

Worship News & Notes!



Our return to sanctuary worship has been a wonderful success so far, and we pray that it has been a blessing to all.

Please continue to respect our protocols, understanding that we are now in the midst of a COVID surge locally:

- Worship begins at **10:30 AM**.
- The main sanctuary doors are the only entry doors.
- Worshippers are masked.
- Worshippers are seated **and dismissed** by the ushers.
- We record names for possible contact-tracing.
- **Fellowship, chats, and personal interactions take place outside only.**

*The darkest hour has
only sixty minutes.*
~ Morris Mandel

Meeting Protocols

The Property Committee reminds all church groups that our COVID protocols are not merely for worship. Any group or committee meeting must be masked and distanced. Also, please sanitize and clean up after you gather. Thank you!

Remember to Support our Church!

Your faithful support of our church finances is appreciated! Giving slowed in June, July, and August, but we pray that September and beyond will be stronger.

Please consider prayerfully your giving and your support of the mission and ministry of our church.

The Stewardship Committee's latest budget raising idea:
4-Channel headsets.



From the Pastor's Desk...

“How good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters live together in peace! It is like the finest oils poured on the head, sweet-smelling oils flowing down to cover the beard, flowing down the beard of Aaron, flowing down the collar of his robe. It is like the gentle rain of Mount Hermon that falls on the hills of Zion. Yes, from this place, the Eternal spoke the command, from there He gave His blessing—life forever.” ~ Psalm 133



“The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?” ~ 1 Corinthians 10:16

Dear Lafayette family,

World Communion Sunday never ceases to stir my soul! On Sunday, October 3rd, during our 10:30 AM worship service, we will break bread and drink of the cup of blessing together with brothers and sisters around the world. Hours before we rise to face the day, Christians in Asia, Africa, and Europe will have begun to approach the table of the Lord, and, finally, we will take our place together with them. Then, for hours after we have communed, Christians throughout North and South America will partake and pass the cup to Pacific islanders. Millions of Christians in lock-step, daring to focus at least for one day on our oneness in Christ rather than on our differences.

Who will celebrate with us on this day? Here is a partial list, just from our country:

African Methodist Episcopal Church, American Baptist Churches, Armenian Church, Assyrian Church of the East, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ,) Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, Church of the Brethren, Episcopal Church, Evangelical Lutheran Church, Greek Orthodox Church, Korean Presbyterian Church, Moravian Church in America, National Baptist Convention, Reformed Church in America, Society of Friends (Quakers), Serbian Orthodox Church, Swedenborgian Church of North America, United Church of Christ, United Methodist Church



In the spirit of communion,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Steve'.

Pastor Steve



Calendar Dates and Special Days

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday Worship-----Sundays-----10:30 AM
 Grace Sunday School----Sun/Zoom-----9:00 AM
 Pastor's Bible Study-----Mon/Zoom-----11:00 AM

MONTHLY EVENTS

Circle of Friends-----2nd Monday-----6:30 PM
 Contemp. Book Zoom----3rd Monday-----1:00 PM
 Morning Circle-----2nd Tuesday---10:30 AM
 Session Zoom Meeting - -3rd Tuesday-----6:30 PM
 Evening Circle-----Last Tuesday----6:00 PM
 Crafts for Missions-----4th Thursday----1:30 PM

SCOUTS (actual times and dates may vary)

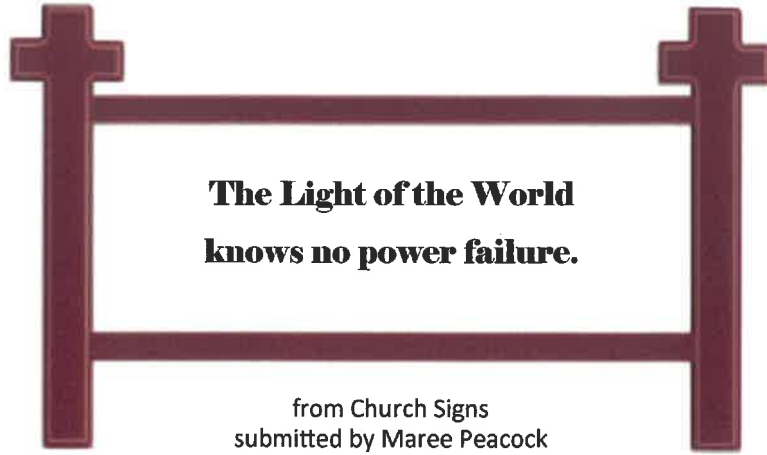
Pack 10 Meetings-----Mondays-----6:30 PM
 Troop 10 Meetings -----1st, 3rd Tues----7:00 PM
 Senior Patrol Leaders----2nd Tuesday----7:00 PM
 Crew 10-----3rd Thursday----7:00 PM
 Girl Scouts 4023-----as scheduled

