

GOD'S DREAM SEEKERS NEWS

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Pastors Ponderings

By Pastor Kathleen Groff

READY FOR ANOTHER VACATION! (NOT)

This last vacation was wonderful. Everything was close to perfect, except the coming back part. I loved the daily ocean swims, the warm weather and the incredible amount of sunshine. But vacations come to an end, and when all is said and done, life resumes to normal. Vacation is put behind us and we jump right back in to the hustle and bustle of everyday life, but with a difference. The mind seems a little clearer, problems that seemed so monumental before vacation have eased a bit, their priority put into perspective, and it is good to be back with friends, family, and church. I was somewhat ready to come back, eager to find out what church mysteries awaited, what new water problems (don't forget that is my theme at this church) had surfaced, what demands would begin to fill my days again.

But there was even a better reason to come back. Refreshed from my warm ocean swims, I was ready to give God thanks and do what I love to do best, preach. But it is with new appreciation for all of you that I returned. Your willingness to participate in a life of faith within this faith community helps make this church what it is. Also your willingness to work with each other in Christian love keeps our community strong and God centered, which is where a church should be. It is so easy for churches to get wrapped up in the small stuff and build issues around them. It is easy to identify problems, but

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not so easy to find the solutions. But we can all be a part of the solution, find ways to fix the problem, and free up our energies to focus on God and what God wants us to be doing.

I am renewed and ready to go for God! Another vacation will wait for a while. But I suggest we all take those mini-vacations, those few minutes during the day to relax into God, let the problems go, and know ourselves as surrounded by God and His love and care. Then we can come at life with new perspective and energy. Thanks God for vacations no matter how small!

Metal Chairs

We have ordered new chairs and they will be delivered soon. We will be selling the old metal chairs for donation, please put your donation in the offering plate and mark it Chairs. You may take your chairs as soon as the others are delivered. ***There are chairs with a white dot on the back please do not take those we will be keeping them so that when someone wants to borrow chairs they can borrow those.***





Sunday, June 22, 2014
Following Sunday Worship
(approximately 11:30am)
At the Henning's Home
(438 Emerald Lake Drive)

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Bring a dish to pass and your own table service.
 Enjoy some great food, good fellowship and soak
 up a little sun while you are at it. Bring your
 swim suit too!



Pentecost Sunday



Pen·te·cost: 'pentə,kôst,-
 ,käst/noun: **Pentecost**

1. the Christian festival celebrating the descent of
 the Holy Spirit on the disciples of Jesus after his
 Ascension, held on the seventh Sunday after
 Easter.

June 8th will be Pentecost Sunday, wear red.

Upcoming Work Days

June 16, 2014

@ 9:00am

Clean out the closets day!!!!!!

There are several closets and rooms in the
 church where we stash what we can.
 These places need cleaning and
 reorganizing. We will be cleaning and
 reorganizing these closets and storage
 areas on the 16th.

If you are able to help, please let the
 church office or Karen Winchel know as
 soon as possible.

***Many hands make light work so mark
 your calendar today.***

Building Repairs

*Trustees are looking into holding a couple
 of work days. Some of the items on their
 list are: scraping and painting window
 frames, cleaning up and fixing up the
 landscaping around the church. Please
 watch the bulletin for dates and times.*

Time to spruce things up!



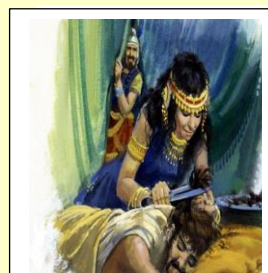
United Methodist Women

- **Longcore Circle** – Tuesday, June 3 @ 2pm at Dorothy Sibley's Home. We will do a short study on Eve. Tuesday, July 1 @ 2pm. Please watch bulletin for meeting place. We will be studying Ruth. All are welcome.
- **UMW-Ladies Night Out** – Tuesday, June 10th. We will be hosting a men's dinner at 6:30pm. Women are asked to bring a dish to pass to serve the men a buffet style smorgasbord. July 8th we will have our annual picnic at Riverfront Park Pavilion at 6:30p. Bring a dish to pass and your own table service. Drinks will be provided.
- **Mary Martha Circle** – Tuesday, June 17th at 9:30am. We will be meeting at the church. We have a business meeting then a time of devotion and bible study. We will be studying, 'Women of the Bible' – Ruth. Tuesday, July 15th we will be meeting at the church and we will be studying - Delilah



Ruth: Her name means "friendship" – Loyal and loving she is strong and serene able to take unusual risks, dealing actively with life circumstances....

