

# Life Together



The First Presbyterian Church  
of Morrison, Illinois  
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Reaching out to our neighbor with open hearts;  
sharing God's blessings with others.

All Are Welcome!

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January jostles jingle bells gently into boxes to be stored 'til next season. Christmas decorations come down, Christmas lights get turned off, and the dullness of winter sets in. We joyfully join together to bid farewell to 2020—and pray that 2021 brings to us a life we so desire. Yet what is that new life? What of the old can be held onto? What of the current will pass onto the new? What of the unknown will become reality?

Sitting by the firepit with my six-year-old son, Henry, in late December, we began to engage in a deep conversation about what life used to be like, what it's like now, and what life will someday be like. I explained to him about how, every so often, something happens that changes everything forever. I explained that sometimes, the catalyst is something out of any human's control, such as a pandemic. Sometimes the catalyst is caused by humans, but is out of most people's hands, like 911 or a war. And sometimes the catalyst is that we simply figured out there is a better way of living.

Without going into detail about 911, I utilized air travel to help him understand. I explained to him that not so long ago, people were allowed to smoke on airplanes. Can you imagine that? He could not (nor can I...I didn't start flying in planes until long after that rule went into effect). But humanity decided that was bad for our health and it also made us stink and, although some people liked it, most people were happy to have that end. We

want to keep people healthy (and less stinky).

Then I explained how, not so long ago, you could go to the airport with someone who was going on a flight, or show up to meet someone who was coming in from a flight, and go all the way to the gate where they got on the plane. I told him that humans realized this was not very safe, because it gave bad guys the opportunity to do something bad to the plane. So now we keep people safe.

Then I talked to him about how just last March, we flew on a plane and we didn't wear masks. We knew that COVID was in the United States, but at that time, wearing masks was not advised. But during the pandemic, we have learned that masks really do make a difference and help keep people safer and healthier. I told him that, most likely, for the rest of our life, we will probably wear a mask on a plane and maybe even in crowded areas. This is because we want to take care of our own health and the health of others.

It certainly will be interesting to see what sticks when this pandemic is over. Will the people who are willing to wear masks in public now

continue to wear masks in public? Will we ever want to be in a crowd of hundreds or thousands of people again? Will we want to shake hands? Will we still have potlucks? Will we have large meals in the church again? Will we ask for donations of desserts and salads ever again? Will we go to work or an event if we are sick (think of how often, pre-pandemic, we or others went out into public, even though we

had a cold or even the flu)? Will humanity say, yeah, we really have been living in a world where we pass on germs far more than we need to? Certainly, there is concern about our immune systems with so much social distancing, because we need to be around other people in order to keep our immunity strong. But, I'll raise my hand to say I have no problem with not having to be around a sick person. If I could make it through the rest of my life without a cold or the flu, I would be just fine with that.

Once again, I'll bring up the order of 'change' that we need to focus on. There are internal and external forces that enforce change. We must deal with those forces and the change that is being pushed upon us. To do so, we need to have a vision of what we want to transform into. To make that transformation a reality, we must go through transitions to get there. And if we won't or can't choose a desired transformation, then we simply subject ourselves to fate, and let whatever may happen be what happens. In such, right now amidst the pandemic, we must think about what we want the world to look like

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# Church News

## CHURCH EVENTS

### Happy New Year

We pray you have a blessed 2021!

### Livestream Worship

Join us each Sunday for our continued livestream worship services from our Facebook group page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/firstpresmorrison>. The services will also be posted as soon as possible after the service to our YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcZiObAb6lcNXGA0cbuuVdg>.

With the continued threat of COVID-19 in the area, Session has decided to continue livestream worship services at this time. They will continue to monitor the situation and determine when to return to in-person services.

### January Scripture Readings

**JAN 3:** John 1:1-18

Jer. 31:7-14

Psalm 147:12-20

Eph. 1:3-14

**JAN 10:** Mark 1:4-11

Gen. 1:1-5

Psalm 29

Acts 19:1-7

**JAN 17:** John 1:43-51

1 Sam. 3:1-20

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

1 Corr. 6:12-20

**JAN 24:** Mark 1:14-20

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Psalm 62:5-12

1 Corr. 7:29-31

**JAN 31:** Mark 1:21-28

Deut. 18:15-20, 10

Psalm 111

1 Corr. 8:1-13

### Chromebook Services

We have a small number of Chromebooks (small laptop computers) that we load with the worship service video each Sunday. We then deliver them to those without computer devices/internet service/smart phone. If you would like to be added to our list of Chromebook users, please contact Mike or a Deacon.