PLEASE NOTE THAT CHURCH EVENTS MAY BE POSTPONED OR CANCELED!

SEPTEMBER

WED	1	.....	Random Acts of Kindness Day
THU	2	.....	V-J Day
SUN	5	.....	National Bacon Day
MON	6	.....	Labor Day
	6	.....	Rosh Hashanah begins
FRI	10	.....	Suicide Prevention Day
SUN	12	10:30.AM.....	September 11th Memorial Sunday
		11:15.AM.....	Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering
	12	6:00.PM.....	Ice Cream Social, Fellowship C
MON	13	6:30.PM.....	Circle of Friends
	13	.....	International Chocolate Day
TUE	14	10:30.AM.....	Morning Circle
	14	.....	Ants On A Log Day
WED	15	.....	Yom Kippur begins
THU	16	.....	Mayflower Day
FRI	17	.....	POW/MIA Recognition Day
SUN	19	10:30.AM.....	Back to Church Sunday
	19	.....	Evangelism Sunday
	19	.....	Wife Appreciation Day
MON	20	1:00.PM.....	Book Club
TUE	21	6:30.PM.....	Session Meeting
	21	.....	International Day of Peace
	21	.....	World's Alzheimer's Day
THU	23	1:30.PM.....	Crafts for Missions
SUN	26	10:30.AM.....	Theological Education Sunday
	26	10:30.AM.....	Bible Study Sunday
TUE	28	6:00.PM.....	Evening Circle
	28	.....	Simchat Torah begins





Coffee and a Cookie Contemporary Book Club



We are now meeting in-person with certain changes for safety precautions. We meet in the Church Fellowship Hall with distancing and we will not be bringing home prepared foods and drinks. Each month we will re-examine plans for the next month.

We meet the 3rd Monday of the Month from 1:00 – 2:00 P.M and encourage anyone to join us and bring your own snacks and drinks. We are always happy to welcome new members – men and women.

If you want to join us please contact Denise Vandiver for more details. These are the next few books we will be reading.

- Monday, September 20 The Dutch House by Ann Patchett
- Monday, October 18 ~ Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead (This is from the Travelling Book Club of the Library. We will have 10 books to loan out the month before and they must be turned in at Book Club on October 18th).



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN FALL GATHERING

Sunday, September 12, 2021

11:00 am

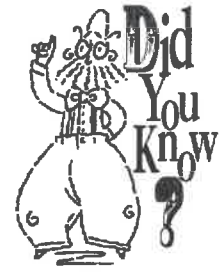
(following Worship Service)

“Socially Distancing” in the Fellowship Hall

Lafayette Presbyterian Church

DID YOU KNOW?

BY PHIL FERGUSON



INTERVIEWER: Tell us your name.

INTERVIEWEE: My name is Gabriel.

INTERVIEWER: What are you famous for?

GABRIEL: I'm an angel from Heaven.

INTERVIEWER: How does that make you famous? Aren't there other angels?

GABRIEL: Yes, there are many, but besides me, the archangel Michael is the only other angel named in the Bible. Two other angels, Raphael and Uriel, are named in the Apocrypha.

INTERVIEWER: What sets you apart from Michael?

GABRIEL: I appeared to Daniel in the Old Testament to interpret dreams. In the New Testament I appeared to Zechariah to announce that his wife Elizabeth will give birth to his son, John the Baptist, and a few months later to Mary to announce that God has chosen her to be the mother of Jesus.

INTERVIEWER: I have heard about Gabriel blowing his horn.

