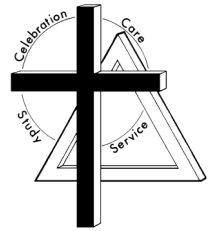


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An Invitation From Wendy

For a number of years Lena and I have attended Covenant Gathering every summer. It's a wonderful opportunity to worship, learn, play, and enjoy fellowship with friends old and new. Covenant Gathering is organized by veterans of the Synod Schools from the Synods of the Covenant and Lincoln Trails, and attracts Presbyterians of all ages from Michigan, Ohio, Indi-

ana, and Illinois. I especially appreciate the opportunity to enjoy good meals that involve no work on my part. For the past several years, we have been hosted by Michindoh Conference Center, which is located outside of Hillsdale. It's a beautiful facility on a small lake. Housing possibilities include small apartments and motel style rooms in the same building as the dining room

and classrooms. There are also campsites available. This year I invite you to join us July 3-8 for a time of rest and renewal. The theme is Peace by Piece, and I will be teaching a class on the 2011-2012 Women's Bible Study on the Beatitudes. For more information, pick up a brochure at the Commitment Center or go to www.CovenantGathering.com

Benefit Piano Concert

Delta Presbyterian Church is hosting a Benefit Piano Concert featuring Hiroko Nagahata on Saturday, May 7, 7:00 pm. Hiroko is currently enrolled in the D.M.A. program in performance at Michigan State University. There will be a free-will offering during the concert, with proceeds going to Japan Red Cross Society. Hiroko is from Japan, and wanted to do something to help her native country during their recent disasters. Please come and enjoy an evening of wonderful music!

Mission Trips

Camp Calvin Crest Fremont, Nebraska

A small group of hardy workers are heading to a Presbyterian Camp in Nebraska to join the Mariners in Mission group to help fix up the camp for its summer season. We will be there May 22-28, and will join 22 others to paint, build, do

electrical work, sew, anything to get the camp "spiffed up". Our small group includes David & Holly Brock, Jim Constandt, Frank & Ellen Jackson, Bob & Ginny Noble, and Casey Wells. We are all excited and looking forward to work and fun times.

Sunset Gap, Tennessee

The Sunset Gap 2011 trip will be July 9-16. Sign-up begins May 1. The Project team has met and selected the projects. We will have two projects on-site at the Gap and two off-site. Questions? Ask Chuck Jennings, 321-3082 or Jim Dexter, 321-3712.

Words from Wendy



I had a friend who catalogued all the ways she had been wronged in the past, and would recite them regularly. She finally went to see a therapist, who told her she needed to have a bigger windshield than rearview mirror. When she shared this with me, it immediately captured my imagination. I immediately began to apply it to the church.

How often does the church spend more time gazing into the rear view mirror than planning and preparing for

the future? Think of all the times you've heard or said something that begin: "I remember when...." "It used to be...." "At one time...." We need to have that rearview mirror, but we need to make sure we're spending more time looking to the future.

Too often the focus of our meetings becomes reporting on what's happened rather than planning for the future. The session has begun shifting their focus to the future, and plans are being made to

shift the focus of the annual meeting from reports on the past to plans for the future. The lessons of the past give us the tools we need to move into the future. Our orientation, though, is to the future. I'm excited to see what plans God has for us as we journey together into God's future.

Looking Ahead



On Sunday, June 12, we will celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. It will be a day of celebration here at Delta. We invite everyone to wear fire colors (red, orange, yellow) to worship, where we will celebrate communion. We will also be recognizing and

saying thanks to all who offer their time in service here at Delta. It's appropriate to celebrate their spiritual gifts on Pentecost. Following the service, the session will host our final fellowship meal of the school year. It will be picnic style, with the session providing

grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, and bratwurst. The congregation is invited to bring picnic foods: chips, salads, baked beans, cookies. We hope you will join us as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

News from the Session



The session continues to tweak their meeting format as they seek to focus more on the future and less on the past. Education is now a key part of session meetings, and in April Kyle Dymond taught us more about different personality types and how we work together.

Session assigned a task force the job of looking at building use. They will be looking at the congregation's needs and requests for rooms

and planning how best to utilize the space resources we have.

We are in the process of revising our child protection policy and a sexual misconduct policy. After minor editing the child protection policy should be ready for final approval at the May meeting.

One of the changes we have made is requesting that all minutes be into the office within a week of meetings.

