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pastor's column



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

*“God is good all the time and
all the time God is good!”*

My favorite seasons are spring and summer. I love the subtle graduations of colors that appear in the grass, the trees and the flowers as the elements take them from youthful tenderness to maturity.

This is change; inevitable and constant change that God built into his creation. Nature constantly reminds us that we humans must adjust ourselves to the ever present changes in our lives.

Change has brought us together into a new relationship grounded in our mutual love of God.

I look forward to journeying with you as we worship, pray and grow in Christ.

I am available to share your joys, your concerns, and your outreach as we strive together to live the commandment to love our neighbors as ourselves. For the next few months I will look to you for guidance as I learn your ways of doing things.

I value our relationship. Your spiritual well being is important to me, so I will consult with you before making any changes to worship. We will both look to God for guidance in making disciples of all men.

Peace and Blessings!
Rev. Carolyn Jones

Editor's note: Howarth and Paint Creek congregations welcome Rev. Carolyn Jones to our pulpits. We look forward to developing a stronger relationship with God with your help.



An Ice Cream Social is planned at Howarth to enable everyone to spend some informal time with Rev. Jones. July 24, 1 – 2:30 pm.

Everyone welcome.

NEWSLETTER

ARTICLE DEADLINE:

September 18th.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Preparing and serving meals at the warming shelter. July 30th and Aug. 27th. Sign up sheets in the fellowship hall

Big thank you to everyone who helped with Pastor Tom and Lois's retirement party. They were very appreciative of all the work and love that was put into the evening.

BRYAN'S HOPE MEETINGS are held the 4th Thursday of each month at Howarth, 7 pm.

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PAINT CREEK NEWS:

The 2015 Audit for Paint Creek has been completed and sent to the District. Many thanks to Jan McCall for completing the audit. Cal



Birthdays & Anniversaries:

Shailla Herbert	July 1
Bill Szuch	July 10
Judy Mars	July 12
Heidi Paterson	July 13
Miki Knoche	July 16
Dave Bonten	July 16
Amanda McNerney	July 26
Gretchen Drader	July 27

Anniversaries

David & Clarke Bonten July 21

August

Treva Redman	Aug 3
Fred Rosvold	Aug 7
Rob Mair	Aug 11
Nancy Powell	Aug 12
Stanley Summers	Aug 23
Elizabeth Mulso	Aug 25
Tim Tapner	Aug 25
Becky Weger	Aug 26

Anniversaries

Shawn & Cindy Jacklin	Aug 14
Mike & Nancy Nawrocki	Aug 27

September

Benjamin Barkham	Sept 22
Michael Nawrocki	Sept 23

Anniversaries

Andy & Sandy Knaack	Sept 3
Tom & Pia Tucker	Sept 6
Steve & Gail Stoner	Sept 18



Jeff Meirow and Rob Mair for cleaning up the yard back of the church and spreading all the mulch. The area is looking much nicer.

Jeff Meirow and family for donating money to purchase mulch.

Suzy Kelly for all the hours she has spent shopping, organizing and preparing food for fellowship each Sunday.

The cooks and salad makers for all the food you prepare for fellowship. Your delicious treats make fellowship a success. Remember this summer is pot luck each week.

PERSONS OF FAITH

Tom and Pia Tucker

Tom Tucker was born in San Diego, California during World War II when his father was in the navy. After the war, the family moved to Tennessee where his father farmed. By the time Tom was due to start school, the Tuckers had moved to Flint. Tom was second in line of the 4 siblings. Today 2 of the 4 siblings remain.

His father was an insurance agent in Flint. Later worked at General Motors as a skilled tradesman. Tom's mother worked at Mott Community College as a cook.

Tom's went to school in Flint and then the Mt. Morris district where he graduated from high school. He went on to do apprenticeship

classes in the electrical-electronics areas at Mott and U of M. General Motors paid for 90% of his education which he has appreciated.

In 1998 Tom retired from General Motors allowing him to start his own businesses as an electrical contractor, builder and developer. He retired for the second time in 2012.

During Tom's first marriage, he had 2 daughters and a son. Nine years ago Tom married Pia. After many phone conversations, they met for the first time Bass Pro Shop and then out to dinner. Both of them were adventuresome as you'll soon see.