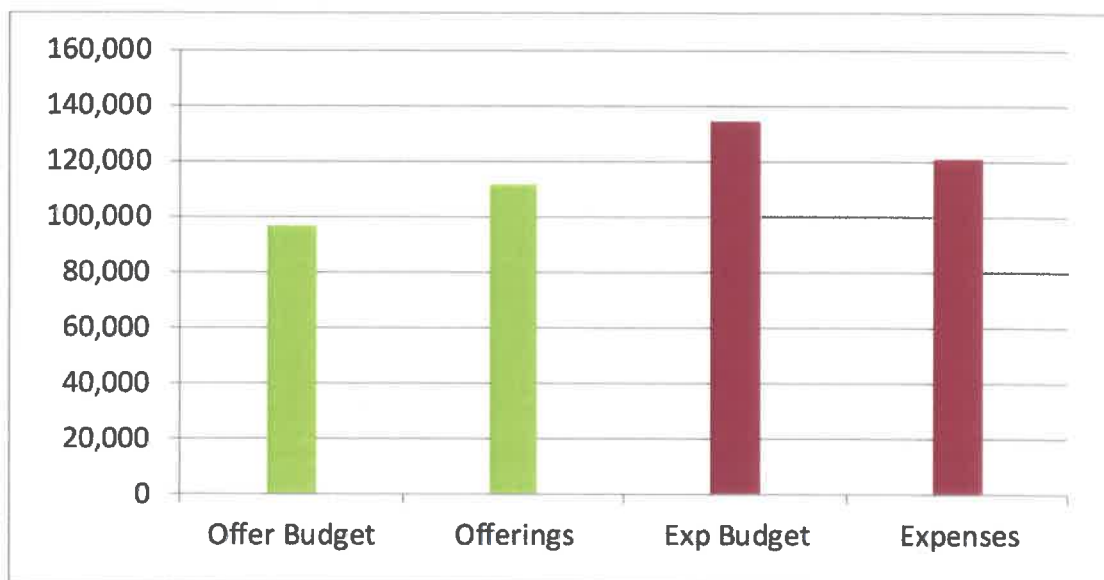
GABRIEL: Tradition says that I will be the angel to blow the trumpet at the end of time to announce the final judgment, but that isn't specified in the Bible.

INTERVIEWER: Thank you for talking with me.

GABRIEL: You are most welcome.

JUNE 2021 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Offering Budget June	Actual Offerings June	Expense Budget June	Actual Expenses June
\$96,418.00	\$111,291.96	\$134,143.48	\$120,918.09



Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:18

In Memoriam

Victor Stimpson

September 2, 1924 - August 17, 2020

A memorial service will be held for Victor Stimpson on Friday, October 8th, 2:00 PM, at the National Cemetery on Apalachee Parkway. Pastor Steve will officiate, and all are welcome. It is probable that COVID protocols will be in place.

CHRISTMAS BOXES

Please begin gathering items for Christmas boxes for our Dedication Sunday, October 17th.

If you wish to donate, checks may be made out to: Lafayette Christmas Box Mission. See Bonnie Burns for details.

Committee News!

Property Committee

- The well pump to the fountain pond has not been working this month. Ned Stacey worked through a series of possible problems, but, fortunately, after a very heavy rain, the pump started to work again.
- Matt Weinell and Leo Lachat have been cutting low hanging branches of the oaks near the fountain and to the left of the sanctuary.
- Intrepid volunteers continue to mow, edge, and weed.

Mission Committee

- We are a tithing church, but, as of this our August meeting, only 6% of our church income had been given to mission work.
- We therefore agreed to give \$500 to Ukirk, \$500 to ECHO, \$1000 to Thornwell and \$500 to Refuge House.
- We left \$500 available for hurricane relief if this becomes necessary.
- We are restarting our partnership with Buck Lake Elementary School

Worship Committee

- Ushers will begin to greet and serve those attending drive-up worship.
- For World Communion Sunday, worshipers will have the option of real bread along with the sealed cups of juice.



Fellowship Committee

- The ice cream social is unlikely to occur—at least in its usual form.
- We are exploring creative alternatives.

Christian Education Committee

- Adult Sunday School will continue on Zoom.
- The Pastor's Bible Class on Mondays will also continue on Zoom.
- Vacation Bible School has been postponed.

