00PM. The Hostess will be Kathy King; Year Book of Prayer, Jane Kearns; Horizons, Jane Bishop; Bible Study, Barbara Wilkinson. All women are invited.

#### Thrift Shop Schedule for August

Sat. Aug 4	Ruth E	Sacker
Thurs. Aug 11	Jane K	Sort & Mark
Thurs. Aug 25	Donna S	Sort & Mark

## Worship Committee

by Terry Langston

Communion by intinction will be next Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016, with Pastor Jim Everett blessing and serving the



elements. He will also be bringing us the message on that worship day.



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If you feel led by the Spirit to share a song by singing or with an instrument during our worship service, please contact



me. Sharing your talent that God has given you would be appreciated by the congregation.

## Clerk of Session

by Laraine MacLauchlan

Our next session meeting will be on September 11<sup>th</sup> following worship.

#### Congregational Life

by Sally Schmidt



Annual Picnic Time! It is to be held on August 28<sup>th</sup> at the Flora Park immediately following worship. Please

bring a dish to share. Drinks will be provided. Hope to see you there!

## Stewardship/Missions

by Joe Mayfield

Summer should be stopped by the police for speeding!! Luckily we still have lots of Sundays to be together and of course our annual church picnic at the park is August 28th.

Our congregation continues in its faithful giving; Income through June 30th was 49,400



dollars with Budgeted expenses about 4,000 less than that. We are certainly getting to practice perseverance and patience!

I also wanted to include a letter about the Buddy Bag program at Carroll for your review, please see below:

"Fellow Ministers in Christ,

As you no doubt are aware, school starts up again in less than two weeks. That means Buddy Bags is going to start up again soon. Recently, I received an e-mail from Lonnie Spesard, who goes to our church and who coordinates the Buddy Bags program at Carroll Schools. Lonnie mentioned that, while the number of families served by the program has increased each year, the donations that support the program have decreased each year.

To this point, the program has stayed in the black on the strength of surplus donations from the first year. However, that surplus is nearly gone, and Buddy Bags is facing a potential deficit and, along with it, a potential inability to meet the need of hungry children in our school system.

Lonnie asked me to get in touch with you all and ask that you share this information with the members of your church. Anyone - individual or church - who would like to make a donation to Buddy Bags can do so by getting in touch with Beth Hayden at the elementary school or can mail the donations to the Bringhurst Church (PO Box 24, Flora), and we will see that it gets to the right people.

Buddy Bags is a vital ministry of all the churches in Flora, and I am sure that, between all of us, we can ensure that it continues to flourish!

Peace in Christ, Pastor Joe Boggs Bringhurst UMC"



Also in for August, I wanted to add some trustee related info for your consideration. We are developing a list of projects to

be worked on in the next few months and everyone can participate if they so choose. We will have a large flip sheet available for everyone to write their ideas for repairs, replacements, additions, and subtractions on. So keep your eyes peeled and give the trustees your input.

Please continue to pray for our pastor search committee, our mission work at the food pantry, the thrift shop, and for our 15th year of Oasis.



Thank you again for your faithfulness!



The WALL will be at the Flora Park on August 4, 5, 6, & 7, of 2016. Viewing will be available 24 hours a day. Volunteers and security will be present. Honoring the Veterans is to be a healing experience and in a peaceful manner.

A month of Sundays

"August is like the Sunday of summer," an online meme proclaims. But that means different things to different people.

If you see Sunday as the end of a week — a chance to sleep in, do "nothing," relax and play — then August might be your downtime at the end of a busy summer. If Sunday feels heavy because the onslaught of the workweek is approaching, then August may carry the dread of falling leaves and falling temperatures.

But if you view Sunday as a fresh start to the week, then August, with a new school year and new church programming around the corner, can be exciting. And if you honor Sunday as the Sabbath, indeed "August is like the Sunday of summer." God invites us to enjoy these holy days and give thanks to him, the Creator of all seasons.

—Heidi Mann

## What's up?

Ever wonder what God is doing in your life, or what — if anything — he's accomplishing through you? You aren't alone! Many people in the Bible surely felt the same way, from Joseph as a prisoner in Egypt to Mary as a young, unwed expectant mother.

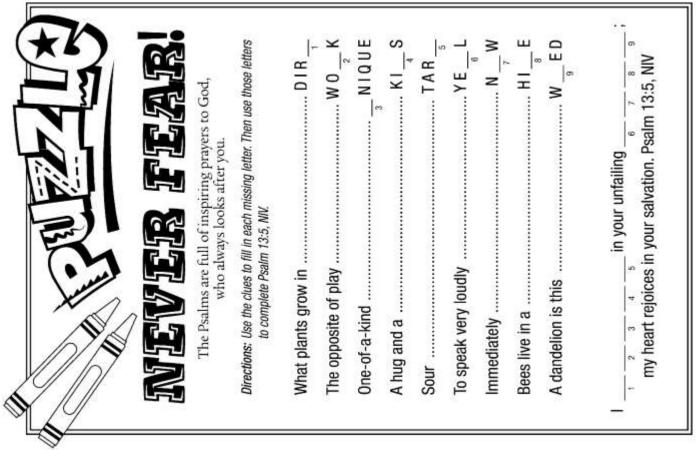
Answers may come in time ... or may need to wait until we get to heaven. Meanwhile, like missionary Elisabeth Elliot, we can take comfort in this truth: "God is God. Because he is God, he is worthy of my trust and obedience." Elliot proclaimed, "I will find rest nowhere but in his holy will that is unspeakably beyond my largest notions of what he is up to."

Choir Practice 9:30; Worship 10:15; Sunday School as announced

Flora Presbyterian Church August 2016

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B=Birthday	N=Nursery	SR=Scripture Readers	U=Ushers

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Veterans Wall at Flora Park B=Denise Good B=Marlene Smith	5 Veterans Wall at Flora Park	6 Veterans Wall at Flora Park
7 Communion N=Julie Catron SR=Jay McMillin SR=Gerry Hollis U=Joe & Barb Mayfield Veterans Wall at Flora Park	8 B=Stan Langston Carroll & Delphi School starts	9 B=Dick N. Bishop	10 7:00PM Oasis Planning Mtg	11	12	13 Farmer's Market Downtown Flora 9 to 11AM * Church Basement reserved
14 N=Julie Catron SR=Susan Hollis SR=Ann Brown U=Doug & Laraine MacLauchlan	15 7:00PM Crafters at Cutler Presbyterian	16 7:00pm Mary- Martha Circle	17	18	19	20
21 N=Julie Catron SR=Doug MacLauchlan SR=Bill Kearns U= Doug & Laraine MacLauchlan	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 September Pulse N=Julie Catron SR=Terry Langston SR=Mark Good U=Barbara Wilkinson Marlene Smith Annual Picnic Flora Park	29	30 B=Ed Sholty	31 7:00PM Oasis Planning Mtg			



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