

Good News

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Wednesday, June 9
3:30–7:00 P.M.

Pie &
Ice Cream

BBQ, Beans,
Potato Salad

Takeouts available!

Just a reminder ...

Beginning July 17, 2010 you will need to dial the area code even for local calls. To ensure a continuing supply of telephone numbers, area code 534 has been added (overlaid) to the geographic region now covered by 715 alone. You should begin using the new procedure now whenever you place local calls from the 715 area code. Just dial all 10 digits (area code + 7-digit telephone number) for every local call. If you forget the area code, the call will still go through until July 17. After that, the call will not be completed, and a recording will provide instructions on how to redial your call. If you have questions regarding the now dialing procedure, please call the Public Service Commission at 1-800-331-0500.

If you have access to the Internet, please consider receiving this newsletter online. It will save paper, printing costs and postage. Contact Mimi at mimi@pcucc.com to be put on the electronic mailing list.
Otherwise, you will continue to receive a paper copy of the newsletter.

Getting ready for church

June Worship Notes

10:30 A.M. Worship

Communion the first Sunday of the month

June 6

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

St. Francis Food Pantry offering

1 Kings 17:8–16, (17–24); Psalm 146;
Galatians 1:11–24; Luke 7:11–17

June 27

5th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Kings 2:1–2, 6–14;
Psalm 77:1–2, 11–20;
Galatians 5:1, 13–25; Luke 9:51–62

June 13

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 21: 1–10, (11–14), 15–21a;
Psalm 5:1–8; Galatians 2:15–21;
Luke 7:36–8:3

In June, we are praying for these

individuals/families: Floyd & Pat
Sexter, Denny & Rose Shepler, Larry &
Irma Shepler, Christian Shufflin, Isa
(Jesse) Small, Jamie Stafford, Ardith
Starr, George & Kay Stecher

June 20

4th Sunday after Pentecost

Father's Day

OCWM

1 Kings 19:1–4, (5–7), 8–15a;
Psalms 42 and 43; Galatians 3:23–29;
Luke 8:26–39

Food for Thought

The next pot luck is Sunday, June 6.
The theme is Summer Vacation Foods.
Bring a picnic dish to pass.

We will be serving at the Community
Table, Saturday, August 21. Please
mark your calendars because we need at
least 12 people to help. The sign-up
sheet will be out after the Pie & Ice
Cream Social.

St. Francis can still use money and
basic food items, grocery bags (plastic
and paper), motel-size soaps, lotions,
shampoos and body wash. We will
continue to take our special offering for
them on the first Sunday of the month.

Memorials

*The Stewardship Commission has
determined the following items/projects
to which memorials may be designated:
new flooring for the nursery, a lighting
upgrade, on-demand water heater, the
General Fund.*

! Designated gifts to the **Memorial
Fund:** *For the Memorial Garden in
memory of Greg Kamrowski:* Pat
Kamrowski

June Birthdays

- 2 Joanne Lowry
Jeanne Strassman
- 4 Deb Zehms
- 7 Dorothy Preston
- 8 Rob Jaenke
- 9 Ruth Blake
- 10 Carter Jaenke
- 13 Floyd Sexter
Adam Wendt
- 15 Gordy Heimstead
- 16 Onita Jorgensen
- 17 Linda Ross
- 19 Morgan Jaenke
- 20 Denny Shepler
- 27 Jim Welk
- 29 Stephanie Leipnitz

Please email these recipes and comments to debzehms88@charter.net or drop them off in the church office to my attention.

Thanks! Deb Zehms

Show your hospitality

First Congregational UCC is looking for help in housing for a 35-member UCC High School choir (youth and adult chaperones) from Omaha, NE touring WI, MI, IL an IA this summer. They need housing Saturday night, June 5, and to be at First Congregational early in the morning on June 6. If you are willing to house one or more youth or adult chaperones, please contact Jill Christopherson at First Congregational UCC (834-2668).



Have you submitted your potluck recipes yet? Too busy to copy them or type them into your computer? Just stop in the office or see Deb

Zehms or any other member of the Executive Council at church, and someone will promptly make a copy on the Xerox machine for you. How easy is that? We would like to collect a total of **125** recipes by the end of July. Why **125** recipes you ask? Well, for no apparent reason other than it is an especially fine number. And while you are at it, we would like some of your thoughts and favorite memories about our church/church family. Please send those in even if you are not going to offer us a recipe (or recipes). Hey, you can even send in more than one! They can be funny, serious, heartwarming, embarrassing...we would love them all.

