

The Union Avenue News

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June/July 2015

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

The Ice Cream Social on May 17 was a delicious way to celebrate the end of another great Sunday School year! The one worship service that morning included music from the Bells, Choir, praise band, Kids Club and Sunday school kids, and Carol on the organ. Sunday school teachers and others who volunteer with the youth were recognized and thanked during the service. Gathering together at one service was a great way to wrap up the year, and launch into summer. The summer worship schedule has begun, with worship at 10AM and fellowship at 11AM.



Dates to Remember

June 7th

Summer Worship
in Roosevelt Park

10AM @ the Roosevelt Park
picnic shelter

11AM—Hot dog picnic in the park
(fundraiser for youth going to CO)

June 11th

6:30PM—Concert in the Park
@ Roosevelt Park

June 12th—20th

Youth Mission Trip to
Nederland, CO

(Pastor Doug, Karen & Elizabeth out of the
office these dates)

July 6th—10th

Camp-in-a-Van (CIAV)
@ Federated

July 8th

6:30PM—Christ Hike @ IPoint (counselors
for CIAV and Youth Group) Meet @ church

July 9th

6:30PM—Concert & Movie in the Park @
Roosevelt Park

August 5th

Church family picnic @ Inspiration Peak
and Christ Hike at IPoint

August 19th

Picnic/Hike @ Maplewood
(Sr/Jr High Youth Groups)

August 26th

Youth Group trip to Valleyfair

August 30th

Summer Worship
in Roosevelt Park
10AM @ the Roosevelt Park
picnic shelter

Federated Church
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Fergus Falls, MN 56537

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May 31st

Summer Worship Schedule

10:00am Worship
11:00am Coffee Hour

First Sundays of the Month

Communion served at each service.

Blood Pressure clinics held during the Fellowship hour by the Parish nurse.

Know your Neighbor Sunday Name tags distributed before each service.

First Sundays with Pastor Doug. From October to May, Join Pastor Doug the first Sunday of each month for an in depth look at some exciting and eclectic topics.

Ministry Nite

Committees meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm.

Reminder: Committees do not meet in July

Other Meetings

Men's Bible Study meets every Monday at noon in the parlor.

Women's Bible Study meets every Thursday at 10:30am in the parlor.

Deacons & Elders meet the third Thursday of the month at 6:30pm.

Stephen Ministry meets the first Tuesday of the month at 5:30pm.

Call the Church office if you
have any questions!
218-739-3227



Growing together in God's love...
From generation to generation.

Come as you are...
Visitors expected

The Federated Church is
a joint ministry of
The Presbyterian Church (USA) and
The United Church of Christ



Water is truly an amazing substance, yet it is so common and so abundant, that we take it for granted. Its chemical composition is the bonding of two gases, hydrogen and oxygen and it is identified in a chemist's notation as H₂O. We are familiar with its various forms from the gaseous, steam; to the liquid; to the solid, ice and snow. We drink it, bathe in it, swim in it, float over it, generate electricity with it, soak the grass with it, buy special clothes for it when it falls from the sky and on and on we could go about all the uses we make of the common and remarkable substance called water given to us by God.

As I sit writing today, water is pouring down from heaven with desperately needed rain; and I have just finished making plans for one of the five baptisms scheduled for this summer. God has given us water not simply as an element of our physical life, but also as an object lesson to teach us spiritual truths.

It refreshes. Out in the hot sun all day working hard, your throat begins to dry out and your tongue feels parched, and you remember how refreshing water can be. David, on one occasion, desired to be refreshed with water from a certain well and said with longing, "Oh, that someone would give me a drink of the water from the well of Bethlehem, which is by the gate" ([2 Sam. 23:15](#)). Three mighty men broke into the camp of the Philistines just to obtain the water that would refresh David. Jesus praised those who refreshed little ones with "only a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple" ([Matt. 10:42](#)). Jesus knew how precious it was to have a refreshing drink of water as in His agony on the cross He cried out, "I thirst" ([John 19:28](#)).

