Refrigerator News

April 23, 2017



This Week at Lincolnshire

Monday, April 24

9:15 a.m. Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, April 27 7:00 Leadership Team

Next Sunday, April 30

Congregational Meeting after Worship



The following individuals have consented to serve new terms on the Lincolnshire Leadership Team for the church year 2017 – 2018. The length of their terms is 3 years with the exception of those serving on

Property Management. These four individuals will have open ended terms. New to the team this year is:

Moderator - Mary Loutsenhizer

<u>Property Management</u> – Stan Gorom, Marv Loutsenhizer, Howard Pletcher and Jack Steckly.

Stewardship - Bob Kaylor, new 3 year term.

Calling & Discernment – Marty Kaylor, new 3 year term.

You will be asked to affirm their nominations at the Congregational Meeting next Sunday, April 30th.



With the arrival of Dr. Paul and Dr. Cheryl, the need arises to wear your nametags on Sunday mornings. If you have misplaced or lost yours, replacement tags can be ordered. Check at the nametag table if you aren't sure if you have one. Wearing our nametags will help them get to know their new church family.

News from the Stewardship Team

March contributions totaled \$7,728 and expenses were \$5,536 which gave us a positive balance of \$2,192. Year to date contributions totaled \$27,701 with year to date expenses of \$13,616 which gives us a positive balance to date of \$14,085. The large balance is due to not having a pastor. Our interim pastors start in May. Thank you for continuing to keep your pledge giving on track so we can support the new pastors. We appreciate your support and commitment making it possible for the church to continue doing God's work.

And...\$311 was given for the Easter breakfast offering. These dollars are earmarked for Camp Mack Youth Scholarships for this summer. Thanks to all!

Beacon Heights is sponsoring a concert by the Manchester Acappella Choir on May 22 at 6:30 p.m. They are in need of volunteers to house the choir members. If you are interested in helping house two or more students, please call Ruth Ann Bever at 260-341-2965 or email her at ruthann.bever@gmail.com. Please reply by May 2nd. Thanks!

Christina Rossetti (1830-1894) wrote these words: "Were there no God, we would be in this glorious world with grateful hearts, and no one to thank."

Her words can also be used to express our thanks to everyone who made last week's services so very special and meaningful. It took a lot of planning, coordinating, rehearsing, cooking, staging furniture to accommodate the event, arranging flowers, etc., etc. The path to rejoicing on Easter morning was paved by the hard work and dedication of many and the supportive and encouraging prayers of this beautiful church family. And for that, we give thanks....

> A sign of hope on Easter morning... a tree in the front yard of the church that was planted in memory of Linda Fultz's mother was in blossom last week but only on the

bottom third of the tree. I watched and fretted that it would not be in entire bloom for Easter but alas... as of Good Friday, there were no additional blooms! But on Easter morning, the entire tree simply burst into bloom all over to give us the message that "Christ has risen! And the message of hope and promise that this church is alive and well! And for that we give thanks!

Our gratitude continues...

Thanks to our Heavenly Father for listening to the many prayers for Anthony Leash to be part of a loving, stable family. His spiritual growth is evident when we remember his first days at Lincolnshire! We rejoice that his new family will continue to encourage him.

On May 12th, Phillip Nicolet will ask the court in Whitley County to approve his petition to adopt Anthony. Phillip lives near Churubusco so the case can be heard in that county. All paperwork has been submitted and Phil has already been approved to be either a foster parent or to adopt. Phil is active in his church in Churubusco and Anthony enjoys the services there. Phil's brother, Randy, has been helping Anthony since he came to live with us two years ago. So Anthony is eager to be Phil's son and Randy's nephew. Anthony will be nine in June.

We thank all of our friends at Lincolnshire for their prayers and ~ Judy and Jack Steckly encouragement!



May 2	Carol Williams
May 16	Jane Vorndran
May 19	Marv Loutsenhizer
May 21	Roy Alexander
May 30	Monabelle Terrell



/lay 19	James and Terri Woods
/lay 21	Bruce and Sue Stalter
/lay 21	Earl and Judy Harts
/lay 27	Fred and Becky Oetting



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