ROBINSON FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH • JUNE 2019



Listening to God's Heart from the heart of the city.

KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE BALL!

From the Pastor's Desk

We're in the midst of ball season, aren't we? If you have kids, many of them are probably playing t-ball, or pee-wee, or Little league. Others of you have kids on a traveling ball team. And, of course, there's always the Cubs-Cardinals rivalry. Now I must admit, I'm not much of a baseball fan - the game moves much too slow for me. I have, however, watched enough and played enough baseball over the years to have a decent idea of what I'm doing, and what's going on when I watch. Here's what I know: it's never a good thing when someone drops the ball. It doesn't matter the reason - the sun got in my eyes, or another player called for it, but I got in the way - it ends up being an error. We have to have an awareness of what's happening around us, keep our eye on the ball, and make sure we don't drop it.

Too often in churches, we take our eye off the ball in the summer. We're out of a routine because of summer vacations and the lack of structure we find in our school-year schedules. Many of the church's ministries are school-year focused, like Kids' Club, Refresh, and a lot of Bible studies. Still, we can't take our eye off the ball this summer; we must stay focused on our mission making disciples of Jesus Christ and sharing the love of God in word and deed. We must stay focused on carrying out ministry over the summer - because the church's ministry continues year-round - so we can't take our eyes off the ball for a second.

As you read this edition of *The Herald*, I hope you'll discover that there are many ministries happening throughout the summer. Please do your part to make sure that we keep our eye on the ball, and participate as you feel God's Spirit leading you! I hope to see you at many of these opportunities!

Grace and Peace,

Jay Keynnetter

Pastor Jay

Student Ministry

Never fear! There's something for students this summer! Our senior high students will gather on Mondays in June (and perhaps longer, depending on participation) for ice cream and Bible study at the church. Join us on June 3 at 7:00 pm for our first gathering!

Students will be hosting the June 2nd Wednesday Dinner. Nina will meet students and parents at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, June 11 for food preparation, and again at 4:00 pm on Wednesday, June 12. Please plan to bring a dessert to share.

Students will also be selling mission trip stock, beginning June 9. For \$25 per share, you'll get the opportunity to receive a video highlighting this summer's mission trip (August 3-10).

Ron and Becky Veenstra will host the students at a pre-mission trip event on Friday, August 2, beginning at 4:30 pm. More information will be coming later, but please make sure to put these dates on your calendars!

2nd Wednesday Dinner

Join the student ministry for some great food and fellowship on June 12 at 5:30 pm. They will be preparing a variety of casseroles, salad, and dessert for a freewill donation. Support our students and chaperones as they prepare to go out in mission on your behalf!

After the dinner, at dusk, you're invited to join us for a family movie night on the lawn. Our movie celebrates the return of everyone's favorite nanny! Popcorn and drinks will be provided. Invite someone to join you for this family-friendly time of fellowship.

Drayer Class

Lori Treadway wants to invite you to join her for a prayer class on Mondays at 7:00 pm. The group will be studying Unbinding Your Heart by Martha Grace Reese. You can order a copy from Amazon.com for \$12.96. The class will meet on June 3-July 8. Please email Lori at Itreadway@robinsonschools.com if

you have questions.

Summer of Seuss

It's the Summer of Seuss here at First UMC! Our 2nd Annual Music and Arts Camp is scheduled for July 8-12 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. Students who have completed Kindergarten through 5th grade are welcome to sign up on our website, <u>www.robinsonfumc.org</u>. Each day will include crafts, music, recreation, chapel, mission, and brain benders, along with snacks and lunch!

We also need your help! Pre-registration is telling us that we will have a LOT of kids in the building this week. We need people to help lead recreation, people to assist with chapel, recreation, art, brain benders/ games, and missions, as well as be shepherds for each age group. Please sign up at the welcome center, and help us keep this major ball in the air this summer!

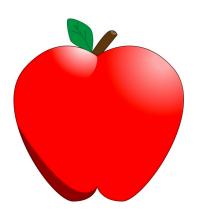


NOW Brogram

Summer lunches started last week! We're serving at Washington and City Parks on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. We need lots of people helping throughout the summer. You can sign up here: <u>https://tinyurl.com/</u> <u>yy75v7ly</u>

You can also contact the church office, and Kirbie will sign you up!

Our June "Just One" item is a 10-pack of Crayola markers. We'd like to try to offer every child the same item, so please try to get regular-width Crayola markers. You can place your donations in the "Just One" bin outside the church office.





Movie Nights

Come join us on the lawn for fun fellowship and fresh popcorn. Movie nights are coming on the 2nd Wednesday of June, July, and August. Bring a lawn chair and settle in for a family friendly film that will be great for all ages. Movies will begin at dusk. Drinks and popcorn will be provided by the Outreach Committee.

June Birthdays

- 6/1 Peggy Dart
- 6/2 Debbie Goff
- 6/3 Jon Anderson
- 6/5 Sharon Miller
- 6/10 Brennan Tracy
- 6/15 Larry Bonnell
- 6/16 Susan Neely, Shirley Treadway, Pam Bell
- 6/17 Janis Daugherty,
- 6/20 Don Taylor, Tyler Veenstra, Lillie McDonald
- 6/21 Steve Diel, Dan Fearday, Benjamin Hays
- 6/23 Alice Taylor, Guy Treadway, Alice Holtzhouser, Rose Ellen Osborne
- 6/25 David McGahey, Kay Bonnell
- 6/28 Matthew Elliott
- 6/29 Edna Frakes

June Anniversaries

- 6/3 Tricia & Jay Anderson, Allison & Rusty Reinoehl
 6/6 Gary & Linda Null
 6/13 Greg & Janis Daugherty
 6/15 Greg & Jackie Still Rev. Louis & Dorothy Youngs
 6/20 Chris & Emily Midgett
 6/21 Kirbie & Ben Ackman
 6/27 Bob & Antje Pippin
- 6/28 Leonard & Debbie Goff

Brayer Requests

John, Jeremy, and Greg Markello; Carol Wolf; Carl and Helen Blanton; Michael Brady; Patty Steele; Cathy Thomas: Judson Richardson: Jennifer Newlin; Jennifer Null; Julie Zhang; Bill Thompson; Michael Keene; John Larrabee; Nicole Young: Evan Prahl; Margie Moore McNamara; Richard Youngs; Kay Young, Joan Fulling, Nancy & Charlie Young; Tim Roth; Fred White; Vonnetta Shipman; Becky Goodwin; Caius Bell; Ray & Nelda Dotson; Kim Collins; Claudette Mejean; Ava Seaney; Demmie Long; Jaycie Hoagland; Emma Bodine; Charles Hough; Charley Clark; Sheltyn James Henry; Coleen Roach; Layton Roy; Susan Rodgers; Norris Adams; Rick Pritchard; Carl Tarwater; Helen Larrabee; Diane Crampton; Jim Barnett; Chris Blair; Marilyn Boyd; Laurie Vaughn; John Poland; Bill Jones; McKee Family; McKenzie Fields; Larry & Kay Bonnell; Rhonda Murphy; Sherry Peterson; Wally Leggit; Joe Schmidlin; Grant Oxford; Vic Plumist

June 2019

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