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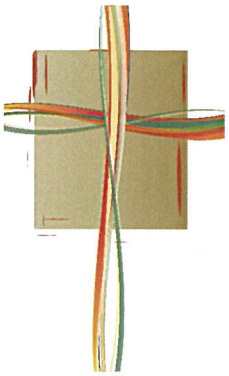
September 2015



september 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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6 Communion	7 Labor Day Office Closed	8	9	10 Session Mtg 6:30pm Fall Festival	11 Fall Festival	12 Home for a Hero Pancake Breakfast 7-10am @ Methodist Church Fall Festival
13 Sunday School Kickoff Breakfast @ 9:30am Fellowship Hall reserved for gathering	14	15	16 Prayer Group 9am Life Line Screening 9am-5pm	17	18	19 EDA Cemetery Walk @ 1 & 3pm
20	21	22	23 Prayer Group 9am	24 Manna Meal @ Noon at Elmwood Methodist Church	25	26 Home for a Hero Blessing Time TBA
27 Fellowship Hour Community Event @ Faith United Presbyterian Church in Yates City from 1-4pm	28 PEO Meeting 5:30-8pm	29	30 Prayer Group 9am			

Birthdays & Anniversaries

9/01 Bob Shoop
9/03 Sam Kepple
Ron Cox
9/05 Nick & Sarah Conklin
9/07 Isabel Conklin
Ron & Peggy Cox
9/08 Scott & Beth Schlueter
9/12 Kathy Shoop
Mackenzie Paige
9/13 Dan Kepple
9/15 Greg & Denise Hotz
9/16 Jake Roberts
9/18 Alex & Holly Noto
9/20 Kristen McFall
9/21 Sharon Worley
9/22 Sean Maher
9/23 Abigail Colgan
Ed Cosby
9/24 Tim & Brandi Teel
9/25 Coleen McFall
9/28 Charles & Mary Beth
Hitchcock
9/29 Allie Hotz
9/30 Cassidy Coulter
Fran Meyers

Liturgist Schedule

September 20th/27th:
Kevin Lueschow

SEPTEMBER 2015

Ushers

9/06 - Brendan Stevens, John Alcaraz, Katie Alcaraz, Cory Alcaraz
9/13 - Roger Kepple, Sam Kepple, Drew Lueschow, Anna Roberts
9/20 - Gregg Meyers, Allie Meyers, Katy Meyers
9/27 - John Alcaraz, Katie Alcaraz, Cory Alcaraz, Brendan Stevens

Greeters

9/06 - Dale & Sharon Worley
9/13- Wayne & Diane Slone
9/20 - Trudy Cline
9/27 - Sandy Smith &
Tyler & Hunter Smith

Elder to Assist Treasurer

9/06 - Anita Asbell
9/13 - Ron Cox
9/20 - Kevin Lueschow
9/27 - Anita Asbell

Elders to Assist with Communion

Tom, Richard,
Kevin & Anita

Keep up to date with our website:
www.firstpresbyterianofelmwood.org

Sunday School SCHEDULE

Habitat For Humanity Home For A Hero Pancake Breakfast Saturday, September 12th

from 7-10am
at The Methodist Church
A Good Will Offering will be collected

Those who signed up to donate items for the Home For A Hero Pancake Breakfast please drop them off at The Methodist Church on Wednesday, September 9th or Friday, September 11th between 9:30am & 1:00pm

Thank You!

Sunday School Breakfast

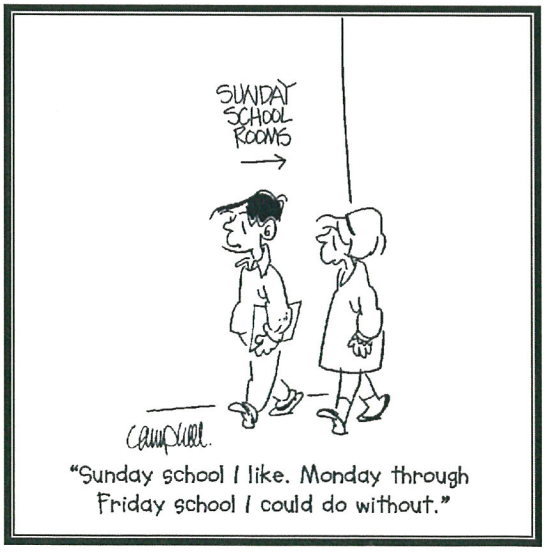
We will be having a Breakfast
to Kickoff Sunday School
Sunday, September 13th @ 9:30am

See You There!

