

# CARILLON NOTES



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“There are varieties of gifts,” writes Paul to the Corinthians, “but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.”

Last month, I went back to Knox College in Galesburg, Illinois, for the annual Rootabaga Jazz Festival (named for Carl Sandburg’s *Rootabaga Stories*, the spelling is intentional). There’s always great music at ‘Baga. This year featured the Knox Jazz Ensemble, Greg Ward & 10 Tongues, and Matt Ulery’s Loom. But my favorite part of the weekend is playing with the alumni band.

Every year, Knox jazz alumni come from all over the world to play together. Very few of us are as good as we used to be. We miss notes, we play at the wrong volume (always too loud), we come in on the wrong beat. But there are three great things about that:

First, we all make room for each other. No one has to feel bad when they make a mistake.

Second, we all rely on each other to make things work. At some point, everyone hopes the person sitting next to them plays better than they do.

Third, everyone has fun.

It’s a lot like church. All of us have things we’re good at and things we’re not good at. All of us have the opportunity to show leadership in some areas. And all of us have the opportunity to support our neighbors in leadership in other areas. And we can do that knowing that there are varieties of gifts, services and activities... and that God has a role for all of us.

In the coming months, we’re going to start talking about a vision for this congregation. Who are we called to be? What are we called to do? How are we called to serve? I want you to know that your voice is important to that process. No matter who you are or where you are in life’s journey, there’s a place for you in the body of Christ. Not just to sit on the sidelines, but to share your gifts with this church and the wider community. Thank God!

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Chris





# COMMITTEE MINUTES

from April meetings



◆ **Faith Formation:** No April meeting held.  
 ~ Confirmation letters were sent to 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents to attend a meeting after church on May 20. Confirmation will begin right after Labor Day. The Program will include 5 components: classroom, experiential, mentors and families.  
 ~ **Pastor Chris has been in contact with UMC's Pastor Tom** about partnering with youth programs.

◆ **Community Outreach:** 6 members met April 2.  
 ~ The March Referral Center bags were delivered today.  
 ~ Mobile meals will be delivered by Jen Claey's in May.  
 ~ Summer Lunchbox program runs from 5/30-8/24. We will apply for endowment grant for milk donations (650 gallons) All area churches are giving start up money of \$600. Food and/or monetary donations are being accepted as well as sponsoring a family for the summer. Approx. cost per family is \$160.  
 ~ Pastor Chris met with the Family Promise group and will ask if anyone at our church is interested in information.  
 ~ Got an application for Brat Stand.  
 ~ Fundraising brunch to be held April 15.  
 ~ Will buy 10 *Black and Red* "God is Still Speaking" mugs to use on Sundays to recognize visitors. We will then be able to sit with guests and visit with them.  
 ~ Committee plans to support a one charity per month and announce to members for additional support. \$50 will be given to "After Prom" in April and will support the school band in May. Members may add to the list from within Clinton county only.  
 ~ **Still need 2 committee members... please volunteer!**

◆ **Worship & Fellowship:** Met April 10.  
 ~ Sub-committees: Altar Cloths- Steve Thayer; Cookies/Donuts-Charlie Freese; Acolytes-Brenda Ohnemus; Flowers-Rick Mangan; Liturgists-Denise Block; Ushers & Projection-Jen Claey's; Music-Becca Schroeder.  
 ~ Head Usher: May - Charlie Freese & Steve Thayer  
New business:  
 ~ Pastor Chris shared information from *Universal Directory*. Company rep coming to May meeting. Would take member pictures in August.  
 ~ Agreed on flat rate of \$130 for pulpit supply (sermon & children time).  
 ~ Pastor Chris on vacation April 15, Tyler S. in pulpit.  
 ~ Note: Next Easter- no nursery at first service.