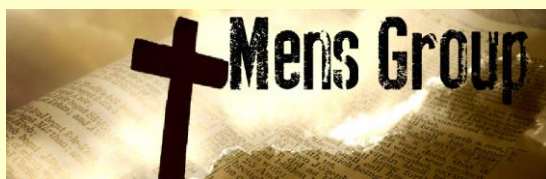
Come to Longcore Circle Tuesday, July 1st to learn more!



Delilah: Her name means "dainty one" she was a prostitute whose nationality is unknown, she used her beauty to betray her lover and enrich herself.
Join us at Mary Martha Circle July 15th at 9:30am to learn more.

UMW Picnic in the Park

July 8th @ 6:30 Bring a dish to pass and your own table service. All women are invited!



Men, come join us on **Wednesdays at 8:30 at the City Limits Restaurant** (next to McDonalds).

We meet each Wednesday and discuss whatever each of us has on our mind, enjoy good food and fellowship. All men are welcome to join us whenever you are able.



Nancy Ferguson
Sue Osborn
Jean Bumstead

If you have a prayer request or person you would like added to the monthly prayer list, please let Deb Prins know and we will add them to the newsletter each month.

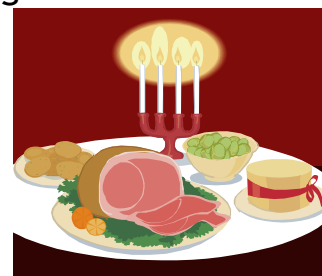
May God bless and care for each of us this busy summer season. Amen.

Men of Newaygo United Methodist Church

YOU ARE INVITED!

Tuesday, June 10 @ 6:30pm

Please come and enjoy a pot luck style smorgasbord hosted by the United Methodist Women. Invite your son's, grandson's, brother's and friend's to join you. Please call the church by Sunday, June 8th and let us know how many will be coming so we are sure to have enough food.



Newaygo County Mobile Food Pantry

Newaygo County Mobile Food Pantry is scheduled at the following locations to distribute free food to individuals and families in need. Most food distributions take approximately one hour. Please do not arrive more than 30 minutes prior to the scheduled delivery time. Bring your own container to hold 50 lbs of food. You will check in upon arrival unless otherwise stated.

- Monday, June 2, 5pm, Fremont United Methodist Church, **FREMONT**
- Friday, June 6, 10am, St. Joseph Catholic Church, **WHITE CLOUD** - Sponsored by Local Area Churches and Great Lakes Energy Peoples Fund
- Saturday, June 7, 10am, Pine Grove Community Church, **CROTON/HOWARD CITY**
- Saturday, June 7, 1pm, Grant Wesleyan Church, **GRANT** - Please call to Pre-Register: 231-834-7222
- Wednesday, June 11, 5pm, Weaver Park Pavilion, **HESPERIA** - Sponsored by Local Area Churches

- Thursday, June 12, 3pm, Amazing Grace Acres Church, **BROHMAN/BITELY**
- Saturday, June 14, 9:30am, First Christian Reformed Church, **FREMONT**
- Tuesday, June 17, 4:30pm, Northland Church of Christ, **GRANT/NEWAYGO**

LOVE FOOD Pantry

On June 8 and July 13th, we will be collecting either money or goods for LOVE INC Food Pantry. Please bring items like toilet paper, soap, toothpaste, shampoo, etc. or give a cash donation so that these items can be purchased. A box will be available in the narthex for your donations.

Camp Ministries

In June the noisy offering will go to the conference to be used to ready and repair the facilities at our summer camps in various locations in Michigan. These monies help to maintain the camp grounds, repair or replace items and purchase new items as needed.



July's offering supports our Missionaries – Jeff and Ellen Hoover

Jeff and Ellen Hoover have been serving in the Democratic Republic of Congo for several years. They continue to share Christ with communities through unique roles as teachers, preachers, agriculturalists, counselors, and community developers. Your generosity makes it possible for the church to extend God's mission around the world.