Dear Plymouth Congregation

and Christian Ed:

Thank you so very much for your generosity in providing the money for me to attend Moon Beach Camp again this year. It is by far the highlight of my summer to be in the outdoors, spend time with acquaintances I've made through the years, and enjoy God's world. I also thank the Christian Ed Commission for providing the goodies in my camper bag. You always seem to know just what is needed! Most of all, I am appreciative of the opportunity that Mary Lou Welk's Memorial has afforded our youngsters to be able to experience Moon Beach. She will be in my thoughts this year. Thank you again, Plymouth!

*Blessings to all,
Adam Wendt*

Pastor's Pen



Dear Friends and Family of Plymouth,

Spring has been long and exceedingly pleasant. Best spring in a long time. I hope you have enjoyed it as much as I have! But all things eventually must end. Memorial Day looms ahead, and with it the promise of summer vacation, cookouts, baseball, swimming. Our summer months at Plymouth will go on as usual—Sunday worship, a Pie & Ice Cream Social, joint worship with our brothers and sisters of Truax UCC, summer camps, family movie nights, and Vacation Bible School.

As we've done the last few summers, our Sunday worship will carry a theme. This year we are reading through the book of Acts, also known as The Acts of the Apostles. Acts shows up only rarely in the lectionary, and much of it goes ignored, which is too bad because it's

the story of the first generation of the Church from the first Pentecost in Jerusalem to the end of Paul's missionary journeys throughout the Mediterranean, about the year 70. We will read about how the church was formed, who was involved, the dangers and violence they faced, where they traveled, and the arguments they had (and there were many!) as the Holy Spirit drove those first disciples to spread the Gospel of God's unconditional love to as much of the world as they could. It should be an enlightening journey that will help bolster our faith and teach us more about who we are.

Blessings,

Be a sponsor!

Sponsor an issue of the newsletter, a weekly bulletin, or the illumination of the cross on the front of our building in memory or in honor of someone or in honor of a special event, or even just because! Bulletin and newsletter sponsors will be recognized in the issue they sponsor. Cross sponsors will be listed in all publications for the month of sponsorship. Support a bulletin for \$15, a newsletter for \$50, or illuminate the cross for \$50. Sign-up sheets are on the table outside the sanctuary.

April Financial Summary

Income: \$6,927.82
Expenses: \$7,672.23
April loss: -\$ 359.43

- ! \$2000.00 was transferred from the Reserve Fund to help with bills.
- ! \$189.00 was paid to OCWM
- ! \$231.00 was paid to St. Francis Food Pantry

Executive Council Minutes

May 10, 2010

Members present: Larry Kleist, Barb Kleist, Rob Jaenke, Aurora Bradbury-Schoening, Jim Welk, Kay Stecher, Char Kozlowski and Pastor David Huber

Larry called the meeting to order. Pastor David opened with a prayer. The April Council minutes were reviewed. There was one correction, the Pie & Ice Cream Social is one week before Truax's, not after. The corrected minutes were approved.

Financial Reports:

As of April 30, 2010

Year to Date Income	\$38,599.61
Year to Date Expenses	\$39,015.24
Ahead (Behind)	(\$415.63)
Building Fund Balance	\$26,452.12
Memorial Fund Balance	\$6,129.30

Treasurer's Report:

Income this month was \$6927.82; expenses were \$7672.23 leaving us with April loss of \$744.41 and a check book balance of -\$359.43. A \$2000.00 transfer from the Reserve Fund helped us to make our bills. As of the end of April our envelope giving was up about \$2300. We also collected \$189 for OCWM and \$231 for the food pantry and those amounts have been forwarded on.

Reserve Fund Report:

The Reserve Fund has a balance of about \$1415.00 at the end of April.

Memorial Fund Report:

The balance for the end of the month is \$6129.30.

Building Fund Report:

No report.

Financial reports were reviewed and accepted.

Christian Education Commission:

Four CE members attended the Spring Training Conference at First Congregational. They purchased some resources to use for VBS and next fall's classes. May 16 will be Teacher Appreciation and Camper Bag Sunday. There will be five campers going to Moon Beach this year. Sunday School classes will resume in the fall. Through their offering, the Sunday School raised \$108 for the food pantry.

Stewardship Commission:

The banner was hung and presented on Sunday, May 9. The artifact case will be up sometime before Christmas. Larry asked David if he could poll the shut ins and see if there is anyone interested in a recorded service. The annual Thrift Sale was the best ever this year, with \$1375 raised for the General Fund. The Pie & Ice Cream Social is coming up June 9. Volunteers are needed to help with the phone calling for pies and money and also to work at the event. The Strengthen the Church offering will be May 23.



