



# JUNE 2026 NEWSLETTER

ST. JOHN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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## Summer Vacation?

Memorial Day is over and June has begun. Translation: Summer is here!

As a retired school teacher, this was always a much needed respite for me. A time to catch my breath and start with all that summer brings. Cleaning house was always first on the list. Doesn't sound like much of a vacation, but it was and is a time of reflection as I cleaned and polished to the best of my abilities. It was also a time to recruit reluctant helpers. The promise of a payday always helped. In a week the kids and I had the house in reasonable shape.

Whether or not we want to "clean things up", it has to be done occasionally. Take a look at your house – not the physical house in which you live, but your spiritual house. What habits have you been neglecting? Calling on friends and neighbors to see how they are doing? Visiting someone in a living facility? Writing a letter or email to that person you were once so close to?

I could go on... Resurrect some friendships or acquaintances. Make some new habits – there is always good you can do. Offer a ride to church for someone? Pick up groceries for them? You may be surprised at the lift you get from doing for others – and you know the rest of that line – as you would have them do for you.

Make that your theme this summer. Bless your efforts and good deeds!

Nancy Eisenhauer



**COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP TIME:** Have you volunteered to host a Coffee and Fellowship time? Currently July through December are open.

## ST JOHN 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY



**TIME TO CELEBRATE!!!**  
**Please send email**  
**addresses**



The new St. John was established in January of 1951. January is a cold time to ask folks to gather and celebrate 75 years of service to the Fairview Heights and surrounding area. So... we will celebrate in the heat of summer! Plan on joining us for worship on Sunday, August 9, followed by a reception at church. We are trying to contact as many past members as we can.

**If you know anyone who went to St. John in the past, please let them know and let us know, also. Also, if you or a family member were confirmed at St. John, we have lists of confirmands by year. If you can help us find email addresses for anyone, we would appreciate it.**

We hope to see many old friends and make some new friends on **August 9!**

## USHERS:

June 7      Lew Thomasino, Nancy Eisenhauer  
June 14     Eric Moayer, Tom Miller  
June 21     Jane Cohlmeier, Sue Williams  
June 28     Tom & Jan Miller



## Congregational Meeting



**SEMI-ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING June 21 after**  
worship for an update on finances

Please plan to stay after worship on Sunday, June 21, for our semi-annual meeting. The congregation will be given a financial update. Hope to see you there!

## AMONG OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

### June Birthdays:

6/1	Hunter Brink	6/18	Judy Schmitt
6/4	Vicki Hartmann	6/29	Lily Brown
6/6	Elle Heiligenstein		
6/9	Olivia Captain		
6/9	Scott Ganschinietz		



## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Congratulations to ALL graduates! The best chapters of your story are still unwritten!!



## June Anniversaries:

Chris & Anne Brown	20 years
Aaron & Christine Drake	12 years
Michael & Ashley Schmitt	12 years

## THOSE WHO COULD USE A CHEERFUL GREETING CARD.



Becky Ballard  
1211 Moreland Apt 12  
Belleville IL 62223

Jeanette Brown  
5904 Perrin Rd  
Fairview Heights IL 62208

Jackie Canterbury  
105 W Julie St Apt C  
Shiloh IL 62269

Ivy Schneider  
213 Merriweather Ln  
Fairview Heights IL 62208

Yvonne Weber  
200 St Clair Dr  
Fairview Heights IL 62208

## CIRCLE NEWS

Again I want to thank everyone who participated in any way to the Circle Rummage sale in April. Because of a successful sale, we distributed money to the following: KinderCottage, DuBois, OCWM, F H Food Pantry, and St. John's parking lot fund.

Enjoy the summer until we meet again in the Fall (2026). Eileen Gammon, Co-Chair

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are thinking, and the lawn mower is broken.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!



May 2026

Dear Members of St John UCC Fairview Heights Evening Circle,

Thank you so much for your thoughtful gift of \$150 for our Mission Funds. Your commitment to our mission has a meaningful and far-reaching impact, helping ensure children and families across our community receive the care, stability, and support they need to heal and thrive.

Thanks to donors like you, we are able to provide comprehensive services across all areas of our work and continue to strengthen families, empower youth, while building healthier communities.

Members of St John UCC Fairview Heights Evening Circle, we appreciate the faith you have in Hoyleton Youth and Family serves and again, thank you for your support!

Sincerely, Chris L. Cox  
President and CEO Hoyleton Youth and Family Services



May 2026

Dearest Friends of Uni-Pres Kindercottage,

With hearts full of gratitude, we extend our sincere thanks for your generous support this spring. Because of you, our children have experienced joyful learning, meaningful enrichment activities, and a nurturing environment where they feel safe, valued, and inspired to grow

At Uni-Pres Kindercottage, we believe that it truly takes a village – and you are an essential part of ours. Your continued partnership allows us to expand our vision of high-quality early childhood education and comprehensive support services for those who need it most.

Thank you for believing in our mission.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Aimee Washington-Hart  
Executive Director Uni-Pres Kindercottage

**BACK TO SCHOOL DONATIONS REQUESTED**



Help us ensure that every child in care has the supplies they need to be successful in school.

• 3 Ring Binders	Ink Pens	Pocket Folders
• Dry Erase Markers	No. 2 Pencils	Pencil Bags
• Backpacks	Spiral Notebooks	Colored Pencils/Crayons

Serving youth in Madison, St Clair, Clinton, Monroe, Bond, Washington and Randolph counties.

Drop off supplies or mail checks to: 8 Executive Dr, Fairview Heights IL 62208  
Hoyleton Youth & Family Services



Preemie Baby James, Becky Ballard, Roger Ballard, Mary Lou and Urban Baum, Ronald Bopp, Jackie Canterbury, Patti French, Geralyn Gammon, Ginny Ganschinietz, Russ Hartmann, Lynne Knecht, Marilyn Paul, Bennie Pointer, Pam and Syd Safriet, Bruce Wagner, Yvonne Weber, our Beloved Country

# JUNE

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Bible Study via Zoom at 6:30 pm AA Meeting 7 pm	5	6
7 Service of Word & Sacrament 10 am Fellowship time after worship	8	9	10 Quilters 9 - 4	11 Bible Study via Zoom at 6:30 pm Day Quilters AA Meeting 7pm	12	13
14 Service of Word 10 am  FLAG DAY	15	16	17	18 Bible Study via Zoom at 6:30 pm AA Meeting 7pm	19	20
21 Service of Word 10 am FATHERS DAY Welcome Summer  Congregational meeting after service	22	23	24	25 Bible Study via Zoom at 6:30 pm AA Meeting 7 pm	26 Quilters 8 - 4	27 Quilters 8- 4
28	29	30				
Service of Word 10 am						