Note: We will be meeting at the Shack for church on the 4th Sunday of July. Therefore, our noisy offering will be collected on the **third Sunday of July instead of the fourth Sunday.**

Mission Minutes

2014 Mission Giving

Accident Victims Fund	\$192.09
African Dresses	906.00
Camp Scholarship	100.00
Habitat for Humanity	173.00
Haiti School Kits	326.47
Human Relations	90.00
Love Food Pantry	131.23
Native American	92.00
One Hour of Sharing	76.50
Peace with Justice	66.50
Scholarship Fund	100.00

\$2253.79

God Loves a Cheerful Giver Thank you!

Upcoming Mission Concerns

June 8- Love Food Pantry

June 22- U. M. Camp Program

July 13 - Love Food Pantry

July 20 – Missionary offering- Hoovers

“Give and it will be given to you. ...For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.” Luke 6:38

Treasurer's Report

Summer weather and vacation days are here. We are on track to be able to cover all church expenses including paying 100% of our ministry shares for 2014. Just a reminder that even when we are on vacation, the lights are still on and the water is still running here at the church.

Contributions through May 30, 2014 -
\$ 7360.00
Expenses through May 30, 2014 -
\$ 7760.00
Total (400.00)

If you have any questions or would like to see a more detailed treasurer's report please call Deb Prins at 231-652-6581 or see the copy of the reports posted on bulletin board in the church office.



4th Saturday Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, June 28, 2014
Saturday, July 26, 2014
Serving 8am-11am

All you can eat pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, biscuits & gravy, fried potatoes, drink and fruit. Cost is by donation please.

If you can help cook or serve, please see Jean Reynhout.

Invite your friends and neighbors!



Christian Education

Save the dates:

June 15th – Last Day of Sunday School

June 21st – Kids Day @ Brooks Park @ noon

June 22nd – All church picnic @ the Henning's Home – following worship

August 7, 8 & 10 – Vacation Bible School



Christian Education Meeting – **June 24th**
@ **7pm.** We will be discussing and planning Vacation Bible School. If you are wanting to help with VBS please let Anne Henning know and be at the meeting.

Kids Day

Brooks Park
June 22, 2014
Noon-3:00pm

Come check out the police cars, fire trucks, rock climbing wall and have a great hot dog lunch (free for kids). Tons of fun for the kids.





June 1

Liturgist: Carline Knoll

Acolyte: Blake Larsen

Inside Ushers: Joan Faulkner & Ruth Merritt

Outside Ushers: Jen Larsen & Ardie Tanis

Projector: Taylor Prins

Sound: Deb Prins

June 8

Liturgist: Kay Pardonnet

Acolyte: Gabriella Brooks

Inside Ushers: Andy & Kathy Belew

Outside Ushers: Harriet Kiper & Anne Henning

Projector: Deb Prins

Sound: Need Volunteer

June 15

Liturgist: Ron Pardonnet

Acolyte: Elizabeth Brooks

Inside Ushers: Carline Knoll & Janet Fisher

Outside Ushers: Dianna Weaver & Deb Prins

Projector: Jen Larsen

Sound: Deb Prins

June 22

Liturgist: Joe Groff

Acolyte: Morgan Pope

Inside Ushers: Jen Larsen & Ruth Merritt

Outside Ushers: Ron & Kay Pardonnett

Projector: Deb Prins

Sound: Need Volunteer

June 29

Liturgist: Nancy Clark

Acolyte: Saria Brooks

Inside Ushers: Steve & Liz Moore

Outside Ushers: Dorothy Besemer & Jane Bode Fowler

Projector: Jen Larsen

Sound: Deb Prins

July 6

Liturgist: Ron Pardonnet

Acolyte: Blake Larsen

Inside Ushers: Jean Reynhout & Harriet Kiper

Outside Ushers: Anne Henning & Jackie Pederson

Projector: Joe Groff

Sound: Need Volunteer

July 13

Liturgist: Kay Pardonnet

Acolyte: Gabriella Brooks

Inside Ushers: Andy & Kathy Belew

Outside Ushers: Vern & Carolyn Boose

Projector: Jen Larsen

Sound: Need Volunteer

July 20

Liturgist: Carline Knoll

Acolyte: Elizabeth Brooks

Inside Ushers: Ruth Merritt & Jane Bode Fowler

Outside Ushers: Dolores Cook & Amelia Stine

Projector: Taylor Prins

Sound: Deb Prins

July 27

Liturgist: Joe Groff

Acolyte: Morgan Pope

Inside Ushers: Ron & Kay Pardonnet

Outside Ushers: Carline Knoll & Janet Fisher

Projector: Deb Prins

Sound: Need Volunteer

June Birthday's

6/8 Candace Kroll
6/9 David Brooks
6/11 Dorothy Sibley
6/18 Mary Jane Cook
6/19 Colin Webb
6/19 Gladys Kroll
6/20 Jona Bumstead
6/29 Olivia Robeck



