# Weekly Update July 25, 2018

### THIS SUNDAY

This week's guest minister will be Teresa Dulyea-Parker She will be preaching on Ephesians 3:14-21.

Teresa is the Regional Minister and President for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Illinois and Wisconsin. In over 35 years of ordained ministry, she has served congregations in Indiana, Oregon, Michigan, and Ohio and the last seven years as Regional Minister. Teresa is chief "story-teller" for our region and has a passion for congregational life. She believes "it is in the church as a graceful community that lifelong transformation occurs." Teresa lives in Bloomington, is married to the Rev. Canon Albert J. Keeney and the have four adult sons Jeff and Travis Dulyea-Parker and Andrew (Christi) and Ryan (Allison) Keeney. Teresa and Al are newlyweds having met in Paris on a Shalem pilgrimage in 2015. Teresa enjoys science, nature, walking, swimming, and travel.

#### FOOD PANTRY

First Christian Church is in charge of volunteers for the food pantry on July 27<sup>th</sup> and July 28<sup>th</sup>. Friday night volunteers should arrive at 6:30pm and Saturday morning volunteers by 8:30am. Food Pantry volunteers are asked to park in the Northeast corner of County Market's parking lot to allow more parking space for the clients.

#### PRAYER LIST

Rosella Jesse – Hollybrook Apt 42 **Bill and Jean Kerchenfaut – new address** 6235 Hoffman St #201 North Port, Florida 34287-2285 Harold Stimmel— Hollybrook Apt 34 John Revell Sandra Goin **Harriet Farnev Margaret Meers Patty Benz Margaret Gambill** Jim McClard – waiting for an important procedure Jessica Moore John Weller Lila Parsons **Evelvn Fawver Barb Bennett Irene Schaefer** 

We also continue to pray for the Search Committee and the Recruitment Committee

### **SYMPATHY**

We express our sympathy to Chet Goodrich and family upon the death of his wife, Mary Goodrich, who passed away on Wednesday, July 18<sup>th</sup>. A memorial service will be held September 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### SERVING SUNDAY JULY 29th

Elders: Sharon Higgins, Melanie Warfield, Cheryl Elder Deacons: Tim Ricks, Katy Neal, David DeWall Kristine Medler, Jeff Elder Worship Leader: Melanie Warfield Communion Preparation: Jeff Elder Home Communion: Sharon Higgins and Jeff Elder

#### **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

(July 25-July 31, 2018)

July 26 Jim & Sue McClard '58

Please send us (gcfccdoc@yahoo.com) additions or corrections of birthdays, anniversaries, or email addresses.

### **WEBSITE**

The church's WEBSITE IS NOW LIVE and can be found at <u>www.fccdocgc.com</u> On the website, you can view the <u>church video</u> made to help with the search process, a <u>calendar</u> featuring upcoming events, and <u>copies</u> of the Weekly Updates and Christian Visitors.

### **SHEPHERD'S CLOSET HANLEY SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

Shepherd's Closet will once again be collecting school supplies to distribute to area children without the means to purchase needed supplies. Bags for each grade with a list of supplies needed are available for pick up at Closet, Too (112 N Sangamon). Supplies may also be purchased individually for those who don't wish to fill a bag. General supplies needed are listed below.

-12 or 24 ct. Crayola colored pencils -Pink Pearl Erasers -Yellow chisel tip highlighters - #2 Pencils -4 ct. assorted highlighters -Adult Scissors -2 pk. Black Expo dry erase markers -Trapper Keeper -4 pk. Asst. Expo dry erase markers -Fine tip black sharpie markers -Small or large Elmer's glue sticks -3 Subject Notebooks -70 ct. Spiral Notebook -Composition Books -Binders-1",1.5",2",3" -Loose leaf paper - wide ruled -2 pkt. Folder without prongs in asst. colors

Bags and supplies will need to be returned to Shepherds Closet or Closet, Too by Saturday, July 28th. Monetary donations with checks payable to Hanley School Supply fund may also be dropped off at Shepherds Closet or Closet, Too.

## **SUMMER YOUTH GROUP**

The final summer youth group meeting for 3rd-8th graders will be a "Back to School Bash" on Sunday, August 5 from 6-8:00 pm. We will begin with a blessing for the upcoming school year around the flag poles at school. Third through fifth graders should be dropped off at the Elementary School and sixth through eighth graders should be dropped off at the Middle School. After we have prayed for God to bless the upcoming school year, we will walk to the church to cookout over our new fire pit and play some outdoor games. Be sure to bring a friend! All are welcome!

## **"POURED OUT CHURCH" COMMUNITY OUTREACH WEEKEND 2018**

The date for this year's event is the weekend of August 25 and 26, 2018. As the Iversons will be out of town for the Community Service Weekend this year, we REALLY are asking for at least one more member of the congregation to serve on this committee for planning purposes. Please reach out to Ryan and Janet with your interest ASAP so connections can be made. It takes a village!

## **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP**

We continue to hold a **coffee fellowship** in the narthex **before church** (beginning around 9:45am). Gather to converse and have fellowship prior to our worship service!

## LARGE PRINT BULLETINS

Large print bulletins are now available for Sunday morning worship.

## **PARKING ASSISTANCE**

If you would like someone to **park your car** to shorten the walk into the building, drive into the circle and stop in front of the doors.

# A willing and capable assistant will park your car for you.

# ATTENDANCE

FCC ATTENDANCE	SUNDAY WEEK					
	1	2	3	4	5	AVG
2018 JANUARY	40	56	53	45		49
2018 FEBRUARY	45	22	43	42		38
2018 MARCH	54	41	46	39		45
2018 APRIL	78	53	51	49	54	57
2018 MAY	38	56	57	44		49
2018 JUNE	57	24	51	46		45
2018 JULY	46	41	42	40		42
AVG	51.1	41.9	49.0	43.6	54.0	