### Sunday School Meeting

The Sunday School Committee met on January 4 at 7:00 p.m. by Zoom to discuss 2021 plans. (See page 8 for updates.)

### Bible Study

Bible study continues at 9:30 a.m. each Tuesday via Zoom videoconference. All are welcome to attend. If you would like to join, please contact Pastor Mike. *Note:* there will not be a Bible study on the 4th Tuesday of each month, due to Mike needing to be at a Presbytery Council meeting at that time on those dates.

### Epiphany of the Lord

*Epiphany of the Lord* is commemorated on January 6. It is the celebration of God's manifestation, or self-revelation, to the world in Jesus Christ. (See page 5.)

### M/MC Meeting

The Morrison Ministers' Council is scheduled to meet next on January 7, at 11:00 a.m., via Zoom.

### Finance Team

The Finance Team will meet January 14 via Zoom at 11:00 a.m. A link to the meeting will be sent to members.

### Drive-Up Meal

We are scheduled to host a Free Community Drive-Up Meal on

January 14,  
from 5-6:00 p.m.

or until the  
meals run out.  
Hamburger  
vegetable soup,  
bread and a



dessert will be provided. If you're interested in helping, contact Mike. Please note, the Session will decide, the week before each meal, if we should cancel the meals due to the state of health in our region. There is also the possibility of cancellation due to weather concerns. We will do our best to get the word out if meals will be canceled.

### 2021 Annual Meeting

The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church, Morrison IL, is called to a meeting on Sunday, January 17, 2020, at 10:45 a.m. Action will be taken on reports\* and at-large members of the 2021 nominating committee will be elected.

–Janice Kelly, Clerk of Session

–Rev. Dr. Michael Selburg,  
Moderator

We will have a shortened worship service starting at 10:15 a.m. via Facebook live. There will be a dial-in-by-phone option as well. More information will be e-mailed, and mailed to those not using email, closer to the date.

\*The Annual Report will be e-mailed to members as a PDF file. If you would like a printed Annual Report mailed to you, please contact the office by January 11.

### Deacons Meeting

Deacons will meet January 18 at 10:00 a.m. by phone conference. Details will be sent to Deacons. (We will continue to use the same call-in number.)



## Prayer Requests

Those who have served the church in the past month; student Youdelka Philippe, her family and the Mission Starfish Haiti School; Yucatan Peninsula Mission; Victory Center; Sauk Valley Food Bank; Morrison Food Pantry; Stronghold Camp & Retreat Center and Blackhawk Presbytery; and those in need of healing and support: Individuals and families fighting COVID-19 infection, Resthove Home residents and staff, medical workers, essential employees, school teachers & staff; Bob Atherton, Dan Brandon, Rich Glazier, Orville Goodenough, Glenda Hegwood, Joyce Mathew, the family of Stan Mitick, Ruth Mitick, Sheila Osborn, Nancy Rector, Cooke Shawver, Jean Slavin, the family of Irma Swanson, Jean Temple, Julie Stinson, Dick Vandermyde.

### Session Meeting

Session will meet January 18 via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. A link to the meeting will be sent to members (We will continue to use the same Zoom link.)

### PW Meeting

The PW Coordinating Team will meet via phone or Zoom. Lynn Knox will be in touch with the committee with details.

### Newsletter Deadline 1/25

Please get information to be included in the February *Life Together* newsletter to the office voicemail or e-mail (firstpresmorrison@gmail.com) by January 25. ■

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Church Triumphant

Stan Mitick completed this portion of his life on December 15. A committal service was held December 18 at Rock Island Arsenal. Please keep Ruth and the rest of his family in your prayers. *Please note:* Ruth is now living at Windsor Manor, 403 Scenic Drive, Morrison IL 61270.

Irma Swanson completed this portion of life either on January 1 or 2. Though Irma was not a member of our church, she was a very active friend and we meant very much to her. We give thanks for Irma's friendship and for all she gave to our congregation over the years. Please keep her family in your prayers.

