

## Christian Education

Upcoming youth/children events:

Christian Nurture Committee has set the dates for Vacation Bible School for August 4th-5th for 3 years olds-5th grade. We are looking for volunteers to provide and serve a kid friendly meal and/or snack along with volunteers to help with registration, being a chaperone/guide, and station leaders. Please let Danielle Giesler know if you are interested.

Grades 6-12 Summer Camp at Clearwater Forest

July 28-August 2

### UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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FALL-SPRING  
WORSHIP HOURS  
Sunday School 9:00 AM  
Worship Service 10:30 AM

SECRETARIAL HOURS  
10:00 AM-2:00 PM  
Monday-Thursday

You may also join us for Sunday  
worship on Facebook and Youtube  
at 10:30 AM

For corrections or additions to the newsletter  
please call the church office—252-1748

### APRIL WORKMONTH FAMILIES

Chairperson:  
Barnes, George & Jackie 252-8366

Allmer, Angie	252-2464/269-3177
Bond, Jim & Susan	(Jim) 269-8560 (Susan) 269-5154
Nordgaard, Les & Enger, Charlotte	269-5146
Reed, Steve & Mary	(Mary) 269-0816 (Steve) 368-9575
Schaack, Bev	368-1205/252-5659
Stewart, Mary Jo	952-1973/269-1774
Van Dyke, Pam	669-2533/320-9464

# The Communicator

United Presbyterian Church of Jamestown, ND

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## Sharing Christ's Love Through Service

### From the Pastor



Here's an exciting opportunity that I want you to know about: the Lilly Endowment is giving out 60 grants of up to 1.2 million dollars each for their Nurturing Children Through Worship and Prayer Initiative (Nurturing Children). The aim of this initiative is to help children come to know and love God and grow in faith. Once I found out that individual churches are discouraged from applying, I sought out a partnership with the Presbytery of the Northern Plains of which United Presbyterian Church is a part. The first paragraph of the Letter of Interest I submitted on behalf of the Presbytery explains the direction:

*"Every child in our Presbytery deserves an enriching and inclusive spiritual experience. Our initiative will focus on educating, empowering, and supporting all of the churches we represent, granting equal access to tools that promote inclusive worship and prayer practices. In addition, we plan to collaborate with the Anne Carlsen Center in Jamestown, ND to attend to the needs of disabled children and their families. Our hope is to get assistance from the universities that are in the bounds of the Presbytery."*

The Rev. Deanna Reikow, Connectional Care Pastor of the Presbytery, came in person to speak to the session at their meeting on Thursday, March 21, 2024. She is heading up the task force to write the Lilly grant application that is due on May 6, 2024. Please consider serving on that task force by contacting Rev. Deanna at 701-426-3857. Also, please consider assisting us on determining our needs at United Presbyterian Church that can be part of the application process by contacting Danielle Giesler at 701-320-8324. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

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

Speaking of The Presbytery of the Northern Plains, they will be holding their spring meeting on Saturday, April 20, 2024, at the University of Jamestown starting at 10:00 AM. I encourage you to take advantage of this public meeting that is held right here in Jamestown to learn about the 56 Presbyterian Churches in North Dakota, Minnesota, and Montana. The Presbyterian Church is structured and operates as a connectional church. Churches work together, like the Lilly Grant that I just described, to further the mission that Jesus Christ gave us all. Please join us and meet new people and hear what other churches are doing. We are in need of a commissioner to attend this meeting. If you are an ordained elder (active or inactive) and would serve in that capacity, please contact Nancy Burgard at 701-952-0051.

I received a phone call this week from a community member asking about a Men's Bible Study. I replied that I would love to start one. Perhaps you or someone you know would like to be part of a Bible study (men, women, or youth) please let me know. This would be an in-person Bible study that will meet at a time convenient for the most people. This would be good for those who find the time for the Wednesday Zoom Bible Study not convenient. Let me know of your interest. In our respective ministries, it is greatly appreciated that many rally for God's work to be done, there is just plenty of areas where we can dip our fingers into, please heed the call, be counted!