God uses our physical thirst for water, our longing for refreshment to teach us the need for spiritual thirst. David expressed the thirst of a soul longing to be refreshed in the presence of his God. "O God, you are my God; early will I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh longs for you in a dry and thirsty land where there is no water" ([Psa. 63:1](#)). As if in response to David's plea for his soul to be quenched, God promised to provide the water that would satisfy and refresh the thirsty soul, "For waters shall burst forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert. The parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water..." ([Isaiah 35:6-7](#)).

Jesus told the woman of Samaria that He was the source of the refreshing living water promised by God. "Whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into eternal life" ([John 4:13-14](#)). Immediately the woman desired to drink of the water Jesus offered.

The apostles of Jesus later explained how thirsty souls might be refreshed by God's living water. One must repent and be baptized for the remission of their sins, "so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord" ([Acts 2:38; 3:19](#)). Souls that are as eager as David to be refreshed in the presence of God will humbly submit to the command of baptism in water and they will indeed receive the forgiveness of their sins and the refreshing living water of God.

It cleanses. After a hard day of backbreaking work, nothing feels quite as good as a long hot shower or bath. To soak up the water and scrub off the sweat and grime doesn't just clean the body, but makes one feel like a new person. We use gallons of water every day to clean our bodies, our clothes, our dishes, our cars, our pets, and anything else that we can reach with a bucket and a scrub brush.

Again the Lord has given us the physical quality of water and its use in cleansing to teach us a lesson concerning spiritual cleansing. Just as dirt will make our body filthy and require water for cleansing, so also sin will make our soul filthy and require water for cleansing. David fervently prayed to be cleansed of his sins, "Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin ... purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow" ([Psa. 51:2, 7](#)). The Lord promised in the Old Testament a means of cleansing, "In that day a fountain shall be opened for the house of David and for the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and uncleanness" ([Zech. 13:1](#)).

Under the New Testament, the Lord kept that promise and sent Jesus Christ to open up the way to the fountain whereby those who love God might be washed, cleansed, purified and purged of their sins. God has ordained that to be cleansed of sins we must in faith submit to baptism in water, "the washing of regeneration" ([Titus 3:5](#)). Saul/Paul was commanded by God through Ananias, "Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord" ([Acts 22:16](#)). One must be baptized not to remove the filth of the flesh, but in order to give the answer of a good conscience toward God ([1 Pet. 3:21](#)). Only those who have had their hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and their "bodies washed with pure water" can "draw near (to God) with a true heart and in full assurance of faith" ([Hebrews 10:22](#)).

It is essential to life. Water is essential for life to exist on this planet. While one can live without food for three weeks, one cannot live more than three days without water. Hagar and Ishmael would have died in the wilderness without water when their skin of water was used up if the Lord had not opened Hagar's eyes to find a well of water ([Gen. 21:14-15](#)).

Throughout the ages God has made water not only a requirement for physical life but also for spiritual life. During the Patriarchal age, water became the means through which God saved Noah and his family. "God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was prepared, in which few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water" ([1 Peter 3:20](#)). Later, God saved the nation of Israel from the slavery of Egypt through the water of the Red Sea. Under the Law of Moses, God required that the priests wash themselves with water before entering the tabernacle in service to God and failure to do so meant death ([Exodus 30:18-20](#)).

Just as God requires water for our physical life, God also requires water as an essential element for salvation. Jesus laid down the need of water for spiritual life to Nicodemus, "Most assuredly, I say unto you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God" ([John 3:5](#)). Before Jesus ascended into heaven he told his apostles, "He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned" ([Mark 16:16](#)). Because of God's requirement of baptism in water and its essentiality to our spiritual life, Peter wrote that as Noah and his family were saved through water, "There is an antitype which now saves us, namely baptism" ([1 Peter 3:21](#)).

What is truly amazing about water is that the very element which we desperately need and use so much, God has blessed us with in exceeding abundance in the form of dew, rain, ponds, lakes, creeks, streams, rivers, seas and oceans. Just as so very few need to die physically for lack of water, no one needs to continue in spiritual death for lack of baptism in water in obedience to Jesus. "See here is water, what hinders me from being baptized?" ([Acts 8:36](#)).

