Good News

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Dear Friends and Family of Plymouth,

This month we will celebrate our first anniversary in our new building. Difficult to believe it's been a year already, and yet in some ways the building feels so like home it's almost as if we've been here for a long time! I've really enjoyed watching our flowering plants offer their various blooms over the

course of the summer months. Our gardening/landscaping planning crew did a tremendous job of choosing plants that are beautiful and look like they belong!

We're serving our neighbors at the Community Table on Saturday, August 3. See elsewhere for more information on that.

We will have our campfire worship on Wednesday night, August 21, starting with s'mores and fellowship at 6:30 P.M. and a short vespers worship (mostly singing) at about 7:00 P.M. This is always a fun evening with lots of

upbeat camp songs and fellowship around the campfire. If the weather is unfriendly, we'll move everything inside.

For all our travelers this month, prayers for safety there and a safe return, and that you have fun wherever you are heading. And as always, if you worship somewhere while you're away, please bring me a copy of their worship bulletin and any other materials related to the church if you can. You can also find UCC churches to worship at through the UCC website's "find a church" button or go directly to ucc.org/find.

For our gardeners, may your vegetables and fruits be in abundance!

Summer blessings,

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August Worship Calendar

10:30 A.M. Worship Communion the first Sunday of the month

August 4

8th Sunday after Pentecost Community Table offering

Hosea 11:1–11 or Ecclestiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–23; Psalm 107:1–9,43 or Psalm 49:1–12; Colossians 3:1–11; Luke 12:13–21

August 11

9th Sunday after Pentecost Prayers for the People

Isaiah 1:1, 10–20 or Genesis 15:1–6; Psalm 50:1–8, 22–23 or Psalm 33:12–22; Hebrews 11:1–3,8–16; Luke 12:32–40

August 18

10th Sunday after Pentecost OCWM offering

Isaiah 5:1–7 or Jeremiah 23:23–29; Psalm 80:1–2, 8–19 or Psalm 82; Hebrews 11:29–12:2; Luke 12:49–56

August 21

Outdoor Worship at 6:30 P.M.

August 25

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 1:4–10 or Isaiah 58:9b–14; Psalm 71:1–6 or Psalm 103:1–8; Hebrews 12:18–29; Luke 13:10–17

Food for Thought

Our pot Luck for August will be on the 18th. Bring your favorite summer foods! Invite someone to share a meal with us.

Our offering to the Community Table will be taken on August 4. The Community Table is struggling to be able to provide daily meals. This is an important community service. For many of those who come, this is their only meal of the day. You can also volunteer as an individual or family to serve. They are usually short on help in the summer months.

Please don't forget our homeless friends. As always the Street Ministry can use money or gas cards. They have needs right now of water, large backpacks, candy and granola bars. We have a donation box available for you to drop off your items.

Prayer Ministry

In August, we are praying for these individuals/families: Edmund & Alice Noyes, Peggy Norris, Jim & Linda Oliver, Louise Partlow, Maria Patton, Mimi Pederson

August Birthdays

- 8 Steven Green Burt Shepler
- 15 Haddie Mayer
- 16 Sam Zehms
- 24 Mary Stygar
- 25 Sue Thompson Peggy Norris
- 30 Jim Oliver
- 31 Matt Gilbertson

Mark your calendars: The next Thrift & Bake Sale will be Saturday, September 21. We need everyone's help because we need lots of stuff to sell, so start collecting your treasures and get them marked. Can you help get ready for the thrift sale and/or on the day of the sale? Watch for a sign-up sheet early in September. We'd also like lots of baked goods—last time we ran out before noon!

The Bazaar is Saturday, November 16.

Leadership Musings

We will serve at the Community Table on Saturday, August 3. Please join us for this special day of serving our friends in need. Shifts available starting at 9 A.M.

Last call to sign up for a Plymouth t-shirt. We will be placing an order in August. The shirts run a little small, so you may want to order a size up. The cost will be around \$12.

Anyone need a ride to church? We want to make sure everyone gets to come to our Sunday morning services. If you need a ride, please call the church office at 715-835-5475, and we will arrange for someone to pick you up.

Remember the Birthday Challenge? We revived the Birthday Challenge in April. In your birthday month, we are suggesting you make a donation to the church corresponding to your age or some amount you feel appropriate. The money will go to future capital improvements, such as resurfacing the parking lot. We want to be proactive in raising funds for future needs. To those of you who have August birthdays, we challenge you to make a donation!



S'mores & Songs

Come join us for s'mores and songs around the campfire on August 21 at 6:30 P.M. Invite someone

to come with you...everyone likes s'mores!

Help Needed

Once again we are looking for someone to clean our church home. If you know of someone who might be interested, please contact Barb Kleist at 715-834-8130 or the church office at 715-835-5475.

In case we aren't able to find someone right away, we would need a few volunteers to do some light cleaning once a week. The cleaning would involve making sure the bathrooms are clean and if needed, the floors in the coffee area or kitchen swept up and the garbage taken out. If you would like to help out, please contact Barb Kleist or the church office.

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