Finance Committee

(Please see our article elsewhere in this issue.)

From the Property Committee

Although the church has only recently opened its doors, the Property Committee has continued to maintain the grounds throughout the pandemic. Whether it be the beautification of our property or doing maintenance in our buildings, the committee has been busy.

We have a very dedicated crew that works hard at keeping the grass mowed, the weeds pulled, the trees trimmed, edges neat and tidy, driveway and sidewalks blown, ants in check, etc...



In addition, we also make sure the fountain is working so you are greeted with the beautiful spray of water whenever you come to church, lightbulbs are replaced and maintained, ice maker and kitchen appliances are running smoothly.

In case you can't tell, it takes a village to keep the Lord's house in great shape...but it's definitely worth it!

With that being said, we would love if you joined our committee, or even just joined in on the fun of working outside at one of the most beautiful church grounds in Tallahassee. We also plan on having a church work day this fall, once the weather cools down a bit. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Beautiful cornices
have been installed
and new window shades
have been hung in our Fellowship Hall!!!!



Session Meeting Briefs ☩ August 17, 2021



- ☩ The minutes of the July 20, 2021 Session Meeting were approved.
- ☩ We received a request from UKirk to provide a meal.
- ☩ The Treasurer's report was received and approved.
- ☩ The Worship Committee invited a COVID protocol discussion. It was decided to remind everyone and reemphasize these guidelines.
- ☩ Communion will be served on October 3rd for World Communion Sunday.
- ☩ The September Elder on Call will be Rita Tucker.



Your **Session Members in 2021** are:

Class of 2021: Joe Faragasso, Rita Tucker,
Marlyn Weinell

Class of 2022: Sandi Herrington, Richard Loose,
Denise Pentecost

Class of 2023: Ned Stacey, Doug Pitts,
Faith Kinneer

Your **Deacons in 2021** are:

Class of 2021: Janet English, Susie Graves, Phyllis Loose

Class of 2022: Susanne Korta, Ken Norman

Class of 2023: Patti Dickman, Diane Dowling,
Martha Ann McCaskill, Molly Miller



Our church is providing the evening meal for UKirk's time of gathering on Thursday, September 16th. If you'd like to help, contact Pastor Steve.

If you haven't visited the UKirk facility (known as Westminster House) recently, or if you haven't stopped for coffee at Calvin's Coffee House there, you won't believe how beautiful a facility our campus ministry enjoys! Also, many think that Calvin's has the best coffee in town!

CRAFTS FOR MISSIONS



The date for our Crafts for Missions workshop meeting will be **Thursday, September 23rd**. We meet in our Fellowship Hall at **1:30 PM**. **We will follow our church protocols by social distancing and wearing masks.**

Our focus for the next few months will be the Operation Christmas Child Boxes. There are numerous items that we contribute to the boxes. We are always looking for new craft ideas too.

If anyone is interested in making the felt sun glass cases with a blanket stitched edge, we have a good supply of patterned felt. We also have some *small* wooden cars and sun catchers that can be painted. Supplies for these items can be picked up if you prefer to work at home.



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The loom knitted hats are always a favorite to work on. The cancer support group that we work with is in need of hats and we can use them for the Christmas boxes as well. The cancer support group is also looking for volunteers to teach groups how to make hats. Check with Rita for information regarding volunteering and the yarn to use for the hats.

Do you have an idea for Christmas Child boxes or a favorite mission?

Join us, share your ideas, and especially share the fellowship in **September**.

Presbyterian Women (PW) Call for Nominations

The PW Coordinating Team is seeking nominations for the position of Vice Moderator from the Presbyterian Women in the Congregation at large. The Vice Moderator will be installed at the Fall General Meeting, as part of the Fall Gathering on September 12, 2021.

The Vice-Moderator is expected to serve in the capacity for 2 years (October 2021 – October 2023) and then assume the position of Moderator at the next term (October 2023 – October 2025) with the approval of the nominating committee.

Nominations should be sent to the PW Secretary/Historian, Marlyn Weinell (850-320-2212 or weinellm@aol.com), before September 8, 2021. The nominees will be contacted to

determine their willingness to serve if elected. Candidates will be presented at the Fall Meeting and election shall proceed by written ballot. (Note: when there is one candidate for the office, the election may proceed by acclamation.)

