



JULY SCRIPTURES

July 2
4th Sunday after Pentecost,
Communion
Scripture: Matthew 10:40-42
Message: Welcome to the Table

July 9
5th Sunday after Pentecost
Scripture: Matthew 11:27-30
Message: Invitation

July 30
8th Sunday after Pentecost
Guest Speaker

July 16
6th Sunday after Pentecost,
Communion, Contemporary Music
Scripture: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
Message: Gardening

July 23
7th Sunday after Pentecost,
Outdoor Worship
Scripture: Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24
Message: Nowhere to Hide



Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

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Pastor Carolyn's Conundrums:

Last month we celebrated Confirmation Sunday. I would like to share with you the song that was played during the Watching them Grow presentation:

Thrive by Casting Crowns
Here in this worn and weary land
Where many a dream has died
Like a tree planted by the water
We never will run dry

So living water flowing through
God, we thirst for more of You
Fill our hearts and flood our souls with one desire

Just to know You and to make You known
We lift Your name on high
Shine like the sun, make darkness run and hide
We know we were made for so much more than ordinary lives
It's time for us to more than just survive
We were made to thrive

Into Your word, we're digging deep
To know our Father's heart
Into the world, we're reaching out
To show them who You are

Joy unspeakable, faith unsinkable
Love unstoppable, anything is possible

I believe this song applies to us as individuals and to us as a church. "We were made for so much more than ordinary lives. It's time for us to more than just survive, we were made to thrive." By rooting ourselves as individuals and as a church in the life giving foundation of Christ we can thrive, we can share the love, hope, peace and joy of Christ with people all around us, both inside and outside the walls.

Some questions to ponder this month: 1) are we just surviving? Just trying to make it one more day? 2) How can we root ourselves in Christ/dig deep? 3) Will you pray for us as a church and you as an individual to Thrive?

May we move and live into "Joy unspeakable, faith unsinkable, love unstoppable" to a belief that "anything is possible!" May we Thrive!!

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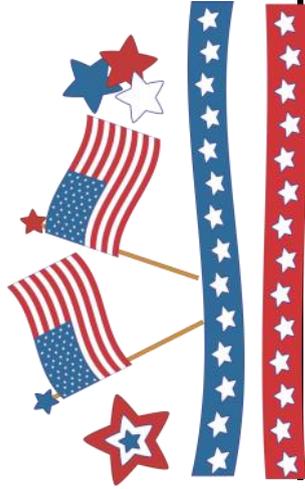
Thank You

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Getting to Know

The editor reserves the right to edit any or all articles for content and/or spacing.





July

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
PC = Pastor Carolyn NS = No School SS = Sunday School	PH = Pine Haven BB = Better Brew PCV = Pastor Carolyn on Vacation					
2 Family Promise 9am Worship Communion 10:15am Fellowship	3 Cathy on Vacation	4 	5 11:30am PC at Rotary	6 13 Family Promise 11:30am Ministerial	7 14 Family Promise	8 15 Family Promise 5pm Evangelism @ Car Show
9 Family Promise 9am Worship 10:15am Fellowship 3pm River Valley Fun Day @ Oxbow Park	10 Family Promise 6pm Girl Scouts 7pm SPRC 7pm Boy Scouts	11 Family Promise	12 Family Promise 11:30am PC at Rotary	13 Family Promise 11:30am Ministerial	14 Family Promise	15 Family Promise 5pm Evangelism @ Car Show
16 SPECIAL MUSIC 9am Worship / Communion 10:15am Fellowship 11am Lunch Bunch @ Covered Bridge	17	18 1:30am Memorial Meeting	19 11:30am PC at Rotary	20 10am PH Bible Study	21	22
23 9am Outdoor Worship 10:15am Fellowship	24 PCV	25 PCV	26 PCV	27 PCV	28 PCV	29 PCV 
30 PCV 9am Worship 10:15am Fellowship	31 PCV 6pm Girl Scouts					

MISSIONS

Missions Committee felt that all children need to learn how to swim and to have opportunities for safe summer fun.

Berne Pizza Funds, Seed money from the conference and another matching contribution were used to provide swimming passes and lessons to Pine Island area children and families! Six children will be learning to swim and two families will be able to use the pool all summer.

Thanks to everyone who worked shifts at Berne and to Pastor Rick for acquiring the seed money and match!



Mission Box Offering for July and August is Imagine No Malaria.

PINE ISLAND SHARING SHELF

July is Cereal month.



YOGA

Summer Yoga at Pine Island United Methodist Church has started!

Yoga classes will be held on the following dates

- July 17-6:30pm-tentative
- July 24-6:30pm-tentative
- Aug 21-6:30pm-tentative
- Aug 28-6:30pm-tentative



Cost is free will donation; it will go to Food For Friends (backpack program) at the PI school system.

A minimum of 2 people need to confirm attendance in order for me to hold this class. Please text, email or call me to confirm your spot! 507-218-6431, lyndajo1959@icloud.com

**NOTE confirmation of attendance must be made by 4pm the day of the class. Updates of cancellations will be made on my website (www.inwellness.com) AND via email (distribution list) after 4pm if there are not enough confirmed participants to hold the class.



Pastor Carolyn on Vacation

Pastor Carolyn will be on vacation starting July 24—August 13.

MAY FINANCE

Monthly income: \$14,665 Monthly Expenses: \$14,745

Attendance is holding steady while giving is up slightly.



GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER

Charles and Marie Rolbiecki met in high school in Elgin. After finishing the eighth grade, Marie stayed home for three years. She had some catching up to do when she started high school. When she did catch up, Charles took notice and started visiting her.