### 2021 Stewardship Needs

It's a new year and we are still in need of financial contributions. We are facing a \$88,000 deficit for

2021. Financial contributions are essential to continue our missions and ministries, as well as keep our staff employed and the building running. Donations or Per Capita payments may be sent to the church (100 E. Lincolnway, Morrison IL 61270) or you may also make a one-time or recurring donation by PayPal. See <https://www.firstpresmorrison.org/giving> for more information.

If you have any questions regarding giving or supporting the church, please contact a Finance Team member: Lynn Knox, Angela Reamer, Scott Vandermyde or Pastor Mike. Jean Eggemeyer can answer any questions you may have about your giving history and can provide a giving statement at any time. Call 772-3510 and leave a message or e-mail firstpresmorrison@gmail.com

### Deacon Request

The Deacons have requested for members to reach out to them as needed. The Deacons do their best to pay attention to the needs of the congregation, but that's not such an easy task. They want the congregation to know they are there for them, and they can be reached out to. There is a list of the Deacons on the back of the newsletter. If you need a Deacon's phone number, please contact the church office or Pastor Mike. We are here for you!

### Properties Updates

Our bell tower louvers have been renovated and look beautiful. Thanks, once more, to the several

donors, especial Jean Temple who donated a large portion in memory of her last first husband Bill Cain and her late son, Philip Cain.

There are a handful of projects that need to be addressed in our old building. The valve that sends heat to the sanctuary broke in mid-December. The old valve is covered in asbestos. We are still awaiting an asbestos abatement and the new valve to be installed. We are leaving the doors open to the sanctuary and that has helped keep the heat in the upper 60s in the sanctuary. We are also having to replace the boiler pump, as it decided to start spewing water every time it runs. Further, the boiler company decided to turn in over \$4,000 in bills to us last month (from the past several years). If you would like to make a contribution to help pay for our boiler expenses, that would be appreciated!

The leaks coming into the building from the bell tower louvers should now be fixed, however, we have another problem. The bell tower is slowly pulling away from the church and water is leaking in from the back. This is causing water to seep through the walls in two areas of the sanctuary. We are hoping to have this addressed in the spring. More info on that when we have it.

We also will be looking at tuck-pointing other areas of the bell tower, as the bricks at the top are eroding (some was tuck-pointed a few years ago, but there are new areas that need to be fixed). Also, we will need to have portions of the north- and east-facing walls of the

## MINISTER'S MESSAGE

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in terms of health. What do we want it to look like? What do we really desire it to become? What is actually a realistic possibility?

Another area that humanity is looking at right now—which really flared up during the pandemic, but also became greatly inflamed in the last four years in our nation—is the topic of race relations. There is no question as to whether or not there is structural racism in our country and world. It is certainly very much alive. Just as soon as we might think we have made a milestone change to overcome racism, somewhere in the news we learn about racial injustices happening, simply based off one person or group believing they are better than another person or group based off their skin color. Yet it goes beyond just race. People are still widely discriminated against because of their sexuality, gender, gender identity, nationality, physical and mental challenges, or whatever else makes that person or group not the ‘norm’.

Racial injustice has been with us as far back as anyone can remember. Humans have always divided themselves from one another, distancing others from different areas and cultures. Today, in our nation, racism is as ignorant as someone disliking someone because ‘that person is not the same color as me’. People then justify their bigotry by embracing that they have all these preconceived passed-on beliefs about ‘those’ people, and they are going to treat them in a way that will undermine and hurt them...maybe for their own benefit...or maybe just to spite them.

Another area that humanity is looking at right now is systemic poverty. We have had an imbalance of wealth and power throughout humanity's existence. We perpetuate it from one generation to the next. In such, injustice and inequality continues to prevail.

Is this how we want our world to be? Is this what we want to pass on

to our future generations? Do we not have a better vision of a transformed world? Are we not willing to figure out the transitional steps to get us there?

The Presbyterian Church (USA) has said that there has been enough injustice. They are calling all Presbyterians and all of humanity to work together to end the injustices of the world. A few years ago, at the General Assembly, they called for a new movement, which is called *Matthew 25*, to address three issues: 1) congregational vitality; 2) dismantling structural racism; and 3) eradicating systemic poverty.

You may ask, why focus on congregational vitality when racism and poverty seem to be so much more important of an issue to address? The reason is that we need to work together as a community in order to make the necessary transitions in order to reach the desired transformations.