July Birthday's

7/1 Karen Winchel
7/2 Ruth Merritt
7/4 Chelsea Webb
7/8 Shelby Hesse
7/11 Scott Cutler
7/13 Kay Pardonnet
7/14 Bill VanDyke
7/16 Dianna Weaver
7/16 Harriet Kiper
7/17 Nancy Clark
7/18 Dale Weaver
7/18 Bert Geerdink
7/20 Hannah Kiper
7/21 Dick Mouthaan
7/22 Rory Webb
7/26 Crystal Brooks
7/27 Katelyn Wright
7/29 Susanne Geerdink
7/30 Jon Bumstead

June Anniversaries

6/21 Jeff & Julie Berwald
6/26 Steve & Brenda Bonter
6/12 Calvin & Barbara Deitz
6/9 Stanley & Janet Fisher
6/4 John & Sherry Graham
6/15 Norm & Alicia Pedalty



July Anniversaries

7/22 Matthew & Crystal Brooks
7/15 Keith & Irene Johnson
7/11 Paul & Sharon Wright

West MI Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church June 11th - 14th, 2014

NUMC representative at conference this year is Harriet Kiper and Millie Stine will be going as a conference delegate. Pastor Kathy of course will represent us as clergy. Please talk to these ladies if you have any questions about legislation or other happenings at conference.

You can go to

www.westmichiganconference.org for
legislation and a complete schedule.

Sweet Mountain Music Singers

July 8th
during and after worship

Come join us in worshipping with music by Sweet Mountain Music. Joe and Kelene Hedrich, Leon Schlafley and his daughter Sandy.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30am – Worship 11am – Sunday School for All Ages	2 9am -12pm Pastor Kathy's Office Hours 1:00pm – Wired Word Bible Study	3 2:00pm – Longcore Circle @ Dorothy Sibley's	4 8:30am – Men's Group @ City Limits 9am -12pm Pastor Kathy's Office Hours	5 Pastor Kathy's Day Off	6	7
8 9:30am – Worship – Sweet Mountain Music 11am – Sunday School for All Ages LOVE INC OFFERING	9 9am -12pm Pastor Kathy's Office Hours 1:00pm – Wired Word Bible Study	10 6:30pm – Men's Dinner	11 West MI Annual Conference 8:30am – Men's Group @ City Limits	12 West MI Annual Conference	13 West MI Annual Conference	14 West MI Annual Conference
15 FATHERS DAY 9:30am – Worship 11am – Last Day of Sunday School for All Ages UM CAMP OFFERING	16 9am – Clean Closets 9am -12pm Pastor Kathy's Office Hours 1:00pm – Wired Word Bible Study	17 9:30am – Mary Martha Circle 6:30pm – Finance Meeting 7:00pm – Church Council	18 8:30am – Men's Group @ City Limits 9am -12pm Pastor Kathy's Office Hours	19 Pastor Kathy's Day Off	20	21 Noon – 3pm – Newaygo Kids Day @ Brooks Park
22 9:30am – Worship 11am – All Church Picnic @ Hennings	23 9am -12pm Pastor Kathy's Office Hours 1:00pm – Wired Word Bible Study	24 6:30pm – SPR Meeting 7:00pm – Christian Ed. Meeting	25 8:30am – Men's Group @ City Limits 9am -12pm Pastor Kathy's Office Hours	26 Pastor Kathy's Day Off	27	28 8am-11am – 4 th Saturday Pancake Breakfast
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Newaygo United Methodist Church Activities –2014



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Mission

We are God's Dream Seekers who seek to make disciples of Jesus Christ in ways that show love, respect and service to our community.

Join us on Sunday Mornings for Worship at 9:30am with fellowship following. Sunday School for all ages at 11am.

If you have any questions or would like more information regarding worship services and activities at Newaygo United Methodist Church please feel free to call the church office Monday–Thursday 9am–1 pm.

May God Bless you this Easter Season.

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