

“Growing Spiritually as Individuals and as a Church”

Hello all: Today is June 14, the national holiday known as Flag Day. This was a very important in the Lundquist household when I was growing up. Serving as an officer in the Naval Reserve, and with a career as a high school history and social studies teacher, Dad knew the importance of the flag as national symbol as well as the need to imbue and encourage thoughtful patriotism. When I was very young, Dad initiated a fundraiser for his local duty station officer's club, they sold flags door to door. There were only 48 states then, and I remember that 48 star flag well into the 60s!

This coming Sunday is, of course Father's Day. All of us who are Dads will of course want to spend some time on the hammock in the back yard, with a tasty cold beverage nearby, pretending to listen to the ball game on the radio (please ignore the snoring)! Myself, I will try to find my copy of Field of Dreams. I always loved a game of catch with Dad!

Have a blessed week,
Pastor Eric

Circle of Caring

Lois Strothman, Sue Strickler, Marilyn Massa, Anne Lundquist, Jonnie Egleston,
Norma Comstock, & Janet Crowley.

(Names will remain on the prayer list for four weeks unless the office is notified.
This will help the pastor and diaconate receive updates to provide closer care.)

As Christ leads this church through a season of leadership transition, we want to remember to pray for:
- The Congregation's lay leadership, as we listen for whom God is calling to minister in Beloit.
- The Minister God is preparing, even now, to become the next Senior Pastor of this church.

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering: A total of \$741 was given this year, thanks to all who donated.

Church Council News: The Finance bard has requested that \$5,500 of foundation money be made available to the treasurer to help meet expenses for the upcoming months. \$3,500 would come from interest from the Baptist Fund and \$2,000 from undesignated Memorial Monies.

2017 Strawberry Festival: Will be held on Saturday, June 17th from 7am-3pm at Sun Valley Presbyterian, 1650 Sun Valley Dr. 100% of proceeds will be giving to local missions. More information is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Biennial Mission Summit 2017: The American Baptist Churches are gathering this summer in Portland, Oregon on June 30- July 2. This is a great opportunity to connect with other churches, friends, pastors, & ministry organization. If you are interested in attending, please register online at www.americanbaptists2017.com.

Fellowship Builder Mailing: If you would like to renew the mailing of the builder or start receiving it via the mail send a check for \$10 to the church as soon as possible. Thank you!

Surplus Saturday: Caritas is giving out produce every Saturday from 11 am - 1 pm or until produce is gone. First Come First Serve and you must bring your own Bags. This visit will not count against your 2 visits for the month



American Heroes Cafe is a weekly gathering for area veterans, at Festival Foods store, 2223 Humes Road, Janesville, WI 53546. From 8 a.m. to noon each Friday, the community room in the store's upper mezzanine will provide complimentary coffee & donuts as part of its American Heroes Café offering. Veterans are invited to come each week to meet fellow veterans, share stories & enjoy freshly baked treats and coffee.

Youth Group Fundraiser: we are currently collecting aluminum & tins cans as a fundraiser. The first Sunday of every month Janice Egleston will collect the cans after the worship service. Please separate aluminum from tin and remember to rinse and remove the paper. Thank you!

Church Sanctuary Photo Cards: are available for sale in the Gathering Room. They are located by the mugs and are selling for \$4.00 each.

Nursery Volunteers: there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex for people to volunteer to sit in the nursery with the little ones ages 0 to 5.

Books: Please donate reading books to the church for our Free Library.

Need a Ride to Church? Janice Egleston can get you here for the Sunday Morning Worship Service! Call her at 608-921-5095 to make arrangements.

2017 Worship Bulletin Recognition: Please sponsor a Sunday bulletin in memory or honor of a loved one or a special occasion. Fill out the white form in the narthex & drop it to off in the office. Include a check for \$15. You will be notified if the date is not available.

Calendar

Thursday	June 15	6:45 pm	Bible Study
		7:00 pm	Mission Board Meeting
Sunday	June 18	9:30 am	Worship Service ~ Father's Day
		10:45 am	Coffee Hour
Monday	June 19	6:30 pm	Pulpit Committee Meeting
Wednesday	June 21	Noon	A.B.W. Salad Luncheon