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# Open Doors UMC of Blue Eye



## 2018 Pastor's Column



It is time for a break as we enter the summer (June, July & August). What do I mean by take a break? Sometimes life becomes routine like, we do "this" every week and "that" once a month and it really does not have an impact on us like it should. So, we need to step back (break) and refresh ourselves, then take on that task or program with renewed enthusiasm. Thus a break is in order and will follow as such:

- 1) No Bible Study on Mondays from June 25 through September 3. Begins again Sept. 10.
- 2) No Movie Nights for June, July or August. Will begin again in Sept.
- 3) No Noon Luncheons for June, July or Aug. Will begin again in Sept.
- 4) Choir will meet the Wednesdays, June 6, July 11 & Aug. 1. Choir will begin meeting on a regular basis on Aug. 29.
- 5) Trustees will meet the 2nd Thursdays as usual at 10:00 a.m.
- 6) Church Council on the 3rd Sunday as usual.
- 7) Potlucks will be on the last Sunday of the month as usual.



As we look at the schedule we still have a number of activities going on plus an all church picnic June 20, Christian Family Night at Springfield Cardinals July 29, and an all church Calendar meeting Sat. August 25. (More details later). Let's just say we need to put our events on the calendar for Sept. 2018-August 2019 so people can plan accordingly.



All in all I hope you have a great summer with family, freinds and neighbors!! If you can't find me at the church look at "Ministry House" for that is probably where you will find me, or at home on my patio!!

*God's Blessing, Pastor Jack*

## Pastor Jack & Peg off to a wedding



Their son, Michael, is getting married on June 2 at Pella Iowa. They will be gone Thursday May 31 until Tuesday June 5. Michael Fransen will be the guest preacher on Sunday June 3. At the same time Debra Tompkins will be gone from Wednesday May 30 until Friday June 8. That means there will not be a secretary in the office on May 30, 31 or June 6 or 7. She will be back to work on Wednesday, June 13.

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# Scriptures for the Month of June



**Sunday, June 3: 1 Samuel 3:1-20; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12  
Mark 2:23-3:6**



**Sunday, June 10: 1 Samuel 8:4-20, (11:14-15); Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1  
Mark 3:20-35**

**Sunday, June 17: 1 Samuel 15:34 - 16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, (11-13) 14-17  
Mark 4:26-34**



**Sunday, June 24: 1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49; Psalm 9:9-20; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13  
Mark 4:35-41**



## Christian Family Day

Springfield Cardinals  
presented by Thrivent Financial  
Sunday, July 29 at 6:10 p.m.



**We would like to get a group of 20 or more for the game. Like last year we get a Cardinals/Christian navy T-shirt and a Cardinals cap. With 20 plus going we get our church name listed on the back. The cost is \$15.00 and size XX & XXX shirts will be \$2.00 more. Please sign up this month in the Welcome Center. We need to order tickets by July 9. Check out the flyer on the bulletin board in the hallway.**

## Compassion International

The Church Council decided we would not take this mission on as a whole church but individuals are welcome to do it on their own. Peg Smith is coordinating this mission. She is looking for people who could afford the second mile giving of \$5 to \$10 a month. The cost to sponsor is \$38.00 a month so she is looking for small groups who would be willing to go together to sponsor a child. One group has already been formed and Peg is willing to form other groups as well. Each group would have a coordinator to receive the information to share with their group. Any or all participants can write the child through the coordinator. One time gifts can be given through the church also.

Compassion works in partnership with local churches that are equipped through our sponsors to implement programs providing for the child's physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs. Compassion works in 25 countries. Compassion is Christ centered, child focused, church based.

Please contact Peg Smith if you are interested.

## Ministry House

Ministry House has been put on hold due to the need to fix some items we did not expect to do. We hope to be able to have it open by July 4. Thanks to all those who have volunteered to help. We will have works day on Sat. June 9 and 16 from 10:30 to 4:00. Some of that will be getting ready for our church picnic on Wed. June 20 also.







# Finances



How are your dollars spent at "Open Doors United Methodist Church of Blue Eye?:"

1. The General Budget (2018 Budget is \$70,965.00). In 6 1/2 years we have never over spent the budget but we do come close. Therefore we need around \$1,200 to \$1,300 a week to pay our General Budget expenses which are: 1) Office equipment and supplies; 2) Program Funding-Worship, missions, Faith and membership development, and hospitality; 3) Conference & District Apportionments; 4) Insurance- Church and Parsonage; 5) Utilities- Church and Parsonage; 6) Maintenance of Church and Parsonage limited to \$2,000; 7) Secretary's Salary; 8) Custodial Salary; 9) Pastor's Salary and Travel; and a miscellaneous limited to \$500.00.

If you give money or check with no designation in the memo area that giving goes to the General Budget. We thank you very much for your support of the ministry of our church. Granted the budget is large and it pays for a lot of things we do. So, how does the rest of it get done.

2. It is by special giving (second mile giving) that a lot of extra projects get done. How do we put it towards special projects? It's when anyone has written in the memo part of the check or on the outside of the envelope with cash designated to a special project of the church.

1) We have a lot of second mile giving towards Missions in this church.

2) We were able to build a Welcome Center/Office Complex due to special giving which includes a new sign.