◆ **Trustees:** Met April 9 with 11 attending.  
 ~ **Financial report:**  
 March: income-\$8,754.75 / expenses-\$13,525.32  
 YTD: income-\$29,237.76 / expenses-\$33,147.62  
Old business:  
 ~ New lights for sanctuary are ordered. Pews will have to temporarily be moved to allow scaffolding for installation.  
 ~ Discuss carpet styles/colors/cost for sanctuary & narthex. \$40,000 needed for project with \$15,000 available. Will ask for donations and possible Endowment grant.  
 ~ Taking bids for parking lot patching, repair & sealcoat.  
 ~ Jack Wiese called Disposal companies for comparison of trash removal. Approved changing to Camanche Disposal at a savings of \$144/month.  
 ~ Looked over common investments for better returns on parsonage fund.  
New business:  
 ~ Pastor presented recommendation to change our current web-hosting service, Net Solutions, to a more powerful service at a lower cost.  
 ~ A 5-year-plan for infrastructure/replacement is being created with a list of priorities and repairs we can expect in the foreseeable future.

◆ **Mission Trips:** Met April 15 with 4 attending.  
 ~ Holding a Mission Trip informational event after church on April 29. Jamaica Team will serve cinnamon rolls, fruit and juice to raise funds. Mission opportunities: Jamaica, Haiti, Pine Ridge and Back Bay Mission.  
 ~ Jamaica Team (Kelly & Katelyn Siegel, Gaylene Mangan, Chris Maricle, Carey & Courtney Arndt and Luanne Smith) travelling to Sunbeam July 10-17.

## May meeting schedules

May 01	11:00 am	Technology
May 07	6:30 pm	Community Outreach
May 07	7:00 pm	Faith Formation
May 14	7:00 pm	Trustees
May 15	6:30 pm	Worship & Fellowship
May 20	10:45 am	Mission Trips
May 21	6:30 pm	Church Council

Committee Report Deadline for June/July Newsletter is **May 17<sup>th</sup>**

## **MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

5/01 Alan & Carolyn Stampe	5/11 Matt & Carrie Ahrens	5/17 Mike & Laurie Wildes
5/04 Jim & Tiffany Barr	5/11 Jeff & Julia Dierks	5/19 Brett & Emilie Van Deventer
5/08 Eli & Amanda Voss	5/14 Cory & Sharae Huff	5/27 Buck & Cheri Mills
5/09 Dan & Jody Smicker	5/16 Mary Malcom & Dottie Burrichter	5/28 Kurt & Leann Walker

## **MAY BIRTHDAYS**



5/1 Jerry Busch	5/8 Holle Maricle	5/19 Myrtle Barber
5/1 Klaire Petersen	5/9 Bev Datisman	5/20 Katlyn Irwin
5/2 Marlene Berst	5/9 Payton Hughes	5/21 Brittany Dominguez
5/2 Kallie Cleveland	5/9 Isaac Voss	5/22 Nancy Nichols
5/3 Hadley Fuller	5/12 Linda Casad	5/24 Jim Irwin
5/4 Bev Jensen	5/12 Brett Mangan	5/27 Marian Giddens
5/7 Vanessa Hunt	5/12 Becca Schroeder	5/28 Kaden Porter
5/7 James Magill	5/12 Luanne Smith	5/29 Maxine Anderson
5/7 Glenn Mentzer	5/15 Dave Porter	5/31 Skye Doerscher
5/7 Morgan Mentzer	5/18 Matt Ahrens	5/31 Pam Duncan
5/7 Albert White	5/19 Marilyn Ahrens	

### Thank You....

Thank you! I appreciate the honor of a beautiful plaque identifying my designs for our church windows. It was both a challenge and a rewarding experience. *Carol Beck*

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Thank you for letting us use the church for our Girl Scout meetings. We hope you can use the "paper products" we purchased for your use. This is just a small way we can show our appreciation.

*Girl Scout Troup # 7406*

### THOSE WHO COULD USE A WORD OR SMILE

**Evelyn Barber**

Grand Haven, 201 E Franklin St, Apt. #410  
Eldridge, Iowa 52748

**Rose Galitz**

Grand Haven, 201 E Franklin St, Apt #216  
Eldridge, Iowa 52748

**Jeanne Grimm**

West Wing #33, 1118 11<sup>th</sup> St., DeWitt, Iowa 52742

**Lois O'Connor**

Wheatland Manor Nursing Home  
316 E Lincolnway, Wheatland, Iowa 52777

### *Lions Ladies May / June 2018*

Any questions, concerns or comments - contact:  
Jean Schmidt at 659-3439 or Ruth Wilson at 659-3940.

