Refrigerator News July 13, 2014



This Week at Lincolnshire

Monday, July 14

8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study Breakfast Bob Evans at Jefferson Pointe

Thursday, July 17

9:30 a.m. Library Commitee

Saturday, July 19 9:00 – 4:00

All Church E₃ Retreat

Overflow Room Lunch will be provided.



Michelle Beckman loves crafts of all kinds and she would like to get back to her "happy place" by making things. If you have any yarn, plastic canvas, latch hooks, paints or anything of craft nature, she would love to have them. You can bring them to the hospitality table on Sunday and we'll make sure she gets them.

Judi Henderson pens these words....

Thank you so much for all the prayers, cards and calls I have received during my shoulder reconstruction surgery and surgery. Just knowing that others care has helped me so much! I am making steady progress and am looking forward to being able to drive soon and write easily! Thanks again for all your kindnesses.

Tamara Nightingale is coordinating transportation to Camp Mack for the July 27th worship and baptism service. If you need a ride or if you have available space in your vehicle, please contact her and she will make the necessary arrangements. Also... don't forget that we will have a potluck dinner following the service. Plan on bringing your own dinnerware and drinks in addition to a dish to share with others. Oh... and pray for good weather and warm lake water!

Several people in the congregation have indicated that they would like to know more about our churches' General Fund giving and expenses.

Beginning this month, the Stewardship Team will give you a brief update.

January - June 2014

Six Month Giving \$ 69,520.86 Anticipated Giving \$ 75,053.00 Actual Expenses \$ 78,574.07 Budget Amount \$ 75,459.00



Of the 64 giving units, approximately one third have not met their pledges. This has resulted in approximately \$5,500 less in giving than anticipated. Our expenses exceeded the budget due to more building and property repairs than anticipated. We are monitoring this area closely in order to keep expenses as low as possible for the next six months.



July 19th through July 24th Fort Collins, CO

Pray for John Bowers, Kyle Creed, Britany and Shianna Johnson, Zoe Vorndran and all the youth who will attend NYC. Pray that they will set aside distractions to be fully present during the week, that they will be open to new experiences and friendships, that they will soak up all the experience to its fullest and for an ability to listen closely to God's Spirit speaking to them throughout the week. Pray for Kevin and Sharri's sanity and for the staff, the advisors and the youth.

OUTRAGEOUS and **COURAGEOUS**

This Sunday is the last session for our Outrageous and Courageous series. We will gather in our respective classrooms for a review and discussion of last Sunday's church visitations. Bring your coffee and let's chat about that church's hospitality... how were you greeted? Was there praise music, a praise band? How the sermon... was it biblically grounded? Were sermon notes available? Did you attend Sunday school? Did anyone invite you to return this Sunday?

Summer Forum begins August 3.

A sneak preview shows coverage of the National Youth Conference on **August 3,** Melanie Zeeb discussing her ministry to Haiti on **August 10.** Dates and times for other speakers are being finalized. Summer Forums begin following coffee and donuts and are held in the Overflow Room.

Congregational E3 Retreat Next Saturday!

Our E3 coach **Randy Yoder** will lead us in an all-church retreat next Saturday, July 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Your attendance is integral to its success. Randy will present a report based upon information gleaned from the surveys we have completed, interviews with school officials and Police Chief Gary Hamilton, service providers such as Community Harvest Food Bank, and census data from the 46807 area of Fort Wayne. Our conversations will be guided by four questions:

- What are the opportunities?
- What are the challenges?
- What are the threats?
- What are our resources?

Randy will meet with the **Prayer Team** on Friday, July 18 at 7:00 p.m., then with the **Leadership** and **E3 Steering Teams** at 7:30 p.m. These meetings and the retreat will take place at the church. We realize that holding a Saturday retreat in the middle of summer is not an ideal time, but we trust that since you love the church and desire its renewal, you will make attendance a priority. As an added incentive, lunch and refreshments will be provided!



New church directories are usually distributed in December or January. We will be changing this to coincide with the church's fiscal year which begins July 1. Updates will be done in late July, early August with the new directories distributed in September. Also, by this application, the Leadership Team member listing can be included in the directory. July and August are also slower months for church activities so this will allow us adequate time to process and publish. Update forms will be

included in your bulletins beginning July 20 through August 10.