Tom enjoys hiking, backpacking, fishing, kayaking, hunting, horse-back riding, motorcycling, doing yard work and has played softball at O.P.C. Adventures Tom has been on include a cross country bike trip from Bar Harbor, Maine to the ocean side of Oregon for a total of 4,176.1 miles. He recently hiked for 2 month, 366 miles of the Appalachian trail. Other journeys have been exploring Isle Royale, motorcycling around Lake Superior and hiking the Alps. Locally Tom and Pia hike the trails around Goodison. This is how they discovered Paint Creek church.

What does Tom like about Paint Creek church? He enjoys the "concise message each week that you can take home with you and the friendly people."

His involvement at Paint Creek has been joining the choir where he sings bass to tenor. He has previous music experience playing the cello, steel guitar and singing in a quartet.

Tom's philosophy is "to make myself and others happy."

We are delighted Tom joined the church last year and lends his voice as a choir member each Sunday.

Pia Tucker

Pia Tucker, an only child, was born in Fuerth, Germany (a small town near Nuremberg). Her mother was a stay-at-home mom while her father did sales work. She lived in Germany until 1978. Pia immigrated to the U.S.A. with her husband who was returning home from military service. They lived in Minnesota for 5 years moving to Michigan in 1983. During this marriage she gave birth to Phillip who lives in this area and works in the computer science field.

Her schooling in Germany was studying an apprenticeship in dental hygiene at a college/technical school (the University of Erlangen) where she completed her studies in 3 years instead of 4. Her degree allowed her to work as a dental assistant and have a business degree. Pia now works at a Rochester dental office taking care of the business details such as insurance claims.

Pia met Tom on-line through match.com. Both love outdoor activities so they clicked immediately. On their second date, they hiked 13 miles.

Hobbies and special interests are: working in her garden, hiking, kayaking, most outdoor activities and enjoying wildlife in her backyard. She loves reading mystery novels, watching British television shows and listening to classical and jazz music. One goal Pia has is to learn to play the piano.

Traveling has taken Pia on many adventures. She traveled Europe extensively with her father and has

hiked the Alps. Her U.S. travel has included all regions of the states. Tom and Pia have hiked Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks. Riding behind Tom on his motorcycle, they circled Lake Superior. Hiking the trails in the Rochester-Lake Orion areas occur often as does visiting Bear Creek park.

Later this year the Tucker's will visit Germany to hike the Alps.

Pia enjoys Paint Creek church as it reminds her of her church in Germany. She states: "You get to know people in a small church." For fellowship Pia is known as the salad and deviled egg lady – favorites of the membership.

Bailey, a rescued Shepherd/Golden Lab also enjoys coming to church. He quietly lays under the pew near Fred's dog Wendy. He is a very loyal dog according to Pia. Tom and Pia have also rescued a cat.

Last November, Pia joined our Paint Creek family. We are blessed to have her as a member.

Missions

During July and August, donations will be collected for 2 of our 2016 pledged missions. They are Society of St Andrew and Heifer International. Both are worthwhile missions with a high rating.

July's mission is Society of St. Andrew. The organization's target amount is \$750,000.00. The main purpose is to feed hungry people throughout the U.S.A. There are 3 main programs: Potato Project, Gleaning Network and Harvest of Hope. People are invited to help glean fresh produce from the fields to feed the hungry.

Heifer Project will be our August mission. This organization would like to collect \$700,000.00. Our

church will be collecting funds to purchase chickens which will be given to families around the world as food or to make money by selling eggs. Funds earned by families help purchase clothing or pay to educate a child. Heifer's mission is to end hunger, poverty and care for the earth.

The membership is encouraged to give generously for these 2 missions so we can exceed our set goals.

Just a reminder that we are still collecting funds to purchase gas cards by filling the plastic gas can with change. The donations go to Love, Inc. in helping the less fortunate obtain gas for their cars which will help them get to job interviews and school.

Gail Stoner

THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

The Compassionate Friends was founded in 1969 by the Rev. Simon Stephen, an Anglican priest who worked with bereaved parents at a hospital in Coventry, England. In 1972, the first U.S. chapter was established in Florida.

Compassionate Friends provides a comforting network of support, friendship, and understanding for families who have experienced the death of a child at any age. It is a nonprofit, self-help organization. Troy Chapter 1911 meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month at St. Paul UMC, 620 Romeo St., Rochester 48307. (Lower Level).

