

Pentecost, Pancakes, and a Building Project

Sunday, June 5, is Pentecost Sunday, the day we celebrate the birth of the Church. The church was birthed by the Holy Spirit, descending on the disciples in an upper room, filling them with such power, boldness, and confidence that they could not stop speaking about Jesus. The Spirit was also moving in the hearts of their listeners, as that day over 3,000 people joined the disciples in following Jesus. The church was born; and what began in Jerusalem spread throughout their region, across continents, and eventually around the world. We remember this event every year, as it has come to symbolize new beginnings, fueled by power from on high.

Our celebration this year will include an outdoor worship service, lunch with The Pancake Man, and the ceremonial groundbreaking for our new Welcome Center and facility improvements. We are stepping out in faith, looking to the Spirit's power in our lives to make us into the people God wants us to become. Our new facility and improvements to our existing infrastructure are meant to aid us in becoming even more welcoming as we reach out to serve others.

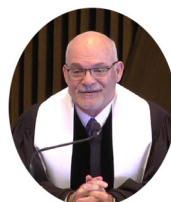
The color of the day is **RED!** Take note of the schedule:

- 10:00 a.m. — Worship on the East Lawn (bring your lawn chairs) with music provided by our choir, concluding with a massive group photo. Because we are outside, the service will not be recorded or livestreamed, so plan to worship in person that day.
- 11:00 a.m. — Lunch provided by The Pancake Man
- 12:00 p.m. — A brief Groundbreaking Ceremony

On that first Pentecost, the newly formed Church began to experience the joy of worship, fellowship, and service. As we celebrate this Pentecost, may we also experience their joy as together we do the same, continuing to Build God's House Together.



Your pastor and friend,
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P.S. On Tuesday, June 7, join Keith Allen and me as we begin a new Men's Bible Study for the summer. We will look at the biblical story of Joseph and learn about how God builds character. Bring your Bible and join us at 7 a.m. beginning on June 7. Sign up online!

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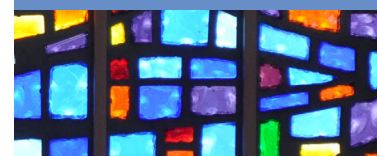
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Dear friends,

I just returned from a big preaching conference in Denver, Colorado. Like conferences in all disciplines, it is a time to get together with folks in the same profession, share stories, and listen for contemporary trends. While this might seem a bit obscure for preachers (after all aren't we all just telling God's story?), it is relevant, and it is not a surprise that the trends for 2022 center around how to heal the church after a storm.

This conference, The Festival of Homiletics, has been going on for thirty years, yet the last two have been on Zoom. This year, when we finally returned to meeting in person, we realized that nothing was the same. We now inhabited a new space, with new rules, and new expectations. We came together confronted by the shared trauma of the pandemic, the rawness of yet another mass shooting, and the reality of a war that has worldwide repercussions. How are we now the church when our twenty-first century social paradigm has just taken a major shift?

The collection of preachers, seminary professors and spiritual leaders came helping us reflect on how we can move forward. As Dr. Anna Florence Carter, seminary professor at Columbia noted, "Our last two years broke the mold of the prophet's plot." Instead of a storm that leads to a calm, we seem to be living in a never-ending storm with no end in sight. Psychologist Robert Wicks said it this way, "When we experience the stress of the chronic, we don't know when to scream." Yet, as we gathered day after day in the historic churches of downtown Denver for worship and prayer, there was a communal strength and a shared hope by the many of us called to ministry. There was a renewed commitment to looking at this world, this one in perpetual trauma, and see how these eyes and experiences shape our understanding of scripture.

