

# THE BLADE

June/July 2018

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life." **John 3:16 NRSV**

**Vacation Bible School starts this month & could still use volunteers! Check out the information below and sign up in the Narthex! Bible School starts June 4.**



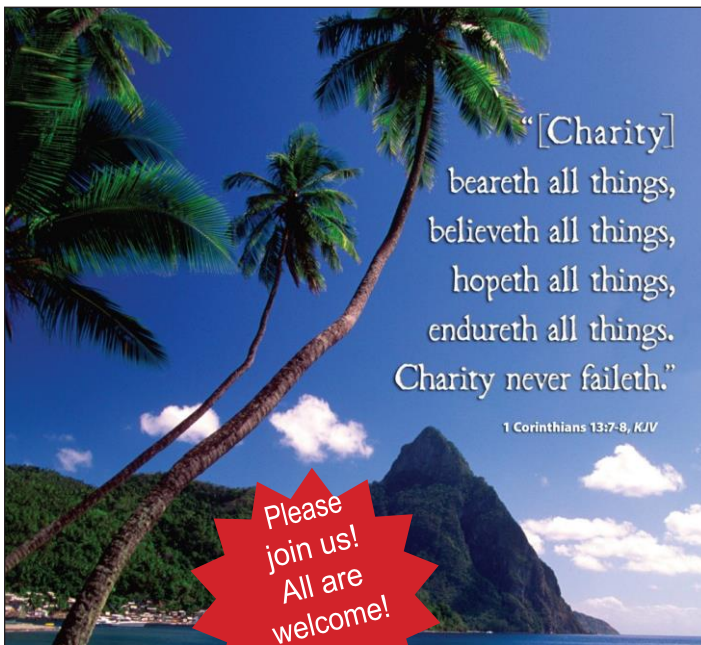
- **Worship moves to the summer schedule June 3, and begins at 9:30 am.**
- The Congregation can participate in a summer reading challenge for the book of **Romans**.
- Each week the Congregation will learn a memory verse from the summer reading.
- Thank you to all of those who participated and supported the Pentecost service and lunch!

## FPC featured in historic church tour

As a part of its 100th Anniversary, St. Paul's Episcopal Church is coordinating tours of three local historic churches and First Presbyterian is one of those selected.

The church will be toured at 12:45 pm on June 17. St. Paul's and First United Methodist Church will also be featured.

A public reception will be held at St. Paul's at 2 with a program including historic highlights and personal memories, will begin at 3 pm.



"[Charity] beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth."

1 Corinthians 13:7-8, KJV

Please join us!  
All are welcome!

Gospel Lights  
**SON TREASURE ISLAND VBS**

**June 4**  
**June 12**  
**June 20**  
**June 28**  
**5:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

**Crafts, games, music, Bible stories and meal provided.**

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### Regular Sunday Schedule

**September - May**

9:00 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship Service  
11:30 am Coffee Fellowship

Lords Supper first Sunday each month

### Summer Sunday Schedule

**June-August**

9:30 am Worship Service  
Nursery care is available on first floor during Sunday School and Worship

### Pastor's Office Hours

**Tuesday - Thursday**

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

**Friday**

9:00 am-12:00 pm

# June & July @ FPC



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*Our vision is to see lives changed through joyful worship, supportive relationships, faith formation, and heartfelt service empowered by the mercy, grace, and love of Jesus Christ.*

## Prayer Families

Prayer is an important part of our life as a community of faith. We encourage you to pray for the people listed each week during your time of daily prayer. The families and individuals are selected at random.

**June 3:** Helen Peterson, Dan & Michele Kemp, Andrew & Beth LAmour

**June 10:** Gary & Pam Larson, Jean Longieliere, Martin & Sally Maca

**June 17:** Tom & Jeanne Manzer, Maria Mason

**June 24:** Betty Berg, Michael & Judy McCann, Heidi Miller

**July 1:** Dan, Carolyn Moerke & family, Marlys Moore, Rollo Nussbaum

**July 8:** Jessica Peterson, Harold & Marge Poppen

**July 15:** Jim Jones, Delores Koepsell, Rose Potthast

**July 22:** Lynn & Diane Riedesel, Karie Rottluff & family

**July 29:** Aaron & Christine Scheer & family, Arend & Susan Schuurman & family, Stan & Julie Scubelek & family

## Board of Deacons

The Deacons are involved in many caring ministries at First Presbyterian, from visiting the homebound and sending cards to members to providing rides to church and coordinating serving 60+ Dining.

Contact one of these Deacons if you are in need of assistance. Ella Lane, Bonnie Foster, Bonnie Salonen, Bob Bartling, Robby Flint, and Nancy Thompson.



If you would like our team of prayer volunteers to pray for you or a loved one, please contact any of the prayer chain volunteers: Bob & Jan Jones, Dolores Canaday, Lee Peterson, Harold & Marge Poppen, Linda Barnett, Susan Smith, Judy Smith, Robby & Donna Flint, Bonnie Foster, and Pastor Nina Westfall. If you would like to become a part of this prayer team contact Jan Jones.