<http://www.compassionatefriends.org>

Submitted by Cal Devitt

THE BIBLE IN 50 WORDS

God Made
Adam bit
Noah arked
Abraham split
Joseph ruled
Jacob fooled
Bush talked
Moses balked
Pharaoh plagued
People walked
Sea divided
Tables guided
Promise landed
Saul freaked
David peeked
Prophets warned
Jesus born
God walked
Love talked
Anger crucified
Hope died
Love rose
Spirit flamed
Word spread
God remained.

By Nancy Foley



HOWARTH NEWS:

Birthdays & Anniversaries:

July

Melissa Spencer	July 4
Amy Young	July 10
Scott Spencer	July 16
Clara Howden	July 26
Jon Barth	July 26
Ernie Young	July 28

Anniversaries

Bob & Marie Dillenbeck	July 4
Katie & Justin Nelson	July 4
Dick & Barb Hill	July 31

August

Erica Vangeisen	Aug 9
Ruth Ferrell	Aug 9
Megan Key	Aug 12
Scott Howden	Aug 14
Joe LaCourse	Aug 20
Isabella LaCourse	Aug 29
Leroy Thatcher	Aug 29

Anniversaries (none)

September

Paul Sandstrom	Sept 30
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Anniversaries

Dennis & Pamala Waite	Sept 8
Ernie & Amy Young	Sept 23
Eric & Cheryl Everhart	Sept 30

THANK YOU TO:

John, Ray & Rick for installing the air conditioner in the window in the kitchen.

Dennis Waite and Rick for mowing the church and parsonage lawns.

Ray, Rita, Tareena, Ruth and Sharon for painting the men's and women's restrooms. They look great!

All the helpers, Howarth and Paint Creek folks, who work so diligently at the dinners. Could not do it with out all of you!

MISSIONS:

Howarth is still collecting, used postage stamps, Campbell's Labels, fronts of greeting cards and eyeglasses/and cases.

Also, don't forget to bring in your quarters for the Love, INC. Laundry Mission. (If you need a container to collect your quarters in, see Sharon).

Money in the "gas can collected at coffee hour goes to Love, INC. to purchase gas cards.

HOWARTH UMW NEWS:

Our next dinner is July 27th, swiss steak. We will be setting up the tables, etc. on the 24th. All hands make quick work in doing this, so please help if you can.

Will need pies, homemade or store bought, whatever you can supply. Let me know what you would like to ring. Kitchen & dining room help needed along with help to clean up.

Marilyn Foster

July 27th: Swiss Steak
Aug. 24th Pot Roast
Sept. 28th: Swiss Steak
Oct. 26th: Pork
Nov. 12th: Turkey
Dinners served 4:30 – 7 pm

REMINDER:

There is a box in the narthex for items being donated to Love, Inc. Items needed, household items, bedding, dishes, pans, towels, just about anything you use in your own household. Clothing needed also (summer clothes only please)!

PERSON OF FAITH

Bette Wattles (Williams)

Bette was born in Detroit to Mr. & Mrs. H.G. McNamus. She earned a B.A. in History and a Masters in Education at Michigan State.

Bette has 3 sons, Ron – retired teacher, Keith – U.S. Navy retired-Police detective-later went into construction and David who owns and runs a print shop.

She was married to the late Harold Wattles 34 years (he died of heart attack). They had 3 sons, 6 grandchildren and now 4 great grandchildren.

Her second marriage, that lasted 3 years, was to the late Sam Williams. Sam passed away from cancer. From this marriage she acquired a great “second” family that are very good to her. This family consists of 6 children and lots of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Her travels have taken her to most of the United States, some of Europe, New Zealand and Australia.

Her hobbies and interests include: Helping out when and where she can. Taking care of family and friends and her dog CeCe. She enjoys camping.

Bette moved recently to the Herron Springs homes near Howarth. She has always been a Methodist. She began attending Howarth, saying that she likes the “nice folks” here. She has brought CeCe once to do a children’s story. The kids and adults enjoyed the visit with CeCe.

We are blessed to have Bette in our congregation, she is always willing to help do whatever needs to be done. Always ready to greet people as they come in and she lifts up many folks during our prayers and concerns.

(Be glad to see her return from her summer stay in Traverse City!)

LABOR DAY

SEPTEMBER 5

CROP WALK TOTALS FOR 2016

Howarth \$940

Paint Creek \$1,750

Great job everyone!

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