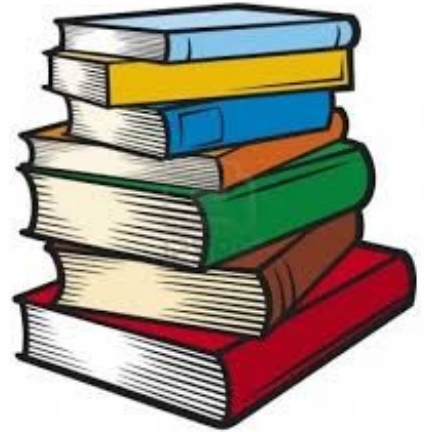
Water. Something so simple, so life-affirming, and so abundant. Truly, God is good!
Pastor Doug



K-12 Youth

Karen Anderson, Interim Director of Christian Education

I am excited to report that the books purchased about relationship/purity/child-raising are already very popular with our congregation! Over the summer months I hope to add several new titles and even a parenting program to equip parents (with kids of all ages) with how to talk to young people about sensitive issues. Our world continues to be a confusing place for kids and parents to navigate, and we as a church family can support and help each other in the work of raising up the next generation! If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact me by e-mail, phone, or stop by the office!



Youth Upcoming Events

We have set a tentative schedule of events for the summer months, and we will also let people know of more spontaneous events (biking, fun in the park, etc.) through Facebook/e-mail/text!

The schedule includes:

June 7th—Worship in the Park @ Roosevelt Park; Hotdog picnic following (fundraiser for CO trip)

June 11th—Concert in the Park (Elizabeth Hatling is performing! - Everyone is welcome!)

June 12-20th—Colorado Mission Trip (Youth Groups)

June 24th—Community Garden (Youth groups)

July 6th-10th—Vacation Bible School (K-6th Grade)

July 8th—Christ Hike at Inspiration Point (Youth groups and VBS counselors)

July 9th—Concert/Movie in the Park (Everyone!)

Aug. 5th—Church Family Picnic/Christ Hike at Inspiration Peak/Inspiration Point (Everyone!)

Aug. 19th—Picnic/Hike at Maplewood (Youth Groups)

Aug. 26th—Valley Fair (Youth Groups)

Sept. 4th-6th—Life Light (Youth Groups)

We will provide more specific information regarding all these activities and more as we get moving into the summer months! It promises to be a fun-filled summer!

Sunday School and Nursery

Sunday school would not be possible without our dedicated and loving teachers and musicians who volunteer their time each Sunday morning. Our children are so fortunate to have such quality people. Say thank you to a Sunday school teacher when you see one! If you feel called to participate in this valuable ministry of the church, please let us know!

During the summer months the Christian Education committee will be reviewing and deciding on the Sunday school curriculum for the 2015-2016 year. We also will be holding a Sunday school teacher workshop late this summer for a few hours to share the new curriculum and provide support to our teachers/volunteers. More details of this event will be shared by e-mail and snail mail this summer.

Thank you to all the individuals who have been a part of the nursery ministry this spring. We will be forming a more permanent nursery team later this summer to begin trading off weeks or months over the 2015-2016 year.



Summer Mission Opportunity

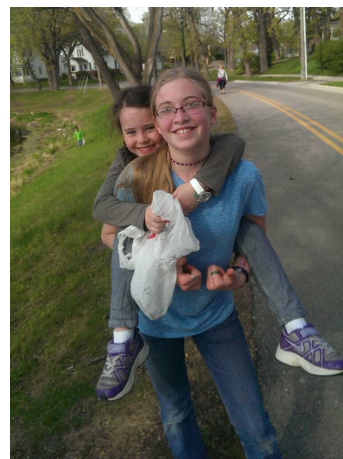
The summer will kick off with an exciting start for our mission trip team! We will be heading to Nederland, CO, on Friday, June 12th. On our way we plan to stop and stay in Rapid City, SD., where we will visit Mount Rushmore and take in some other fun activities as time permits. We will be staying in Nederland at the Presbyterian church for about five days, during which we will be doing various mission projects around their community. On our Sunday there, we will be participating in their outdoor worship service, surrounded by mountains! Wednesday will be our free day to hike and explore, and we plan to leave for home on Friday, June 19th, to arrive home on June 20th. Please pray for the team members—that God will use us and that we will be transformed and deepened in our faith and in our relationships during this journey!