Manna Meal

Thursday, September 24th @ 12pm
at The United Methodist Church
Enjoy Lunch & Entertainment

*Manna is looking for helpers to prepare, box and distribute the Meals On Wheels Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and on the last Thursday each month for the Manna Meal. Please call 742-3303 if you can help.



"Sunday school I like. Monday through Friday school I could do without."

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES for ADULTS

Beginning Sunday, September 20th the Adult Sunday School Class will meet @ 9:30a.m.

Come Join Us!

childrens sunday School

We are approaching Children's Sunday School a little different this year due to a limited number of younger kids. Children 4th grade and under will be dismissed for Sunday School following the Children's Message, and will be let out at 11:30am. We are seeking volunteers to lead this time. Please talk to Emily Roberts or Pastor Marla for more information. The older children will remain in the Sanctuary for the remainder of the Worship Service.

thank you . . .

Our thanks to all our Elmwood friends who helped make our 50th anniversary such a special time. Thank you for the cards and gifts, and for sharing your time with us at the open house. God has blessed our years together and He has blessed us with caring people like you!
Rev. Charles and Judi Hoekstra

Although we are 3 months away from packing shoeboxes - NOW is the time to buy school supplies for your boxes! Many stores have school and office supplies on sale now - buy them while they're cheap and keep 'til Shoebox time!

Elmwood Fall Festival
September 10th, 11th & 12th
*Full Schedule on page 7

Bless
THIS HOME
and all who enter

Home For A Hero Blessing
Saturday, September 26th
*Time to be announced

We, the youth of the Faith United Presbyterian Church in Yates City, IL; are planning a free Community Event on September 27th, 2015 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

We hope to have many games, attractions, community information, food, and a plethora of other fun things to do.

We would like, very much, if you would consent to come and be a part of this event.

We are also looking for volunteers to help us run one of the games or activities for part of the time. We will have a dessert walk, different carnival games, popcorn machine, cotton candy machine as well as other things that may need someone to watch over them.

Thank you,
The Youth of the Faith United Presbyterian Church

Please keep the church office up to date with school & community events, celebrations or recognitions. We will put these updates on the sign out front.

Farmer's Market
& Town Square
June ~ September
Friday's 4:00-6:30pm

Blue 7

Blue 7 Runners [back row]:
Megan, Ali, Jeff, Tim, Terry, & Jared,
[front row]: Josh, Payton & Brenda

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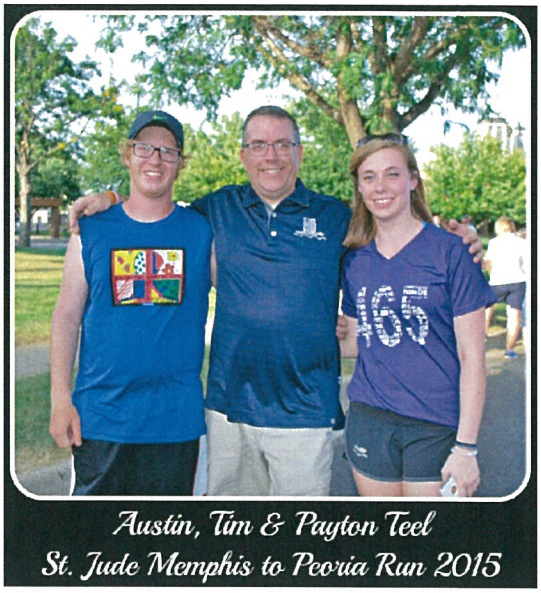
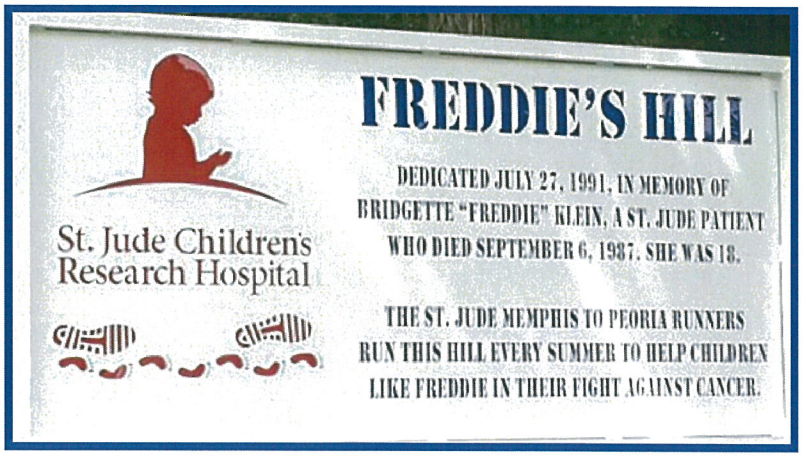
MEMPHIS TO
PEORIA
RUN
2015



