

JULY 2021 NEWSLETTER

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Pastor Rosemary Captain

ANNOUCEMENT: This summer there will be an August Newsletter. As we begin to return to worship and other church activities, we wanted to be able to communicate with all of you more often.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

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Mark 5:41 "Taking her hand, Jesus said to her, 'Talitha Koum', which means 'Young woman, get up.' Jesus touched her, the daughter of Jairus, and she was healed."

The power of touch. During this pandemic we have not been allowed to touch people who were not in our household. It's been a difficult time for many of us. Touching another human gives us hope and assurance that we are not alone. During the pandemic we had to find other ways to know we were not alone, even when we were in isolation. We had to find other ways

to "get in touch". Letters, phone calls, bulletins, and newsletters were the only way to know we were still together as a church family. No matter what happens in the world, we need to keep in touch with God and with each other and NOW we

return to our worship home, the sanctuary at St. John UCC

in Fairview Heights. At last, I can shake your hands when you leave. When you are ready, return with us on Sunday mornings at 10 am, to "touch" us with your presence. Peace, Pastor Rosemary

JULY BIRTHDAYS:

7/8 Darlene Schaperkoetter

7/10 Tiffani Eisenhauer

7/23 Yvonne Weber

7/26 Clay Harris

7/28 Sherry Hackbarth



JULY ANNIVERSARIES:

7/14 Kim & Jim Turnbull # 37

7/15 Sharon & Steve Banjavcic # 43

7/17 Trisann & Bill Underwood # 22

7/30 Stacie & Tim Pickens # 5

Condolences to the family of Ruth Ogles, a member since 1962, who died on Tuesday, May 25. There were no services according to Ruth's wishes.

MEMORIALS: FOR RUTH OGLES

Eileen Gammon, Yvonne Weber, Susan Williams, Judy & Russ Hartmann, Vicki Hartmann, Judy & Rich Schmitt, Sharon & Steve Banjavcic, Cheri Schutzenhofer, Mary Lou & Urban Baum, Ginny Ganschinietz, Becky & Larry Riess, Jackie Canterbury

FOR JACK GAMMON Becky & Larry Riess

DIRECTORY CHANGE: Aaron & Christine Drake
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July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Service of Word & Sacrament 10 am	5	6	7	AA Meeting	9	10
11 Worship at 10 am	12	13	Church Council 7 pm Via Zoom	AA Meeting	16	17
18 Worship at 10 am	19	20	21	AA Meeting	23	24
25 Worship at 10 am	26	27	28	AA Meeting	30	31

EVENING CIRCLE

Thanks to everyone who ordered masks and also those who donated to the Circle in lieu of all of our usual fundraisers, we were able to send donations of over \$1,100.00 to the following places this year. Beacon of Belleville, Camp DuBois, Kindercottage, Hoyleton, OCWM, Strengthen the Church, and our own Parking Lot Fund.

Thank you again to everyone!!

USHERS FOR JULY

July 4 – Jim and Nancy Eisenhauer

July 11 – Tom and Jan Miller

July 18 –Chuck Kistler and Judy Hartmann

July 25 – Tom and Jan Miller