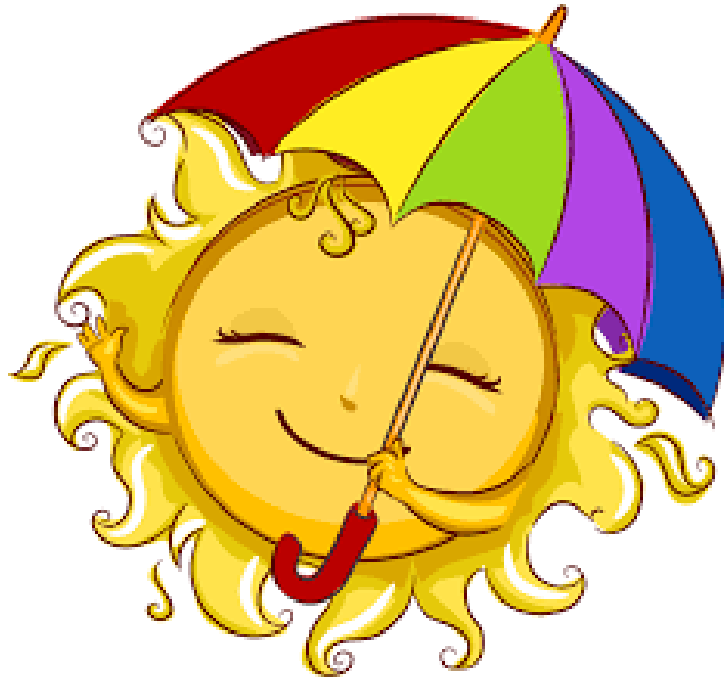


Refrigerator News

July 28, 2019



This week at Lincolnshire

Today, Sunday, July 28
Lisa Lahr & Jan Ward Shepherding Groups
Meet after church for food and games
In Fellowship Hall

Thursday, August 1
7:00 Men's Bible Study
At home of Herb Tripp

Saturday, August 3
7:30 a.m. Fellowship Breakfasts
8:30 a.m. Quilters meet at church

Annual Conference bits and pieces

Church of the Brethren Newslite
July 13, 2019

Five new congregations and one new project were welcomed into the Church of the Brethren denomination. The new project is Ebenezer in Atlantic Northeast District. The new congregations are:

Faith in Action Church of the Brethren, Northern Ohio District
Floyd Iglesia Cristiana Nueva Vida, Virgina District
Hanging Rock Church of the Brethren, West Marva District
Living Stream Church of the Brethren (online congregation),
Pacific Northwest District
Veritas Church of the Brethren, Atlantic Northeast District.

– **A candlelight peace vigil** was held July 3, on the first evening of the Conference, in solidarity with immigrants and praying for all those suffering from a situation of injustice. Various leaders in the church's intercultural community spoke. The vigil was sponsored by the Office of Peacebuilding and Policy.

– **The Conference on July 4 approved the annual increase** in the minimum cash salary table for pastors. An increase of two percent was approved for 2020. The recommendation for the increase was made by the Pastoral Compensation and Benefits Advisory Committee.

The top 10 titles sold at the Conference's Brethren Press bookstore:

1. "Not-so-big Church"
2. "September Mourn"
3. "Seeing Jesus in East Harlem"
4. "25 Days to Jesus"
5. "Seagoing Cowboy"
6. "Speak Peace: A Daily Reader"
7. "Covenant Bible Studies: Fruit of the Spirit"
8. "Deacon Manual: Calling"
9. "Deacon Manual: Caring"
10. "Alexander Mack: A Man Who Rippled the Waters"

Omaha, Neb., will host the Conference to be held July 10-13, 2022. These dates represent a return to a Sunday through Wednesday schedule in order to take advantage of a discount for hotel room prices for a meeting over a Sunday night.



“Draw nigh to God and receive these sacred symbols to your comfort.”

With these traditional words, Annual Conference moderator Donita Keister invited all who were present--delegates and nondelegates alike--to receive communion during an afternoon

love feast. **It was the first time in many decades that the whole Conference has celebrated love feast together.** The two-hour service was the closing event of business and a worshipful conclusion to the compelling vision conversations. It included the four elements of self-examination, feetwashing, a simple meal, and a service of communion. Presiding were moderator Keister, moderator-elect Paul Munday, and past moderator Samuel Sarpiya.

Quotes of the day:

“The main message that I have is...proclaiming Christ as transformer, someone who transforms us...to the new creation he has become.... I know the power of God through Christ will transform miraculously, take a negative destructive situation and turn it around completely.”

-- Annual Conference moderator Donita Keister, in her opening devotions at the Monday meeting of the Standing Committee of district delegates.

“We serve a wonderfully small, powerful, and familial church.”

-- Susan Chapman Starkey during a report on the revisions to the Standing Committee appeals process.



“We love each other despite our differences”



August 2	Linda Fultz
August 9	Rhonda Stevens
August 14	Carol Higgins
August 16	Amy Kolb
August 17	Jean Wolf
August 17	Susan Stalter
August 19	Janice Circle
August 19	Betty Dawson
August 21	Cleo Mowan
August 22	Amya Carter
August 25	Anna Carter
August 30	Carolyn Egolf
August 31	Howard Pletcher



August 7	Larry and Carolyn Egolf
August 8	Bill and Cheryl Levertton
August 14	Allen and Deb Shaw
August 19	Dave and Marlene Bell
August 25	Joe and Judi Henderson

“Life is short, and we have never too much time for gladdening the hearts of those who are traveling the journey with us. O be swift to love, make haste to be kind.” ~ Henri Frederic Amiel