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***Jamestown Area Grief Support***

Jamestown Area Grief Support Team is offering a Grief Support Group for parents who have lost a child. The group will meet once a week on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM at St. John's Lutheran Church, 424 1st Ave S, Jamestown, beginning April 16th and will run for four weeks.

Any parent who has experienced the death of a child of any age, whether recently or in years past is encouraged to attend. The group is free of charge, but registration is required to ensure that enough materials are available. Participants should plan to attend all four sessions. To register, call Cecelia at 701-269-4236 or Charlotte at 701-269-5146.

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April 2024						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Deacons 6:15 PM	3 Zoom Bible Study 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00	4 AA 7:00 PM	5	6
7 SS 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Communion	8 Christian Nurture 6:00 PM Property & Finance Comm. 6:00 PM	9	10 Zoom Bible Study 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00	11 Session 5:30 PM AA 7:00 PM	12	13
14 Sunday School 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM	15	16	17 Zoom Bible Study 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00	18 AA 7:00 PM	19	20
21 Sunday School 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM	22 Earth Day	23	24 Zoom Bible Study 6:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00	25 The Circle 1:00 PM AA 7:00 PM	26	27 MIP Class 8:00-3:00
28 Sunday School 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM	29	30				
More Dates to Remember						
Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day — April 24, 2024						



## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

David Morlock	2
Dale Reimers	3
Mary Jo Stewart	4
Jennifer Bollingberg	7
Gavin Gibson	8
Pam Burkhardt	9
Cheryl McIntyre	9
Edie Prentice	9
Vivian Szarkowski	9
Lana Mitzel	11
Pat Lindbo	12
Olivia Korynta	15
Mark Lee	15
Mary Claire Reimers	16
Jonelle Lindbo	17
Hannah Tarr	17
Nancy Burgard	19
Christian Endo	19
Logan Gibson	20
Troy Worm	22
Carrie Diede	24
Stacey Muhs	24
Adam Allmer	28



## Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day

Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day is April 24<sup>th</sup>. The Armenian genocide was the systematic killing and deportation of Armenians by the Turks of the Ottoman Empire. In 1915, during World War I, leaders of the Turkish government set in motion a plan to expel and massacre Armenians. By the early 1920s, when the genocide finally ended, between 600,000 and 1.5 million Armenians were dead, with many more forcibly removed from the country. <https://www.history.com/>



## DEACON DIALOGUE . .

The Deacons are a group of men and women from our congregation that have a heart to serve those in our church and community. The Deacons organize a variety of activities by which they share the love and joy of Jesus Christ. The service of deacons in the Presbyterian Church (USA) is to lead the church in its ministries of compassion (distributing aid, caring directly for the poor, the sick, refugees, and prisoners), and justice (working for equity) in society.

Is there someone you should call? Is there someone you should visit? Is there someone you should write to? IT IS LEAP YEAR! 24 EXTRA HOURS! Let us all LEAP at the extra opportunities by using at least 12 of those hours this year "To Share Christ's Love Through Service."

\$613.00 was collected for the Daily Bread Program at our March fundraiser. Thank you everybody for your monetary donations, food, time and participation.



Plan to attend the Circle meeting at the church on April 25th, beginning at 1:00 PM with coffee time hosted by Charlotte Enger. Lesson 8, *Lydia Encounters Jesus in Worship* will be led by Jackie Tarpinian.

The lesson is supported by Scripture Acts 16:11-15 and the main idea of the lesson is 'Baptism connects us to God and the community of faith.'

The Presbyterian Women Presbytery Spring Gathering will be in Arvilla, ND on April 27th. Call Charlotte Enger (269-5146) if you would like to take a day trip to Arvilla with us. Two carloads would be fun!

## Financial Update

Year to Date Revenue	\$33,070.62
Year to Date Expenses	<u>\$38,506.12</u>
Year to Date Excess Income/Loss	\$ (5,435.50)

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 \$50.00 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.