When Marie's father asked, "Is he your boyfriend?" she replied shyly, "No." "Her father said, "He's sure not coming over to see me."

They both grew up in the Methodist church. When they moved to Owen, Missouri, the church pianist in nearby Woolham, asked Marie what she missed most. Because she answered, "My piano," she was soon recruited to help play at church. She stills plays for her own entertainment. In the spring, a wise person keeps an eye on Marie's garden if she wants to know when to plant (according to her across-the-alley neighbor.)"

"Gotta have my flowers," said Marie. She worked seasonally at Joel's Greenhouse for fifteen years. Prior to that, she worked two years as a kitchen aide at Pine Haven.

She started making quilts when they came to Pine Island. At first, she thought she was too old, but her next door neighbor Irene Glamm made quilts and she was going on 80. Since then, she has made many quilts and wall hangings for relatives and friends

The Rolbieckies have had six children. Their four boys died of Muscular Dystrophy, a genetic disease. They have one grandchild and two great grandchildren.

Charles has had a variety of jobs including electrician, welder, and running Caterpillars. When he worked at Seneca Foods in Faribault, people knew to come to Charlie whenever there was a problem. Charles used to pilot a Hi-Max Ultralight plane that he built himself.

Both Charles and Marie are avid readers. Charles likes Western novels and adventures, such as those by Clive Cussler. Marie likes the Christian novels about the Amish.

Marie served on the Evangelism committee when Gladys Hopper was Sunday School director. Charles digs into the genealogy of their families. Their house, probably the oldest building in Pine Island, used to be part of Collins General Store that was built in 1867. They like the friendliness of Pine Island and the church.

Dorothy Hervey

In the early part of the twentieth century, Dorothy Baker's family lived on her grandfather's farm in Jackson, Minnesota. In this isolated setting, Dorothy didn't know much about other people. There was no radio or music. The family only went to town on Saturday night to get groceries. "We would go to town once a week to get groceries. When the grocer gave us the groceries they included a sack of candy for the kids."



Dorothy said that she went to Sunday School once in Jackson and thought it was so much fun. When the family moved to Fountain, Minnesota, a girl at school asked her what church she went to. Dorothy only knew one church—the Methodist church,

so she went to the Methodist church with her girlfriend.

Dorothy Hervey is a member of our congregation who celebrated her 102nd birthday this year. For the full interview, see the News Record for June 7.

HARVEST HOME DINNER - OCTOBER 7TH, 2017



Harvest Home Dinner is just a few months away. Stamped, self-addressed cards will be sent out late in July to everyone in the congregation so you may indicate how you are willing to contribute to the Dinner. We will hope for 100% return and a strong willingness to help. Past participants will be asked if they will help in the same way as before, and others how they may choose to be involved. Turkey and dressing bakers and potato cookers are particularly needed. Cash donations are always welcome. Other ways to help include the corn freezing day after Sunday service, baking pies at church Oct. 5th or 6th, filling individual cranberry and pickle cups, ticket sales the day of the Dinner, serving guests in the dining room, cutting pies, setting up areas for the following: receiving pies, serving pies, take-out orders and of course the kitchen (including cleaning the week before) and being available on the day of the Dinner for a variety of small tasks. With everyone's help we can make this a great success and have fun doing it! Your HHD Team, Margie Berg, Kris Gillard, Cher Knutson and Rachel Lange.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AUGUST 14-17, 2017,



“Maker Fun Factory: Created by God, Built for a Purpose” 6:30 – 8:30 pm

For all 3 year olds (as of Sept. 1, 2017) through those entering 5th grade this fall. Please don't forget to fill out the registration form and send it back to the office. If you need a registration form, please e-mail Cathy at piumc@bevcomm.net, or call the church office.



The Lunch Bunch is meeting at the Covered Bridge restaurant in Zumbrota on Sunday, July 16 at 11am and at Charlie's Eatery & Pub in Rochester on Sunday, August 20 at 11am. Come out and join us for good food, good fun and good conversation.

DID YOU FIND??

The word to look for this month is "wellness." If you find the word in this month's Pine Chips, please email or call the Church Office. Please leave a



message as to where you found it in Pine Chips. Chris Dietz is our winner again from last month. The winner will be treated to coffee (or an alternative beverage if you do not like coffee) with Pastor Carolyn.



To our amazing church family, 'Thank you' does not fully convey my appreciation for everything that you've done to support my boys and I since we began attending Pine Island United Methodist Church. Having all of you support Randy at his confirmation, whether you attended the service, came down and enjoyed fellowship or simply told him "congratulations," you'll never know exactly what that meant to us. I feel so blessed to call PIUMC 'my church.' Knowing that we have

such a wonderful group of friends that we can call family is a blessing. Thank you all, Rachel, Randy & Mikey



Thank You! Heather Wright, Tulip & Truffles Florits

PIUMC-What fun I had at your May Buffet event! Thank you so much for inviting me to speak; and thank you for sending me home with a stack of leftovers! It was our busiest week of the year. That food, as well as your well wishes, sustained us for days! You have a beautiful congregation and all of you should be proud of your service to the community. Again, thank you for the warm welcome and opportunity.



The Pine Island Sharing Shelves would like to thank you for your cash donation of \$325.00. The Sharing Shelves is completely supported by generous folks like you. Thanks you very much,
Your Friends at Pine Island Sharing Shelves



FIFTH SUNDAY MUSIC

July's 5th Sunday Music will be on July 16. We will be featuring contemporary music this month.



WEB NEWS

We are in the process of redesigning our web site. We will be having an Events Page as well as other great additions. Please be patient during this time.