# A visit to Nepal

It is surprising how God's work goes on in all places of the world. God's work never stops, Nepal, USA or any other place.



The Presbyterian Church is Growing.



An awards ceremony.



Visiting again the English Language Center to teach English.



One Presbyterian pastor to another from across the ocean. A gift from First Presbyterian congregation to the congregation in Nepal.

## Back in the United States



In Sioux Falls, Presbytery of South Dakota, attending "Coaching Skills 1."

# Men's Brotherhood Update

By Andrew L'Amour · June/July 2018

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**Scripture Reading:** 1 John 4:7-8 Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.

**Quote:** We must discover the power of love, the power, the redemptive power of love. And when we discover that we will be able to make of this old world a new world. We will be able to make men better. Love is the only way. - Martin Luther King, Jr.

**Men's Brotherhood Notes:** Men's Brotherhood met May 17 for a meal and program. We had a really nice turn out this month. We had a great meal by Mike and others who helped. The program was presented by Christine Krogmann from the Department of Social Services. She talked about the Foster Care Program. It was a very interesting program. We are planning on serving pork loin sandwiches on May 20, Pentecost Sunday. Our next regular meeting is June 21. Let's try to get some more folks to it! We will likely be grilling out.

**Prayer Concerns:** Pray for anyone who is a home-bound and unable to get out much.

**Action:** Visit, call or drop a line to those who are unable to get out. Love one another.

The following are some of the remarks from my testimony on Pentecost. Part of my remarks included a little about the early religious influences in my life: Roman Catholic upbringing, then a member of a fundamentalist Christian church and finally the support I have received here at First Presbyterian Church. Here is the text from that testimony:

"God loves us and never abandons us. Never. No matter how dark and dreary the future may seem. He always walks beside us and sometimes He carries us when we can no longer walk. God wants close relationships, with Him and with each other. Whether I stayed in the Catholic Church or the Fundamentalist church, God would still be with me as He is with all of us.

The Triune God is love: Father, Son and Holy Spirit sharing in a deep giving, loving relationship with one another. All creation began from this feast of love and through and by the Holy Spirit, man was created and is sustained. We are products of this Triune love and this Triune love is in all of us. The Spirit keeps it all together. To acknowledge, nurture and tap into the Spirit of love

within our human selves is what Jesus came to show us how to do. When we reach out and connect with others we become a new triad with God, ourselves and others. I believe this is the prime reason Jesus came - to show us how to live with each other as humans and to build and strengthen relationships with God and with others. On this, all of the law and prophets hang.

The Bible is the living word of God, which in reading or studying, helps us forge a closer relationship with God. Like an on-going conversation with a friend, it is not an end, but a beginning.

This is my testimony: I am trying to live by the Spirit of the Love of God, that has been in me, from the beginning of my creation. God's Spirit of Love is in all of us - always - from our very beginning. I have selfishly separated myself from God at times over the years, but I continue to seek how I can draw closer to Him and better understand His will in my life, how to achieve it and how to best share it with others. I believe we need to acknowledge God's Spirit of love that is in us and embrace it.

He loves always and forgives continually. He made us and knows our frailties and knows we need to understand and practice forgiveness. The worst sin is separating ourselves from God. That is the sin that cannot be forgiven - when we choose to separate ourselves from God. Only we can separate ourselves from God; God won't ever, ever leave us. Stay close to God no matter how dark the future might seem to be. Amen."

# HY VEE

## RECEIPTS

Remember to Bring in Your  
Hy-Vee Receipts

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE!

Goal: \$150,000.00

Received to Date: \$81,698.44

Needed: \$68,301.56





Richard Canaday was presented the Senior Presbyterian Award for his many years of service by Pastor Nina L. Westfall on May 20 during the Pentecost Service. Four of his five children attended.

## 2018 Senior Presbyterian, Richard Canaday

Richard Canaday has spent a lifetime serving his church and communities as an elder, deacon, trustee, Men's Brotherhood member, general volunteer and short-wave Amateur (Ham) radio operator.

Canaday was born in 1932 in Page, Nebraska. His dad farmed until the Great Depression made that difficult. He sold the family farm and moved the family to a small town called Richland near Columbus, Nebraska. Richard went to school in Columbus, graduating from high school in 1950.

After he quit farming, Canaday's father turned to blacksmithing and then worked in the implement business until he bought another farm by Holland, Minnesota, in the more profitable 1950s. Canaday stayed with the family, driving back and forth to Columbus for a year. He then went to enlist in the Navy but when he didn't pass the physical, went to work for the Red Owl grocery stores. This began a lifelong career in the grocery business.

He transferred to Brookings briefly and then to Spirit Lake where he met his future wife, Dolores. They met on a double date and married in 1955. The couple lived in Spirit Lake more than a year. They welcomed their first child David there before transferring to Sioux City where daughter Julie was born. They then moved again to Madison, South Dakota, and had another baby, Patty. The two spent between four and five years in each spot, all in Red Owl

stores. A new store was built in Brookings at the site of the Goodwill store and Richard was transferred again.