The session liked getting the committee minutes right after meetings so they had time to read them prior to the session meeting.

We continue to work to strengthen our communications. If you have suggestions for ways we can better communicate news to the congregation and community, please let a session member know.

Cause to Rejoice

Rejoice in the Lord always,
again I will say, Rejoice!
Philippians 4:4

God is at work in and
through us here at Delta,
and we have much in
which we can rejoice this
month.

We rejoice in the participa-
tion and support of our
Wednesday Lenten study.
Well over 30 people at-
tended at least one. This
year we offered it at both
noon and 6:00 as an ex-
periment, and the consen-
sus was that we should
continue to offer it at both
times next year. Thanks
to everyone who helped by
providing food or child-
care.

We rejoice in the attendance
on Easter Sunday. It was
wonderful to see so many
people, especially the chil-
dren. We celebrate the
music we experienced on
Easter Sunday.

The session rejoiced in the
Maundy Thursday service,
finding it to be very pow-
erful.

We rejoice in the recognition
we received at the April
Presbytery meeting for
being one of 17 churches
that increased mission
giving for this year.

We rejoice in the opportu-
nity to host a piano con-
cert on May 7th to support
the Japanese Red Cross in
their relief efforts follow-

ing the catastrophic earth-
quake, tsunami, and nu-
clear issues.

We rejoice in the dedication
and talents of our choirs,
and all they add to the
worship service.

We rejoice in the hope we
have because Christ is
risen.

We rejoice in the accom-
plishments of our gradu-
ates, and look forward to
seeing what they will do in
the future.

What gives you cause to
rejoice around Delta? Let
the office know and we'll
include it here next
month.



Community Garden

Looking to the Future:
The Community Garden
discussion was lengthy and
exciting. The end result of
the conversation was that
Chuck would contact Gabriel

at the Greater Lansing Food
Bank to set up a meeting
with a Community Garden
Task Force, Thursday May
12th at 6:30 p.m. Members
of the Task Force: Jack

VanCourt, Wendy Pratt,
Chuck Jennings, Bob Potter,
and Joe Frick. Anyone may
attend the meeting.



Delta Bits & Pieces

Pulpit Exchange

May 1 is the Lansing Clus-
ter Pulpit Exchange. Rev.
Timothy Chon, Pastor of
North Westminster Presby-
terian Church is preaching at
Delta. Wendy will be at
Eastminster Church in East
Lansing. The other minis-
ters involved in the ex-
change are: Bill Pinches
(Mason)-North Westminster,
Tony Patrick (Mt. Hope)-
Mason, Kirk Miller (Holt)-
Okemos, Robert Carlson
(Okemos)-Holt, Margie
Osborn (Eastminster)-

Lansing First, Jeff) O'Neill
(Lansing First)-Mt. Hope.

Clean-up Day

The Property Team is in-
viting everyone to help with
the Spring Clean-up of the
church, both inside and out.
The date is set for Saturday,
May 7, 9:00 am, with a rain
date of Saturday, May 15.
Coffee and donuts will be
provided.

U2 Concert/Concessions

U2 will be presenting a
concert on Sunday, June

26th at Spartan Stadium.

Delta will be staffing two
concession stands, so we
need 40 people who are will-
ing to work through the con-
cert. You'll be able to hear
the concert, but not see it.
It will be a lot of work, but
will also earn a lot of money
for Delta. If you are inter-
ested, please sign up at the
Commitment Center.





DEACON SALUTE



Deacon Salute-Our Graduates

Julie Angelica Cruz will graduate from Waverly High School on June 5th. She is the daughter of Gudrun and Jeffrey Cruz. She has one brother, Daniel. Julie is in the Top Ten at Waverly High School with a 4.0 GPA. She is in Honor Society, and Spanish Honor Society. She has received Departmental Awards for English, Science, and Spanish, along with the DAR Good Citizen Award. Julie plans to attend the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor where she will pursue LSA, premed, with plans to go into dentistry. A Delta, Julie has been a lay leader, greeter, helped with Robo Camp, was active in the youth group, and a member of the PNC.