Austin, Tim & Payton Teel
St. Jude Memphis to Peoria Run 2015

Blue 7 ~ Minions



We would like to express our gratitude towards
The First United Presbyterian Church of Elmwood,
their Missions Committee, and members of their
congregation for their generous donations in
support of our St. Jude Memphis to Peoria Run.
Your support is greatly appreciated by us,
as well as the kids of St. Jude!
Without you the run would not be possible!

Thank you,
Tim, Austin & Payton Teel

Releasing Balloons at Freddie's Hill in honor of "Freddie"

2015 Elmwood Fall Festival

September 10th - September 12th

This year's theme is *Harry Potter – Let the Magic Begin*

Come and make some magical memories; the Fall Festival has something for everyone!

Pre-Festival Fun:

- Fall Festival Chocolate Bars are on sale at Every Little Thing, Maple Lane Country Club Pro Shop, Morrison & Mary Wiley Library, Sarah's True Value Hardware & Toot's Treats. Five of these bars contain lucky Golden Snitch Tickets. Find a Golden Snitch Ticket and be entered into a drawing for a Kindle Fire HDX and an Amazon Gift Card!

- Come and Get Sorted! Place the sorting hat on your head and find out which house you belong in. Receive a special house t-shirt and play in a broom ball tournament during Fall Festival! Watch the local paper and/or "Like" the Elmwood Fall Festival Facebook page for dates and locations.

- Commemorative T-Shirts orders are being taken at Every Little Thing, Morrison & Mary Wiley Library & Toot's Treats. Wear one to the parade on Saturday and have a chance to win free ride tickets!

- Thursday, September 10th is armband night. Purchase a Boden Amusements armband and enjoy unlimited rides, from 5 PM to 9 PM for only $15!! (No sharing)

Daily Fall Festival Highlights:

Thursday, September 10th

- Food Tent (open all 3 days)
- Carnival Rides
- Harry Potter Characters at the Gazebo for pictures
- Baby Pageant
- Bingo (all 3 days)
- Local Musician Ashley Bean on stage

Friday, September 11th

- FFA Steer Show
- Carnival Rides
- Live dancing and music on the stage all evening

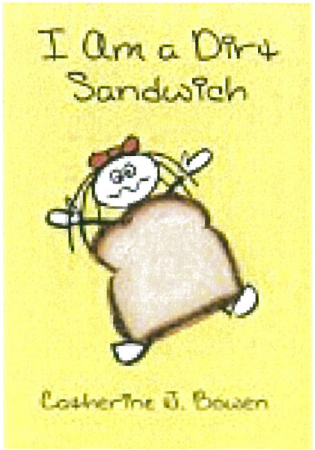
Saturday, September 12th

- Breakfast at Methodist Church
- Vendors
- Parade & Parade Seek-n-Find
- Minute-to-Win-It
- Kiddie Tractor Pull
- Care of Mystical Creatures by Wildlife Prairie Park
- Unique Twist Balloons
- Live Entertainment on Stage

The 2015 Fall Festival booklets, with the details of all the exciting happenings, will be out on August 10th. Look for them at local retailers and the library. See you at the Fall Festival! We are looking for volunteers to help before, during & after, so please contact Michelle Armbruster at (309) 678-0271 or lowpockets@mchsi.com if you are available.

The Morrison & Mary Wiley Library will hold a Book Signing for Cathy Bowen on Saturday, September 26th at 10:00 AM. Cathy is from Elmwood and lives in Morton. Her book, I Am A Dirt Sandwich, was released in January 2015. The books will be for sale for $15. Refreshments will be served. Please plan to join us!

