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COLFAX HEARTLINE

THE NEWSLETTER OF COLFAX CENTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DEAR COLFAX MEMBERS AND ATTENDERS,

DURING THIS TIME OF TRANSITION AND SEARCH FOR A PASTOR/INTERIM, WE AS A SESSION FIRST WANT TO ASK YOU AND THANK YOU FOR PRAYERS. GOD HAS BEEN FAITHFUL IN SO MANY WAYS ALREADY THESE PAST COUPLE MONTHS, AND WE ARE EXCITED TO SEE WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS FOR THE CONGREGATION. THIS IS A TIME TO REFLECT AND GROW OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH EACH OTHER, ULTIMATELY GROWING OUR WALK WITH THE LORD AND OUR TRUST IN HIM. THIS HAS BEEN A LEARNING EXPERIENCE FOR ALL OF US, AND WE ARE SO GLAD TO HAVE THE FAMILY WE HAVE AT COLFAX.

IT IS EXCITING TO SEE THE PULPIT COMMITTEE FOR THE PASTORAL SEARCH COME TOGETHER ON AUGUST 17TH, WITH THEIR FIRST MEETING ALREADY TAKING PLACE AUGUST 24TH. THEY HAVE ANOTHER FOLLOW-UP MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 3RD. PLEASE KEEP THEM IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS. IT IS A LOT OF WORK FOR THEM. THOSE ON THE COMMITTEE ARE: CURT BAKKER, KAREN DIEKEN, BRITNY EBERLINE, JUDY HARBERTS, LEON JOHNSON, KASEY LYONS, AND KRISTI SALO.

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THE ELDER'S ARE STILL IN SEARCH FOR AN INTERIM PASTOR. THIS PROCESS HAS ALREADY HAD ITS UPS AND DOWNS, BUT THE LORD HAS A MAN PICKED OUT FOR US, AND WE ARE CURRENTLY STILL SEEKING AND PRAYING ABOUT THIS. WE HAVE MET TOGETHER AS A TEAM MULTIPLE TIMES OUTSIDE OUR NORMAL MONTHLY SESSION MEETING TO KEEP THIS PROCESS GOING. WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING WITH A COUPLE OF DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS.

PROVERBS 3:5-7 IS SUCH A GREAT REMINDER OF HOW WE NEED TO GO ABOUT NOT ONLY THIS TIME OF TRANSITION, BUT ANYTIME IN OUR DAILY WALK WITH THE LORD. VERSE 5: "TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND DO NOT LEAN ON YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING." TOO OFTEN WE LEAN ON OUR OWN UNDERSTANDING WHEN IT COMES TO MAKING DECISIONS. VERSE 6: "IN ALL OF YOUR WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM, AND HE WILL MAKE STRAIGHT YOUR PATHS." WHAT A WONDERFUL VERSE. IN ALL OF YOUR WAYS ACKNOWLEDGE HIM. MAYBE THIS HITS HOME WITH SOME OF US, IT DOES ME. HOW ARE YOU ACKNOWLEDGING CHRIST TODAY? AT HOME, WITH YOUR SPOUSE, YOUR KIDS, AT WORK, YOUR PRAYER LIFE, BIBLE READING.... ETC. VERSE 7: "BE NOT WISE IN YOUR OWN EYES; FEAR THE LORD, AND TURN AWAY FROM EVIL." LET US NOT THINK WE ARE WISE, OR TAKE CREDIT FOR WHAT THE LORD IS DOING AT COLFAX. THE DEVIL IS OUT PROWLING (1 PETER 5:8), AND HE WOULD ENJOY IT IF WE DID NOT WORK TOGETHER AND HAVE US LEAN ON OUR OWN UNDERSTANDING.

THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT. OUR HOPE IS IN CHRIST, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORSHIPPING TOGETHER ON SUNDAY MORNINGS!

