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PENTECOST, June 8, 2014 WHAT A DAY IT WILL BE!!!



Well, it won't be like the first Pentecost but there will be lots going on at FPC!!! Rev. Steve Braden will be preaching, the sanctuary will be decked out in red and we hope most worshipers will be wearing red as well.

2014 Pentecost Offering

The Pentecost Offering will be received on Sunday June 8. It provides Presbyterians the opportunity to invest in the future of the church by supporting ministries that encourage, develop, and support its young people, as well as provide assistance to at-risk children. In addition 40% of this offering can be kept by our congregation for use in our community.

The General Assembly's portion (60 percent) provides leadership development opportunities for Presbyterian youth and young adults and supports children-at-risk programs at the national level. Since 1998, Presbyterians of all ages have raised more than \$8 million for these ministries that benefit younger members of God's family.

CASA will receive Pentecost Offering

A CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) volunteer advocates for children who are involved in the juvenile court system as a result of abuse and/or neglect. Volunteers investigate, negotiate, monitor and advocate for the best interest of the child. CASAs advise the St. Joseph Probate Court by testifying at court hearings and by submitting thorough written reports. The reports include a factual history as well as recommendations for the child's case plan, including placement and treatment. From this brief summary of CASA you can see it's importance in the life of the at-risk children. Please prayerfully consider your gift to the Pentecost Offering.

The Mission Committee

Session will host lunch after worship with meat, rolls, drinks and a special cake to recognize the 36, yes, 36 years that Susan Favorite May has served as the director of music and choir director for FPC. As you know, Susan is moving to a full-time choir director position at a church in South Bend. We want to wish her well and say "Thanks, Susan".

Members are asked to add "potluck" to lunch with ample side dishes and salads. Please bring your own table service as well. It will be nice to fellowship again over a meal.

After lunch, Pastor Steve will lead us through some "discussion exercises" to begin the process we need to do in order to eventually elect a pastor nominating committee (PNC). It is important that as many as possible participate in this opportunity.

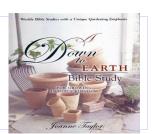
The Session
Rev. Steve Braden, Moderator
Pam Camren
Mary Ann Dentino
John Martz
Stan May
Darlene Seufert



Adult Sunday Morning Class: we will finish viewing and discussing Bruce Feiler's Walking the Bible DVD, until June 15. There will be no class on June 8, due to the potluck lunch. Bill Walter and others will be leading the class. Starting in July Pam Camren will be leading a book discussion of Rob Bell's newest book. Rob Bell is author of "What We Talk About When We Talk About God" and anyone interested in discussing this book is invited to stay after worship for 45 minutes around a table in Fellowship Hall beginning on Sunday, July 1. Please sign up on the clipboard in CE lobby or let Pam Camren (pcamren@att.net or phone 231-8379) know that you will be needing a book. Books will be provided.

Christian Education is offering a Summer Bible Study

Looking for God? Step Outside! Joanne Taylor is the author of <u>A Down to Earth Bible Study for Growing in God's Kingdom</u> which uses nature and the Bible as the instructors. The hope is that after the Bible Study, participants stay to work in the church's flower/herb gardens. If interested sign up on the clip board marked Summer Bible Study. Darlene Seufert, CE Chair



Presbyterian Weekday Nursery School

For their second year, the preschool will be in attendance in the summer mornings at the church. Starting June 9th and continuing thru August 4 (off the first week of July) the staff will have 20 pre-kindergarten students brushing up on the their ABC's and 123's. Let's be mind full of their drop-off 8:45/9:00 am and pick-up 11:15/11:30 am times, keeping the east parking lot car free.

Just for fun; Kindergarten, which means "children's garden" was shortened from Kleinkinderbeschaftigungsanstalt which means "institute of care, playing, and activity for small children"

The PWNS staff

Treble Clef Singers - - We're GROWING!!

The Treble Clef Singers of Mishawaka rehearses and gives concerts here, at FPC. Why here? Because FPC is centrally located within the city limits. Because FPC has made a commitment to serve the community by welcoming groups and programs into our building. And because Susan May directs this Mishawaka children's choir.