Dolores jokingly says at that point they wanted to quit having babies, but they had two more anyway - Cara and Susan.

Canaday left Red Owl and went to work for Spies Super Valu Brookings which was one of the first modern supermarkets in South Dakota and County Market Brookings. He worked there until the owner's 10 stores were sold. Richard made a career change at that point to the Coast to Coast Warehouse, where he stayed for 11 years. He retired but worked at Wal-Mart for eight more years.

"Here I am, retired again," he said. Canaday has yet to retire from church work.

The first duty he lists is a "volunteer when Dolores needed help." He lets her sign up to chair committees like the Board of Deacons while he assists from the background. "I just wait around for her to do it," he said.

Through the years he has had his share of the limelight serving as an elder, deacon, trustee, usher, greeter, and member of Men's Brotherhood. Now he says he's just a member and helps whenever he can.

Richard's mother was a Presbyterian, but he didn't go to church much.

"Until I got a hold of him," Dolores said. "If he wanted Sunday dinner at my mother's, he had to come up to go to

church (with me.)"

The two have been married 63 years and in addition to their five children, have seven grandchildren and one great-grandson. David lives in Brookings. Julie lives in Columbus, Nebraska, and recently went on a mission trip to Africa. Patty lives on an acreage in Canton and works in Sioux Falls. Her sister Susan also works in Sioux Falls but lives in Tea. Daughter Cara lives in Nashville.

Along with his church work, he's also served as a Jaycees Club president in Brookings and Madison. He's a 35-year member of the Lions Club.

He's also survived cancer and a horrible wreck that totaled his car but didn't leave a scratch on him.

One of his major interests is short-wave Amateur (Ham) radio which is evident when touring his broadcasting room (shack) He is a member of the Brookings Radio Research Club, teaches the skill to Boy Scouts and community members. He's responsible for helping fellow church members Dave Peterson and Bob Jones get involved in Amateur (Ham) Radio.

He started the hobby in 1995. He said he's always been interested in short-wave radio but didn't get around to getting a license until then. Canaday said he's talked to people in all 50 states and 150 countries.

Dolores takes calls from people who want her to "tell Richard to get on the radio so they can talk."

# June 2018

**Ushers**  
Andrew L'Amour  
Richard & Donna  
Wilson  
Jeanne Manzer

**Sound Person**  
Dave Peterson

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday						
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3 9:30 Worship Greeters: Dick & Judy Smith 6:00 Game Night	4 5:30-7:30 VBS 7:00 Building/Grounds Mtg 7:00 Boy Scouts	5 9:30 Coffee 6:30 Mission/Finance Mtg.	6 Birthday: Alan Young	7 9:30 Bible Study 5:15 Deacons Mtg. 6:30 Committees Mtg. Birthday: Dolores Canaday Anniversary: Dan & Michelle Kemp	8 9:30 Bible Study	9 Wedding Shower for Jennifer Flint						
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17 <b>Father's Day</b> 9:30 Worship Greeters: Marlys Kelsey	18 7:00 Boy Scouts Birthday: Bonnie Salonen	19 9:30 Coffee Birthday: Lynn Foster Nelda Holden	20 5:30-7:30 VBS Birthday: Dave Barkus	21 9:30 Bible Study 5:30 Men's Brotherhood Birthday: Dennis Johnson	22 Birthday: Lindy Wickstrom Anniversary Alan & Susan Young	23						
24 9:30 Worship Greeters: Ella Lane 6:00 Small Group Bible Study Anniversary: Dennis & Vivian Langland	25 7:00 Boy Scouts Birthday: Lucy Barkus	26 9:30 Coffee Birthday: Dylan Scubelek Anniversary: Richard & Dolores Canaday	27 Birthday: Betsy Berg	28 9:30 Bible Study 5:30-7:30 VBS	29 11:30 Lunch Bunch Presbytery Meeting Birthday: Judy McCann	30 Presbytery Meeting Anniversary: Dennis Hopfinger & Carolyn Clague						
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Terry Spitzenberger  
Robby Flint  
Elizabeth Fox

Sound Person

Bruce Westergaard

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1 9:30 Worship 6:00 Game Night Birthday: Richard Canaday Anniv. Richard/Bonnie Salonen	2 7:00 Building/Grounds Mtg 7:00 Boy Scouts BD: Noah Schuurman	3 9:30 Coffee 6:30 Mission/Finance Mtg.	4 Independence Day Office Closed	5 9:30 Bible Study No Deacons Mtg 6:30 Committees Mtg	6	7 Birthday: Jessica Peterson Kelly Watson
8 9:30 Worship 10:30 Worship Committee	9 7:00 Boy Scouts	10 9:30 Coffee	11 Birthday: Skip Webster	12 9:30 Bible Study 7:00 Session Mtg. Birthday: Dan Kemp Alvera Wickstrom	13	14 Anniversary: Gary & Pam Larson
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