

## 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:**

Abigail Engle  
Gwen May (Tammy Douglas' Mother)  
Harriet Altman  
Bernice Jacobs  
Mike Harney (Earl Knutson's Nephew)  
Gary Groen (Helen Groen's Son)  
Peter Nelson  
Jerry Tebben (Jeff Tebben's Father)  
Arlen Sjerven  
Merle Stiles (Sister of Connie Spartz)  
Mary Pelkey (Carol Tatge's Sister)  
Marilyn Goeddertz  
Norm Tempel  
Lori Peterson (Beci Eliason's Mother)  
John Carver  
Donna Anderson

### **Prayers for those Grieving:**

The Family of JoAnne Shannon (Shara Goldenstein and Katie Gluth's Grandmother)  
The Family of Mari Johnson  
The Family of Don Niece  
The Family of Reggie Schow (Son-in-law of Corinne Ferguson)  
The Family of David Harris (Father of Janae Bell)

### **Prayers for those Serving Elsewhere:**

Noah Prout, (Barb Little's Nephew) Air Force, Afghanistan  
Chandler D'Incau (Bob and Rita's Grandson) Air Force, Lackland, San Antonio, TX  
Rob Grunwald, Coast Guard, Saugerties, New York;  
Sam Husmann (Nephew of the Pastors) Navy, Everett, WA.  
Peter Rampaart, SAMS, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas  
Brandon Reshetar (nephew of Rob & Tammy Douglas) Air Force, Qatar  
Robert Walquist (uncle of Shara Goldenstein & Katie Gluth) National Guard, Kuwait

### **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, January 6 2018

	8:45 AM	Adult Ed
	9:00AM	Sunday School/ New Member Class
	10:00 AM	Worship
	11:00 AM	Fellowship
<b>Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup></b>	7:00AM	Men's Bible Study
	11AM-1PM	College Meal
	6:30PM	Deacons, CEYM, Worship, and Mission
<b>Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup></b>	6:00PM	Gospel Rock/Confirmation
	6:00PM	Explorers
	6:30PM	Buildings and Grounds
	7:30PM	Youth Group
<b>Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup></b>	10:00AM	Women's Fellowship
	6:30PM	Music Team
<b>Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup></b>	8:45AM	Adult Ed
	9:00AM	Sunday School/ New Member Class
	10:00 AM	Worship
	11: 00 AM	Fellowship

### **Operating Statement Report:**

Receipts through November \$ 214,924

Expenses through November \$ 211,920

Revenues in excess of expenses \$3,004

**Building Fund Cash on Hand \$54,260 towards  
Capital Heating Project of \$100,000**

**Per Capita for 2019 is \$42, please pay as you are able.**

**Offering Envelopes:** 2019 envelopes and annual giving statements are in the Narthex to be picked up.

**Presbytery Per Capita Adjusted:** Minnesota Valleys Presbytery has adjusted the per capita assessment downwards from \$47 to the new total of \$42. We received this change after the completion of our stewardship campaign and apologize for any inconvenience the change in total may cause.

**Special Offering:** Today is the day of the "1<sup>st</sup> Sunday for Deacon Special Offering." Please use the offering envelopes provided for you in the pews to support the coming ministries the Deacon's provide.



## **Kandiyohi County Food Shelf**

The Kandiyohi County Food Shelf has been helping Kandiyohi County residents since 1982. We are serving an average of 600 households a month with a food order and an additional 100 individuals daily in produce.

Most households live paycheck to paycheck and just one bad event such as getting laid off, a health issue or a death in the family and they are seeking our help.

40% of those served are 18 years of age or younger  
3% are homeless  
55% have at least one person in the family working

A \$20 donation can help us purchase almost \$200 worth of food through our Food Bank, Second Harvest Heartland, Cash is King at the Food Shelf.

Average household will take home between 40-90 pounds of food depending upon what they choose. Meat, cheese, misc. dairy and produce are some of the main favorites at the Food Shelf.

We rely solely on donations from individuals, churches, businesses, civic groups and grants to continue to do what we do.

Currently, we are seeing people come to us from these top 3 towns: Willmar, New London, and Atwater, followed closely by Raymond.

### **Church Announcements:**

**Campus Ministry:** The college meal will be served January 8th. If you would be willing to cook, serve lunch, or bake bars, cakes, or cookies, please contact Diann at 218-820-0346. Thank you!

**New Members Class:** A new members class is available to those wanting to join the church starting TODAY from 9:00-9:45am. The class will meet for the month of January.

**Fair Trade:** Winter is here and the temps are cool, what better time than now to warm up with a cup of hot coffee or hot chocolate. Check out the selection we have in the Narthex, as well as the special prices too!!

**If We All Give A Little, It Adds Up To A Lot:** Please take a look at the Presbyterian Giving Catalog in the Narthex. The purchase and distribution of animals, the building

of wells, farming, and educating children, are ways to help families be self-sufficient. It provides HOPE in many areas in the United States and around the globe. Your gift is prayerfully carried out by ministries of the Presbyterian Mission. If you would like to designate what you want your gift to support, write it on the envelope. We are full of gratitude for all of you and all you do to support the missions in our church. Thank you.

**Red Cross Blood Drive December 26:** Thank you from the American Red Cross to all of you who donated blood or attempted to give blood. We appreciate your donations. Our goal was 55 units. They received 51 units that will help up to 153 patients. Some people were unable to donate or unable to come. We were happy to have many walk-in's. Thank you to everyone who helped with registration and with the canteen and for the wonderful gift of food for the workers. With the holidays and current bad weather your drive is helping more than ever.

**Mission Trip:** You are invited to lend a helping hand.....

**How?** The Louisiana United Methodist Conference (under the auspices of UMCOR) is desperately seeking volunteers to swing a hammer, a paintbrush or a broom to help rebuild homes that have been damaged by Hurricane Harvey, heavy rains and flooding. Many families have been waiting for two or more years (while new disasters hit the news). The Louisiana Disaster Response provides housing for volunteers in a local church, building materials, tools, and the opportunity to serve others.

**Where and When?** We will be heading to Baton Rouge, Louisiana on March 30, arriving March 31. We'll work Monday-Friday and return home April 7. We'll partner with volunteers from the Eden Prairie Methodist Church and plan to rent vans and drive. We'd love to build our team—please consider joining us.

**Why?** You'll have the opportunity to use your hands (and your hearts) to make a difference, connect with others, laugh a lot, learn new skills and so much more. Please give this invitation thoughtful prayer, and contact Tammy Douglas or Diann Anderson for more details.

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