

**Sermon Series on Prayer**

September 13 "What Is Prayer?"  
 September 20 "What Difference Does Prayer Make?"  
 September 27 "How Should We Pray"  
 October 4 Questions about prayer are invited

**Sermon Series on Peace**

October 11 "Stilling the Storm"  
 October 18 "Washing Feet"  
 October 25 "Beatitudes"  
 November 1 "Geresene Demoniac"

# The Communicator

## Summer Edition

United Presbyterian Church of Jamestown, ND

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***Our Mission***  
*Sharing Christ's Love Through Service*

***From the Pastor...***

**Back in the Embrace of the Sanctuary**

Our sanctuary echoes with joy and thanksgiving as once again we can have our silent dialogue with our Lord and Savior in this hallowed space. It is truly with mixed positive feelings to again worship in the sanctuary. I would like to highlight that complementing this place of worship is the gift of acoustics that allows a more pleasing place to worship. I commented after the quartet sang "All Creatures of our God and King" in the sanctuary that the acoustics were consciously noticeable after a long time that we have not heard music in the sanctuary.

We are having a wonderful time worshipping on Sundays outside at the Frontier Village Amphitheater at 9:00 am. We were blessed not to have had any cancellation of even one service. The arrangement we have with Jamestown tourism allows us to worship in a safer place while this pandemic is hovering through. We can worship there as long as we want. Knowing North Dakota weather however, every Sunday after Labor Day that we worship outside is a bonus Sunday.

When the weather turns, and people will be wanting a warmer and cozier worship indoors we might need two services – at 9:00 AM and 10:30 AM. Further, another consideration is that the painters will be back in October to finish painting in the sanctuary. Rest assured, we will let you know about worship arrangements.

This year saw a more hands-on involvement of families especially for all kindergarten through twelfth grade students as they strive to complete their weekly lessons. We have teachers creatively preparing for Zoom meetings with classes. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with your teachers and myself as I am available to help in any way needed. It is our desire to best facilitate the communication with each other.

We continue to assist with the newly named "Come to the Table" program. United Presbyterian Church participates with other churches in Jamestown to give a meal to those in need every Tuesday evening. The pick-up spot is at St. John's Lutheran Church that begins at 5:00 pm and goes until all prepared meals are shared altogether, or by 6:15pm.

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**From the Pastor** (continued from page 1)

Faith is the key to remaining at peace when the world seems to be out of control. The Lord has called us to God’s grace and mercy to be God’s confident representatives in a very unstable world. In this context, I continue a series of sermons on Prayer. The fourth sermon in a series of four sermons will be on October 4<sup>th</sup>. I am leaving the topic open to be able to answer questions you may have to help you in your prayer life. Please let me know what they are.

For the next sermon series that will begin Sunday, October 11, 2020 we will focus in on “Peace.” I am sharing with you the day on September 21, 2020, the International Day of Peace. I participated in a Service of Peace at the Peace Pole located at the Rotary gazebo next to the Stutsman County Museum. This inspiring service included the singing of “Let There be Peace on Earth” by Pastor Marty, the pastor of the First United Methodist Church. The first line of the song goes like this: *Let there be peace on earth And let it begin with me.* It is a prayer that we would have peace in and among ourselves. One of my favorites is Philippians 4: 6-7: *do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Please continue to pray for our church as we continue to minister to you our members as well as reaching out to our community. Pray for the Sunday School and Youth Ministry, David Morlock and those offering their gifts of music. Also pray for our Elders, Deacons, and other leaders in ministry. Let’s pray for each other. These are challenging times for all of us to remain connected and grow in the Lord. It is my prayer for you that you will continue to seek the fellowship of the body of believers as well as study the Word diligently, and pray consistently for God’s will to be done in your life and in the ministry of United Presbyterian Church. I look forward to seeing you soon and pray for your physical and spiritual health and safety. Keep the faith and keep safe everyone!

Pastor Bob Boyar

**Financial Update**

*(General fund activity as of August 31, 2020)*

General Fund Revenue for August	\$17,048.52
General Fund Expenses for August	<u>\$21,308.38</u>
Excess Income/Loss for August	\$(4,259.86)
Year to Date Revenue	\$140,074.08
Year to Date Expenses	<u>\$155,386.00</u>
Year to Date Excess Income/Loss	\$(15,311.92)

We thank you for your continued support of United Presbyterian Church!

**Per Capita Payments:** We encourage all members to pay their per-capita as a gift above and beyond their annual pledge. **Our per-capita is based on \$47.00 for each active member of our church.** To submit a check for per-capita, simply write “Per-capita” on the memo line of your check.



**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**



<b>Blake Bossingham</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Diane Witzig</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Vi Reimers</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Sandy Worm</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Jackie Barnes</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Konah Tarr Jr.</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Danielle Giesler</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Angie Allmer</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Flory Austin</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Duane Dunn</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Kathy Wegner</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Ellen Boyar</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Grant Bollingberg</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Harry Johnson</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Natalie Szarkowski</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Madelyn Williams</b>	<b>30</b>



**OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

<b>Joe &amp; Nancy Burgard</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Carroll &amp; Opal Schmuhl</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Les &amp; Bethyl Lueck</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Bob &amp; Gail Martin</b>	<b>27</b>

**Church News**

**STEWARDSHIP**—Fall is the season in which our church plans for the coming year, and it is a time in which we especially focus on stewardship. We will be considering how we are stewards of all the resources with which God has blessed us and thinking about how we invest our spiritual and financial gifts. Just as your spiritual gifts enable United Presbyterian Church to offer worship, Sunday School and our many other activities as a church family, your financial gifts enable us to serve our church, our community, and God’s world. To help us consider how we might use our resources for 2021, **we ask you to join us for an informal meeting to discuss the 2021 budget at 9:00 AM on Sunday, October 18.**

**GIVING TREE**—Thank you to all who took apples from the Giving Tree and donated food items to this worthy cause. Your continued generous support is a blessing to our community.

**DEACONS**—The holiday season is fast approaching. The Deacons will be sending \$200.00 donations to the “Toys for Tots” program and to the Salvation Army. These are just some of the ways that the semi-annual Deacons Offering blesses this church and our community. This offering will be taken during worship on Sunday, October 11 and Sunday, October 18. Please consider helping the Deacons help those in need.

**PW CIRCLES**—Faith and Hope Circles have resumed Bible study and fellowship on the fourth Thursday of each month at 1:00 PM. In lesson two “Lamenting Together,” we will be learning about individual and communal laments. This is from Psalm 137. For more information about joining one of these circles please contact Susan Bond or Diane Witzig. All women of the church are invited!