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Auburn United Methodist Church Beacon



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WELCOME PASTOR BRIAN AND FRANCIIE!!!!

Welcome Potluck Sunday, July 11th

Points from the Pastor...

Greetings!

As I write this, I am in Hennepin, closing up the office and getting ready for my last Sunday here. I am also in the last stretch of packing boxes and have a snootful of marker fumes from writing the parsonage landing spots for said boxes! It's only days away from my arriving in Auburn to begin what I pray is a long and fruitful time of being in ministry with all of you and the community. By the time you read this, most of you will have met Francie and me, heard my first sermon, and, I hope, have sensed my love for you already!



There isn't much for me to say here, as we have no real experience of each other; so this may go down in history as the shortest newsletter article since John wrote "Jesus wept." I do, however, want to express my thanks for making us feel so welcome with all of the preparations you have made for us, and for the hopeful sense of what lies ahead as we get into some serious disciple-making for the transformation of our little corner of Central Illinois and the world!

See you all soon! Be God's!

The Parsonage committee thanks everyone who worked so hard getting the parsonage ready for Pastor Brian & Francie!!

Summer Sunday School - One Room Sunday School

Adults in sanctuary

Jr. High & High School in High School Room

Youth - ages Pre-K-6th - Ann Voyles School Room

(Grade student is "going into") -

Needed each week - 3 Adult Volunteers!

Sign-up on the back table at church

or direct any questions to Stephanie Tharp

	8:00	10:30	Total	Sunday School	Offering	Ruth Wiertzema	Heartline	Building Fund
6-Jun	55	61	116	40				
13-Jun	52	99	151	55				
20-Jun	49	58	107	22				
27-Jun	59	56	115	41				
	Avg.	Avg.	Avg.	Avg.	Total		Total	Total
	53.75	68.5	122	39.5				

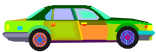
FIREWORKS SAFETY TIPS



*Always have adult supervision
 Read and follow instructions
 Always keep water and sand nearby
 Never light inside. Use only outdoors
 Never try to make your own fireworks*

*Never relight fireworks that appear to have gone out
 Do not allow small children to go near fireworks
 Tie hair back; wear safety goggles and no loose fitting clothes
 Never lean over top of fireworks to light them
 Light only one firework at a time*

Immerse sparklers in sand once they appear out-they are still hot and can burn



The Fellowship committee is planning a Progressive Dinner for Sunday, August 1, 2010, and we are looking for volunteers to host our first three stops. No food preparation is necessary. We will have sign up sheets at church services during July for food items and the fellowship committee will provide the hamburgers & hot dogs (this stop will need to provide the grill for cooking).

The scheduled stops will be:

4 pm - Appetizers

5 pm - Salads

6 pm - Hamburgers & Hot Dogs

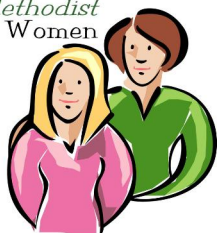
7 pm - Ice Cream & Desserts at Auburn United Methodist Church - 14100 State Rt. 4

You may ride bikes (meet at the church at 3:45 pm if you want to bike with others), or motorcycles, or drive your cars or trucks. Don't miss the fun !!!

If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer to host one of the stops, contact Paula Sorensen, 438-1241 or anyone else on the fellowship committee.



United
Methodist
Women



NO United Methodist Women in July but we'll be back in August!

Start saving stuff for the September Garage Sale

Visits to Other churches...

- May 30, 2010- **Iyn Pignon**, Chatham Presbyterian Church, Chatham, IL
 - June 6, 2010 - **Don Hill**, The Washington UMC, Independence, MO
 - June 6, 2010 - **Joe & Norine Clevenger**, Lakewood UMC, Houston, TX
 - June 20, 2010 - **Dave, Pam, Paul Venter**, Covell Community Church, Bloomington, IL
 - June 27, 2010 - **Dave, Pam, Paul Venter**, Clinton UMC, Clinton, IL
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July Missions - The July Mission opportunity is to contribute to supplies for the local elementary school. Funds are needed to provide milk scholarships for students who can not afford the extra carton of milk at break time and for lice kits for the nurse.

