



# THE LAMPLIGHTER

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## Change in Contribution Statements

Anyone wanting a contribution statement for your second quarter of giving, please contact the church office by phone (786-0910) or email ([preschurchws@gmail.com](mailto:preschurchws@gmail.com)) and Holly will get that for you. Otherwise, third quarter statements will go out as usual!

## Summer Music Needed!

It's summer and our wonderful choir is taking a well deserved break. We need your help! Do you have a talent that you would like to share with your church family? Maybe you play an instrument, read poetry or sing. If you are willing to share your talent, your church family is willing to enjoy it with you! Is your child or grandchild taking instrumental lessons or singing in the school choir? Encourage them to consider sharing their talent with us. Their church family will be very appreciative. They can even choose what music they want to play or sing!



There is a sign-up sheet on the kiosk in fellowship hall with the available dates. Please sign up as soon as you can so you can reserve the date you would like. If you have any questions or concerns, please talk to Greg Meeuwssen, Jane Foner or Barbara Hopkins. Thank you for your consideration and your church family eagerly waits to hear your talent!

## Like to kayak? Want to try kayaking?



Join us on Sunday, July 15th from 1 pm-5 pm as we kayak down the Black River! We will meet at the Highway 35 boat landing and kayak until we get to Lytles Landing (by Brian and Molly Baker's house). It should be a fun day with your church family! Stay tuned for more details!

## Shipwrecked VBS 2018!

Attention kids 4K-5th grade! Mark your calendars for August 5th-August 8th as we join together for an exciting week of VBS! Our theme this summer is Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus! Even better...the entire congregation is invited to join together for a potluck picnic at the Lake Neshonoc Boat Landing to kick-off VBS on Sunday, August 5th at 5:00 PM. VBS will continue August 6th-8th from 5:30-8:00 PM at church. We hope you can join us! It will be an exciting week as we learn some awesome Bible stories! Stay tuned for more details!



## April 2018 Financial Summary

### Operating Budget

Balance May 1st	\$9,650.79
Receipts	32,086.90
Expenses	(22,314.25)
<b>Ending Balance—May 31st</b>	<b>\$19,423.44</b>



### Prayer Chain

Helen Harold	786-0856
Sharon Shaw	786-0653
Vickie Holt	786-1659
Sharon Cullmann	797-1732
Elinor Johnston	786-2441
Marilyn Bahr	786-0315
Diana Engel	786-1560
Becky Auna	786-0097

### HIGHLIGHTS FROM SESSION:

- Approved All-Church Kayaking Event on July 15th from 1-5 PM
- We will present 40% of Pentecost offering to Brian Baker and Jon Jones who are heading up the program “Let’s Get Kids Outside”



### Hats off to:

- our June nursery helpers: Anna Bohnsack, Connor Brown, Chase Jones & Luke Noel
- our June liturgists: Alanna Wuensch, Becky Auna, Kathy Schedin & Jackie Siekert
- our June sound room: Grant Bohnsack & Tiffani LaJeunesse



### ARTICLE IN THE PRESBYTERIAN OUTLOOK MAGAZINE

Recently Helen Harold submitted an article to the Presbyterian Outlook magazine about the Mother/Daughter/Friend Banquet. If you would like to read it there are copies available on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

#### Elders

##### Class of 2018

Nick Miller  
Kelly Crusan  
Jane Foner  
Barb Hopkins

##### Class of 2019

Shawn McAlister  
Mike Siekert  
Kristjan Sells  
Kevin Aleckson

##### Class of 2020

Valerie Olson  
Carolyn Lindeman  
Charles Engel  
Kathy Schedin

#### Deacons

Class of 2018 Susan Evans, Charlie Evans, Jackie Siekert, Marilyn Bahr and Rita Thompson

Class of 2019 Kris Seeger, Jean Pearson, Diana Swim, Chris Winther and Helen Harold

**A NOTE FROM PASTOR STEPHANIE:**

With summer well underway, what's the most refreshing treat you can imagine? Well, for me, it's Ice Cream - it always hits the spot. And that's exactly what people wanted on a hot, sticky day in the summer of 1904. People at the St. Louis World's Fair had walked for hours in the hot sun, and they were ready for something to cool them off. That's why they were lined up for what seemed like miles in front of the booth of Arnold Fornachou to get a taste of his frosty ice cream.

The problem was that Arnold's ice cream was so popular he quickly ran out of paper bowls. The moonlighting teenager scrambled to keep his potential customers by washing and reusing the few ceramic bowls he had on hand. But no matter how hard he worked, many people grew tired of waiting and wandered off in search of another treat. That's when an unlikely partner emerged to save the day.

His name was Ernest Hamwik, a pastry chef who had grown up in Damascus, Syria. In the booth next to Arnold's he was selling a wafer-thin Persian confection called a zalabia. That is....he was offering them but no one was buying them.

When Ernest saw his neighbor's plight he was struck with a great idea. Grabbing a warm zalabia, he twisted it into a cornucopia shape and rolled it in sugar. Then he ran over to Arnold's booth and offered it to him. Still scrambling to wash bowls and wait on customers, Arnold didn't understand what the older man had in mind. But when Ernest handed an ice cream scoop atop a confection cone to a waiting customer, Arnold instantly got the message. A huge smile spread over his face, and in no time, the two men were working side by side—Ernest made "edible bowls", Arnold scooped ice cream. Back then, they were called World's Fair Cornucopias, and they were the hit of the fair. Today, we simply call them ice cream cones and they are still a hit.



I hope this little story encourages you to invite someone out for an ice cream cone this summer. I also hope this story empowers your faith, knowing that as Christians we aren't in this world to compete with one another, but to complete one another just as Arnold and Ernest did!

