



Happy August You All!

Ahhh, August. August used to be my favorite month of the year when I was growing up. It meant that the beans were walked (for those of you who know what that means), another round of hay and the straw was bailed and stacked in the hay loft of a big, beautiful red barn (also once again for those of you who know what that means), chickens were plucked, butchered and packed in the freezer (once again, for those...), canning fruits and vegetables was in full swing – but that too would come to an end and then.....then my parents would pick out a resort in Northern Minnesota and we would spend a fun filled week of fishing and swimming in one of Minnesota's 10,000 lakes. All that hard work of the summer - would pay off for a time of fun and play - before we would head back to school.

I also remember on those hot humid August nights in Northwest Iowa, that my Dad would say as we sat in our screen porch – *“if you are all really quiet – then we can hear the corn grow.”* To this day, I still like to go out on a hot August night and sit by a cornfield – and listen to the corn grow.

August was also a time to start thinking about returning to school – which always began *after* Labor Day. I do not remember a *“school list”*. If there was one, my Mom took care of that. I just remember going to school with the essentials: pencils, notebooks, as well as notebook paper and a 3-ring binder. I never had a book bag, but the big thing was...a new lunch pal. I attended parochial school, we brought our own lunch with us to school every day and after a year of riding the bus on many gravel roads, it jostled around a lot and landed on the floor of the bus often. At the end of a year, it was pretty dented and banged up.

I reflect on all of these wonderful memories for me, because August was a time of preparation for what was to come. Preparing for harvest in the Fall, preparing for meals in the deep of winter by having frozen and canned food, and preparing for the school year ahead.

As we look ahead to our upcoming church year, that time between the first of September and the end of May, we are beginning to prepare for Rally Day, the beginning of J.A.M. for our kiddos and Confirmation for our Middle Schoolers. But it is also a time to prepare for Bible Studies for adults as well. For those of you who would be interested in participating in a Bible Study, I would be interested in what you would like to pursue, what day of the week and time of day would work for you? What would help you prepare for the next step in your life's spiritual journey? Let me know!

May God bless you during these final days of Summer. May you enjoy some carefree days and hopefully some time away with family and friends for a week or week-end vacation.

Blessings,
Pastor Velda

August 2024



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<p>Birthdays Anniversaries Church Events</p>				<p>1 Barb Adams Marjorie Pankonen Matt Severson</p>	<p>2 Robert Buffington</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4 Cheri Jacobson Kim Schulze 10:15 am Worship</p>	<p>5 Eleanor Erks Louis Lanie Stephanie Peeso Chad & Lacey Williamson 9 am Peace Quilters</p>	<p>6 5:30 pm Prayer Shawl</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 LeAnn Quist Jeanne & Robert Backer</p>	<p>9 Robert & Vicki Buffington</p>	<p>10 Jaxson Schulze Barbara & John Shaffer</p>
<p>11 Tom Hillard 10:15 am Worship  Communion</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 5:30 pm Prayer Shawl</p>	<p>14 Dale & Janice Wussow 4 pm Worship Committee 6 pm Trustees</p>	<p>15 10 am UWF</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>
<p>18 Marjie Oye Lynda & Steve Ewing 10:15 am Worship & potluck after worship</p>	<p>19 Don & Nancy Harstad 9 am Peace Quilters 4:30 pm Leadership Council</p>	<p>20 Matthew & Megan Klumper 5:30 pm Prayer Shawl</p>	<p>21 Chuck & Karen Vaux</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 Jeff & Nancy Terry</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25 10:15 am Worship</p>	<p>26 Matt Martens</p>	<p>27 5:30 pm Prayer Shawl</p>	<p>28 Lucas Winter</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 Henry Mathews</p>	<p>31 Donna & Larry Bruns</p>

ALL CHURCH RUMMAGE



The following people have volunteered to handle the kitchen for funeral luncheons. Nancy Koets will continue to call or text members to serve at the funeral and/or bring cakes etc. We would like to have an updated volunteer list, so please contact Nancy at 507-215-0252 or call the church office if you are willing to help. Please be sure to include your phone number. Thank you!