SESSION 1 of our third season will be held June 23-27, each morning. We hope to have a large group at "choir camp" since TCS now invites any 4-6th grader (currently would be 3-5th grader) who has a home address or who has a school address in Mishawaka. This expands by roughly double our pool of students from past years.

TCS sang for worship on May 4 - as just one way to show appreciation for the use of the building and friendly welcome FPC has offered. FPC members - pop down to see us sometime that week, and say hello.

SCRAPBOOKING CLUB

Join us for a night of fun and fellowship at our Scrapbooking/Crafting Group! We meet in the Fellowship Hall from 6 pm to 11 pm. Provided is the set-up, clean-up, drinks, and tableware. The cost is \$5. If able, please bring a snack to share. Feel free to bring any type of project that you have to work on...knitting, cross stitch, crochet, scrapbooking, card making, painting.

The list of dates for 2014 are below, mark your calendars! And note no date for July.

Looking forward to seeing you there, Brittany Rice scrap.brittany@comcast.net

June 27th Aug. 29th Sept. 26th Oct. 24th Nov. 21st

Presbyterian Women

The year is winding down for us, we have concluded our Bible Study which has been very enjoyable and a great "refresher" of events as well as learning new and interesting details. Next years' study focuses on Paul and the study leader/writer obtains the view points or interpretations from three other women, one of them being Debbie Prince, a former member of our congregation.

We have elected our new officers and will be installing them at the June 4th calendar planning meeting. They are Teresa Primmer (Co-Moderator) Chris Wukovits (Secretary) and Betty Favorite (Search Comm.) Gordon & Rose Marie Reif delivered 33 Baby bundles to St. Joseph Hospital. Keep up the good work ladies!

I would like to thank all the ladies who make PW so successful, and of course we do have some faithful and very helpful men as well, THANK YOU!!! To the officers leaving, a BIG thank you as well! We are few but we have many helping hands to accomplish all we do. May has generally been our Birthday Celebration month, this year we didn't have a formal celebration of that event. If you would like to honor that event you can send in your donation (a penny for every year you are old, or your choice) to Sue Rice the PW treasurer. Please make checks out to Presbyterian Women and note Birthday offering on the memo

June 4th at 5:30 we will have our Calendar planning meeting as well as installation of new officers. All present PWCT members as well as committee chairs should attend. If you can't and have dates please send that info to Judy Green and or Darlene Seufert ahead of time. We will have a light supper, main entrée and beverage will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. We will meet down in Fellowship Hall.

Thank you, Judy Green & Darlene Seufert

Book Club is taking the summer off, but....will return September 21 this fall. We meet at 2 pm, and here are some of the books we are considering, Sea Change by Karen White

The Fault in Our Stars by John Green Pilate's Wife by Antoinette May Cuckoo's Calling by J. K. Rolling The Girl in the Photograph: The Story of Kim Phuc

The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd The Blood Flowers Turns are taken in hosting, leading and providing snacks. All are welcome to attend, come monthly or whatever your pleasure. Please watch for more information (book choice & location) in the August

newsletter or check out the clipboard bulletin. Judy Green mtcgjag@aol.com Over the summer there will again be a Book swap basket in the lobby. These books are free, you may take

one or two or give one or two. All books left at the end of the summer will go to the Presbyterian women's sale. So please keep on reading, and have a great summer.

Church Photo Directory

We are in the process of preparing our new, do-it-yourself photo directory. Ron May is taking photos in the Crib Room on Sunday mornings as follows: Sunday, June 1: before and after worship. If you haven't already scheduled your appointment, please call Debra in the church office (Tuesday-Thursday mornings) to do so. Please note: that any choice you make, form Deadline is Thursday, June 5.

- We have a thorough information form for the directory. Please be sure you complete and submit your form.
- You may email your own jpg photo to Debra, if desired. (We still need you to complete the information form.)
- You may bring in a print for Debra to scan, if desired. (form still needed)

If requested, we can email you jpgs of your photos, from which you can make prints at any drugstore. If you need assistance on how this, volunteers will be available to get your jpgs and help you make prints. No prints will be available from the church. Photo directories will be available in color or black and white, but we will charge printing costs for the color versions. Thank You, Pastor Braden and Pam Camren



As we enter the 12th month of my transitional ministry, it's time to write about our congregation's transition process.

from the Postor's desk I have mentioned in prior columns that the presbytery has defined certain ministry goals to be addressed during the time of leadership transition. These are "big picture" tasks, to be worked on before the congregation is ready to start the process of seeking new leadership. They are:

- 1. Coming to terms with the congregation's history (including any recent conflict).
- 2. Discovering a new congregational identity.
- 3. Making any necessary shifts in lay leadership and changes in congregational power structures.
- 4. Rethinking and renewing denominational links.
- 5. Preparing for new pastoral leadership and a new future.

