JULY CHIMES

First Presbyterian Church ~ Redwood Falls

WORSHIP IN THE PARK & JULY FRIENDSHIP DINNER

Worship in the Park July 13 @ 10:15 am Followed by the July Friendship Dinner Bring your family, friends & neighbors!

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Mark Your Calendars/Watch Your Mailbox Photo Days: September 13 & 14 - With online sign-up! Sunday, September 14, following worship we will be taking a congregational photo! Updated contact information forms will be sent out prior to the picture date in September.

Directories and all photo orders will be ready by Christmas!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pastor Scott's 30th Anniversary of Ordination - July 2 Worship in the Park - July 13 Friendship Dinner - July 13 Ruby's Pantry - July 15



Session - July 7

A Reminders!

Please remember to confirm all your visits with Pastor Scott. He doesn't want to show up and no one is home! :)

Please look over the "Ways to Serve Your Church" section... Contact the church office if you have any conflicts.

WAYS TO SERVER YOUR CHURCH!

ATTENTION!

Please review the lists below, if you have any concerns please contact the church office.

JULY USHERS

Head Usher: Dave Danielson Ushers: Bruce Tiffany, Ann Tiffany, Merlin Goudy, Diane Davis, Lois Davis, Dan Tiffany

GREETERS

Deacon of Month: Rhonda Joldersma July 6: Char Gilland July 13: Michael Joldersma July 20: Scott & Laura Kohler July 27: Julie & Ernie Fiala

communion servers

Head Server: Bruce Tiffany Servers: Dan Tiffany, Lois Davis, Julie Rienstra, Scott Goodyear, Julie Fiala, Diane Davis

Money counters

July: Michael Joldersma & Mike Bentson August: Bob Alexander & Bruce Tiffany

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Is there a committee you want to be on? A group you wish to be apart of? A Sunday School teacher/helper? Would you want to greet more? Usher more? Organize a fall church cleaning? Help with the upkeep of the church grounds? Or any of the many possibilities...

CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE: 507-627-8751 CHURCHOFC@HOTMAIL.COM

Please Confirm Your Visit with the Church office!

If you want Pastor Scott to come... You need to let us know this date & time work for you!!!

Pastor Scott's Visitation Schedule

July 3 Pastor Scott takes Communion to: Rosemary Bennett at 9:30 am Merlin Goudy at 10:45 am Lois Tiffany & Todd Peterson at 2:30 pm Bunny Nolting & Doug Jensen at 4:00 pm

July 8 Pastor Scott Visits: Kim McKay at 2:00 pm Dan Tiffany at 3:30 pm Kevin & Candy Zaske at 7:00

July 31 Pastor Scott Visits:

Gerry & Deb Hess at 9:30 am Marlys Verdoes at Noon

August 5 Pastor Scott Visits:

Rosemary Bennett at 9:30 am Wayne Mann at 11:00 am Kim & Kevin McKay at Noon Jenifer Hindt at 1:15 pm Merlin Goudy at 2:15 pm Bunny Nolting & Doug Jensen at 3:45 pm Barb & Scott Nelson at 7:00 pm

August 14 Pastor Scott Visits:

Rick & Fran Hauge at 9:00 am Kathy Peterson at 10:00 am Judy Curtis at 11:00 am Dan Tiffany at 2:00 pm Todd Peterson & Lois Tiffany at 3:30 pm Randy & Lynn Juell at 7:00 pm

August 26 Pastor Scott Visits:

Butch & Faythe Amberg at 2:00 pm Julie Rienstra at 3:30 pm Dan & Maria Alexander at 7:00 pm

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Bible Studies Pastor Scott's 30 th Ordination Anniversary	3 Pastor: Visits	4 4 th of July Church Offices Closed	5
6 Worship - Holy Communion	7 Session Meeting July7-11: Church Office Closed	8 Pastor: Visits	9 Bible Studies	10	11	12 Ralph Revier's Service & Burial
13 Worship in the Park & Friendship Dinner	14 Pastor Scott: Vacation July 14-20	15 Ruby's Pantry	l6 Piecemakers	17	18	19
20 Worship- Guest Speaker	21 Pastor Scott: Continuing Education Week July 21-27	22	23	24	25	26
27 Worship- Guest Speaker	28 Pastor: Rotary Meetings	29	30 Bible Studies	31 Pastor: Visits		

