

# Refrigerator News

June 5, 2016



## This Week at Lincolnshire

***"It's summertime and the meetings are few..."***

**Wednesday, June 8**

10:30 Pastoral Support Team

**Next Sunday, June 12**

Pastor Todd Hammond is our speaker.

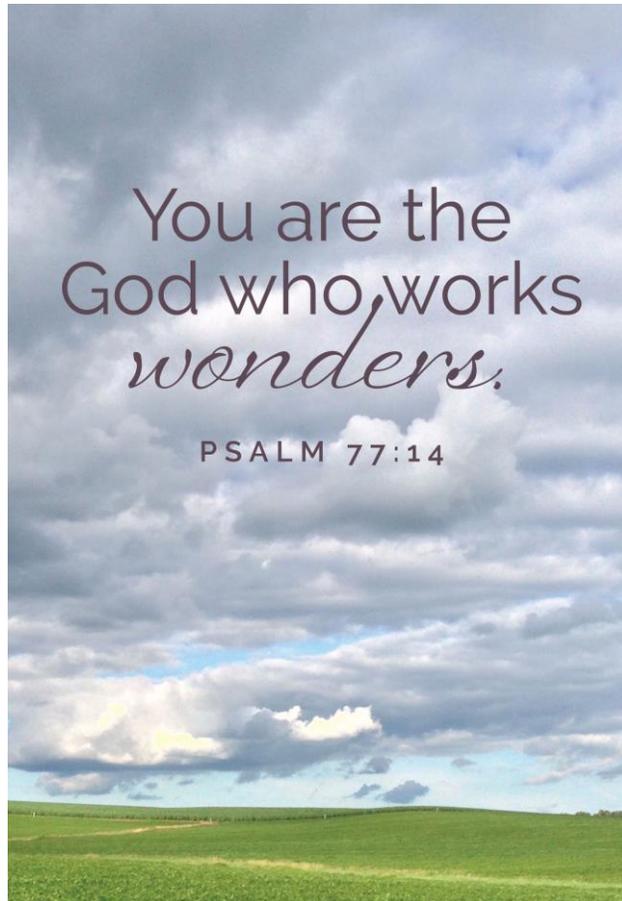
**"You Might be Brethren if..."**

Galatians 2: 15-21

The Apostle Paul reminds the believers in the region of Galatia that salvation does not come by birth or by works, but by the grace of God. If we build the walls of separation up again, then Christ died for nothing.

Pastor Hammond from Agape is preaching as part of the District Pulpit Exchange. Pastor David will be preaching at Agape. Pastor Hammond grew up in the Trotwood Church of the Brethren in southern Ohio

where he was ordained. He is a graduate of Manchester University and Bethany Theology Seminary. He has served pastorates in PA, CA, VA, OH, and now IN. He has been married to Andi Brill Hammond for 32 years. Andi grew up in the Michigan City congregation. They have three adult children.



## **Retaining a sense of wonder**

A man who took a trip observed the majesty of the mountains, the colors of the wildflowers and the magnetism of a stream where trout were swimming. He returned home saying, "I hope I never get used to the glory of nature." None of us should "get used to" the goodness of God, the Good News of Christ, the inspiring music of a choir, the stories of great saints, the thoughtfulness of neighbors, the assistance of strangers, and the uplifting laughter of children who haven't lost the gift of wonder.



**Please join us on Sunday,**

**June 12 - 1:00 – 5:00**

**to celebrate**

**Grace Howard's Graduation**

**at**

**the JA Finance Park**

**4031 N. Clinton St.**

(Originally scheduled for June 19<sup>th</sup>)



**Have you noticed how good the church lawn looks?** The grass is evenly mowed, trimming is done around the trees and shrubs and there are very few weeds that dare show their faces! It's a beautiful view to behold on weekday and Sunday mornings. There is also a lot of tree and shrub trimming done at various times throughout the summer. We have, without doubt, the best kept church lawn on Calhoun Street. All this is done by our great volunteers, **Stan Gorom, Fred Ilnicki, John Kolb, Howard Pletcher, James and Terri Woods and Craig Colvin.** *Thanks so much for your hard work!*

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## POTLUCK NEWS

It was suggested that birthdays be recognized on Potluck Sundays with a special birthday cake and perhaps birthday people be given a "first in line" at the buffet. Taking the suggestion, the Outreach and Caring Team has designated quarterly (March, June, September, December) birthday potlucks beginning this coming September. During that potluck, birthdays in July, August and September will be celebrated. No gifts please... just a "Happy Birthday!"

**The next Potluck is June 19** and due to the warm temperatures in the kitchen and Fellowship Hall, we are asking that only crockpot dishes be brought, or cold salads and desserts. The ovens and microwave will not be used. We'll have a picnic theme. Suggestions... pulled pork, sloppy joes, hotdogs etc. Call Jan Ward or Sara L. if you have any questions.



## The Bottom Line...

Your contributions for the month of May totaled \$12,239 and expenses were \$9,249 resulting in a **positive balance of \$2,990.** On a year-to-date basis, contributions totaled \$61,667 and expenses totaled \$56,743 for a **positive balance of \$4,924.**

Since we operate on a cash basis and some commitments are paid quarterly, about \$1,200 would be our monthly part of that commitment. We have had another equipment repair of approximately \$2,000. We have a challenge budget and appreciate your support and commitment making it possible for Lincolnshire to continue doing God's work.

**Thank you!**

## Leadership Team Minutes May 26, 2016

Present: Pastor David, Craig Colvin, Lori Linn, Dave & Evelyn Bickel, Sara Loutsenhizer, Jan Ward, Margaret Pletcher, Jan Williams, Carolyn Egolf, and Bob Kaylor.

**Honduran Church:** Pastor Alberto Cervantes, Norma Cervantes, and Kimberly Sosa met with Outreach & Caring May 25. Their congregation wants to meet at Lincolnshire Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M. for study and Sundays at 4:00 P.M. for Worship. Youth Room and Parlor would be suitable for the 10-23 currently participating. They are willing to help with work here at the church, and keeping accurate calendars is vital. By consensus Leadership Team recommends we bring in the Honduran congregation, allowing them to use our space with as few restrictions as possible. Pastor David & Craig will write a proposal and give the group at least two weeks to respond. No date has been set for Lincolnshire congregation to act on this, but hope is to move process along as quickly as possible. Outreach & Caring commended the group's positive spirit, congeniality, and focus on ministry to youth.

**Outreach & Caring:** Birthday dinners: One potluck per quarter will focus on birthdays in that quarter. Potluck June 19 will have picnic theme. Honduran friends may join us. No potlucks in July/Aug. due to heat in Fellowship Hall. First Christian Church--As a result of Women's Tea May 14, the possibility of doing outreach projects jointly is being considered. David & Bob noted historical connections between Disciples of Christ and Church of the Brethren.

**Calling & Discernment:** Bob reported that yellow medical cards are organized and ready for use if needed.

**Stewardship:** Bob noted expenses are less than income, and congregation was commended for its continuing positive response to challenge budget.

**Creds:** Their sabbatical will begin June 1. Youth will be meeting on Wednesday evenings and continue to do media for worship. Leadership for youth S. School is undetermined.

**Leadership Team Meeting June 23**—Lori will conduct in Craig's absence.

Meeting closed with prayer by Jan Ward.  
Notes by Carolyn Egolf