These transitional ministry goals are all addressed in a variety of ways from the time the transitional pastor starts, and are not just pastoral tasks; they are congregational tasks. Depending on the circumstances, work on these tasks may take considerable time before the congregation is ready to move to the tasks, directly relating to securing new pastoral leadership (mission study, formation of pastoral nominating committee, preparation of Ministry Information Form, actual search).

I believe that we have made some significant progress in addressing these tasks, particularly in addressing issues of conflict, helping the church regain a healthy functioning, and finding a new church secretary after Kathy Darr's retirement. In recent months I have been working on some lesser, but still important tasks, namely:

- 1. **Church photo directory:** Picture directories are immensely helpful for newcomers and new leaders. The church's last one was during Jan Van Lear's interim ministry. We are well on our way in preparing our do-it-yourself directory. Thanks to Pam for updating our records, Debra for setting up the new software and entering data, and to Ron May for taking pictures.
- 2. **New website:** We are finally ready to set up our new website. It will have several authorized "editors," including Debra Leonard, Dave Sulak, and me, making it easier to keep the site current. Watch for further details.
- 3. **Wedding Ministry:** As a means of increasing revenue from our beautiful facility, we are exploring developing a wedding ministry for non-members, using local clergy (other than myself) and members as coordinators and staff. See Pam's article elsewhere in this newsletter. (page 4)
- 4. **More Energy-efficient Building:** Several members and I will be attending a seminar on on energy efficiency in church buildings. At a minimum, I hope we can set our HVAC system up to maximize efficiency this coming winter.
- 5. **Reorganizing our Music Ministry:** What will our music ministry look like after Susan May leaves? Will we have enough of a choir to need a choir director? Should we go with a variety of ensembles and special music? How would that work? Pam Camren and I will be meeting with choir members to explore these questions.

Now that we have a clearer sense of our size, our staff, and our resources, it is time to do some serious thinking and praying about the congregation's future. Part of this is to celebrate the congregation's past – without letting memories of past glories cloud future hopes. Part is to be realistic about the present reality of our congregation, our community, and our society. And an important part is to be prayerfully creative in envisioning possible futures as we seek to embody Christ's love here.

We will start this process at our Pentecost luncheon on June 8. See Pam Camren's article, elsewhere in this newsletter for details about the meal. After eating and recognizing Susan May's music ministry, we will be engaging in some important table conversations about our past, present and future. Please plan to attend and spend some time in "holy conversation." I believe you will find it personally meaningful, as well as very important for our church.

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Continued from page 4. I know summer is a tough time to do church business, but I hope we can have more "holy conversations" that will move us toward being ready (with the Commission on Ministry's approval) to begin the search, possibly in the fall or early winter. I should mention that the session has approved extending my contract through the end of the year, subject to approval by the presbytery's Commission on Ministry. This fall we will consider whether further extensions

As I have mentioned, this transitional period must be bathed in prayer if it is to succeed. I invite you to pray for this congregation, its elders and deacons, its staff and volunteers, and for me. Pray that we may hear and say what is necessary to discern the leading of the Spirit as we seek new life together.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:6-7)

WHAT'S NEW AT THE MAC/ALBRIGHT FOOD PANTRY

Carol Minix has replaced Kemyetta Hardy as director of the Food Pantry! Statistics at the Food Pantry show an increase in the number of households (45) served in March, particularly new households (31).

USDA requires an accounting with respect to the distribution of government commodities. In order to comply, the Pantry keeps records in terms of pounds of food donated. In 2013 donated food was estimated at 5078 pounds. Food, along with other household necessities and monetary donations is what keeps the Pantry open on Tuesday evenings and Friday mornings. It is noted that nearly 3000 volunteer hours were logged in 2013.

