

September 10, 2021

A Letter from Josh Heikkila, serving in West Africa:

Josh Heikkila continues his work in West Africa, from his recent newsletter, here are a couple paragraphs from that letter: "Why don't Americans go to church much anymore" I was asked this question during a visit to the Presbyterian Church of Nigeria, by a man who attends one of their congregations. I turned the question back to him, "Tell me why you think Nigerians do go to church, and maybe then I can explain my understanding of churchgoing in America". He told me Nigerians go to church to pray for health, for a job and a steady salary, and for general stability in life. I asked him "What if the person already has these things in life—health, money, and well-being? What, then would be the reason to go to church?" My new friend explained to me Nigeria is a very difficult country where life is precarious, and everyone is struggling to get by. The person would go to church to pray fervently not to have these things taken away from them. You don't want to risk your security and being on good terms with God in prayer is necessary for this.

Worship/Music Committee

The committee is pleased to let the congregation know the pulpit supply is at present time booked through June 2022. We have several different persons scheduled through Dec. and starting in January Elder Julianne Princinsky will be with us alternating with Rev. Laura Sias-Lee. We have been and continue to be blessed with so many wonderful guests who have filled our pulpit.

September Birthdays

1	Leigh Maas
5	Dan McLoskey
6	Emily Sieting
7	Mike Youngblood
8	Justine Gates
14	Angela Quinlan
16	Patricia White
18	Randy Sivertson
20	Colin Fleming
22	Carol Lenneman
	Stephen Placeway
	Wendy Byard
25	Carolyn Christner
	Linda Warren
26	Helen Dice
	Taylor Grossbauer
28	Cathy Black
29	Scott McLeod
	Andrew Rowden



Adult Sunday School:

Adult Sunday School will be starting up on September 19th at 9:00 am If interested in joining contact Mike Cole or Linda Hamilton.

Peace and Global Witness Offering:

This offering starts from Sept. 5th until Oct. 3rd. The Peace and Global Witness offering offers light to those in the shadows and guides us all into the ways of Peace. We come together to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and around the world. 25% of this offering stays with our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our community. 25% will go to join with other congregations in our area, 50% supports the work for peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians across the globe.

Memorials:

In Loving Memory of Sandy Mawer

Sue DeView	Ila Burris
Carol Jaeger	Irene Leonard
Dick and Del Rae Fassekze	Sharon Winstead
The Kay Mattson Family	Dana Loudermilk
Gary and Linda Hamilton	

In Loving Memory of Jackie Germani

Barbara Skirmants

In Loving Memory of Frances Darragh

Barbara Skirmants

In Loving Memory of Kay Mattson

Barbara Skirmants
Debra Kinne, Fred and Craig Sly



Church Staff

Pastor TBD	Organist Katherine Nold
Office Admin. Linda Warren	Faith Nurse Linda Hamilton
Music Director TBD	Custodian Orlando Rodriguez

Please Pray For...

Barb Scrimger
Jane Waldrup
Chuck Hale
Frances Stites (Niece of Carol Lyons)
Dawn Bitterman (Diane Cole's sister)
Cornea Family
Glenn Cole (brother of Mike Cole)
Delores Downey
Gordon Riewe
Joe Adamson (Shirley Adamson's son)
Pat Cronin (Friend of Bob Rowden)
Denise Turonek (friend of Kim Herderich)
Jim Steere (Cousin of Mark Herderich)
Kathi Thompson (Sister of Kim Herderich)
Rick Zemmer
Bob Ullrich (Brother-in-law of Karen Rowden)
Family of Sandy Mawer
Family of Sid Mattson
Cletis Klaffer
Family of Brion Smith (Al and Betty Hart)



Making Connections

Church Hours: M-F, 10am-2pm

Pews News Deadline: If you want your news item in Pews News, please submit your info the Wednesday before the next issue.

Going Deeper: To learn about becoming a Christian or a member here, please contact our office.

Per Capita 2021: \$28.76

Attendance:

08-29-2021 41 Adults 0 children
09-05-2021 45 Adults 0 children

Session & Committees

Lynne Butler (Finance)
Bob Rowden (Missions)
Sharon Galbreath (Worship)
Linda Hamilton (Health Min)
Kathryn Lawter (House)
CJ Merriman (Session Clerk)
Barbara Dick (Personnel)
Barbara Skirmants (Finance)
TJ Craven (Christian Ed.)
Lauren Emmons (House)

Deacons

Chris Dungey (secretary)
Toni Emmons
Margaret Fansler (referrals)
Virginia Harris (cards)
Deb Moore
Darlene Placeway
Carol Jaeger
Francis Pitts
Nancy Pitts

Other Ministry Leaders

Scott Bodell (Ushers)
Maxine Hale (Ushers)
Cletis Klaffer-Brown Baggers
Carol Jaeger (Pres. Women)
Co Moderators (Faith Circle)