Do you ever feel like a dirt sandwich? All "look-at-me-I've-got-it-all-together" on the outside while you're all "if-you-only-knew-how-bad-I-feel" on the inside? Author, Catherine Bowen, wants you to know you are not alone! Find compassion and understanding in the real-life experiences of the author as she shares her own struggles to find hope, peace and joy while fighting the pain of hidden depression, illness and loss. Her personal relationship with our Savior is expressed with humor, honesty, and a faith that speaks to the human condition. You will find yourself in her every day challenges and may very well be drawn into a closer relationship with Jesus, too. Discover comforting words in her unique style: If we can find joy, hope and peace through faith, love and prayer, we are livin' the dream!



September 2015

They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.....Acts 2:42

And let us consider how to stimulate one another toward love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another and all the more as you see the day drawing near....Hebrews 10:24-25

It's September and we are excited about the beginning of another church year! We have many things to look forward to. We begin our Fall activities with a Kickoff Breakfast in the fellowship hall at 9:30am on September 13th. From then on, the adults will meet at 9:30am each Sunday with Mike Shissler leading the study. The children, Kindergarten to grade 4 will be meeting during worship time (please have your children present in church with you, then after the Children's Message I will dismiss them to go to Sunday School). The Junior and Senior High will meet several times a month either during the week or Sunday night for a Youth Group Activity.

In addition, we are planning Family Night Activities once a month. The idea is that sometimes we'll be in the church for the activity, sometimes we'll be out of the church. The first one will be September 27th at the church from 4 to 6pm. This is meant for all members of the church—all ages! There will be intergenerational crafts, activities and a light dinner. In October the Activity will be the Community Trunk or Treat held at Central Park from 4 to 6pm. November's activity is yet to be announced but it may well be a Weiner Roast and Bonfire. Plan to be present to share in the fellowship!

No matter your age, your commitments, your health-- we look forward to having each and every one of you present for the fellowship activities, worship and Bible Study. This is your church family and we are not complete when you are missing!

Blessings,

Pastor Marla

NO CO-PAY UNDER MEDICARE PART B

Annual Wellness Visit

Are You a Medicare Beneficiary?

If so, PLEASE ASK THE REGISTRATION PROFESSIONAL to add your Annual Wellness Visit which includes:

- ✓ A one-on-one consultation with a licensed nurse practitioner to discuss your health and build a prevention plan.
- ✓ A thorough review of your medical and family history to identify risks to your long term health.
- ✓ Screening for depression and memory impairment.
- ✓ Review of daily living skills, fall prevention and home safety.
- ✓ A written screening and immunization checklist/schedule for the next 5 to 10 years as appropriate.
- ✓ A Personalized Prevention Plan to help you stay healthy and active for as long as possible.

See the registration professional to sign up for your visit and personalized prevention plan.

This is NOT A PHYSICAL, but a personal WELLNESS CONSULTATION as entitled to Medicare Beneficiaries — designed to help you and your doctor keep you healthy, safe and independent for a long time. Medicare is billed for this visit.

Where: First United Presbyterian Church of Elmwood

When: Wednesday, September 16, 2015

Pre-registration is required. Call: 1-866-579-5069

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Questions & Answers About the Annual Wellness Visit

Q: What is Preventive Care and Why Do I Need It?

A: Preventive care is what we do to prevent or delay medical problems. Getting preventive care saves you the time, money, and worry that come with medical problems. And if you avoid medical problems, you'll be more independent and have a better quality of life for a longer time.

Q: Why Do I Need a Personalized Plan?

A: Preventive care is not the same for everyone. What's best for you depends upon your medical history, your family's medical history, and how you live.

For example, for most people a colonoscopy is recommended every 10 years. If someone in your family has had colon cancer, you're at greater risk for colon cancer than most people. Having a colonoscopy more often than other people could save your life.

It's the same with many other conditions. Considering your history and current situation helps us create an individualized plan for you.

Q: Do I Have to Pay for This Visit?

A: NO. Life Line Community Healthcare is providing the Annual Wellness Visit at no cost to you. Your visit is a covered benefit for Medicare Beneficiaries with Part B enrollment, and there is no copay.

Q: I Already Go in for a Routine Physical Checkup Every Year. Is This the Same Thing?

A: NO. During your Annual Wellness Visit you'll make an overall plan for future visits. During your routine physical checkup (a separate visit with your doctor), you can take some of the steps to carry out that plan.

The plan you make during your Annual Wellness Visit will help your routine checkups run more smoothly.

Q: What If My Health Situation Changes in the Future? Will My Prevention Plan Change Too?