While our team travels to Colorado, a mission team from Westminster Presbyterian Church in the Twin Cities plans to stay here at Federated on the nights of June 15th and 16th. They are hoping to do local mission work on the 16th, at the Food Shelf and the Salvation Army; and they also plan to check out the Prairie Wetlands Learning Center. If you see the team at church during their stay, feel free to stop in and say hello!



Summer is just around the corner, and with that, vacation Bible school! This year's session is set for July 6th-10th and the theme is "Power UP, Living in the Spirit". We will be utilizing the Camp-in-a-van staff from Clearwater Forest again this year, and so we are looking forward to an exciting week! If you are interested in having your child or grandchild participate, please contact the church office. We will be looking for volunteers (youth and adult) to help with leadership as well as in the kitchen. If you have the ability and interest to host a counselor or two please contact the church office.

It is hard to believe that Kids Club is now wrapped up for the season! We had a great spring learning about the miracles of Jesus. Our volunteers make this ministry so special and FUN! We look forward to bringing the kids new and exciting learning opportunities this fall. This summer our volunteers will gather to plan the fall and winter sessions! If you would like to be a part of the team, please see Karen or Jordan this summer! We would love to add to our wonderful leaders!



June Birthdays



Jerry Nuss 06/01
 Bob Johnson 06/02
 Cindy McDougall 06/02
 Gary Snyder 06/03
 Ken Garrahan 06/03
 Shane Harthun 06/04
 Ayla Hoff 06/04
 Matyas Sundheim 06/05
 Jackie Gondrez 06/05
 Harrison Saurer 06/05
 Jordan Salgat 06/05
 Maryjane Westra 06/06
 Loran Johnson 06/07
 Eunice MacFarlane 06/07
 Leslie Johnson 06/08
 Deb Tabbutt 06/09
 Clyde Schlepp 06/10
 Dustin Lien 06/10
 Delaney Schara 06/10
 Bonnie Bergerud 06/12

Danielle Anderson 06/12
 Nancy Malchert 06/16
 Peg Werner 06/17
 Julie Johnson 06/17
 Gene Mjelde 06/18
 Kristen Kugler 06/18
 Kathy Hatling 06/18
 Marianne Stone 06/19
 John Erickson 06/20
 Colin Dethlefsen 06/22
 David Nelson 06/24
 Jim Andrews 06/24
 Lois Tassler 06/25
 Melissa Saurer 06/25
 Elizabeth Hatling 06/25
 Yvonne Marts 06/28
 Hannah Nelson 06/28
 Lisa Anderson 06/30
 Erik Anthonisen 06/30

July Birthdays



Jodie Nuss 07/02
 Joean Schmidt 07/03
 Leila Allen-Ugstad 07/03
 Cameron Haas 07/03
 Altha Schmidt 04/04
 Jeanette Haas 07/05
 Mary Westra 07/05
 Vanessa Westra 07/05
 Ben Dulski 07/05
 Irene Randall 07/06
 Anne Worner 07/07
 Lori Kugler 07/09
 Emma Childs 07/09
 Emily Stoddard 07/09
 Benjamin Rundquist 07/09
 Jean McKenzie 07/10
 Joel Enderson 07/11
 Linda MacFarlane 07/11
 Emily Nuss 07/11
 Tom Gehring 07/13
 Fiona Rundquist 07/13
 Jozee Lee 07/15
 Kendal Nygaard 07/15
 Patty Link 07/16

Kenneth Anderson 07/18
 Mary Link 07/18
 Dawn Dulski 07/18
 Ruth Anderson 07/19
 Stephanie Kohlhasse 07/19
 Bill Rodning 07/19
 Gloria Ronning 07/21
 Sarah Bowman 07/21
 Hayden Westra 07/23
 Kim Erickson 07/24
 Joanne Styve 07/26
 Piper Andrews 07/26
 Nicole Tabbutt 07/27
 Dominic Facio 07/27
 Charles MacFarlane 07/28
 Tina Jo Kohlhasse 07/28
 Adam Schlepp 07/29
 Wally Moe 07/30
 Wayne Ronning 07/30
 Mark Becker 07/30
 Ken Schuetze 07/31
 Kym Nygaard 07/31
 Lorna McCabe 07/31

We apologize if we missed your birthday! Please email your birthday information to church@federatedff.org

Jonathon Strommen-Campbell, the composer in residence at The Federated Church during the past year, has announced that his piece *The Final Harvest* has been accepted for publication by Augsburg Fortress! The piece will be dedicated to the memory of John Hatling and to The Federated Church.