Unfortunately, in our country ever increasing numbers of churches of all denominations are finding themselves sick, dying or on hospice. There were too many years where the church only focused on their own membership, instead of following Christ out into the world to help bring love and healing to those in need. Churches lost track of what it meant to follow Christ and to be his disciples. Churches forgot that loving our neighbor as our self included people outside of our church walls and not just the people in the pew next to us.

Churches believed that a ‘vital church’ was measured by worship attendance, membership rolls, and the annual budget (none of which Jesus ever talked about). But today, a vital church is measured by how they are serving Christ by serving others (both within the congregation and those out in the world). If a church is going to have vitality, they need to be vital to others. So, if a church and The Church are to play a vital role with racism and poverty, then the people individually and collectively need to do whatever they can to turn this vision into reality through action. If not, churches will

close, and poverty, racism and all the other evil-filled ‘isms’ will perpetually grow and the darkness that is in this world will grow stronger.

Our presbytery is committed to making a positive change for our area and world. This past June, our congregation committed itself to become a Mathew 25 church. Twice per month, there is an opportunity for our members to join a roundtable discussion via Zoom (you can call-in if need be) to discuss these issues. (See page 7 for more info on that.) This is also a time for our congregation to contemplate our own vitality and how we can reach out to help meet the needs of our community and world, both during these pandemic times, and also when we move on to post-pandemic times.

As we go into the new year, and look at ‘better times ahead’, we need to realize that waiting for the ‘better times’ to magically appear is not the right approach. If we want to make this community and world a better place, then we need to actually do something to bring that to fruition. I, therefore, ask that you sincerely contemplate the state of our church, community and world; and what visions you have for our world. Together, we can work to make a difference.

In our life together, we are called to serve Christ with every ounce of energy we have. We are called to be the change agents of this world. We have the Word of God speaking to us so we can understand what we need to do. We need to pray, listen and discern. We have been given us the Holy Spirit to turn ideas into actions. We have to be open to allowing the Spirit to move us, no matter how uncomfortable and overwhelming it may seem. We have been given a blank slate of God's new creation to transform this world into where the light constantly overcomes the darkness. God has given us everything we need. We just have to do it. And we *can* do it...together.

Grace and Peace,  
Happy New Year,  
Mike

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### *Odell Public Library Services*

The library is open by appointment with limited hours on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Call to set up an appointment: 772-7323. Curbside services are also available. Odell staff members host a Facebook Live Story Time each Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. See the website for more information: <http://odellpubliclibrary.com>

### *Whiteside Forum*

As a preliminary venture into Zoom meetings, the Whiteside Forum will host Mike Challand, the former site superintendent of Morrison Rockwood State Park and current Regional Land Manager for Region 1, to talk about Morrison Rockwood in particular and the Illinois State Park system in general. The event will take place on Thursday, January 28, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Contact Marc Adami at 772-4949 or [marcadami53@gmail.com](mailto:marcadami53@gmail.com).

## The Christian Year

Courtesy of the Presbyterian Mission Agency: [www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/christianyear/](http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/christianyear/)

### *Prayer for Epiphany—January 6*

God of endless light, you sent a star—  
 rising from darkness,  
 guiding seekers and sages,  
 overwhelming us with joy.  
 Let the splendor of your dawning light  
 grow in us and in all the world  
 until the whole creation shines with your glory;  
 through Jesus Christ our light.

### *Baptism of the Lord—January 10*

At the beginning of his public ministry, Jesus presents himself to John to be baptized in the Jordan. The heavens open, the Holy Spirit descends as a dove and we hear the voice of God: “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased” (see Psalm 2:7).

At this festival of the Christian year, we not only remember Jesus’ baptism, but we celebrate our own: the baptism we share with Christ. Accordingly, this Sunday is an appropriate time to celebrate the sacrament of baptism or the reaffirmation of the baptismal covenant. It also foreshadows the season of Lent, as Jesus was immediately driven into the wilderness for 40 days after his own Baptism.

## LOCAL AND OTHER RESOURCES

**Golden Meals:** Call 815 626-4442 (Monday-Thursday, 7:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.) Hot meals delivered Monday-Thursday. (With frozen/sack meals for weekends.)

**United Way:** Will deliver groceries and restaurant orders. Call 815 441-7456.

**Morrison Food Pantry:** Open Thursday mornings, 7:30-9:30 a.m., for curbside pick-up of food and dry goods.

**Sauk Valley Food Bank:** Offers drive-up “pantry day giveaways” on some Saturdays where food is provided to residents of the Sauk Valley area. Call 815-626-4556 for details.

