

PRAYER REQUEST

*If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office
or complete a request card and place in the offering plate.
Requests are printed for one month unless otherwise requested.*

Prayers for Healing & Comfort:

Ray Feldman (Jeff Tebben's Grandfather)
Carlla Skaggs (Mother of Karen)
Sean Carrigan (Great-Nephew of Barb Little)
Shirlet Moll (Becky Armstrong's Sister)
John Carver
Donna Anderson
Doug Rolland
Dave (Jeff and Sarah Sieck's friend)
Daisy Juven (Granddaughter of Rob and Tammy Douglas)
Dorothy Caine
Lori Green (Wife of Keith Green, Mother of Joanna Zuidema)
Richard Carver (John Carver's Brother)

Prayers for those Grieving:

The Family of Laura Feldman (Jeff Tebben's Cousin)
The Family of Bud Altman
The Family of Walda Anderson (Ashley Boeyink's Grandmother)
The Family of Bruce Strommert

Prayers for those Serving Elsewhere:

Rob Grunwald, Coast Guard, Duluth, MN;
Sam Husmann (Nephew of the Pastors) Navy, Everett, WA.
Peter Rampaart, Army National Guard

Prayers for the Church Here and Abroad:

The People of Occidente Presbytery, Guatemala;
Minnesota Valleys Presbytery- Union Presbyterian Church, St. Peter, MN;
Bdecan Presbyterian Church, Spirit Lake Reservation, ND.



Announcements

Sunday, December 31st, 2017

10:00 AM Worship
11:00 AM Fellowship

Monday, January 1st

Office Closed

Tuesday, January 2nd

6:30 PM

Deacons

Wednesday, January 3rd

6:00 PM
7:15 PM

Gospel Rock/Confirmation
Youth Group

Thursday, January 4th

6:30 PM

Worship

Saturday, January 6th

9:00AM-1:00PM

Officer's Retreat
(Deacons and Elders)

Sunday, January 7th

8:45 AM
9:00 AM
10:00 AM
11:00AM

Adult Ed
Sunday School
Worship
Fellowship

Operating Statement Report:

Receipts through November	\$ 210, 306
Expenses through November	\$ 210, 283
Receipts in excess of Expenses	\$ 23

Envelopes are ready for pick-up in the Narthex

Presbyterian Mission:

Grace and Gratitude: Small Gifts Big Impact

The mission committee wants to buy a cow, some chickens, or some goats to help people. Can you buy a share?? Cows are \$450.00, a pair of Goats are \$178.00, and a community garden is \$200.00. Envelopes are located in the Narthex. Any contribution is welcome. **Don't forget we have a donor that will match the funds collected.**
LETS BUY A COW!!!



Christmas Joy

DID YOU KNOW? The Christmas Joy Offering has been a cherished Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s.

The Christmas Joy offering is taken during Advent as a celebration of God's presence

among us as witnessed in our church leaders- past, present, and future.

The offering supports past and present church leaders via the Board of Pensions. Modes of financial assistance include Income supplements, Housing supplements, and Shared and Emergency Grants. Future church leaders are fostered by supporting Presbyterian-related racial and ethnic schools and colleges and through the Racial Ethnic Leadership Development Program.

In gratitude to God for the gift of Jesus you are invited to join this celebration of God's work here on Earth. You may join this offering by watching for the offering envelopes in church, including a check designated "Christmas Joy" in your regular offering envelope, or by going to presbyterianmission.org/give/christmasjoy.



Explorer's Class: You're invited to join this small group bible study and fellowship group which meets Thursday nights at 6:30 in the Friendship Room. New members are welcome, and you can bring a friend! The class will be using the "Nooma" video series featuring Pastor Rob Bell as their curriculum this year. Please call or talk to Pastor Scott with questions.

Church Repairs/Changes: The Session has set up a taskforce at our church to dream about what we could do to our building, or what we need to do to improve things. If you have an idea about what needs attention, or what you would like to see changed, please jot down your thoughts and turn it into the church office, or feel free to contact Gary Manzer at 320-491-7366 or gmanzer@willmarmn.gov. No idea is too big or too small!

American Red Cross: Thank you to everyone that worked, gave blood and donated food to the First Presbyterian Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, December 26. Red Cross was pleased with the donation of 52 units of blood donated with 2 deferrals. There were 40 units of whole blood with 6 double red donated. Thank You!

Meals on Wheels: It is cold! Thank you to everyone who has signed up to deliver Meals on Wheels. They just sent a letter to let us know what weeks we are assigned in 2018. March 19 and March 26, June 11 and June 18, September 3 and September 10, November 26 and December 3.

See following note from West Central Industries. "Thank you for your part in making Meals on Wheels possible in Willmar! You are helping members of our community stay independent and healthy in their homes through a nutritious home delivered meal. You and your drivers are making a huge difference in the lives of hundreds in the Willmar community unable to cook for themselves due to their age or disability". Thank you, Thank You!

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