The Worship & Music Committee will again be hosting Summer Concerts at The Federated Church. The first one will be Wednesday, June 24 at 7PM, and will feature Susie Sanner and The Federated Church choir. These summer concerts are free and open to the public.



Doctoral Studies

In July, Pastor Doug will begin doctoral studies in the area of Congregational Leadership and Mission at Luther Seminary (St. Paul, MN). This four-year program of one-week courses (January and July) is designed to develop a pastor's skills in a congregational setting: what he learns should be applicable to the ministry at The Federated Church. At the end of the coursework, Pastor Doug will prepare a dissertation for review by the Seminary staff. Pastor Doug is excited and nervous about such a big undertaking, but is grateful for the support of the Deacons & Elders and the entire Federated Family. Prayers are welcome!

Newsletter



Newsletter Deadline

Articles and announcements for the monthly newsletter are due on the 15th of each month. Please send them in electronic form (email) whenever possible. The church staff reserves the right to edit articles for content and space.

S E R V I C E



June Service Group

Group #5

Jim and Phyllis Behrends
Joel and Dawn Dulski
Elizabeth Hatling
Kathy Hatling
Jeremy and Jen Jensen
Cleo Langseth
Steve Lockhart and Donna Ohe
Tiny Macheel
Jacinta Macheel
Mary Milton
Ann Porter
Mary Jones Olson
Duane and Carol Rose
Debbie Rose
Melissa Saurer
Donna Solin
Joan Tester
Greg and Kathy Truax

July Service Group

Group #6

Dennis and Jean Bowman
Dennis and Lu Echelberger
Paul and Tina Eckhoff
Cindy Holte
LoveEll Hultin
Karen Johnson
Ross and Lisa Johnson
Jan Knackendoffel
Bev Lambert
Gary and Roxane Nereson
Gene and Dorothy Porter
Al and Connie Seltz
Art and Lee Syverson
Gerry and Anne Worner
Vern and Joyce Youngren

August Service Group

Group #7

Mike and Amy Donoho
Jean Giles
Walter and Bonnie Gondrez
Karen Hauck
Loran Johnson
Craig and Rebecca Jorgensen
William and Peg Kalar
Patty Lindholm
Mike and Michelle Loomer
Yvonne Marts
Ed and Ingrid Morgan
Gary and Karen Orcutt
Ross and Marianne Stone
Shannon Wilson

Greeters and Coffee Hosts June 2015

Sunday, June 7th - Service @ Roosevelt Park

10AM— Youth going to CO

Sunday, June 14th

10AM—Ann Porter, Mary Jones Olson and Donna Solin

Sunday, June 21st

10AM— Steve Lockhart & Donna Ohe and Kathy Hatling

Sunday, June 28th

10AM—Jeremy & Jen Jensen and Duane & Carol Rose

Greeters and Coffee Hosts July 2015

Sunday, July 5th

10AM— Dennis & Lu Echelberger and Cindy Holte

Sunday, July 12th

10AM—Dennis & Jean Bowman and Al & Connie Seltz

Sunday, July 19th

10AM—Paul & Tina Eckhoff and Bev Lambert

Sunday, July 26th

10AM—Gerry & Anne Worner, LoveEll Hultin
and Jan Knackendoffel

****Reminder, you are also the coffee hosts for that Sunday. If you are unable to do it the Sunday you are assigned, it is YOUR responsibility to find a replacement. Check your email for information on greeter and coffee host duties. Please add church@federatedff.org to your safe senders list. If you don't use email, please check the bulletin board in the narthex for the information.**

Congratulations to...

☺ Trevor & Paige Undseth on the birth of Paul Joseph.
Congratulations to Grandma Cindy Holte, too!