For me personally, this experience has reopened my eyes to the rawness of scripture and the blood of our human lives. We have honestly white-washed our scriptures, making them clean and the messages nice and neat. But the trauma – in all its ugliness -- experienced by Jesus, the disciples and his followers take on a new intensity in this time. It is when I stop and internalize this pain that I truly

realize that our faith is equipped to handle the storm of adversity. As Dr. Karoline Lewis of Luther seminary taught, "trauma is at the heart of our witness." The trauma of many of our Biblical characters was real and so is ours. But because this trauma is part of our faith, we have the language and the tools to talk about the trauma, to sit in the pain and live into hope. We know that despite the chronic nature of today's storms, that Day of Resurrection will come, that our tears will dry out, and that God's peace will be our song.



Grace and peace,

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Citations:

- Anna Carter Florence, "Reading the Book of Jonah after the Storm," Lecture, Festival of Homiletics, Denver, CO, May 18, 2022.
- Robert Wicks, "Riding the Dragon: Preventing Secondary Stress in Ministry," Lecture, Festival of Homiletics, Denver, CO, May 16, 2022.
- Karoline Lewis, "in the Garden Alone," Sermon preached, Festival of Homiletics, Denver, CO, May 17, 2022.



If you or a loved one are facing a situation where you need spiritual or emotional support, contact Pastor Christine for more information about our Cross Care Connections program. You may also complete the online form on our website to request a Cross Care Connections provider.

Discover the Power of Prayer

Find prayer request cards in the pews. Just complete the card on Sunday and leave in the offering plate. Or, you can use our easy online form on the announcements page of the church website. Prayer requests are confidential and shared only with members of the prayer team.

Prayer Team Coordinators: Julie Buehler and Judy Arms

The View from My Office

LET'S BUILD IT NOW

Stepping out in faith, session has approved contractor MCL to be the contractor at risk for the new addition and renovation. Church of the Cross members have worked on this project since 2017 and I would like to offer my thanks to everyone who participated in congregational and committee meetings.

Our church continues to work together to continually challenge each other to be better stewards of the gifts God entrusts to each of us.

At the luncheon on May 1, members were informed of the cost of the project and where we stand with pledged giving. It is the objective of our Capital Campaign Committee to finance construction, if possible, on a debt-free basis.

Generous donors continually close the gap. Again, thank you!



Session has approved moving forward into the construction of the project and has contracted the cost of the project at \$5,505,000. The first phase will be for Leo A Daly to draw the construction drawings and then, for MCL to finalize subcontractors who will become part of the project.

From time to time I find a scripture passage that takes ahold of me and causes me to pause and think. Lately, it is a portion of scripture where the apostle Paul lifts up Christians in the area of Macedonia.

He explains sacrificial giving. If you have a chance, open your Bible to 2 Corinthians 8:1-5. The portion that caught my attention was – “their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity.”

Their giving was a source of abundant joy! And they continued to give generously, even if their fortunes or net worth indicated they were crazy. Even in poverty they overflowed in a wealth of generosity.

Sacrificial giving is going beyond our means. Many people today are living beyond their means. What if we changed just one letter in that thought, from living beyond our means to giving beyond our means.

Remember that faith is a muscle. If you never go to the gym, then don't expect to be able to bench press more than 100 pounds. With that in mind, if you're unwilling to take the risk of stretching your faith then your spiritual growth will be stunted, and eventually your faith muscle will be atrophy.

This week, take some time to meditate on 2 Corinthians chapters 8 and 9. Then ask the Lord to work in your heart. Ask him what changes you need to make to your lifestyle and financial stewardship.

There are three levels of giving – less than our ability, according to our ability, and beyond our ability. I believe it is fair to say that 96 percent of Christians in the Western world give less than their ability, perhaps 3 percent give according to their ability, and maybe 1 percent give beyond their ability.

A true disciple does not ask, “How much can I keep?” but, “How much can I give?” I figure that whenever I'm comfortable with my level of giving, it's time to raise it again.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Just a few things this month:

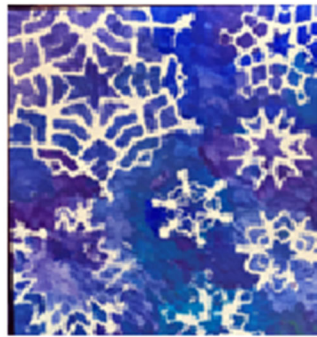
- Newly installed stove and convection oven set up and ready for use in our kitchen.
- Newly installed HVAC equipment operating in Fellowship Hall.
- Beautifully trimmed landscaped areas and lawn.
- Newly installed ceiling in the church library.
- Work on sound proofing the music rehearsal room from classroom 15.
- New covering for the Fellowship Hall chimney.