Treven Mark Fech will graduate from Grand Ledge High School on June 3rd. He is the son of Kelli and Mark Fech. He has two sisters, Kelci and Ciarah. Treven's high school accomplishments include: Grand Ledge/Waverly Lacrosse 2003 - 2008; Comet/Waverly Varsity Hockey: 2008-2009 Rookie of the Year, CAAC All League Honorable Mention, Lansing State Journal Honorable Mention; 2009-

2010 Comet/Warriors Offensive Player of the Year, CAAC All League Honorable Mention; 2010-2011 CAAC All League Honorable Mention, Lansing State Journal Honorable Mention, CAAC League leading goal scorer until season ending injury in Jan.; GL's Class of 2011 "Most Unique" Senior Oscar Award. Treven plans to attend Ferris State University where he will study business. He hopes to take over his dad's Spruce Design and Landscape business in the future.

Matthew Allen Reemsnyder will graduate from Potterville High School on May 26th. He is the son of Bonnie and Gary Reemsnyder. He has one brother, Lee. Matthew participates in the Potterville Concert Choir. He plans to attend Michigan Career and Technical Institute, where he wants to take either cabinet making or graphic art vocational training. Matt was active in the Delta youth group. He has attended Camp Greenwood for the past eleven years straight.

Nichole Haun will graduate from Waverly High School on June 5th. She is the daughter of Bill and Marla Haun, and has one brother, Adam. At Waverly HS, Nicole was involved in Track & Field for one year. She has received Departmental Awards for Science, German, and ACT Prep. Nicole plans to attend Grand Valley State University, where she will major in Ecology or German. At Delta, Nicole has been active in the youth group and the Bell Choir.

Jon Vogler will be completing his requirements for teacher certification in the State of Michigan in early May. This is a four year program, where Jon spent one year at Lansing Community College, two years at Olivet College, and one year student teaching in the Lansing Public School system. Jon's goal is to obtain a full time teaching position in the mid-Michigan area. Jon is married to Meg Vogler. Both have been active in Delta's adult education program over the years.

Help Wanted

Position: Photographer/Videographers
Requirements: A camera or video camera
Job Description: Be willing to take pictures/videos of

events at Delta for use in publicity.
Payment: The satisfaction of knowing you are offering your talents in Christ's service.

To Apply: Talk to Wendy or Ellen.



May-June Birthdays

May 1 Don Wheatley Meg Vogler	May 28 Matt Reemsnyder
May 7 Janet Small	May 29 Rob Whiting
May 9 Paul Seppala	June 1 Adrian Oudbier
May 10 Pat Filker	June 10 Jeanne Randall
May 13 Gail Cone Trudie Frick	June 15 Ralph Swan
May 19 Bob Buchanan	June 21 Daniel Cruz
May 21 Rhonda Fort	June 28 Jane Meddaugh
May 26 Benjamin Dymond	June 29 David Brock
May 27 Larry Johnston	June 30 Jon Vogler

June Ambassador News is due May 17, 2011

Ambassador news is due the third Tuesday of each month. Please include your name and phone number with any article you submit.



Servants

USHERS

May 1 Kull
May 8 LaPratt
May 15 MacDowell
May 22 Martin
May 29 Jennings

GREETERS

Msy 1 Kull
May 8 Adrian Oudbier
May 15
May 22
May 29

TODDLER CARE

May 1 Doris Snelling
May 8
May 15
May 22
May 29

COMMUNION SERVERS

May 1 Paul Seppala
Jo Seppala
Harlan MacDowell
Sam Beglin
Bob Potter

June 12 (served in seats)
Joe Frick
Trudie Frick
Mark McElwee
Cory McElwee
Janet Small

CHILD SUNDAY SCHOOL

May 1 Jean Potter
May 8 Mary Jarrard
May 15
May 22
May 29



Thank You!

Thanks to all who helped with our Close Encounters of The Christ Kind during Lent. We are grateful to those who provided food and childcare for the Wednesday meals and technical support and worship leadership on Sunday mornings as part of our “cast of almost thousands.”



Changes Coming

I am very pleased to report that the Kids’ Hope program continues to be going well. We have been mentoring 14 students this year and are looking forward to our year-end party in May. However, there will be changes this fall. Waverly Community Schools will be

having a pre-kindergarten through 1st grade building and two 2nd grade through 4th grade buildings. This will, in all likelihood, mean that two programs will be serving students in one school and the schools the programs serve may be rearranged. Meetings are taking

place as to what will work best in continuing to mentor students, based on the changes the school district has made. I will keep you informed as final decisions are made.