Birthdays

1st: Deb Hess, Kim McKay, Kevin McKay 2nd: Aiden Robish 3rd: Taylor Moore, Kristina Thissen 5th: Brent Prouty 6th: Ryan Kramer, Christina Rebstock, Karen Speros 7th: Dan Tiffany 8th: Aubree Hicks, Trevin Sharpe, Julie Rienstra 10th: Ella Enright 12th: Claire Stephens 16th: RJ Juell 17th: Marty Caraway 21st: Lindsey Caraway, Savannah Joldersma 22nd: LeAnn Corder 23rd: Luke Kaupang 25th: Knox Kramer, Alica Whitmore, David Fuhr, **Roger Potter** 26th: Dorothy Symes 28th: Kassandra Sweetman, Mika Jacobson 29th: Bruce Tiffany 30th: Julie Fiala 31st: Anne Marie Danielson

Anniversaries

1st: Fred & Jenny Bloedow
9th: Mark & Dorie Oja
11th: Keegan & Shellie Mammen
17th: Marty & Lindsey Caraway
18th: Rick & Fran Hauge
19th: Randy & Lynn Juell, Peggy & Ross Dolezal
23rd: Brian & Stephanie Klavetter,
Aaron & Amber Rohlik
25th: Doug & Kay Jensen

Per-Capit

The Per-Capita is the cost to our church for us, as individuals, for being members of the Presbyterian Church. In 2025, our church will pay \$46 for each of us to be a Presbyterian!

Where does this money go? Part of this money goes to the Presbytery to help pay their day-to-day expenses, and part

of it goes to the Synod and to the General Assembly for the same reasons. The per-capita costs are what pays salaries and keeps the doors open for all three level of the Presbyterian church.

If you have not paid your 2025 per-cap you can put it in the offering plate labeled "per-cap".

Giving Gratitude to God for 30 Years of Ordained Ministry (July 2)

Gracious and loving God, Today I pause with a full heart to say, thank You. Thank You for calling me into ministrynot because I was worthy, but because You are faithful. You placed a call on my life, and You have walked beside me every step of the journey. Thank You for thirty years of gracefor the privilege of preaching Your Word, of baptizing in Your name, of sharing bread and cup at Your table, of comforting the grieving, and of celebrating life's sacred moments. You have been my strength when I was weary, my peace in moments of conflict, my courage when I felt unsure, and my joy when I saw lives transformed. I give thanks for the people You placed in my paththose who listened, supported, challenged, and prayed. For the congregations that welcomed me, the colleagues who journeyed with me, the friends who sustained me. and the mentors who shaped me. Thank You for the tears and the laughter, the struggles and the victories, the doubts that led to deeper faith, and the moments when heaven touched earth. As I mark this milestone, I do not boast in myself, but in Your goodness and unfailing love. All I am, and all I have done, is because of Your grace. Now, O Lord, as I look to the days ahead, renew my spirit, restore my joy, and remind me always that the best gift of all is simply to walk with You. To You, O God, be all the glory. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Thanks for allowing me to be your pastor these past twenty-three years. It has been an honor. In Christ's love, Pastor Scott Prouty



A Prayer for the Fourth of July Gracious and Eternal God, On this day when we celebrate the birth of our nation, we lift our hearts in gratitude for the freedoms we enjoy, the beauty of this land, and the hope that still stirs in the soul of our country.

We thank You for those who came before us —who dreamed, labored, and sacrificed so that we might live in liberty. Help us never to take our freedoms for granted or to forget that true freedom is a gift and a

responsibility.

As fireworks light the sky, may Your Spirit kindle in us a deeper love for justice, compassion, and peace. Let us not be blinded by comfort or complacency, but stirred to serve one another, especially the poor, the

stranger, and the forgotten.

Lord, we confess that our nation is not perfect. Heal our divisions. Uproot hatred. Soften hardened hearts. And guide us in the work of reconciliation, so that "liberty and justice for all" may not just be a pledge, but a promise fulfilled.