Grocery Receipts

Kathy Zimmerman

Receipt totals from April 2, 2015
through May 3, 2015

Sunmart -- \$2,698.53
Service Food -- \$5,465.15



UCC Annual Meeting

The UCC Annual Meeting will be held at the College of St. Benedict in St. Joseph, MN, June 12th – 14th. If you are interested in attending, contact the church office for more information.

Save the date!

June 18-21, 2015

Plan now to attend the 2015
Churchwide Gathering of
Presbyterian Women
Minneapolis, MN
www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering



Ministry Nite!

June 9th is Ministry Nite. Committees meet at 6:30PM in the fellowship hall. Please email your minutes to church@federatedff.org. If you are unable to attend, contact your chairperson. If your committee does not make a quorum, please schedule a time for your committee to meet before the next Ministry Nite.



Synod School 2015



*"So many people having so much fun
while examining issues related to faith."*

July 26–31, 2015
Buena Vista University, Storm Lake, Iowa

Go to www.lakesandprairies.org/school.html
or phone 1-800-328-1880, ext. 207.

A Future with Hope

Parish Nursing Notes

Connie Seltz, Parish Nurse Coordinator

On April 29th, Ann Porter, Chaplain Liz Mahan and I had appetizers at the Toasted Frog, then walked across the street to the Fargo Theater to hear the presentation by Dr. Thomas Joiner, "Why People Die by Suicide" He is a professor at Florida State University and was brought to the Fargo – Moorhead community by the NDSU department of science and math. Although an academic, he quickly connected with the audience telling us that his father died by suicide when he was 25. The lecture was enlightening. If anyone would like to know more about the presentation, let me know. There is a book by the same title available.



Lake Region Run

Saturday Morning, June 6th

Half Marathon, Half Relay, 5k & 1-mi

Lake Region Health Care is looking for volunteers for the Lake Region Run on Saturday, June 6th. Volunteer times are: Friday evening (packet pick-up) & Saturday during the day (traffic control and packet pick-up). Traffic control is standing on corners and making sure runners are heading in the right direction and stopping vehicles if there are runners in the intersections. Bright orange shirt included!

Call or email Mary at 736-8610 or mlbudke@lrhc.org.

<http://www.lakeregionrun.com/>

We are in the early stages of planning our next mission trip to the House of Hope in Zacapa, Guatemala in February 13-20, 2016. If you would like to join us, spend time with some great kids, share God's word, and work for God's kingdom in Guatemala, talk to Mike or Michelle Loomer or to Pastor Doug. Trip cost is approximately \$1,500.



HOUSES OF HOPE
INTERNATIONAL

Stewardship Report

General Fund Report—as of April 30, 2015

Revenue—\$41,054

Expenditures—\$29,076

Year to Date Pledge Offering

Budgeted —\$112,349

Actual received—\$106,831



Thank you for your continued generosity with the Local Mission Fund! Funds go out as quickly as they come in! There is much need in our community. Donations can be put in the offering plate with *Local Mission Fund* in the memo line or dropped off in the church office.

Local Mission Fund Report

April
18 families or
individuals helped
with \$1,050.00
towards food, rent
or utilities

As of May 22nd
0 families or
individuals helped
with \$0
towards food, rent
or utilities

Worship at The Federated Church

June 7, 2015 Worship in the Park 10AM	"How Underdogs Win" 1 Samuel 17:32-49 Celebration of The Lord's Supper Baptism of Aralynn Rose Larsen	Pastor Doug Dent
June 14, 2015 10AM	A Summer Hymn Sing! Come prepared to request your favorite hymn.	
June 21, 2015 10AM	"By Reason of Insanity" Mark 3:20-35	Pastor Doug Dent
June 28, 2015 10AM	"Faith, Risk and the Sky-High Selfie" Mark 4:35-41 Baptism of Olivia Elise Sitdikova	Pastor Doug Dent
July 5, 2015 10AM	"Coming Clean" Psalm 24 Celebration of The Lord's Supper	Pastor Doug Dent
July 12, 2015 10AM	"Take Nothing for the Journey" Mark 6:1-13	Pastor Doug Dent
July 19, 2015 10AM	Chaplain Liz Mahan preaching	
July 25, 2015	Chaplain Liz Mahan preaching	

Worship in the Park

Roosevelt Park Picnic Shelter @ 10AM

Sunday, June 7th & Sunday, August 30

Everyone is welcome!