Please pray with me, "Gracious God, come into our hearts, our homes, and our Church as we find summer refreshment and prepare to partake and partner in the Gospel of Jesus Christ anew!"

ENJOY THE SUMMER!

*Pastor Stephanie*

**Secretary Office Hours for July 13th-August 31st:**

**Tuesday - 7:30-12:30**  
**Wednesday - 7:30-12:30**  
**Thursday - 7:30-12:30**





### PW June 14th meeting

Nine women attended a potluck lunch at the serene country setting of Julie and Ben Baker. A colorful Iris garden greeted us along with Bos, the Springer Spaniel. A great assortment of food was topped off with a springtime favorite, Rhubarb Meringue Dessert.

Helen informed us of an upcoming article she wrote and submitted to "Presbyterian Outlook" magazine about our annual Mother-Daughter-Friend dinner and entertainment put on by Julie and Ben and the men of our church. She was told to watch for it in the next issue along with photos.

After a short business meeting, a skit was presented by Diana Engel, Lois Sanwick, and Mary Tschida, titled, "Become Like Children, Really?".

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### SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

It takes a whole congregation to have a successful rummage sale and we did have a very successful rummage sale. Thanks to all of the following:



- those who worked sorting and marking items
- those who brought items to be sold
- those who bought items at the sale
- those who brought food for the workers to eat while they worked
- those who worked as checkout people
- those who helped with the cleanup following the sale

Many people are involved in this, a major money maker for our church. This Spring rummage sale made \$10,026.53 to date which is the most that we have made in the Spring. Again, thank you to all.

~ Diana Engel

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### BRAT SALE

The Building & Grounds Committee held a brat & pork chop sandwich sale at Hansen's IGA on June 9, 2018 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM along with a bake sale. Our profit was \$336.71. Thank you to everyone that worked and to those that donated baked goods to be sold.



~ Buildings & Grounds Committee

### MISSION DAY CLEAN-UP

Thank you to all who helped to make our Mission Day Cleanup a successful event. Our committee along with Pastor Stephanie and Grady LaJeunesse organized the day so that the group could go out into our community and make West Salem roadsides more presentable. The total amount we collected was 160 pounds of trash and the entry roads to West Salem are looking good.

Great job everyone,

Stewardship and Mission Committee



**Thank you for a successful day of Mission work in West Salem!**

Carol Griffin (also made the lunch to feed the crew)  
Carolyn Lindeman (also made the lunch to feed the crew)  
Valerie Olson (also made the lunch to feed the crew) and Jim Olson  
Terry Miller (also made the lunch to feed the crew) and Fred Miller  
Erika, Kelly, Ethan and Evan Crusan  
Sharon Holven  
Nick Miller  
Pastor Stephanie, coordinated reflective vests and totally kick started Grady's SEP  
Kevin Aleckson  
Sara Oldenberg and her son and daughter  
Terry, Jen and Brynn Loging (a special thanks to Terry for sharing his expertise with road crews so we spread out!)  
Mike and Ethan Fisher  
Josie and Tiffani LaJeunesse



## JULY VOLUNTEERS

**HEAD USHER:** Kelly Crusan      **FELLOWSHIP (Serve/Clean-up):** Membership & Evangelism Committee

### LITURGIST & GREETER

1—Jane Foner  
8—Kevin Arndt  
15—Laura Burdick  
22—Charlie Evans  
29—Jenni Loging

### NURSERY CARE

1—Aly Cvikota  
8—Alyssa Byrnes  
15—Tanner Jones  
22—Julia Byrnes  
29—Genevieve Haugen

### GREETERS (Fellowship Hall Doors)

1—Bohnsack family  
8—Shayna Arndt  
15—Martha Burdick  
22—Susan Evans  
29—Terry Loging

### SOUND ROOM TECHNICIANS


1—Kelly Crusan  
8—Genevieve Haugen  
15—Kelly Crusan  
22—Genevieve Haugen  
29—Tiffani LaJeunesse

*Congratulations to*  
Jason & Angelina Lu  
NaNa Jiang  
Chen Xue Jin  
on their baptisms on  
June 17th!



*Congratulations to*  
Mark & Tatiana Wolf  
on the birth of  
Bianca Wolf  
on June 13th!

**GARDEN OF HOPE**



The garden is planted and weeds are growing! If you have any extra time and can stop and pull some weeds that would be very much appreciated!



## Birthdays

1—Susan Strauss  
3—Ben Baker, Tilman Fladhammer, Eugene Denson  
4—Debra Killian, Conner Dunn  
5—Jaime Daoust, Autumn Schuster, Aliana Jones  
6—Claire Sweet  
8—James Mayer  
10—Chris Winther  
11—Eric Burdick  
12—Kris Seeger  
13—Jordan Beirne, Noah Garcia, Dylan Noel, Ayden Schuster, Drew Kreibich,  
Andrew Benzing  
14—Koen Molling  
15—Martha Haugen

16—Chase Jones  
18—Mildred Evans, Dani Seeger  
20—Bob Bahr  
21—Michael Servais  
22—Sherry Bonsall  
23—Zachary Martin  
24—Elsa Wolbrink  
25—Kelly Crusan  
27—Conrad Miller  
28—Jim Olson  
30—Lisa Dicus, Shelby Knaack  
31—Roger Auna, Paul Raymer, Anna Bohnsack, Alan Schedin

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### **Quick Look Ahead:**



- *Tuesday, July 10th—CWU Human Rights Celebration*
- *Sunday, July 15th—Kayaking Outing*
- *Sunday, August 5th—Vacation Bible School Kick-off Picnic*
- *August 6th-8th—Vacation Bible School from 5:30-8:00 PM*

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