Bless our leaders with wisdom. Bless our communities with safety. And bless us all with courage to live as faithful citizens of both this land and Your heavenly kingdom. In the name of Jesus Christ, the Prince of

> Peace, we pray. Amen

A DAY AT SECOND HARVEST

By: Rick Hauge

For several years our church has partnered up with Second Harvest Food Bank from Brooklyn Park to provide food for our weekend food bag program. Our Missions committee has also made donations to Second Harvest. So, when I received an invitation to do volunteer work at Second Harvest on May 3, I sent in my reservation so learn more about their operation.

We met at the Brooklyn Park headquarters at 9AM. We went through a short orientation about what we would be doing that morning. We then broke into work groups and received further instructions.

There was a bin full of elbow macaroni that we would be filling. There were two long stainless steel tables



with workers on both sides. A runner brought macaroni from
the bin to workers on one side of the table. These workers
weighed out one pound of macaroni into plastic bags and
the worker on the other side would double seal the bags.

Another runner would collect the sealed bags and bring them

over to a table where I worked. Workers again on both sides of

the table. Workers would label the bags and push them over to me for packing in card board boxes.

I put 16 bags in each box which were later stacked on a palate. This process is about as close to assembly line



work as I have ever been involved with.

That morning we packed enough elbow macaroni for 6,912 meals!

After we were finished with filling bags, we got a tour of the facility. Second Harvest moved into their 300,000+ sq. ft. facility one week before the COVID pandemic shut things down. The warehouse has a

large freezer along with a good-sized cooler for fresh foods. The rest of the warehouse has long lines of boxed and canned groceries that are ready for distribution. These items do not sit in the warehouse very long!

One thing that interested me is Second Harvest is placing more emphasis on working with local growers to provide and distribute fresh produce. They contract with small produce growers for these fresh foods. The whole operation requires a lot of coordination to keep things running smoothly. I really enjoyed the morning packing bags and learning more about Second Harvest and how they work with churches and

ground concerned with food insecurity.





veteran volunteers with hospice patients who are veterans. Veterans who are hospice volunteers have a unique ability to aid fellow veterans at end-of-life.

We are seeking veterans who can share their time to

- Offer companionship and emotional support to fellow veterans
- Sit with a veteran while the caregiver runs errands
- Participate in veteran recognition and pinning ceremonies

Vet-to-Vet volunteer opportunities are available in communities across central and southwestern Minnesota. Interested in learning more? **Contact us today!**



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Pearl Alexander received her 3rd grade bible from the Christian Education Committee.





THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED MAKE PASTOR SCOTT'S 30TH

ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY SUCH A SUCCESS!



Kayak Paddle Port Project



Location:

- Lake Redwood, Tank Park.
- Available Spring/Summer/Fall
- Will follow the Park and Rec Department Schedule.

What is a paddle port?

• A secure self service kayak and paddleboard storage and rental system.

· Each storage box has a keypad locking mechanism

· Each storage box will be fully equipped with kayak or

paddle board, Personal Floatation Devices, and paddles

 Reservations/Rentals are completed online with a credit card

Waivers are signed online at the time of registration

• Size of the storage system is approximately the size of an ice house.

Project Sustainability

- The City of Redwood Falls will fully take over maintenance, liability, and running of the system once it is installed
- Rental fees will help maintain the system/supplies/equipment
- System utilizes wifi to establish the rental/registrations and lock codes for each rental
- Wifi is available near the river

Website for more information -

- Redwood County Plum Creek Park Paddle Port <u>https://plumcreekpark.com/boat-share/</u>
- Paddle Port Company website <u>https://www.ipaddleport.com/</u>

Donation Incentive Opportunities - All donations are welcome and appreciated!

- **Paddle Pals** donation of \$1000 \$2499. Enthusiastic supporters making a splash with their contribution. Recognition is to have their name featured on the paddle port.
- Wave Riders donation of \$2500-\$4999. Mid-level donors riding the wave of community spirit. Recognition is to have their name and small logo featured on the paddle port
- **Captains Circle** donation of \$5000 or more. For top tier donors who steer the course with their generous support earning VIP recognition. Recognition is to have their name and large logo featured on the paddle port.

What happens to the donations?

- All donations will be presented to the City of Redwood Falls Parks and Recreation Department to assist with the total cost of the Paddle Port.
- The City will purchase and own the trailer and equipment, placing it in the park each summer and storing it off-site each winter.