#### Schedule:

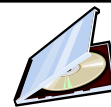
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| Gaylene Mangan - May 03    | Jean Schmidt - Jun 07      |
| Jean Schmidt - May 10      | Dottie Burrichter - Jun 14 |
| Dottie Burrichter - May 17 | Christi Fulwider - Jun 21  |
| Christi Fulwider - May 24  | Gaylene Mangan - Jun 28    |
| Gaylene Mangan - May 31    | Jean Schmidt - July 05     |

### *Lions Ladies need summer help!*



If anyone could spare some time to help a crew for the summer, contact: Jean Schmidt at 659-3439.

### **CD delivery in MAY: Carol Hansen**



**REMINDER... News Deadline  
for the June/July Newsletter  
is May 22<sup>nd</sup>**



**Chancel Choir / Practice  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – May 13 & 27, 8:30 am  
and Wed. May 16 at 6:30 pm**

# Annual BEEF DINNER

Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>  
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Homemade Desserts  
Beef by Buzzy's



Adults (in advance) - \$10.00  
Adults (at the door) - \$12.00  
Children under 12 - \$ 3.00  
Children 4 and under - \$ 1.00

Carry outs and delivery available, call: 659-3166

Save and bring in your empty Ice Cream buckets for Beef Dinner leftovers



## Suggestions:

- Park in the AgSpectrum parking lot, west of the church. Our west doors will be unlocked.
- Bring your desserts of Saturday (8 am - 5 pm) or on Sunday by 2:00 pm if possible. Check off your name when you deliver your pies/desserts.
- When you arrive to work, sign in and pick up your name tag.
- Leftovers: Come between 7-7:30 pm with a container and \$ donation. The remaining will be donated to the Victory Center in Clinton.
- If you have a First Congregational UCC shirt, wear it. If you don't have one and would like one, they're available at GoVanGogh's at 719 11th St.

Check the list included in newsletter for revised job / work time. **If you don't have a job,** call Christi Fulwider (659-8029) to volunteer.

## Mission Trips Fundraisers

The Mission Trips Committee had a Mission Trip Fair on April 29 with information and trips to Jamaica, Haiti, Back Bay Mission and Pine Ridge Urban Experience. They also hosted a fundraising breakfast.



**Jerk Chicken Dinner Fundraiser**  
Wednesday, May 16  
5:30-7:00 pm

Menu: Jerk Chicken, rice & peas, festival & rum cake. The proceeds will be used for the July 10-17 Jamaica Sunbeam Boys Home trip. Open to the public!

**Jamaica Team Fundraising Brunch**

Sunday, June 3 ~ Following worship



## ENDOWMENT APPLICATIONS...

Applications for Endowment Fund grants and College Scholarships will be available on our website or in the Church office **after May 1st** and are due back to the church office by **June 1st**. Grants will be approved on the second Sunday of June.

Remember that money from this fund cannot be used for the general budget. College Scholarships are for students who have successfully completed at least two or more semesters at the college level and have been active participants in our church.



*Planting for the Future*

## ALTAR FLOWERS and BULLETIN SPONSORS



Sign up to provide Sunday altar flowers  
**-OR-** sponsor the Sunday bulletin for \$15.00  
Sign-up sheets are on the office door, or call Pam.

Confirmation meeting May 20<sup>th</sup>



Confirmation is just the next step in faith's journey. It is a time to affirm your faith, make your own promises and become a full member of the church. The next class of 8-9<sup>th</sup> graders will start in Sept., 2018. To help prepare, there will be an informational meeting for the prospective confirmands and their families on Sunday, May 20 following worship. We will talk about confirmation and the process leading up to it, along with the plans for the 2018-19 class.

Pastor Chris is looking forward to visiting with you.