A special blessing in March was a large cash donation from a member of St. Bavo's church which came at a time the Pantry shelves were nearly empty. It is a given that the items folks receive at the Pantry helps them with other financial obligations they have.

Albright church's willingness to house the Pantry, giving space for storage of donated items and office space for all the necessary record keeping, including the computer system, along with a volunteer, who helps maintain it.

Please continue to remember the MAC Food Pantry when you're doing your weekly shopping. Clip those coupons. Let's fill that shopping cart in the CE Lobby.

MISSION CONNECTIONS. A feature on Rebecca Kirkpatrick and Joshua Yoder who are serving in Egypt, will be posted on the Missions bulletin board. Please take a moment to read about their work and (sometimes scary) lives. They truly "walk the walk".

Office Volunteers Needed Church secretary Debra Leonard will be gone June 10-17 attending her daughter's wedding out of state. We are looking for volunteers for mornings, June 10, 11 and 17th. Please contact the church office if you can be of help. Thank you

Help is needed in the Library Help is needed in the Library. If you have time once a month, or even more, the library at the church is in need of some TLC. Please contact Darlene Suefert if you would like more information.

Have you checked your church Mail Box? Most church members have a mailbox in the C.E. Office that many committees, offices, members use to communicate within the church. See Sue Rice if you have any questions.

Have you Noticed??? The art work on the cover of our worship bulletins in recent weeks has been supplied by Susan May, Anna Bowers and Dyan Phillips. Their thoughtful renderings of the weekly scriptures have enriched our experiences with God's word. Many thanks for sharing those God-given talents and your diligent development of those thought provoking drawings. Worship and Music

Church Office hours: 9:00 to 12:00, Monday thru Thursday

Pastor hours: Monday and Wednesday

Financial Secretary hours: Monday and Thursday mornings. Contact us at (574) 259-7874 or Fax (574) 259-1948

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Church Officers and Committees

The Session: Pam Camren, Mary Ann Dentino, John Martz, Stan May, Bruce McClure, Darlene Seufert

Board of Deacons: Bill Bellairs, Tom Camren, Lynett Heritz, Carole Polk, Bill Walter, Chris Wukovits

Facilities and Operations

John Martz, chair (elder) Ethan DeMaegd, Dick Dentino, Chuck Wukovits

<u>Christian Education</u>: Darlene Seufert

<u>Finance</u>: Stan May, Chair <u>Mission and Evangelism</u>: Mary Ann Dentino, Chair <u>Nominating</u>: Dave Sulak, Chair

(Elder)

<u>Personnel</u>: Bruce McClure, Chair <u>Presbyterian Women</u>: Judy Green and Darlene Suefert

<u>PWNS Board</u>: John Rice, Chair <u>Special Gifts</u>: Sue Rice, acting chair

<u>Stewardship</u>: Ron May, Chair <u>Worship and Music</u>: Pam Camren, Chair

Book Club: Judy Green
Prayer Chain: Lynett Heritz
Scrap Booking: Brittany Rice

One Great Hour of Sharing

Thank you for your generous contributions to the One Great Hour of Sharing. A total of \$1,198 was received. These funds will be used for disaster assistance, stopping hunger, and the self-development of people. Our congregation is definitely dedicated to mission.

Newsletter deadline is

July 17 at noon. Please send information for August. Email Sue information at suce@aol.com or you can mail information to Debra, church secretary.

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Pastor Emeritus
Franklin W. May

New Email Addresses for the Church

We are switching to Gmail for church email addresses, though we will continue to maintain our old email addresses for the time being. Please note the new addresses:

Church Office fpcmishawaka@gmail.com
Debra Leonard: <u>Debrafcpmishawaka@gmail.com</u>
Steve Braden (no change): revsbb91@gmail.com

PICTURES FOR WEBSITE We are seeking pictures of recent church events. If you have any, please bring or email them to the church office. We also seek photographer(s) to take pictures of church activities. If you are interested, please speak to Steve Braden. We are continuing to prepare to set up a new website

Staff Changes in Music Ministry

As announced in an all-church letter, Susan Favorite May has resigned to take a position as Music Director at First United Methodist Church of South Bend. This has not been an easy decision for her, as she deeply loves our church and its people. However, when she received an offer from First Methodist which would enable her to use her gifts and talent more fully to the glory of God, she decided to accept. Susan will retain her lifelong membership in this church. Her last time directing the chancel choir will be on Pentecost, June 8. We will honor her that Sunday, both in worship and at the all-church potluck lunch afterward. We encourage everyone to attend.