**Sullivan’s Foods:** Tuesday and Thursdays 7-8:00 a.m. shopping is reserved for senior citizens and at-risk individuals. The Morrison location has also begun online grocery ordering for curbside pick-up or delivery. Call 772-4696 or see <https://www.sullivansfoods.net/>

**Dollar General:** Shopping reserved for seniors during the first hour of business each day, 8-9:00 a.m.

**Local Restaurants:** Some are offering pick-up, curb-side pick-up and delivery. Call for details.

**City News:** Keep up on local news at our city’s Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/thecityofmorrison>

**Morrison Hospital:** The hospital’s Facebook page provides information on new check-in procedures and other updates: <https://www.facebook.com/MorrisonCommunityHospital>

**Whiteside County Senior Center:** The Center is not open for walk-ins or events but some services are being provided by phone. Call 815-622-9230 and see their Facebook page or website: <https://www.wc-seniorcenter.org>.

**PC(USA):** The PC(USA) COVID-19 dedicated webpage adds new information and resources regularly in many areas: <https://www.pcusa.org/covid19/>.

# January



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 2nd Sunday of Christmas 10:15AM Live Stream Worship Service, Facebook group page	4 7PM Zoom Sunday School Committee Mtg.	5 9:30AM Bible Study on Zoom	6 Epiphany of the Lord 	7 11AM Morrison Ministers' Council Meeting	1 New Year's Day	2
10 Baptism of the Lord 10:15AM Live Stream Worship Service, Facebook group page	11	12 9:30AM Bible Study on Zoom	13	14 11AM Finance Team Meeting, Zoom 5-6PM Free Community Drive-up Meal	8	9
17 2nd Sunday after Epiphany 10:15AM Live Stream Worship Service, Facebook group page 10:45AM Annual Congregational Meeting by Zoom	18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day 10AM Deacons Meeting by phone 6:30PM Session Meeting By Zoom	19 9:30AM Bible Study on Zoom	20	21	22	23
24 3rd Sunday after Epiphany 10:15AM Live Stream Worship Service, Facebook group page	25 Newsletter deadline	26	27	28	29	30
31 4th Sunday after Epiphany 10:15AM Live Stream Worship Service, Facebook group page	FEB 1	FEB 2 9:30AM Bible Study on Zoom	FEB 3	FEB 4	FEB 5	FEB 6

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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church tuck-pointed, as we did not have that done when we had the west - and south-facing walls repaired a few years ago (that ended up costing much more than was expected, so we pushed pause on the other non-essential repairs). The final bell tower need is to better insulate the doors, as they have huge gaps that let in wind and cold air all winter long (and heat in the summer).

We are waiting to hear from BPI with a plan for better ventilating our church. When we return for worship and activities in the dining room, we want to have better circulation and air purification to ensure that the air you are breathing is as germ-free as possible. We are also waiting for estimates to extend the central AC from the fellowship room into the offices (which would also provide purified air for the offices). Further, we are inquiring for a quote to run new water lines to possibly the kitchen, kitchenette and day care. We have had lead in our water, and our pipes are contaminated. Further, there is much lime build up that is shortening the life of our faucets and dishwasher. We are filtering the drinking water faucets in the kitchen, kitchenette and daycare so that the lead is not entering the drinking water. For the last 1+ year, we have had a new water softener installed that we are leasing (and professionally maintained). So, the water going into our pipes is clean. But the pipes are making the water impure.

### Picnic Shelter Team

For the last few years, we have been having conversations about building a picnic shelter in our yard.



However, we need leadership and a team to oversee this project. No one on the Session has been willing to take up this project. So, the Session is asking if there is anyone in the congregation who would like to a.)

oversee this project; and b.) be on a team to help with this project. We could have a picnic shelter in place by this summer, but we need folks to help make it happen. Please talk with Pastor Mike if you would like to help.

### Congregational Meeting

The annual Congregational Meeting was held on December 13 by Zoom. The 2021 budget was approved. Contact the office for a copy if you did not receive one. Leaders were also elected/re-elected to Session. The current list of leadership is on the back page of this newsletter.

### Annual Reports

Session members and others, please provide the office with annual reports as soon as possible.