We Lift Up In Prayer . . .

8/29/2021

- ◆ Sandi Herrington's brother-in-law, Tony, passed away. Also, Sandi's sister and niece both contracted Covid at the hospital and are trying to recover.
- ◆ Sandi's friend, Doris, has contracted Covid in her memory care facility and is hospitalized in serious condition.
- ◆ Yancey Burkes, friend of Janet English
- ◆ Bonnie asks that we pray for Chris Jordan, whose partner, Felicia, passed away from heart failure and cancer.
- ◆ Sara Lou Smith's daughter-in-law, Libby Smith, is hospitalized at TMH with Covid-related issues.
- ◆ Steve & Susie's daughter, Katie's uncle, Bruce Beattie who is facing serious brain surgery, and Bobby Ritchey who is moving to Hospice.
- ◆ Fred Hutchinson, who is nearing the end of his earthly walk.
- ◆ Molly Miller's daughters, Joy and Lisi in Colorado.
- ◆ Pray for those suffering the effects of hurricanes in Haiti, the Northeast, and Louisiana; and those fighting wildfires in California.
- ◆ The people of Afghanistan and for those who have sacrificed to help them, and to the families of those heroes who gave their lives faithfully in service.

8/22/2021

- ◆ The family of Carolyn Smith, who has joined the church triumphant.
- ◆ Maree Peacock and Frances Dennard's family upon the passing of their niece, Cheryl McCall, from Covid.
- ◆ Buddy Harrison and family have Covid.
- ◆ Jean Brinson's granddaughter Rachel is hospitalized with Covid and her twins both have Covid.
- ◆ Chrys Graves asks for prayers for Priscilla Graves, who has tested positive for Covid.
- ◆ Steve & Susie's friend, Vicky Chisholm, as her husband, Terry passed away from Covid this week.
- ◆ The Burns family asks that we pray for the Lewis family and for Randy's in-law, Radie Jean Burns.
- ◆ Rita Tucker asks that we pray for Charles Chick.
- ◆ Peggy Johnson asks that we pray for Jessica Dickinson(15yo), hospitalized after a serious fall.
- ◆ Phyllis Loose, as she undergoes a procedure to deal with chronic pain.

- ◆ A joy! Richard Loose's treatments against prostate cancer have been successful!
- ◆ We pray for hurricane victims in Haiti, those in the path of Hurricane Henri, wildfire sufferers in California, and for the people of Afghanistan.

8/15/2021

- ◆ Hannah Tucker and family upon the passing of her mother(in Cameroon) August 14th.
- ◆ The Telanders ask that we pray for the children and grandchildren of family in their neighborhood which lost a husband and wife within 2 days from Covid.
- ◆ Doug & Linda Pitts remind us to pray that all will be able to return to a safe school environment—one that allows for a year of fun and learning many new things!
- ◆ Grace Cook, Margaret Warren's aunt.
- ◆ Keep Carolyn Smith in your prayers.
- ◆ Gene Sadler has not had his shoulder surgery yet, as they are waiting for a rehab bed before scheduling it.
- ◆ Joel and Sharon Montgomery ask that we pray for their daughter, Jennifer, who has Covid. She is quarantined at home, and, thankfully, her husband and three daughters have tested negative, so far.
- ◆ Richard McElveen's friends, Bob & Margo Hall, are having health issues and are moving to assisted living.
- ◆ Sandi Herrington's brother-in-law, Tony, is in the hospital.
- ◆ Maree Peacock asks that we pray for her nephew's wife, who is hospitalized with Covid. Also, please pray for her son, Jeff, whose back surgery has been approved, but is delayed until an overnight hospital bed can be secured.
- ◆ Steve & Susie's friend, Cindy Smith, who is recovering from wrist surgery. Also pray for Cindy's grandson, JJ, who has Covid.
- ◆ Steve's brother, Tim, who is recovering from a construction accident.
- ◆ Please pray for Steve and Susie's friends, Vicky and Terry Chisholm, as they face major health issues.
- ◆ Steve & Susie's daughter Katie asks us to pray for three friends: Megan Berkau, pregnant and hospitalized with Covid, Beth Lowe, hospitalized with medical issues, and Rosa Aguir, hospitalized with immune deficiency issues.

