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Our JOYFUL Noise

The Monthly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church of Britton SD
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PULPIT SUPPLY FOR MAY:

Sunday, June 4th – Lance Griesse
Sunday, June 11th – Lance Griesse
Sunday, June 18th – Rosemary H
Sunday, June 25th – Rosemary H



It's pretty hard to believe that summer will be half over by the end of June, when it seems we have only just begun enjoying the warm weather – maybe too warm and dry – but it was a long time in coming. As young ones leave us for future plans, we make our summer plans for busy times to come. Enjoy the many blessings and the time we have so graciously been given.

--Jane

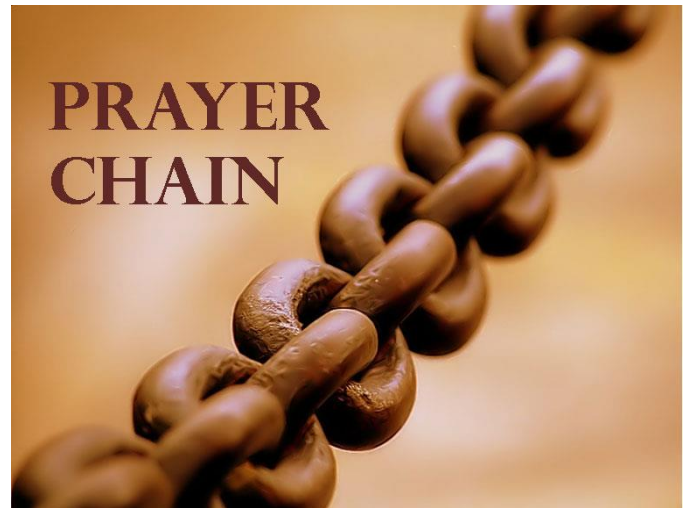


Session Notes:

The Session met on Wednesday, May 17th, at 7:00 p.m. with the following summary of the meeting:

1. Approved church renovations to the fellowship area and the sanctuary.
2. Approved a forum in our church June 6, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. to provide an opportunity for members to meet with the elders to discuss the possibility of a pastoral relationship with the Britton United Methodist Church.
3. Discussed making welcome baskets to include a church brochure for new families in the community.
4. The next communion is scheduled for October 1, 2023.
5. Session will meet June 20, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

--Lynn Eberhart



Prayer Chain

We are in the process of updating our prayer chain. If you are interested in being on the prayer chain, or would prefer to be taken off, please contact Sharon Tisher at 605.237.2264, or Jane Tyler at 605.470.0578.



RELAY WALKERS NEEDED

As part of the Session's out-reach efforts, we are hoping to form a team to participate in the Relay for Life. If you are interested in being involved, please contact Peggy Pearson at 605-380-3443 or peggylpearson@gmail.com.

Scripture Reading: Genesis 12:1-9

Reflect upon your present blessings — of which everyone has many — not on your past misfortunes, of which all people have some. —Charles Dickens

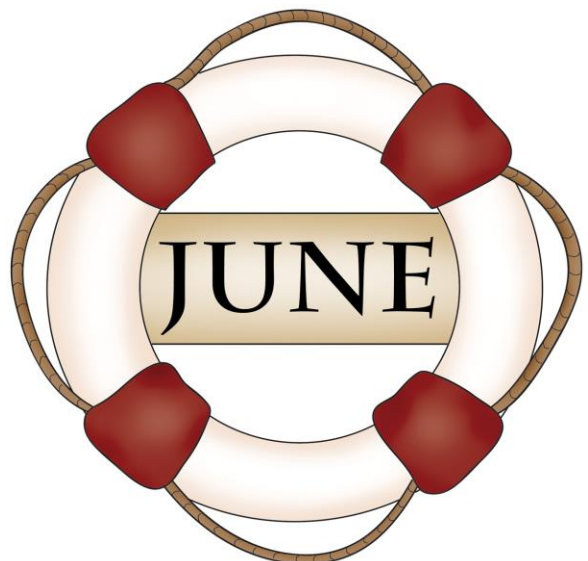
Old man Woodruff loved golf, but his age was making it increasingly difficult for him to play. He complained to the clubhouse pro about his poor eyesight. "I can't play with my glasses on because they keep falling off," he said. "And I'm way too nearsighted to play without them." "Why don't you play with Hughes?" the pro suggested. "Hughes?" Woodruff scoffed. "He's ninety-eight if he's a day, and without his walker, he barely addresses the ball without falling over." "True," said the pro, "he's a bit old, and his stance is a problem, but the good news is that he's farsighted." So the next day, Woodruff and Hughes played together. They got to the first hole, and Woodruff took out his driver. He addressed the ball, gave his club a few waggles and then took a tremendous swing, hitting the ball well and far. Looking into the distance, he said, "Boy, that felt good, but I lost it" he exclaimed. "Did you see it?" he asked Hughes. "Yes," the ancient old man replied. "So, where did it go? Did I hit the fairway?" "I can't remember," Hughes sighed. Woodruff and Hughes didn't make much of a team for golfing, did they? But they continued through nine holes, thanks to a spotter in the clubhouse. And, rather than spend the time complaining about what they didn't have and what they couldn't do, they laughed about what they

could do and were grateful for what they did have. They were enjoying some company. They were outside. They were walking. They were laughing. And when they got back to the clubhouse, they had some tea, and agreed that they were blessed. —Timothy Merrill

Prayer: Lord, I thank you for the blessings of today, and the opportunities of tomorrow. Amen.



As we are no longer using the boxed envelopes for our members, please feel free to use the pew envelopes provided. Please let Jane know if we run short of them in the pews.



Senior Sunday



These two young members of our church, Erika Symens and Landon Carlson, were honored with the gift of monogrammed blankets from the sewing ladies of the church. They were presented on Sunday, May 14th. Both Seniors graduated from Britton-Hecla High School on Sunday, May 21st. We wish them the best in the future.



There will be a special Forum on Tuesday, June 6th, at 7:00 P.M. to give you the opportunity to discuss your questions and concerns regarding the sharing of pastoral duties with the Methodist church, with members of the Session. We welcome your input.



In our thoughts & prayers Please pray for Vicki Beck and others in our church and community who continue dealing with cancer; for those who have lost loved ones; and pray for the people of war-torn Ukraine.



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