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Thoughts From the Desk of Shirley

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NOTE:

We're trying to get all available e-mail addresses into our computer! Please send yours to the church so we can get you in our contact list!!! Summer has finally arrived. Temperatures in the 80's and 90's remind us that we live in Iowa and tomorrow, it could be pouring rain, hailing or a tornado watch on the weather channel. Weather can turn on a dime in Iowa.

It was a busy May at the church, celebrating Mother's Day, Graduation Day, Pentecost Sunday, Memorial Day, the wrap up of Sunday School for the year, all the mission work we have accomplished in the first half of the year and finally leading up to Confirmation Sunday which will be held June 11. Our confirmands have worked hard the past few months learning about the Methodist Church, more about the Bible, doing community service work and taking part in Sunday services. What a highlight in their spiritual growth.

Thanks go out to our Sunday School and confirmation teachers. They've worked hard preparing lessons and have been such an important part of our church family.

Thank you to the Board of Trustees and families who have given Memorial gifts to the church. We have just finished turning the bathroom in the parsonage into a handicap accessible bathroom with a new walk-in shower, grab bars, new towel racks and a general renovation. The ramp was put in last fall so we can finally say our church and parsonage are both handicap accessible.

We are entering the season of Pentecost in our church. Acts 2: 2 says, "And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit."

It's hard to image we went through such a terrible time when Covid struck our country, but we came out on the other side. Not so long ago, people stayed home, were afraid to come to church. If they did, they sat six feet apart and had little interaction. The church is filling back up. Fellowship is here again. People are staying after church for coffee and cookies. The warmth is definitely back and the Holy Spirit is there with us.

Good things are happening in the Anthon United Methodist Church. You are all invited to join us, enjoy the fellowship and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. May the sun shine warm upon your face; the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand. Amen

Blessings, Shirley



<u>June 11</u>

Confirmation Sunday

Lisa Kerns and Dillon Johnson will be confirmed.

Cake and Coffee will be served after worship.

<u>June 12</u>

Finance/Board Meeting at 7pm.



<u>June 14</u>

The Anthon Women of Faith will have their June meeting on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at the Anthon United Methodist Church. The meeting will begin at 9:30, with a tour of Rhonda's flower garden, followed by a meeting at the church, and then a lunch at the Little Siouxloon. This event is open and anyone is welcome to come.

<u>June 18</u>

Father's Day—Donuts for Dad

We will be honoring dads with donuts and other treats.

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<u>June 24</u>

All School Reunion will be held at the Anthon Events Center

Post 389 will be having a flag retirement in the afternoon.

Donation to Heifer Project

Stephanie Johnson was host to a mission project held in the fellowship hall this past month. She and some other contributors donated items to be sold at the spring town rummage and everything was priced at 25 cents. At the end of the day, they brought in around \$275 which was donated to the heifer project. Thank you Stephanie for all the hard work and organization.









Our Life Together

Muffins for Mom

Muffins, coffee cake, juice and coffee were enjoyed on Mother's Day morning before church. Mom's as well as special women in our lives, such as grandmothers, teachers, and aunts, were honored on Mother's Day. Carnations were also presented to all the women who were in church.



High School and College Graduates Honored

Two Highschool seniors, Taylor Hansen and Carsten Hadley, were honored on May 14th. Sally Schram and Eileen Klindt presented gifts to the graduates. Each graduate told of their plans for the coming year. KayCee Hoy, Liberty University graduate was also honored. She is working at an engineering company and will be working towards an Engineering degree this fall. Congratulations to all of our graduates.



Missions

June Mission Projects

The Orphan Grain Train out of Ida Grove has been chosen for our new mission project. They are in need of shoes (wearable, good condition, but no high heel women's shoes. They also need men, women and children's clothes, scrubs, walkers, canes, crutches, and wheelchairs.

We are also starting our ingathering collection for our hygiene kits. There will be a list of needs on the table in the fellowship hall. If you would like to contribute money, please contact Shirley or Marilyn and we will shop for items needed.