Service will be moved to The Federated Church in the case of inclement weather



A note from Leah Ntuala:

I wanted to tell you Mason's birthday wish. Around February, we started talking about preparing for Atticus' 2nd Birthday. Of course, Mason talked about his birthday and what he wanted. Last year, Mason and I ran in a 1 mile Color Run (they spray with you color during the race, so you look like a rainbow when you finish). He said he wanted to host a color run to raise money for Pancreatic Cancer [Leah's mother died from pancreatic cancer]. Of course, I wanted his wish to come true, so I spoke with some people. We have been approved! The event is being co-sponsored by our Rec Center, which covers liability, etc. We have written businesses this week to sponsor the overhead costs (water, color powder, t-shirts, etc.) This way the registration fee can go to Pancreatic Cancer Network. I wanted to let you know. If you wish to make a donation through the Pancreatic Cancer Network, please go to:

<https://www.firstgiving.com/fundraiser/KokoMason/colorrun>

Mission Committee – Mike Shol



The Federated Church Mission Committee has chosen the Box of Blessings to be the Mission Initiative for 2015/16, with a goal to purchase 70 Boxes of Blessings for the Cancer Center. We have 75 Boxes of Blessings ready to go for the Cancer Center! Thank you for your generous response to this ministry! The boxes were blessed at the worship service on May 10, and made available to the Cancer Center the following day.

Worship in the park on June 7th will be followed by a picnic in the park. The Mission Committee and the youth going on the June mission trip to Nederland, CO will provide a hotdog picnic. Proceeds will go to the youth going on the CO mission trip.

Scrubs Camp is coming to Fergus Falls! Scrubs Camp is a unique opportunity for high school students to explore careers in the health sciences. Campers will experience a variety of interactive, hands-on activities and special field trips. Sessions are led by healthcare professionals and/or faculty from area colleges.



Where: M-State, Fergus Falls

When: June 9-11 2015

Fee: \$200, includes accommodations, meals, scrubs, and sessions

Scholarships available

Register at: www.healthforceminnesota.org

Contact us: scrubscamp@minnesota.edu



Brian Bopp, a Federated Church alum and occasional summer guest preacher, will be performing a special patriotic Fourth of July show this summer in the Otter Tail Lakes vacation area!

He will be doing two shows, July 3 and 4, at the new Old West Melodrama Dinner Theatre at Elmer's Texas Barbeque, located between Battle Lake and Otter Tail city. Brian notes "What if Mt. Rushmore came to life? What would those four presidents have to say today? In 'Great Presidents of U.S. History', I will don authentic costumes and seamlessly change into Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Roosevelt. Each character will illustrate the words and attributes that earned their profile carved on South Dakota mountaintop."

This special 4th of July patriotic performance will feature audience interaction, some music from the times and each president may entertain questions from the audience. History buffs and anyone who feels particularly patriotic will enjoy this fascinating performance by one of Federated Church's own!

The \$35 ticket includes authentic BBQ dinner with all the fixins, tea, lemonade, gratuity, tax and dessert. Reservations must be made in advance by going to www.elmersbarbeque.com starting June 1. More information about the melodrama show, in which Federated's Rick Schara has been actively involved, is also available.

For anyone wishing to make summertime visits to members of our faith family who are living in one of the assisted living or long-term care facilities in town, please refer to the list below.

Perrie and Lucille Sheldon - Pioneer Pointe
Dolores Duncan- Pioneer Pointe
Karen Johnson -Mill Street
Dick Brimhall - Mill Street
Bill Ressler -Mill Street
Dale & Betty Larson - Mill Street
Louetta Hanneman Savoy -River Bend
Altha Schmidt -River Bend
Fran Johnson- Silver Leaf

Cleo Langseth -Alcott Manor
Gene Mjelde -Broen Home
Lorna McCabe - Broen Home
Art Syverson -V A. Home
Alfred Anderson - VA Home
Mary Anderson -Pioneer Care
Winnie Clambey - Park Gardens
Gladys Carlson -Park Gardens
Hal Collins - Woodland Lodge