The second change is that Michael Duryea, our organist, will be out of town this summer, in Kansas near his fiancée's family as they prepare for their summer wedding. As of this writing, our personnel committee is putting together our roster of organists/pianists for the summer.

Worship 10:00 Fellowship 11:00 Church School 11:15

Wedding Ministry What's That?

Session has been discussing a ministry of offering our sanctuary and necessary services for weddings as one way to generate income from our beautiful, but costly building. Session appointed a team of three, Chuck Wukovits, Lynett Heritz and Pam Camren to develop policies and procedures to insure meeting that need. It is a work in process and it is hoped to have a "finished" document for Session review and approval by the June 22nd Session meeting.

To be able to provided needed accompanying services for a wedding, individuals and teams of people will be needed to perform certain activities for which they will be compensated. More on that opportunity to support the ministry and also generated some personal income will be forthcoming as the plan is developed. Stay tuned!



Rev. Carol McDonald is Retiring

Carol will be honored by the Presbytery of Wabash Valley (PWV) at its stated meeting on Tues. May 20, 2014. Quilt blocks were requested from churches to be put together as a remembrance of Carol's service for the presbytery, Geneva Center and the many churches where she has served as pulpit supply, including Mishawaka on more than one occasion. Mary Ann Dentino designed and created the block from FPC with "A Cup of Friendship" theme. See the picture. Thanks Mary Ann for sharing your creative talent in this way.

Carol's leadership at all levels of the PC(USA), most recently as Synod executive, will be greatly missed. Her plans to travel and spend time with family are well deserved "good and faithful servant".

BUS FROM SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN DETROIT

Friends: FPC-Niles has secured a 56 passenger bus to attend the opening worship of the *General Assembly on Saturday, June 14, 2014*. The plan is to be on the road by 6:30am, (the driver will make a *comfort* stop along the way). The bus will arrive at the COBO Center in Detroit by 10:00 am – Opening Worship is at 11:00 am. There will be free time in the afternoon to explore. The bus will board at 5:00 pm arriving in Niles at approximately 8:00pm.

We are asking for a donation of \$35.

THERE IS NO COST TO ATTEND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OPENING WORSHIP OR TO VISIT THE EXHIBITION HALL ON SATURDAY, JUNE 14. SUCH A DEAL!!!

FOLKS CAN CALL OUR CHURCH OFFICE TO RESERVE A SEAT - 269–683-7600 OR THEY CAN E-MAIL – <u>FIRSTCHURCH13@YAHOO.COM</u>. THE SEATS ARE FILLING UP FAST!

This is a unique opportunity. It isn't often that General Assembly is so close to home. If you've never been to opening worship at GA, you should go – it is an awesome experience. If you have any questions, give me a call. Peace, Fran

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As of 5/27/14 there were still 15 seats left, (this number may of changed as seats were filling up fast). Please contact # above if you are interested in joining in the day trip.

Each summer I try to include an update on "our" children. Far and near they are all precious, and true blessings. The next 2 pages are just a glimpse into their lives...

<u>Andy Wiseman</u>: graduated from Purdue in May, getting married in June, starting grad school in Indianapolis in August. Whew!

<u>Shalom Niyomugabo:</u> is taking classes at Tompkins County Community College and working at Foot Locker. He is studying business.

<u>Justin Tschida:</u> finished his 2nd semester at Farris State with a 3.59 GPA, Electric Engineering is his study but golf is a way of life.

<u>Jeff Wiseman</u>: is graduating from Penn in June. Played rugby for Penn this spring and really, really enjoyed the sport, anyone up for scrum? He will be attending IUPUI in Indianapolis this fall, spending the summer mowing lawns for a living and working on his car for fun.

<u>Colin Heritz:</u> is graduating from John Adams High and heading to Ball State. He currently works at Bob's 19th Hole in South Bend.