Special Prayer Needs

OUR COUNTRY, OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN, our church, our community leaders, our president, our farmers, Bobby Lewis, Nina Osborne,

Tom & Cindy Herrick, Eleanore Lewis, Fran & Keith Determann,

David Beach, Susan Redenius, Dee Ashley, Ed Davis, Brad Harbaugh, Alta

Patterson, Ralph Diamond, Trisha Theisen, Doris Waugh, Haley Brown, and

Keith Allman.

Remember our Nursing Home Residents!

<u>Be A Part:</u> If you would like to be part of the prayer support for our church, just send us your name and email.

Sympathy to the Family

Sympathy to the family of Bruce Fey. Bruce passed away Saturday, May 13 in an Omaha hospital following heart surgery. A memorial service will be held later this summer.



Tithes and Offerings

Apr. 23 \$ 866.48 June 7 \$ 870.00 June 14 \$ 2,877.00 June 21 \$ 1,172.00



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FINANCE & BOARD MINUTES MAY 8, 2023

<u>FINANCE</u>: Marilyn Hladik called the Finance Meeting to order. Shirley gave the devotions "Where to Start w/Prayer & What to Pray". In attendance were Andrea Mitchell, Roger & Marilyn Hladik Deanna Adler, JoLynne Reimert, & Lay Pastor Shirley Nelson. The Profit & Loss Statement for April was reviewed. Apportionments are paid until September.

BOARD MEETING: Andrea Mitchell called the board meeting to order. Marilyn made a motion to approve the April minutes as read. JoLynne seconded the motion and it carried. **PASTOR'S REPORT:** It was a very busy month for our Pastor as she attended several meetings, delivery of Orphan Grain Train donations to Ida Grove, and her many calls, cards, and visitations.

WORSHIP: On May 14 we will be honoring our 3 graduates (Kaycee Hoy, Carsten Hadley, & Taylor Hansen). There will be a Sing-a-Long on Sunday, May 28 in honor of Memorial Day. Sunday, May 28th is also Pentecost Sunday. Parishioners are encouraged to wear red. June 11 is Confirmation Sunday. Prior to this, there will be a simple supper for the confirmation kids, parents, & administrative board. The Orphan Grain Train will continue taking donations for another month.

<u>FINANCE</u>: Apportionments are paid until September. Marilyn reported that our total assets are \$50,890.46.

TRUSTEES: Roger has contacted the company in Sioux City that we purchased our microphone system from to come and fix the microphone that isn't working properly. Remodeling for the new shower at the parsonage is planned for the week of May 16 – 22. A new dehumidifier will be purchased for the basement. A new hot water heater was installed for the parsonage. Todd Verschoor will mow again this summer.

<u>OUTREACH</u>: We are collecting items for our Hygiene kits for the In Gathering in November.

<u>SPRC</u>: Shirley's review was submitted. Meeting pending.

TEACHING: May 21st is the last day for Sunday School.

WOMEN OF FAITH: Next meeting will be Wednesday, May 10th at 10:00 a.m.

<u>NURTURING</u>: We will be honoring our mothers by serving Muffins for Mom prior to the service.

AFFILIATION: A straw poll was taken April 23rd. The result was in favor of disaffiliation. The District Superintendent and the President of the Conference Board of Trustees will need to be notified. JoLynne made a motion for us to proceed in the next step for disaffiliation. Deanna seconded the motion. Motion carried. Andrea will write a letter to the District Superintendent informing him of our decision.

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

The next board meeting will be June 12th at 7 p.m. with Deanna giving devotions. JoLynne made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Roger seconded. Motion carried. Lay Pastor Shirley closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

JoLynne Reimert, Treasurer

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June Liturgist Responsibilities

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Andrea Mitchell
Marilyn Hladik

June Children's Story Responsibilities

June 4	Roger Hladik
June 11	Kathy Hodgdon
June 18	Rhonda Beeson
June 25	Andrea Mitchell

*If you are unable to attend, please find your replacement and let the church know by email.

June Birthdays & Anniversaries

Richard & Jean Petersen		1
Roger Hladik		6
Bayleigh Redenius		8
Tom & Cindy Herrick		11
Alana Redenius		16
Bridget Brown		17
Jim & Janet Trimpe		17
Paul Mitchell		17
Austin Gothier		29
Michelle Fitch		29
Jade Hadley		29
Dan & Velma Brant		30
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