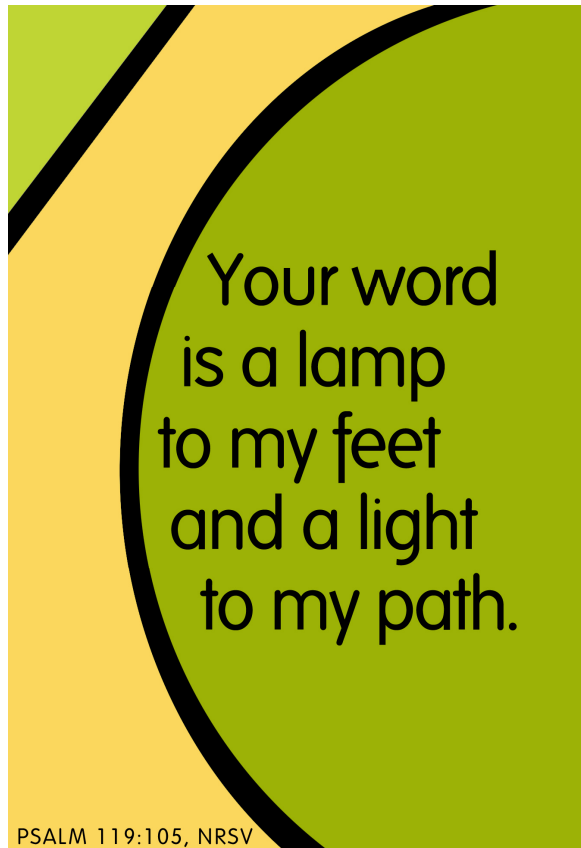


REFRIGERATOR NEWS

August 3, 2014



This Week at Lincolnshire

No meetings or activities on this week's calendar!

Next Sunday, August 10

Forum:

Melanie Zeeb

Discusses her ministry work in Haiti.

POTLUCK DINNER!



John Kolb, Zachary Strole and Shannon Kiess have been awarded scholarships from the Marge Crill Scott Scholarship Fund. This awarding makes it possible for them to pursue their continuing education. We remain thankful for the opportunities that this funding brings.

New windows have been installed in the parsonage which will help reduce the cost of heating/air conditioning. The installation cost is being paid from the parsonage rental fund. The tenants have extended their lease to June, 2015.

Dahm Bros. have inspected the church roof and report that it is in good shape. John Kolb thanks all the people who are doing a wealth of volunteer work around the property. Each job done by a volunteer is monies saved by not hiring it done.



Caregiver Groups are Being Formed.

The Caregiver Ministry Teams are here to serve our church family establish closer relationships by providing meals in time of need, sending cards to people on our prayer list, giving encouragement and just keeping in touch with each other. The work of these ministry teams will

begin in September. If you are interested in becoming a Caregiver, please contact Marty Kaylor.



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| August 3 | COB Annual Conference Wrap Up & Video with Marilyn Drudge |
| August 10 | Melanie Zeeb – Haiti ministry |
| August 17 | Steven Manning – shares his life's story. |
| August 24 | Carol Waggy on Nigeria – past & present |
| August 31 | Pending |
| September 7 | Youth on National Youth Conference |

Get Out and Vote Next Sunday!

On July 19 thirty-one people participated in our second workshop led by our E3 consultant, Randy Yoder. During the day-long event we walked through neighborhoods in the 46806 and 07 zip codes noting our observations, greeting people, and praying for the families who live there. We assessed the needs of our neighbors based upon demographic information of the communities around the church. We reviewed the conclusions made by Randy based upon the surveys you completed. (Copies of his findings are in your mail slots.) From this information we created five goals:



Community Goals:

- We will make ourselves known to our community through service ministries.
- Hospitality is our strength. We will reach out to our neighbors and develop friendships through regular trash pick up days.

Congregational Goals:

- We will develop and pray for a spirit of abundance.
- We will develop deeper relationships among ourselves.
- Because of our strengths, possibilities and potential, we agree to lovingly address the issue of conflict through a biblical model of conflict resolution (Matthew 18: 15-20).

Following worship on **August 10th**, you will be asked to select one goal from each category. Your two selections will be the primary focus of our congregation's ministry in 2014-15. Plan to be in church next Sunday and help us in this important discernment process.

A Prayer for Our Church

Lord Jesus, we pray that you will somehow give us ears to hear, hearts to love and wills devoted to serve; that in the days to come this congregation may be known not for our glory but for thine alone – a congregation of people who know you; that this place may be an oasis, a place where people come to find out about you, where lives are straightened out and made whole, where people find the peace that passes understanding. Give us, we pray, a heart to desire these things above all else. We pray through Jesus Christ. Amen

"FROM THE HEART" Offering

Recently, I was asked when we were going to quit talking about money. I replied that I wish we could, but if we don't communicate the need for additional giving, many may think that the church has more funds than is actually needed. And that is simply not happening this year.

On August 17, there will be two offerings. The first will be the normal offering at the usual time during worship and the second **"From the Heart"** offering will be near the end of the worship service. The **"From the Heart"** offering is needed to make up the difference of \$9,100 between the program that we approved at the annual congregation meeting and giving committed to supporting it, for the first six months of 2014.

We realize that to make up the difference, we will have to make a sacrifice. For some it may mean giving up something we normally do. For some, it may mean an additional contribution beyond their pledge. This isn't easy and we truly appreciate the sacrifice you will be making for the "From the Heart" offering. Your generous gift will enable us to continue God's work at Lincolnshire. ~ Marv Loutsenhizer, Stewardship Chair



KIDS!

Bring your backpacks to church on Sunday, August 17th to have them blessed for the new school year! You will be given a

"charm" to hang on the backpack as a reminder that YOU are also blessed!