<u>Roger Krafft:</u> will graduate from Mishawaka High School in June, then head off to the Navy in July. Great Lakes Shipyard is his first port of call

<u>Michael Green</u>: has just recently turned 16 and will be a sophomore at Penn in the fall. He has gone thru driver's training and hopes to obtain his Driver's license near the end of the year. He is continuing the process to prepare him to become a Penn Kingsmen football player in the Fall, taking part in various workouts and camps this summer. Go Gold and Black of Penn! Mikey will help out his grand-parents with lawn mowing/yard work (as well as mowing Katie Goegebeur's lawn until her home is sold), and lending a hand with the garden at home. Training family dog Lily Rose, plus fun and relaxation with the family will fill out his summer.

<u>Chris Krafft:</u> will spend his summer doing odd jobs, earning/saving for a band trip to Disney world next year, then next fall return to Mishawaka High school as a junior.

<u>Victoria Green:</u> now 13 will be an eighth grader at Grissom in the Fall. She has just finished league spring soccer, and will continue to play league soccer in the fall for Michiana Echo Soccer. She will keep up on training this summer plus attending St. Mary's Soccer camp. (an "on campus" stay) When not kicking the ball around, she will take part in the AYBT (American Youth Basketball Team). Practice and tournaments will fill out weekends over the summer, most notable is the tournament down at Purdue University! Boiler Up! Victoria, in her spare time will do some lite gardening, Lily Rose time, some back yard campfires and perhaps she will even do a little babysitting.

<u>Claire Dowell:</u> is finishing 7th grade at Lansing Middle School. She is active in dance, basketball, softball, music, and church. The big news for both Claire and Gavin is that they will spend this coming fall in Boston. Glen is on sabbatical from Cornell this fall and is taking his sabbatical in Boston to be a visiting scholar at Harvard. The family is looking forward to one semester of city life before returning to life in Lansing.

Ethan Wukovits Palay: is now 11. Avid reader, his favorite series being Harry Potter. Ethan likes to play board games too. Ethan's favorite food is biscuits and gravy. He's a true Southerner!

<u>Gavin Dowell:</u> is finishing 5th grade, at Lansing Middle School. He is an avid baseball, soccer, and basketball player and also does music and is active in the church youth group.

<u>Victoria Wukovits Musselman:</u> is 10. She is an accomplished dancer and in an elite group called "The Company". She does ballet, jazz, hip-hop, and tap. She also loves skiing and is considering joining the ski team this winter. Victoria is an honor student and loves to read and play with her American Girl dolls.

<u>Sophia Wukovits Musselman:</u> is 8. She follows in her sisters shoes, as a dancer, but enjoy gymnastics as well. Sophia skies, is an honor student and enjoys her American Girl dolls and their stories.

<u>Charlie Wukovits Palay:</u> is 8. Charlie is an avid reader! He is in Cub Scouts and enjoys camping with his dad. Charlie is an honor student and has won the Outstanding Student Award for his grade level two years in a row. Charlie loves dogs and likes playing with his dog, Dodger.

<u>Emily Krafft:</u> just finished 4th grade. She plans to do a little "camping" at Geneva Center this summer, and practicing her twisting/jumping/"gymnasticing" before 5th grade summons her. <u>Ariana (Heritz) Downs:</u> now a beautiful 7 year old will enter the 2nd grade this fall. She loves horses, wearing her cow-girl boots and riding her bike.

<u>Maicey Hardy:</u> will be starting 2nd grade at Mary Feeser in Elkhart and loves to read and draw, draw and read, in June she will turn 7.

<u>Julie Rice</u>: will be doing lots of reading, taking swim lessons, and looks forward to visiting the beach this summer. She will be entering 1st grade in the fall.

<u>Sam Wukovits Palay:</u> is 6. Sam is finishing kindergarten and enjoys playing with Legos. Sam loves pretending in the tree house that Grandpa Wukovits built. Sam's favorite food is ice cream! <u>Mia Rice:</u> will be taking swim lessons, reading in the library reading program, and already has a new sand toy to take to the beach this summer. She is extremely excited about entering Kindergarten in the fall and often asks how long before she gets to start, she will turn 6 next January.

<u>Rachel (Heritz) Downs:</u> (5) will be starting Kindergarten this Fall and is learning to ride her new bike with the help of training wheels.