A: YES. We recommend you visit Life Line Community Healthcare each year to update your plan as needed.

Q: What Will Happen During the Visit?

A: During your Annual Wellness Visit, we'll gather more information about your unique health situation. We'll discuss what medical problems you may need to watch out for, and how we can help prevent them.

Call 866-579-5069
Be Sure to Have Your Medicare Card Ready

What's the Difference Between a Medicare Annual Wellness Consultation and an Annual Physical?

Annual Wellness Consultation	Annual Physical
Covered by Medicare 100%	Not covered by Medicare
No out of pocket expenses	May include out of pocket charges for copays or the full exam fee
Does not require removal of clothing	Usually requires removal of clothing for exams of the head, neck, skin, limbs and other organ systems
Must include validated screenings for depression and memory problems	Does not have to include certain screenings
Includes a health risk assessment and personal prevention plan to keep you well	Primarily an examination looking for current illnesses and problems

TREASURER'S REPORT
Jul-15

	FSB-CHK	CAPITAL IMP	MISSIONS	MEMORIAL	ADULT SS
BEG BALANCE July 1, 2015	$ 172.87	$ 28,925.15	$ 28,962.62	$ 4,802.20	$ 780.07
INCOME					
4000-Offerings	$ 3,140.00				
4010-Memorial Fund Contr.					
4020-Farm Income					
4030-Interest Income	$ 0.27				
4040-Per Capita Income					
4050-Other Income	$ 2,270.00				
4070-Pastor Renewal					
Trans from Adult SS					
Trans from Memorial					
Trans from Missions	$ 368.94				
Trans from Investments	$ 1,093.98				
Trans from Cap Imp	$ 6,500.00				
4100-MISSIONS					
4110-Missions-11%			$ 389.00		
4120-Farm Incom-11%					
4130-Interest & Investments					
4140-Other Income					
4150-Adult Sunday School					
TOTAL INCOME	$ 13,373.19	$ -	$ 389.00	$ -	$ -
EXPENSES					
1050-Transfers to Inv					
5100-Missions Expense	$ 368.94		$ 368.94		
6000-PASTOR					
6100-Pastor Salary	$ 2,093.68	$ 2,000.00			
6105-Pastor Housing Allowance	$ 1,666.66				
6110-Medical Reimbursement					
6120-Car Allowance	$ 56.93				
6130-Pension & Medical	$ 1,289.83	$ 1,000.00			
6140-Professional Reimburseme	$ 6.99				
6145-Continuing Education					
6150-Other Expenses					
7000-STAFF PAYROLL					
7100-Staff Wages	$ 1,965.53	$ 2,000.00			
7110-Payroll Taxes	$ 1,730.83	$ 1,500.00			
8000-OPERATING & ADM					
8100-Per Capita					
8110-Insurance					
8120-General Operations	$ 546.81				
8130-Utilities	$ 257.50				
8140-Church School	$ 38.00				
8160-Other Expenses	$ 316.63				
9000-BUILDINGS					
9100-Maintenance	$ 94.00				
9105-Yardcare & Snow					
9110-Capital Improvement					
9120-Building Project	$ 3,093.98				
TOTAL EXPENSES	$ 13,526.31	$ 6,500.00	$ 368.94	$ -	$ -
GAIN/LOSS	$ (153.12)				
END BAL July 31, 2015	$ 19.75	$ 22,425.15	$ 28,982.68	$ 4,802.20	$ 780.07

* PASTOR HOUSING - $20000.00 LESS $5000.00 FROM MANSE SALE

MISSIONS BUDGET	July	ACTUAL 11/14-7/15	BUDGET 11/14-10/15
BEGINNING BALANCE			
MISSIONS SAVINGS ACCOUNT 11/1/2013	$29,752.81	$29,752.81	$29,752.81
OFFERINGS-11%	$389.00	$7,532.00	$9,000.00
FARM INCOME		$3,762.00	$4,200.00
TRANSFER FROM ADULT SS		$500.00	
LULM			
INTEREST AND INVESTMENTS		$8,247.92	$60.00
TOTAL AVAILABLE MISSIONS MONEY	$30,141.81	$49,794.73	$43,012.81
MISSIONS EXPENSE	$368.94	$20,812.05	$25,000.00
PROJECTED ENDING BALANCE 10/31/2014		$28,982.68	$18,012.81