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*Council Minutes
continued ...*

Worship Commission:

May 9 was the special service for the banner, May 16 will be Teacher Recognition, and Pentecost is May 23. The summer worship theme will be the book of Acts. Worship will be at 10:30 during the summer. Jenny House has been asked to be our speaker for Rally Sunday—September 12.

Service Commission:

No report

Building and Grounds:

Clean-up day is May 15. There will be a list of things to do and lunch will be served. The roof leak has been fixed; Larry will ask Ron Wendt if he could fix the inside.

Women of Plymouth:

They made \$315 on the bake sale during the Thrift Sale. They are working on letters for the sign board. As a group, they will be going to several Ice Cream Socials around town. They are working on redoing the charges for funerals.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor David made 26 visits in April. He led worship at Heatherwood again. The Wisconsin Conference annual meeting is June 11–13. We need another delegate for that, also. Pastor David will be directing MADD camp June 20–27. He will also be gone May 17–21 on a study leave, attending the Homiletics Festival in Nashville. Kathryn Hamilton is being married June 4 at Plymouth. Rev. House's call was extended through June 30, 2011 at the Northwest Association annual meeting. The restructuring of the Conference was also discussed. The proposed

restructuring is on the Conference website. It will be decided upon at the annual meeting.

Other Business:

- ! We worked on some proposed changes to the wedding policy, both in wording and fee changes. Larry will have the proposals typed up for the June or July meeting. At that time we would also like to review proposed changes for the funerals.
- ! The Voss family has transferred to First Congregational Church.
- ! Larry will check on the free trees that are being offered by Dreamhouse Interiors to see if we could have them available for VBS.

Meeting adjourned 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted, Barb Kleist

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<h1>June 2010</h1> 						
		1 10:00 A.M. Quilters	2	3	4	5
6 St. Francis Food Pantry 10:30 A.M. Communion Worship 11:30 A.M. Pot luck	7	8 10:00 A.M. Quilters	9 Pie & Ice Cream Social 3:30–7:00	10	11	12
13 Prayers for the People 9:30 A.M. Stewardship Commission 10:30 A.M. Worship	14 7:00 P.M. Executive Council	15 10:00 A.M. Quilters	16	17	18	19
20 OCWM 10:30 A.M. Worship	21 7:00 P.M. Christian Education Comm.	22 10:00 A.M. Quilters	23	24	25	26
27 10:30 A.M. Worship 11:30 A.M. Worship Commission	28	29 10:00 A.M. Quilters	30			

JUNE

Sunday, June 6 Acts 1 & 2
Communion, St. Francis offering
Pot luck

Wednesday, June 9
Pie & Ice Cream Social
3:30–7:00 P.M.

Sunday, June 13
OCWM offering
Worship led by George Stecher

Sunday, June 20 Acts 3 & 4

Sunday, June 27 Acts 5 & 6

Wednesday, June 30
Family Movie Night at 6:15 P.M.
“The Lion, the Witch
and the Wardrobe”

JULY

Sunday, July 4 Acts 7 & 8
Communion, St. Francis offering
NO pot luck (moved to July 18)

Sunday, July 11 Acts 9 & 10
OCWM offering

Sunday, July 18
Joint worship with Truax *at Truax*, 9:30
A.M., followed by a pot luck.

Sunday, July 25 Acts 11–13

Wednesday, July 28
Family Movie Night at 6:15 P.M.
Movie TBD

AUGUST

Sunday, August 1 Acts 14 & 15
Communion, St. Francis offering
Pot luck

Sunday, August 8 Acts 16–18

Vacation Bible School
Tuesday–Thursday,
August 10–12

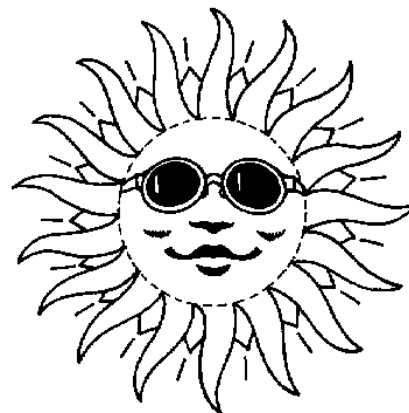
Sunday, August 15 Acts 19 & 20
OCWM offering
VBS children sing

Sunday, August 22 Acts 21–23

Sunday, August 29 Acts 24–26

SEPTEMBER

September 5 Acts 27 & 28
Communion, St. Francis offering
NO pot luck (moved to September 12)



**Summer
Sunday Worship
10:30 A.M.**