IN CHRIST'S LOVE AND SERVICE,

THE SESSION

COLFAX CENTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LET'S CATCH UP

"FAREWELL FELLOWSHIP"



LET'S CATCH UP

"FAREWELL POTLUCK"



LET'S CATCH UP

CHILDREN'S SERMON



OSTFRIESIAN GERMANY TOUR GROUP

A TOUR GROUP FROM OSTFRIESIAN GERMANY STOPPED BY THE CHURCH IN JULY. THEY WANTED TO TOUR OUR CHURCH AND CEMETERY. THEY FOUND LOTS OF FAMILIAR FAMILY NAMES IN THE CEMETERY.



LET'S CATCH UP

WELLSBURG VBS



Hello!

The response to our Operation Kid to Kid outreach project has been tremendous this year. We raised \$1,032! Peoples Savings Bank has matched our contribution bringing the final total to \$2,064. This money will be sent to World Vision where they will be able to help struggling families with basic necessities like warm clothes and blankets. World Vision has partnerships with clothing manufactures that allows them to multiply every dollar donated. A \$5 donation can provide up to \$70 in brand new warm clothing and blankets. Our Wellsburg Community VBS has the potential to provide \$28,896 in these basic necessities for children in North America.

Thank you to all the families and children that donated throughout the week. Your generosity will bless countless families in need.

We hope you all have a great rest of your summer! Thank you for participating in VBS last week, we hope everyone can join us again next year!

Maria Mennenga and the VBS Team

MINISTRY UPDATES



Mission Feast Sunday 2025

Sunday, September 21, 2025, we will be celebrating the work of missionaries, especially the ones Colfax Center supports. The offering will help us give to those missionaries in our budget and allow us to help others in need.

We flip flop Sunday School to start at 9:30 am and Worship at 10:30 am. The Adult and Teens will meet in the Sanctuary, and the children will meet in their normal classrooms.

Coffee and treats will be available in the Coffee Chat area outside the pastor's office. Please help yourself.

Our "Feast" will be catered. We are asking each family to bring pre-cut bars, pre-cut brownies or cookies.

We are very excited Jason Stuhrenberg will be sharing his Mission Work, including his family's quick departure from Ukraine due to the war, during the Sunday School hour. Jason will also preach at 10:30.

Jason is with the Navigators doing college ministry in Kansas City. He is married to Emily, and they have 4 children.

Please watch the bulletin for any new information that becomes available.

We'd appreciate prayers for this special day, Jason's travel and how God would have you give.

Please contact Judy Harberts with questions.

MINISTRY UPDATES



Colfax Center Library Book Nook

The Book Nook is located in the hallway between Sanctuary doors.
There are books for everyone.
Please look and feel free to check books out and return when done.
The Library is always open please check it out anytime.
New books are always showing up.
Thank you, Judy.

This Month's Featured Book
"Fierce Hearted"
by Holley Gerth

Fear can't catch, what it can no longer reach.
"Fierce Hearted" will take you to new levels with The Lord
as you learn to embrace the unique kind of bravery
he has placed inside of you!

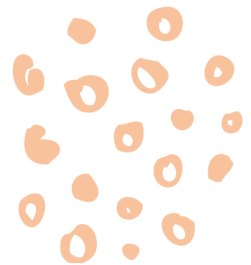
Lysa Terkeurst, Proverbs 31

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Prayer team for all your prayers for Heather Wise during the Cathe procedure and afterwards when she had a heart attack and then another Cathe procedure.

We both are so thankful for God's protection, the prayers and people asking how she was doing & the continued prayers afterwards.