3) We were able to remodel all four restrooms of the church.

4) We were able to put in a new kitchen in the downstairs area of the church.

5) We were able to put a new sidewalk from the church to the gazebo and then out to the parking lot.

6) We were able to put a new sound system and video system in the sanctuary along with a new sound booth.

7) We have been able to remodel the parsonage aka "Ministry House" upstairs and downstairs and also put new decking on the back deck.

Some money came from memorials, dedicated funds and partial use of the money from garage sales.

The special giving in this church makes it possible to do some of the things we could never do by adding them to the general budget and we are thankful for that "Second Mile" giving. How does Special Giving happen? By putting in the memo section of your check how you wish it to be used. THAT is Very Important because ALL non-designated offering goes to support the General Budget.

We are happy to say that we are able to do this without much being said especially on Sunday mornings. God has blessed this church and we have been doing great things in His name and will continue to do so. We have a vision of what ministry should look like and with God's help we have been able to move forward with our vision.

One last thing needs to be very clear. None of the special projects for the past 6 1/2 years have been paid for with the General Budget offering. We think this needs to be understood by all.

We are blessed and we thank you for helping with ministry here. Your giving is important to us and we appreciate your support! We always ask God to help us use it wisely! Amen!!







## Movie Night

We will suspend movie night during the summer months-June, July and August. They will resume in September. If you have any Christian movies we could use please let us know. Thanks for your continued support



## WELCOME CENTER HOSTS

June 3: Merry Jo Bell  
Jan Hensiek

June 10: Barbara Curbow  
JD Settles

June 17: Debbie Herrmann

June 24: Susie Bouchey  
Nancy Leahy

## GREETERS

June 3: Jan Hensiek

June 10: Gary & Debbie  
Herrmann

June 17: Sybil Mitchell

June 24: Dennis Thompson

## RightNow Media

Last year we began a program called "RightNow Media" for Bible Study and short term studies. If you are not on this Internet program and would like free access through our church subscription please let Debra know and she will help get you set up. You can use it at home or come to a church study that uses it. They offer over 2000 Biblical based studies, seminars and conferences. Also it has youth and children studies for the grandkids. One of the favorites is Veggie Tales.

## Garage Sale

Thanks to all who helped with the garage sale. The sale netted us \$3,372.50 which was fantastic considering the weather. This was the last sale Beverly Gunther will be in charge of. She has chosen to retire from this ministry after a long tenure. Bev has chaired this ministry for 15 or more years. In the beginning it was once a year but for the last couple of years it has been spring and fall. This has been a big undertaking for her, Clair, Sharon and Barb who have really worked it all year. When you get a chance let Bev and Clair know how much we appreciate them and the work they did for the church. Actually the whole family gets involved. Ben and Lori, Gary and Luz and all the grandkids at one time or another. THANKS!!  
The Council did vote to go back to once a year with that sale happening in the spring. Stay tuned!



Church Picnic  
June 20  
6:00 p.m.

This newsletter is published monthly. If you have an article for publication please get it to the pastor before the last week of the month. Also if you have an address of someone who you think would like to receive this newsletter please leave that information in the church office.

We have a Facebook page, please go to our page and "like" us. You can post suggestions, pictures or anything you would like. It is also a great way to find out what is going on and see the pictures of events already taken place.



May

July

# June 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
						
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Fellowship Time 9:30 Worship Time 10:30	<b>NO Office Hours</b>		<b>Office Hours 9-5</b> <b>Choir 5:30</b>	<b>Office Hours 9-5</b>		<b>Prayer Breakfast 8:15</b>  <b>Work Day 10:30-4:00</b>  <b>L.E.O.T.A. Steak Inn Shell Knob 5:30</b>
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Fellowship Time 9:30 Worship Time 10:30 COMMUNION	<b>Office Hours 10-5</b> <b>Bible Study 10:30</b> <b>Women's Ministries 12:30</b>		<b>Office Hours 9-5</b>	<b>Office Hours 9-5</b> <b>Trustee Meeting 10:00</b>		<b>Work Day 10:30-4:00</b>
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Fellowship Time 9:30 Worship Time 10:30 Church Council 11:45 Blue Sunday	<b>Office Hours 10-5</b> <b>Bible Study 10:30</b> <b>Women's Ministries 12:30</b>	<b>Dine Time Landry's Seafood 12:15</b> <b>Petersen Family 3:00</b>	<b>Office Hours 9-5</b>  <b>Church Picnic 6:00</b>	<b>Office Hours 9-5</b>		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Fellowship Time 9:30 Worship Time 10:30 Potluck 11:45	<b>Office Hours 10-5</b>		<b>Office Hours 9-5</b>	<b>Office Hours 9-5</b>		



# June 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Gerald Curbow Lori Johnson
3	4	5	6 Butch Looper	7	8 Mike Jones Sharlee Gunther	9 Leamon & Jo Roberson
10	11 Clair & Beverly Gunther	12	13 Chris Nelson Lola Looper	14 Mona Fennema	15 Ben & Lori Johnson	16 Jonathan James
17	18	19 Dan Winston	20	21	22 Jo Roberson	23
24 Bill Mitchell	25	26	27	28 Gerald & Barbara Curbow	29	30