## *Child Evangelism Fellowship Annual Banquet*

Child Evangelism Fellowship Annual Banquet will be held at 200 1st Ave. Nome, ND at 6:00 PM at the Nome School. Come at 5:30 PM for a self-guided tour of the renovated 1916 school building. Stay in a hotel room at the school building on April 7 or April 8 and \$10.00 of your hotel cost will be donated to CEF. To reserve a hotel room, go to [nomeschoolhouse.com](http://nomeschoolhouse.com) and use code “b632170.” To RSVP call Charity Ost at 701-301-7814. Guest speaker will be CEF State Director, Doug Sikkink. Doug is passionate about reaching children for Christ, and he loves communicating the basic truths of the gospel in a way that children can understand. He looks forward to bringing this passion to the entire state of North Dakota including counties that are not currently being reached. Find out what the Lord has done and how you can partner with CEF.

## *University of Jamestown Theatre Presents...*

University of Jamestown Theatre presents *Sense & Sensibility* by Kate Hamill on April 11, 12, and 13 at the Reiland Fine Arts Center at 7:30 PM. You may purchase tickets from Reiland Box Office, Room 135 from 4:00-6:00 PM Monday-Friday, call 701-252-3467 ext.5435, or email [tickets@uj.edu](mailto:tickets@uj.edu).

## *Choralaires*

69th Annual Concert of the Jamestown Choralairs will be held at the Jamestown High School Theater on April 19 and 20 at 7:00 PM. Special guests include Jamestown High School Men’s Choir. Ticket prices are \$12 for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets available from any Choralaires member, at Looysen Eye Care, and at the door.

## *Easter Lily Memorials*

The following people donated Easter Lilies in memory/honor of loved ones: Joe and Nancy Burgard in memory of Francis & Joan Bivens, Henry, Tom, and Betty Burgard; Janet Holaday in memory of Sydney and Alberta Holiday; Janet Miller in memory of Randy Miller; Jackie Tarpinian in memory of members of the church that have passed away; and Clyde Young in memory of Kit Young.

## *Session Highlights March 2024*

- Recorded the baptism of Jerome Janjay G, Zamgba Jr, son of Jerome Zamgba, Sr, and Laura M. Nyepen on Sunday, February 25, 2024 at the 10:30am worship service by Reverend Robert Boyar. Jerome Jr. was born November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 in Jamestown, ND.
- Recorded the installation of Class of 2026 Deacon Sandy Worm on February 8, 2024 at the joint Deacon/Session meeting. Class of 2026 Deacon Jackie Tarpinian was installed at the March 6th, 2024 Deacon meeting.
- Treasurer’s Report: Mary Reed, treasurer  
The grant application for \$2,000 to help pay for the audio/visual streaming updates has been approved.
- Christian Education Coordinator—Tammie Keesee  
My last day will be Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024.  
Anyone interested in helping with Sunday School and/or Children’s Messages, please let Tammie Keesee or Danielle Giesler know.  
Youth Connection Team has decided to cancel the Presbytery-wide Spring Retreat for 2024 due to expected low attendance.  
All ages – Synod School at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, Iowa July 21-26, 2024.  
6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade – Summer Camp at Clearwater Forest July 28-Aug 2, 2024.  
3 years old – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Camp Firelight VBS. August 4-7, 2024.  
**Danielle Giesler moved/2<sup>nd</sup>, “to approve Nancy Burgard and Tiffany Dauer as substitute Sunday school teachers for the months of April and May, 2024.” MOTION CARRIED**
- Property and Finance – Mary Reed  
Elevator has been fixed.  
Gutter and drain spout repaired.  
Carpet cleaning will be done in the fall.  
Service Master will clean the kitchen floor once a month and add upstairs cleaning.  
Furniture in ‘Youth Room’ to be reviewed.
- Church Growth and Outreach – Jeff Enger  
**The Church Growth and Outreach committee recommends, “the continuation of UPC radio ads with the Jamestown stations 95.5 and 107.1 for another 2 months (April and May, 2024) for approximately \$1,000.” RECOMMENDATION APPROVED**
- Deacons – Jan Miller  
Jackie Tarpinian installed as a Deacon for the Class of 2026.  
Daily Bread meal on March 3<sup>rd</sup> collected \$613.00  
Goodies for shut-ins on May 5<sup>th</sup>, May baskets. Vicki Enger will make.  
Subway gift cards sent to college students.  
Jackie Tarpinian will send out Easter cards and compose a message for April Communicator.

Nancy Burgard, Clerk of Session