We Lift Up In Prayer (cont.) . . .

- ◆ A joy! Perry Dawson celebrated his 93rd birthday on August 11th!

8/08/2021

- ◆ Our prayers are with the family of Coach Bobby Bowden, and the entire FSU family upon his passing yesterday at his home in Killlearn. As was the case throughout his life, he fought courageously and graciously.
- ◆ Jerry and Kay Phillips' friends, Don and Judi Stinnett, as Don is battling lymphatic leukemia.
- ◆ Ken Norman friends Ron Yravedra (facing health issues), and Jack Smith's grandson, Braylen Beal, (very young and facing surgery).
- ◆ Phyllis Loose's friend, Bonnie Bailey, who is having heart and other health issues
- ◆ Gene Sadler facing surgery.
- ◆ Chrys Graves' friend, Dave Morin, is facing medical issues.
- ◆ Sara Lou Smith's daughter-in-law, Libby, has Covid.
- ◆ Steve & Susie's friend, Sandy Chamberlin, needs prayers as she recovers from knee surgery.
- ◆ Pray for our community, state, and nation as Covid variants continue their onslaught. As of Friday, a total of 154 people were in local hospitals, and, just last week, the state of Florida set three new records for daily cases.
- ◆ Bob & Jackie Montgomery, who are experiencing health issues.
- ◆ A joy! Patti, John & Faith were negative for Covid.

8/1/2021

- ◆ Please pray for Martha Ann McCaskill as she moves to the Parry Center at Westminster Oaks.
- ◆ Garrett Brooks as he deals with medical procedures.
- ◆ Diana Swegman, who is facing multiple issues.
- ◆ Bonnie Burns asks we pray for her family: Micah's stepdaughter Riley has Covid; Shane & Stacey have Covid, and their baby, Milo, is sick; daughter, Audrey, has kidney stones; Randy will have a procedure this week.
- ◆ Pray for Patti Dickman and John and Faith Kinneer, who may have been exposed to Covid.

Continued Prayers

- ◆ Our Armed Forces around the world
- ◆ Jordan Askew, grandson of Donna Lou Askew
- ◆ Kevin Askew, son of Donna Lou Askew
- ◆ Angela and Jerry White, daughter and son-in-law of Donna Lou Askew
- ◆ Charla Casey's brother, Howell
- ◆ LaVerne Gibson
- ◆ Anne Hebrock
- ◆ Hal Herman, father-in-law of Rachel Herman
- ◆ Jaya Herman
- ◆ Ellen Jacobs
- ◆ Jeff Mills, friend of Faith Kinneer
- ◆ (heart transplant)
- ◆ Chandler (Candy) Touchton, daughter of Martha Ann McCaskill
- ◆ Anita Moreno
- ◆ Carol Peele
- ◆ Leonard & Twila Phillips
- ◆ Christy Stacey's sister-in-law, Charlotte Lehman, who had kidney transplant surgery on July 22. Charlotte's donor is her brother Earl Keister, so keep Earl in your prayers also.
- ◆ Russell Stovall
- ◆ Barry Fake, brother of Diana Swegman
- ◆ Denny Chevillot, friend of the Telander's
- ◆ Carolyn Wallace
- ◆ Gail Yates
- ◆ Those who have no one to pray for them

In Memoriam

Roger J. Doherty

February 13, 1952 - July 19, 2021

Carolyn Smith

November 16, 1932 - August 19, 2021

*I call on you, my God, for you will answer me;
turn your ear to me and hear my prayer.*

Psalm 17:6NIV



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September Ushers

Diane Dowling
Hannah Tucker
Rita Tucker , Captain
Substitutes



October articles are due
Friday, September 24



September Birthdays

2 Margaret Warren	14 Marie Cowart	18 Phil Ferguson	21 Susanne Korta
10 Nancy Telander	15 Tyler Telander	19 Roy Starke	22 Molly Miller
11 Christy Stacey	17 Linda Bonard	20 Sherwood DeForest	22 Paul Munyon
12 Frank Dennard	18 Patti Dickman	20 Joel Montgomery	27 Anne Hebrock



Remember our church in your will.