

June 2024

Join us
Sundays at 10:30 AM
for Worship Service



FPC Oconto monthly newsletter

Office hours: 8am-12 Monday-Friday
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Jeff Krueger
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Jim McDowell
Property & Grounds
Tammie McCarthy
Elder at large
Lynn Hollander
Elder at large
Wil Andersen
Elder at large
Polly Exferd
Clerk of Session
Nikki Giese
Session Recorder



Please give securely online
at www.fpcocoonto.org

Deadline for our July issue is
June 26th. Please email any
information you have to share
to the office at
office@fpcocoonto.org

Highlight of the Month

Meet your Deacons

Elder: Michelle McDowell

Current Deacons: Bert Hollander (Chair), Jennifer Wickman, Emmy Reed, Kristy Patenaude, Cindy Rysewyk, and Daniel Alwin

Duties performed: Prepare & help serve Holy Communion, set up for potlucks, provide plates, plastic ware, cups for potlucks. Pack & deliver food baskets to families in need for Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas and if an urgent need arises. Send out cards to members (get well, thinking of you, sympathy, etc.). Collect non-perishable food items and monetary donations for Souper Bowl for Caring. Visit shut-ins and minister to those in need and as needed.

Needs: Help would be appreciated when there are potlucks to help set up tables, food, and to help with clean up. Food and monetary donations are always welcome to help when there is a need for food baskets or gas cards.

Next meeting: June 2nd @ 9:00am



Pictured: Bert, Kristy & Jennifer

**Messages from the
Communications & Hospitality
Committee**



Christian Education:

Two new TV's have been purchased for the Fireside Lounge and for the Youth Room with the proceeds from the Community Craft Event held on April 6th and the Youth Community Easter Breakfast held on April 7th. The TV in the Fireside Lounge can be used by session to zoom their session meetings with Dave Colby, playing movies for youth events, and displaying old/new church photos during fellowship hour after service. If you any photos of FPC historical nature, FPC events or members that you would like included in the slide show, please reach out to the office.

Communications & Hospitality Committee:

The deadline for the monthly newsletter is the **26th** of each month. Please have information to the church office by the 26th. Information received from the office after the deadline will be added to the next weekly update or the next newsletter.

Volunteer schedule:

The summer schedule is open. A reminder to check the volunteer schedule on SignUp Genius or the paper copy in the Narthex for assigned duties if you did not sign up before June 1st. There are 3 ways to sign up: log on to the SignUp Genius **website**, sign up on the **paper copy** in the Narthex or **call the office** and Stacy will add it to the calendar.

Clerk of Session:

The Transition Team has been meeting and working diligently putting together information about our church, who we are, what we are looking for in a pastor, updating our mission statement, etc. The list is endless as we continue to move forward on the path during this transition. Once we have all the information filled out on the church information form, we can then move onto the next step of electing a PNC-Pastor Nominating Committee. So please, prayerfully consider saying yes and serving on the PNC when we reach that next part of this journey. are open to your questions, suggestions and/or concerns.

Mission committee:

Through an anonymous donor, we were able to double the monetary donation sent to Heifer International. We received a letter from them thanking us for supporting their mission.

Session:

Your Session has approved a contractual agreement with Rev. Rebecca Proefrock for when the need arises to perform funerals for members only of First Presbyterian Church Oconto. She will also provide pastoral care for members and their immediate family at the Green Bay Hospitals. For those of you who may not have met her as of yet, Rev. Rebecca has been filling our pulpit at least twice a month as well as serving holy communion per our schedule. She is an ordained Presbyterian Minister and is very well liked by those attending worship on the Sunday's that she has been here in Oconto. We are very grateful for her commitment to help us through these in-between-times without a full-time pastor. If the need arises for pastoral care for either a funeral or hospital visitations, please call the church office at 920-835-3922 and leave a message with Stacy or call me, Polly at 920-604-0958 and we will forward the information to Rev. Rebecca.

Youth Updates



Mission Possible Kids:

Our first year of Mission Possible Kids wrapped up on May 5th with an awesome afternoon of pizza and bowling! It has been a joy and a blessing to take on many different missions with this amazing group of youth and we can't wait to regroup in the fall as we look for more ways to serve.