Jan/Feb - Karen Vaux	July/Aug- Jeanne Backer
March/April - Elly Erks	Sept/Oct - Shelley Wiese
May/June - Sandy Lopau	Nov/Dec – Jan Wussow



If you do not see your name(s) listed on the calendar for birthdays and anniversaries, please contact the church office so that we can update our lists with your information!

PEACE UMC HAS A WEBSITE!
www.peaceumcpipestone.com
We have three ways you can give back to your church!

By USPS:
Peace United Methodist Church
PO Box 26
Pipestone, MN 56164

Auto Giving through your bank:
Set up by the church treasurer in the church office. You will be able to designate the amount and frequency of your donations. All that is required is filling out a form and bringing in a voided check.

Online Giving:
On our website above, click the **GIVE** tab. You will be directed to the page where you can choose to donate either once, or on a recurring schedule to fit your family’s budget. It is very simple and very secure!

PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUPPORT OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY!

COMMUNION SUNDAYS
AUGUST 11
SEPTEMBER 8
OCTOBER 13
ALL ARE WELCOME!



UWF meets Thursday, August 15th, at 10 am



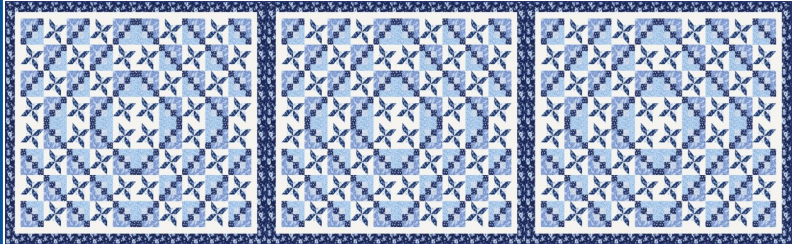
United Women in Faith

CHANGE FOR CHANGE

Received May 2024
Veterans' Home Activities Department
\$290.42

Received June 2024
Midwest Mission
\$396.34

Received July 2024
School Supplies
\$296.68



Your August donations to
Change for Change will benefit
the ministry of Peace Quilters

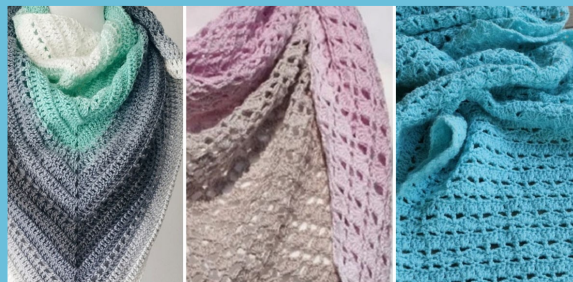


Please lift up our shut-ins in your prayers, and please visit them!
You can see Gretchen Blom at Good Samaritan and Violet Werner at
Falls Landing.



*"Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted."
Matthew 5:4*

*We extend our love and sympathy to the family of Bob Johnson
who went home to be with Jesus on April 24, 2024.*



PUMC ECUMENICAL PRAYER SHAWL
MINISTRY MEETS EVERY TUESDAY EVENING
IN THE FIRESIDE ROOM AT 5:30 PM. ALL ARE
WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR THIS TIME OF
FELLOWSHIP AND PRAYER.

REMINDER!
WORSHIP TIME AT PEACE UMC IS MOVED TO
10:15 AM UNTIL JANUARY 2025
TO ACCOMMODATE PASTOR VELDA HAVING
TWO WORSHIP SERVICES EVERY SUNDAY



CHURCH CLEANING
WE COULD USE YOUR HELP...

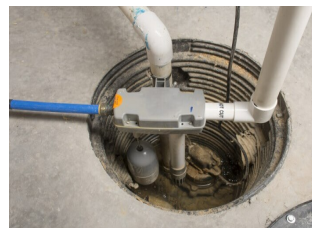
NO ALL CHURCH
CLEAN-UP
FOR THE MONTH OF
AUGUST!

CHURCH CLEAN-UP!

Peace UMC is also seeking a **volunteer** to spearhead our monthly church cleaning that is done on the first Monday of every month. If you can minister to your faith family in this way, please see Mark Wiese.