### 2021 Drive Up Meals

Drive up meals are planned through March of 2021: Jan. 14—soup; Feb. 11—stew; Mar. 11—St. Patrick's Day Meal. Weather and the pandemic situation at the time will determine if they will be held. The FPC website will be updated accordingly.

### Office Hours Vary

There are no set office hours at this time due to Jean Eggemeyer and Pastor Mike accommodating online/hybrid/varying school hours for their children and other responsibilities. This has been approved by the Session. Please e-mail [firstpresmorrison@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresmorrison@gmail.com) if you have a need, or call 772-3510 and leave a voicemail. Mike or Jean will return your call.

### Presbytery News

If you would like to receive regular emails from Blackhawk Presbytery, please email staff assistant Loreen Stravers at [loreen@blackhawkpresbytery.org](mailto:loreen@blackhawkpresbytery.org) and ask to be added to the presbytery's email list. There are three main mailings:

1. *Blackhawk Connections*: this is a regular email that goes out with

loads of information about what's going on in our Presbytery and the denomination.

2. *COVID-19 Taskforce Updates*: Our presbytery's own COVID-19 taskforce sends out an e-mail twice per month to keep congregations aware of what the congregations in our presbytery are doing, updates on current regulations, and ideas for our churches to contemplate at these times to serve Christ the best we can.

3. *Matthew 25*: Mike spearheaded this new committee for the Presbytery to look at how we can enable our congregations to best address the areas of building congregational vitality, dismantling structural racism, and eradicating systemic poverty.

There are also opportunities twice per month to join in with others from our presbytery for roundtable discussion on these topics via Zoom meetings. The meetings are held the first and third Thursday of each month, with a rotation of each topic. There are two time slots each of those Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

More information can also be found at [www.blackhawkpresbytery.org](http://www.blackhawkpresbytery.org) and [www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25](http://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25).

### Presbytery Meeting

The next Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of Blackhawk will be on February 9, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom. Information to join the meeting will be shared with those who receive *Blackhawk Connections* or contact the Presbytery office.

### Giving Statements

Contribution Statements for 2020 will be mailed by the end of January. If you do not receive one, please contact Jean in the office.

### Helping Hands Thanks

Thank you to those who purchased gifts to bless a family in need this past Christmas! ■

# Leadership and Staff

**Session Elders/  
Board of Trustees/  
Personnel Committee/  
Safety Team/  
Stewardship Team**

Rick Barr '21\*  
Jim Palmer '21  
Angela Reamer '21  
Lexie Laughlin '22  
Scott Vandermyde '22  
Carol Wolf '23  
Lynn Knox '23\*  
Tim Reynolds '23\*  
Jan Kelly, Clerk

**Deacons**

June Cortes '21\*  
Jan Kelly '21  
Greg Kruse '21  
Marian Osborn '21\*  
Mavis Best '22  
Jane James '22\*  
Doris Robertson '23\*

**Nominating Committee**  
TBD

**PW Coordinating Team**

Lynn Knox, Moderator  
Jane James, Secretary  
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Treasurer

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Stephany Trossbach,  
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Lynn Knox, Angela Reamer,  
Scott Vandermyde, Jean  
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Jean Eggemeyer, Office Mngr.  
Scott Vandermyde, Organist  
Greg Kruse, Jenn Reynolds,  
Susan Wiersema,  
Custodial/Maintenance  
Crew

*\*Elders and Deacons in their  
second consecutive term*

## For January...

### Birthdays

Jace Velasco	1/03
Stephany Trossbach	1/09
Greg Kruse	1/10
Marian Osborn	1/15
Leah Huizenga	1/19
Kelly Vegter	1/22
Mitch Dolieslager	1/27
Shirley Thompson	1/28

### Anniversary

Clay & Alyssa Sibley 1/14



## Sunday School Update

The Sunday School Committee will offer one Zoom class per month on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 11:15 a.m. E-mails will be sent out and posted on the church Facebook pages. The January 10 class will include a short lesson on Baptism in honor of Baptism of the Lord Sunday, as well as updates on missions and an activity. If you as a parent or guardian have any questions or input about Sunday School, please contact Kellie Kohl at [kohl68@yahoo.com](mailto:kohl68@yahoo.com) or 815-772-4174.

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Please Recycle

### Upcoming 2021 Free Community Meals

**5-6PM or until food runs out**

Jan. 14: Hamburger Vegetable Soup

Feb. 11: Winter Stew

Mar. 11: St. Patty's Corned Beef Meal