Sweatpants (navy is a good color for both boys and girls), plain white t-shirts, underwear and socks are needed in sizes 6-14 or equivalent sizes. Headphones for computer lab, markers, watercolors and 2 pocket folders are needed more than any other school supplies. If you wish to contribute, put "school mission" on the memo line of the check or put supplies in the baskets by the door.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS! VBS WILL BE HELD:
SUNDAY, JULY 18TH THROUGH THURSDAY, JULY 22ND.**

**REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 6 P.M. SUNDAY AND
MONDAY. VBS IS FROM 6:30 – 8:30 P.M.**

FOR MORE INFO ABOUT THE VBS, VISIT www.gofishguys.com/vbs

VBS will be arriving soon! Join us **Sunday, July 18th through Thursday, July 22nd** for an exciting new VBS with the *Go Fish Guys* curriculum. We are putting the *Bible back into Vacation Bible School*, so bring your Bibles every day! Get a head start by learning the 10 Commandments (Exodus 20) and the books of the Bible. Music time will be with Stephanie Tharp and the *Go Fish Guys* in concert on the DVD. (Please see Linda Smith if you haven't received your CD.) Andy Black, our summer intern, will be leading the drama and is looking for some enthusiastic participants. Sue Campton has some awesome crafts and needs a few more helpers. Candy DeVos and Ruth Ann Frank will be preparing snacks that relate to the lesson. Melissa Warwick is preparing materials for the Bible lessons and will be handing out registration forms. *Registration will begin @ 6 p.m. on Sunday and Monday*, so arrive early so we can begin on time! Our name badges double as a real backstage pass if you go to a concert with the *Go Fish Guys*. See their website @ www.Go Fish Guys.com.

Please contact Melissa Warwick or Linda Smith if you are willing to volunteer.

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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Set Weekly Events for July

Monday, 1:00 pm - Bible Study Eastland
 Mon, Weds & Fri - 7 am - Ladies Exercise Class
 Monday, 7:00 pm - Boy Scouts
 Tues & Thursday, 6:00 pm - Zumba Dance
 Tuesday, 6:45 pm - Harmony Praise Practice

Additional Events for July

Sunday, July 4th - Brian Caughlan's First Sunday
 Tuesday, July 6th - 6:30 pm - VBS Meeting
 Sunday, July 11th - Welcome Potluck for Brian & Francie
 July 18th - 22nd - Vacation Bible School (see article)
 July 23rd & 24th - Church Reserved for Wedding

Silent Auction chairperson(s) needed

Work is under way for another great Corn Festival, to be held Sept 18-19 and 25-26. One need we have right now is a chairperson for the Silent Auction, which concludes on Sunday, Sept. 26. Glenda Hoelting has done a great job with this money-raiser the past few years, and has plenty of notes to help keep it going smoothly. We have several regular donors for the auction, and some willing helpers, so if you can help coordinate the effort, WE WANT YOU! Please call Dana Smith if you can volunteer or have questions, at 438-3154.

BIRTHDAYS

July

Kevin Todd
 Emma Warwick
 Darrell Elliott
 Sanora Stare
 Debbie Megginson
 Leticia Lewis
 Wendi Norris
 Katlyn Lundstrom
 Carmen Karhliker
 Robert Woodruff
 Nathaniel Smith
 Becky Enrietto
 Samuel Estock
 Samuel Estock
 Rob Kavish
 Barry Pohlod
 Pam Dufour
 Isaac Woodruff
 Mayleigh Grider
 Laurel Marques
 Martha Simmons
 Rhyan Sorensen
 Dwight Pitman
 James Ketchum
 Rosa Lee Stevens

Kaelena Harris
 Marissa Robinson
 Amanda DeHeve
 Jeff Kaufman
 Carmen Dodd
 Landon Kaufman
 Don Miller
 Becky Stare
 Shalika Hammer
 Kay Harris
 Kristen Porter

August

Brian Boughton
 Connie Powell
 Cynthia Voyles
 Jonathan Jones
 Katie Karhliker
 Steve Voyles

ANNIVERSARIES

July

Carl & Debbie Jones
 Wilbert & Elsie Norris
 Chuck & Sue Campton
 Chad & Leigh Ann Rigdon
 Terry & Jody Davis
 Christopher & Melissa Warwick
 Chuck & Kim Patton
 Leroy & Ethel Bachman
 Mark & Ronda Dudley
 Sid & Mary Jo Huber
 Donald & Nancy DeHeve
 Steve & Ann Voyles

August

David & Pam Venter
 Walter & Rosa Lee Stevens
 Troy & Carol Tomlin
 John & Ashley Megginson
 Wayne & Connie Clark
 Lane & Debbie Norton
 Bill & Jennifer Huff
 Mark & Kathleen Estock