The Trustees have several repair and refurbishment projects that they are undertaking this summer: repainting the hallways on the main floor, retiling the hallways on the main floor, repairing the fuse in the elevator, repairing and replacing sump pumps after all the rain in June, and tree removal. To donate to the Trustees to help defray the costs of these projects, please write your extra check directly to the Trustees, and designate the project you want to contribute to in the memo line. Your generous support of the work of the Trustees is greatly appreciated!



We have paired with the First Presbyterian Church and their ministry of Sleep Tight Pipestone. The month of July they provided 5 bed frames, 5 mattresses, 5 sheet sets for this ministry. St. Paul Lutheran provided 3 quilts, Peace Quilters provided 3 fleece tied blankets and a private donor provided 4 mattress covers. Also a tied blanket for a mother and small baby quilt for an 18 month old, were provided from Peace Quilters.

Thank you to everyone who supports this ministry!



TENETS OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Our Social Creed The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church 2016

We believe in God, Creator of the world; and in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of creation. We believe in the Holy Spirit, through whom we acknowledge God's gifts, and we repent of our sin in misusing these gifts to idolatrous ends.

We affirm the natural world as God's handiwork and dedicate ourselves to its preservation, enhancement, and faithful use by humankind.

We joyfully receive for ourselves and others the blessings of community, sexuality, marriage, and the family.

We commit ourselves to the rights of men, women, children, youth, young adults, the aging, and people with disabilities; to improvement of the quality of life; and to the rights and dignity of all persons.

We believe in the right and duty of persons to work for the glory of God and the good of themselves and others and in the protection of their welfare in so doing; in the rights to property as a trust from God, collective bargaining, and responsible consumption; and in the elimination of economic and social distress.

We dedicate ourselves to peace throughout the world, to the rule of justice and law among nations, and to individual freedom for all people of the world.

We believe in the present and final triumph of God's Word in human affairs and gladly accept our commission to manifest the life of the gospel in the world. Amen.



Wesleyan Covenant Prayer



I am no longer my own, but Yours.

Put me to what You will, place me with whom You will.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering.

**Let me be put to work for You or set aside for You,
praised for You or criticized for You.**

Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have nothing.

I freely and fully surrender all things to Your glory and service.

**And now, O wonderful and holy God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer,
You are mine, and I am Yours.**

So be it.

**And the covenant which I have made on earth,
let it also be made in heaven.**

Amen.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, August 18

10:15 a.m. worship service

Easton Williamson

will be sharing about his experience with CRU Campus Ministries with SDSU

his Ivory Coast (Africa) Summer Mission Trip

Potluck following worship

for a time to celebrate Easton and his experience on this mission trip

2024 Giving Goal

\$150,479

Needed Each Month

\$12,540

Received in July

\$9,141.50



Give, and it
will be given to
you.

Luke 6:38

THANK YOU!

Midwest Mission

Thank you for your monetary gift. Your gift matters! Thank you for letting the Lord use you to bring hope to people who might lack the basic necessities we often take for granted. We are grateful that you show God's love by sharing the blessings He has given you. Your gifts bless others in an abundant way.

Sleep Tight Pipestone

Thank you for the donation of quilts and fleece tied blankets.

Minnesota Vets Home (Luverne)

A sincere "THANK YOU" to your church and it's congregation for all the work you do for MN Veterans and their families and for your generous donation. Donation will be used for the Recreation Account (Bingo Fund) for our residents to enjoy this activity. Your thoughtfulness and continued support for our residents and the MN Vets Home in Luverne will continue to help make this Veterans Home a center of excellence.

Duane Mabom—Public Affairs/Volunteer Coordinator



Peace United Rummage Sale

August
22-24

Thurs: 4 pm - 7 pm
Friday: 9 am - 5 pm
Saturday: 8 am - 1 pm

Peace United Methodist Church
500 7th St SE Pipestone

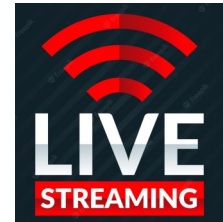
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If you are unable to join us in person on Sunday mornings, remember we are available online! You can watch our Sunday Worship broadcast live on

Facebook Live every Sunday at 10 am!

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