God Bless,
Patti Norris
& Heather Wise



BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER

2 - LYDIA STEINMEYER
3 - DEE EILERS
4 - BRYON HOOK
5 - KAREN BOOMGARDEN
7 - SANDY SIMMS
11 - COLTON STAHL
12 - OAKLEIGH ALBERS
15 - DYLAN SCHIPPER
16- JAMES STEINMEYER
16 - WESLEY WILLIS
19 - KRAYTON RUTLEDGE
22 - KAREN ARENDS
23 - CAROL KRULL.
24 - ANDIE EBERLINE
25 - BOB GETTING
26- SETH ASWEGAN

OCTOBER

4 - WAVA HEMMEN
4 - JACOB EILERS
5 - CURT TJEPKES
6 - JAN WILLIAMS
8 - PAM ANDERSON
9 - ANDREW EVERTS
11 - SCOTT GRAVES
11 - STEVE JONES
12 - BUD SEEHUSEN
12 - ASHLEY STEINMEUER
15 - MARVIN (RED) WERKMAN
17 - MARISSA GETTING
26 - DENISE GRAVES
26 - JASON STEINMEYER
27 - KAREN KRUGER
29 - LARRY STAHL
29 - JEFF WERKMAN

EARLY NOVEMBER

1 - BLAKE EBERLINE
2 - DOUG WEIRS
3 - GREELEY EVERTS
5 - CASSIDY BRONCHICK
10 - COOPER SIEFKEN

16 - MARVIV NEDERHOFF
17 - DENISE LAMFERS
23 - MIKE DIEKEN
23 - JOY LYONS
23 - LANE EBERLINE

VOLUNTEERS

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Sept 21	N/A
Sept 28	Boomgarden/Launstein
Oct 5	Donn & Pam A
Oct 12	Tom & Sandy Simms
Oct 19	Fran H & Wava H
Oct 26	Andrew & Amanda E
Nov 2	Mike & Karen D
Nov 9	Elaine S & Loraine M
Nov 16	Curt & Julie T
Nov 23	Ruth T & Jan W

COFFEE CHAT

Sept 21	Kasey & Erin L
Sept 28	Andrew & Amanda E
Oct 5	Shawn & Emily A
Oct 12	Jesse & Lori W
Oct 19	Trent & Brittney S
Oct 26	Elaine Sents
Nov 2	Blake & Britny E
Nov 9	Amy Launstein
Nov 16	Kasey & Erin L
Nov 23	Andrew & Amanda E

PPT & SOUND

Sept 21	Steve J	Sheryl J
Sept 28	Bryleigh/Patti	Larry F
Oct 5	Jane L	Larry F
Oct 12	Steve J	Sheryl J
Oct 19	Steve J	Sheryl J
Oct 26	Greeley E	Larry F
Nov 2	Bryleigh/Patti	Larry F
Nov 9	Steve J	Sheryl J
Nov 16	Steve J	Sheryl J
Nov 23	Jane L	Larry F

CAMERA & ELEVATOR

Sept 21	Leon J	Shawn S
Sept 28	Steve J	Jim B
Oct 5	Steve J	Trent S
Oct 12	Leon J	Jason S
Oct 19	Leon J	Bryce E
Oct 26	Steve J	Jesse W
Nov 2	Steve J	Curt B
Nov 9	Leon J	Coty A
Nov 16	Leon J	Shawn A
Nov 23	Steve J	Jim B

GREETERS

Sept 21	Joyce B/Mike & Karen
Sept 28	Harberts & Johnsons
Oct 5	Morris Family & Elaine
Oct 12	Fran H & Maxine H
Oct 19	Joyce B /Mike & Karen
Oct 26	Harberts & Johnsons
Nov 2	Morris Family & Elaine
Nov 9	Fran H & Maxine H
Nov 16	Joyce B/Mike & Karen
Nov 23	Harberts & Johnsons

NURSERY

Worship Sunday School

Sept 21	Kasey & Erin L	Kasey
Sept 28	Andrew & Amanda E	
Oct 5	Shawn & Emily A	
Oct 12	Jesse & Lori W	
Oct 19	Trent & Brittney S	
Oct 26	Karen B	Amy L
Nov 2	Blake & Britny E	
Nov 9	Amy Launstein	
Nov 16	Kasey & Erin L	Kasey
Nov 23	Andrew & Amanda E	

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