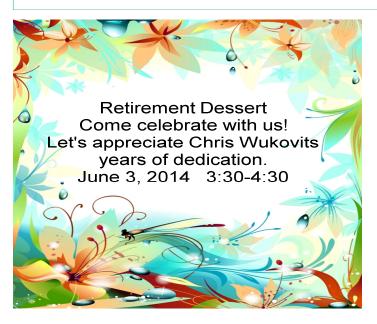
<u>Cooper Hardy:</u> graduated from Salem Pre School and will be heading to Kindergarten in the Fall. He loves to play ball and hang with his Dad! Both will be hitting the golf course again this year with G-pa and G-ma Heritz.

Charlotte Phillips: is 4 years old & she completed her first year of preschool. Her progress reports indicate that we have a "social butterfly" on our hands. She is taking ballet and did perform on Mother's Day weekend in the Alice in Wonderland ballet as a "Rose Bush" in the croquet scene. She will be taking her first Learn to Swim lessons at Penn, & she will again attend FPC Mishawaka's summer preschool. Other summer plans include trips to the zoo, the Silver Hawks, & her first Cubs game!

Gia Bellinger: is going to Florida in July to see Mickey Mouse and her grandma and grandpa B. She is learning to ride a two wheeler with training wheels. She loves going to the park and climbing the highest structure available. She has learned to dial the phone to talk to grandma. She still loves green. So being outside is her favorite place to be. She is learning addition & subtraction and loves it, anything with numbers, telling time or letters have become an obsession for her.

<u>Tommy Rice</u>: will be spending lots of time outside and just loves to play in the sandbox. So, visiting the beach this summer will be a huge hit. Since Tommy isn't old enough for swim lessons, mom hopes to give him lots of time playing in the sprinkler!

<u>Gabe (Heritz) Downs:</u> is 14 months and loves getting into everything, especially if it belongs to one of his sisters!



Hello all. Summer is upon us, and I am planning our little outing to (what is now) Four Winds Field (formerly the Cove) to watch the Silverhawks play some ball. Date of the outing is Friday, August 15, and game time is 7:30 pm. Fireworks to follow the game. Tickets are \$12.50 per person. For those going, I will **need ticket money no later than July 1** to ensure everyone getting a seat. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board at church. If interested, either sign up there, or email me with the number of tickets you want so I can get enough tickets for all. Thank you, Greg gndphillips4800@sbcglobal.net

June & July 2014

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Mike/Mikey G. Ushers Eric K. acolyte Joseph Kiama Worship Leader	2	3 Finance 7pm	4 5-6 pm Sun short form 6:30 pm 32 sword form	5	6 Last day All schools	7
8 Pentecost Carole & Bill B. ushers Communion Pam Camren Worship Leader Choir singing Potluck	9 Calendar dates due Ken vacation	10 Debra vac. Ken vacation	11 No Tai Chi Debra vac. Ken vacation	12 Debra vac.	13 Debra vac.	14 General Assembly, Detroit Flag Day
Dan B. & Ethan Ushers Happy Father's Day	16 Debra vac.	17 Debra vac.	18 No Tai Chi Debra vac.	19	20 Ester will end the year with a luncheon at noon	21
Neil S. & Ethan Ushers Eric K Acolyte John Rice Worship Leader	23 Treble Clef Singers Choir Camp Deacons 7pm	24 T.C.S camp	25 T.C.S camp 5 –6pm Sun Short form 6:30 pm 32 sword form	26 T.C.S. camp	27 T.C.S. camp 1:30 Esther 6—11 pm Scrapbooking In Fellowship	28
29 Bill B. & Mikey G. Ushers Chris K. acolyte Stan May Worship Leader	30	July 4 Office closed	July 6 Communion	July Tai Chi continues every Wednesday both classes	July No Session meeting this month.	July 17 Newsletter deadline

July 6th Ethan & Bill B ushers, Communion, Lynett H. worship leader July 13th Carole & Teresa ushers, Pam C. worship leader July 20th Dan B. & Greg P. ushers, Pam C. worship leader July 27th Janet F. & Ethan ushers, Pam C. worship leader



The church picnic is planned for August 24th at the church. Mark your calendar with a "SAVE THE DATE".