Youth events:

Even though MPK has concluded for the season, there will be many more opportunities this summer for fun and fellowship! Family Game Night scheduled for May 22nd will be rescheduled. More information to follow.

VBS:

Reminder, VBS registration is open! Please join us August 4-8th for this fantastic week of fun! You can register using the link provided in the VBS post on our Facebook page: **First Presbyterian Church Oconto.**



Date: August 4th-8th
Time: 5:00-7:30 pm
Location: United Methodist Church
641 Washington Street, Oconto



Abigail Roskom

Oconto Falls High School

Abigail graduated a semester early on January 20th from Oconto Falls High school.

She will be attending Fox Valley Technical College this fall to study Veterinary Technology.

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Thank you for everyone that helped make Graduate Recognition, potluck and the Spring Clean-Up a success! The volunteers were able to add stone to the landscaping, apply weed killer, mow, and clean windows. There are still some areas that need some light cleaning that are not covered by the weekly volunteer cleaning. If you have a little bit of time to help with that, please reach out to Jim or Michelle McDowell.



Upcoming Events

- June 2nd @ 9:00 am Deacon's meeting
- June 2nd @ 10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion
- June 3rd @ 6:30 pm Transition team meeting
- June 18th @ 1:30 pm Worship committee meeting
- June 24th @ 5:00 pm Session meeting



A calendar has been created using SignUp Genius. This calendar will include the most up to date volunteer schedules for Sunday worship and events. Please utilize the following link to access the calendar to review events and sign up for volunteer positions.

www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoB4EA4AC2BABF8Co7-48074672-please#

If you are unable to access the calendar, you may still call the office and Stacy will add the information for you.



First Presbyterian Church Oconto

133 Jackson Street, Oconto WI

June 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 • 9 am Deacon's Meeting • 10:30 am Worship service with Holy Communion	3 • 6:30 pm Transition Team meeting	4 • 12:30-5 pm Bread by the Bay	5 • Baking Grannies rummage sale • 6:45pm Cub Scouts	6 • 1pm The Yack & Yarn Club • Baking Grannies rummage sale	7 • Baking Grannies rummage sale • Copperfest • 1-6 pm Fyre annual fundraiser	8 • Copperfest
9 • 10:30 am Worship service • Copperfest	10	11	12 • 6:45pm Cub Scouts	13 • 1pm The Yack & Yarn Club	14	15
16 • 10:30 am Worship service HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!	17	18 • 12:30-5 pm Bread by the Bay • 1:30 pm Worship meeting	19 • 6:45pm Cub Scouts	20 • 1pm The Yack & Yarn Club	21	22
23 • 10:30 am Worship service	24	25	26 • 6:45pm Cub Scouts	27 • 1pm The Yack & Yarn Club	28	29
30 • 10:30 am Worship service						

Bread by the Bay

Bread by the Bay is an ongoing ministry supported by many area churches. Below is an update from them. Please continue to donate items to the shopping cart at church to help keep the patron shelves stocked.

The Pantry served the following last month:

Households: **160**

Adults: **292**

Children: **142**

Your continued support is needed and appreciated – Thank you!



All Military personnel & their families including: Sterling Heyrman stationed in San Diego on the USS Montgomery. James Alwin stationed in Columbus, Mississippi at Columbus A.F.B.

Local Congregations in Pastoral transition: Presbyterian Churches in Abbotsford, Marinette, Oconto, Weyauwega, and Winneconne.

General Prayers: Bill Boesen, Margaret Dakins, Brooks Darrah, Margaret Drewry, Betty Geiger, Laurie Giese, Carol Grose, Ted Haakonson, Cherylee Hamilton, Rosetta Lehman, Nick Loeffler, Barb McNutt, Margie Murphy, Joan Nowak, Ron Palmer, Amanda Ruleford, Ted Ruleford, Judy Sanford, Pug Saucier, Ruth Saber, Jo Schulz, Cindy Shallow, Shirley Sikma, Mike Stache, April Steen, Gary Stout, Rob Stout, Sue Strandt, and Stephanie Wittock.

Need to add someone to the prayer list? Is an update needed on the prayer list? Please contact Stacy in the church office with additions or corrections.