Yours in Christ’s Service
Bob Potter



May 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Pulpit Exchange Change for Change 10 am Worship/ Communion 11:15 am Adult Sunday School	2 6:30 pm Spiritual Life Committee Girl Scouts	3 10 am Great Parents/ Great Start Play Group	4 9:30 am Quilting 3 pm Property Team	5 National Day of Prayer 6:15 pm Believers 7:30 pm Choir	6	7 9 am Clean-up 7 pm Piano Concert
8 Mother's Day Advent house 10 am Worship 11:15 am Adult Sunday School 11:15 am Called Session Meeting	9 6:00 pm Resources Com- mittee 7 pm Mission Committee	10 10 am Great Parents/ Great Start Play Group	11 9:30 am Quilting 10 am La Leche	12 6:15 pm Believers 6:30 pm Commu- nity Garden Task Force 7:30 pm Choir	13	14 9 am Clean-up (rain date)
15 Personal Needs 10 am Worship 11:15 am Adult Sunday School 3 pm Worship/Delta Retirement Center	16 6:30 pm Deacons 7 pm OCD Sup- port Girl Scouts	17 10 am Great Parents/ Great Start Play Group 7 pm La Leche	18 9:30 am Quilting 1:30 pm Women's Bible Study	19 7:30 pm Choir	20	21
22 10 am Worship 11:15 am Adult Sunday School	23 6:30 pm Session	24 10 am Great Parents/ Great Start Play Group	25 9:30 am Quilting 10 am La Leche 12:30 pm Clergy Cluster Lunch	26	27	28
29 10 am Worship/New Members/Baptism 11:15 am Adult Sunday School	30 Memorial Day	31 10 am Great Parents/ Great Start Play Group				

June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9:30 am Quilting 3:00 pm Property Team	2 Ascension of the Lord 7:30 pm Choir	3	4
5 Change for Change 10 am Worship	6 6:30 pm Spiritual Life Girl Scouts	7	8 9:30 am Quilting 10 am La Leche	9 7:30 pm Choir	10	11
12 Pentecost Advent House 10 am Worship/ Communion 11:15 am Fellowship Meal	13 6 pm Resources 7 pm Mission	14 9:30 am Presbytery	15	16	17	18
19 Father's Day Personal Needs 10 am Worship 3 pm Worship/Delta Retirement Center	20 6:30 pm Deacons 7 pm OCD Support	21 7 pm La Leche	22 10 am La Leche	23	24	25
26 10 am Worship U2 Concert/MSU Concessions	27 6:30 pm Session	28	29	30		

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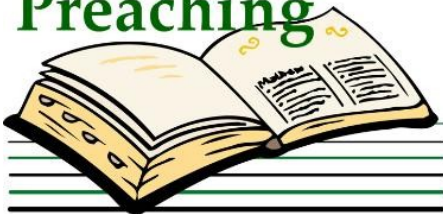


"We are ambassadors for Christ, God making His appeal through us." II Cor 5:20 .

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Worship and Preaching



Delta Presbyterian Church Mission Statement

Delta Presbyterian Church is a community of Christians committed to serving God through celebrating God's love in worship; studying God's Word; searching for God's truth and guidance; caring for each other in times of need, sorrow and joy; and, serving others to reflect Christ's example.

—Approved by Session, September 2009

Worship in May-June

Sunday, May 1, 2011

2nd Sunday of Easter
Lansing Cluster Pulpit Exchange

Communion

Rev. Timothy Chon, Pastor of North Westminster Presbyterian Church will be preaching at Delta Wendy will be at Eastminster Church in East Lansing

Sunday, May 8, 2011

3rd Sunday of Easter
Acts 2:14a, 36-41
Luke 24:13-35

Journey to Faith

Sunday, May 15, 2011

4th Sunday of Easter
1 John 4:7-21

John 15:1-8

Fearless Pruning

Sunday, May 22, 2011

5th Sunday of Easter
Graduate Recognition
Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16
1 Peter 2:2-10

Building Stones

Sunday, May 29, 2011

6th Sunday of Easter
New Members/Baptism
1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21

Set Apart by Hope

June 5, 2011

Ascension Sunday
Acts 1:1-11

Ephesians 1:15-23

To the Ends of the Earth

June 12, 2011

Pentecost
Communion
Fellowship Meal
Acts 2:1-11
John 7:37-39

Rivers of Living Water

June 19, 2011

Trinity Sunday
Genesis 1:1--2:4a
Matthew 28:16-20
Trinity

June 26, 2011

2nd Sunday after Pentecost
Psalm 51
Matthew 6:5-15
Prayer