## USHERS/GREETERS - MAY / JUNE 2018

Head Usher for May CHARLIE FREESE & STEVE THAYER

**May 6** Jessica Taylor, Luanne Smith, Dan & Jody Smicker

**May 13** Steve Thayer, Jean Truelsen, Kory & Stacie Tuttle

**May 20** Bill & Tami Petsche, Eli Voss, Ellen Waldorf

**May 27** Jack & Carolyn Wiese, Mike & Laurie Wildes

Head Usher for June RICK MANGAN

**Jun 3** Harold & Ruth Wilson, Andy & Tracia Andersen

**Jun 10** Doug & Teresa Yegge, Ben & Carey Arndt

**Jun 17** Curtis & Heidi Barber, Mike & Kari Bossom

**Jun 24** Sheila Busch, Alice Carber, Roger & Bev Datisman

## LITURGISTS FOR MAY

**May 6** Kim VanDeWalle

**May 13** Benen Greubel

**May 20** ?

**May 27** ?

*Sign up sheet is on office door  
or contact Denise Block  
at 563-320-1334*

## ACOLYTES FOR MAY

**May 6** Beck Maricle

**May 13** Caden Huff

**May 20** Parker Petsche

**May 27** Rylan Edwards

## PROJECTIONISTS FOR MAY

**May 6** Rory Maricle

**May 13** Jen Claeys

**May 20** Jen Claeys

**May 27** Kyle Fox

## NURSERY FOR MAY

**May 6** Brady Andersen

**May 13** Ashli Bossom

**May 20** Soren Maricle

**May 27** Brady Andersen

**June 3** Maggie Froeschle

## ORGANIST FOR MAY

**May 6** Ruth Wilson

**May 13** Jody Smicker

**May 20** Cheri Mills

**May 27** Jody Smicker

## COMMUNION FOR MAY

**May 6** Charlie Freese and Jen Claeys

## LECTIONARY FOR MAY

**May 6** Friends Together

John 15:9-17; Acts 10:44-48; Ps 98;  
1 John 5:1-6

**May 13** Guided in Prayer


John 17:6-19; Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Ps 1;  
1 John 5:9-13

**May 20 - Pentecost** Spirit for All

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15; Acts 2:1-21 or  
Ezek 37:1-14; Ps 104:24-34, 35b;  
Rom 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21

**May 27** Mysterious Encounter

John 3:1-17; Isa 6:1-8; Ps 29;  
Rom 8:12-17



**Vocalist  
or  
Instrumentalist**

**Share your special music during the summer  
for the 9:30 am worship services.**

Please contact Becca Schroeder 659-8235

## **New Carpet for Sanctuary / Narthex**

New carpet will be installed in the Sanctuary soon. Replacing the carpet in the Narthex is also being addressed. Bids were taken for carpet rolls, squares and laminate. It was decided the carpet squares were the most economical, safer and easier to replace any damaged areas. Some of the project is being paid for with Memorial Funds but additional funding is needed.

Any monetary donations are being accepted toward the project. Donations can be sent to the church in care of Trustees chair, Denny Schnoor.



## AUDITORS FOR MAY

**May 6** Kim VanDeWalle and Laurie Wildes

**May 13** Laurie Wildes and Denny Schnoor

**May 20** Jack Wiese and Heidi Barber

**May 27** Jack Wiese and Josh Greubel



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Childcare Provider

**SHANNON EDWARDS**

Treasurer

**MIKE WILDES**

Custodial Staff

**KEVIN FOX**

*Coming in... May*



*Beef Dinner  
Jamaican Jerk Chicken Dinner  
Mother's Day & Memorial Day  
Pentecost and Trinity Sundays*

**LOOKING AHEAD...**



- May 06 Beef Dinner 4-7:00 pm
- May 13 Mother's Day
- May 16 Jerk Chicken Dinner 5:30-7:00 pm
- May 20 2018-19 Confirmation "Family" meeting
- May 28 Memorial Day ~ office closed
- Jun. 03 Jamaica Mission Brunch 10:30 am
- Jun. 05 Primary Election polls here 7am-9pm
- Jun. 17 Father's Day
- June "All Churches" Month for Referral Center
- July 04 4th of July parade ~ office closed
- Jul 10-17 Jamaica Mission Trip