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Building and Grounds Committee
Moderator: John Stalnaker



Art Camp with Sue Thomas July 5-8

Children 1st - 5th grade (completed) are invited to join Sue Thomas from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Gathering Space to have fun and create art. The cost is \$15 for materials/child. Together, we will:

- Discover watercolor techniques
- Explore drawing dimensions
- Sculpt with clay
- Experiment with print making across mediums
- Understand Origami folds
- Create optical illusions
- Sign up on our church website to participate.

Volunteers are also needed! Contact Sue Thomas to help.

Last Chance to Sign up for VBS



June 21-23
9 a.m. to noon

Don't miss your chance to participate. Sign up online now! We are accepting applications for Kindergarten to 5th grade (completed). Sorry, our pre-school class is already full. Pre-registration is required; no walk-in registrations will be accepted this year.

JHF Leaders to Retire

Jon and Carla Fritz have faithfully served as leaders of our Junior High Youth Group since 2012. After a decade of dedicated service to JHF, they have decided it's time to retire. Help us thank Jon and Carla for their many years of service by writing them a card of thanks. We'll collect the cards in the church office and present them to Jon and Carla at their retirement reception on Sunday, July 31 at 11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. We hope to see you there!

Congratulations to the Class of 2022

High School Senior Sunday was a wonderful way to celebrate our graduating seniors. The youth did a great job leading worship. Their faith talks were heartwarming. We couldn't be prouder! A special word of thanks goes out to the Deacons for providing the delicious brunch and keepsake booklet.



Back row (L-R): Cael Dempsey, Max Rieke, Parker Spann, Ben Fritz, Logan Voss Front row: Sophia Aughe, Madelyn Grady, Kylie Berry, Meredith Bailey, Rylan Lehmann

Basket Silent Auction

Once again, our church family has shown up for our youth! The Celebrating Women's Baskets raised \$1100 that will go towards the Senior High Mission Trip to Parkville, Missouri. Thank you so much for always supporting our youth!

Important Dates to Remember

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| June 3-5 | Junior High Mission Trip |
| June 12-17 | Senior High Mission Trip |
| June 21-23 | Vacation Bible School,
9:00 a.m. to noon |
| July 23 | Garage Sale
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. |
| July 31 | Fritz Retirement Celebration,
11:00 a.m. |



8th Annual Garage Sale



It's almost time for our church wide garage sale and we need your help! We can't accept your donations just yet, but you can start setting aside donations, hangers, boxes, and plastic bags in your home.

We accept furniture, toys, sports equipment, household goods, children and baby items, clothing (no t-shirts), and shoes. Please make sure your donations are clean and in working order.

We cannot accept mattresses, tires, tube tv's, VHS videos/players, cassette tapes/players, or liquids of any kind. We must pay to dispose of these items, so please do not bring them to church.

- **Drop off your donations**
Sunday, July 10 at 9:00 a.m. at the north entrance

- **Volunteer to help with prep work**
July 11-15 and July 18-22
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
- **Help or Shop on Garage Sale Day**
July 23 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Thank you all for your donations and for your help with this fundraiser!



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CE Committee Moderator: Matt Kahler

JHF Leaders: Carla & Jon Fritz, Julie Evers, & Jeremy Cunningham

SHF Leaders: Dawn & Brad Gibson, Ethan Bennett, Susan Price



MUSIC NOTES

The 7th Annual Summer Youth Choir Festival is This Month!

The Summer Youth Choir Festival is a fun week for singers across the Omaha metro who are finishing grades 8-12. This year's festival will take place June 20-26 and includes four evenings of rehearsals, a Saturday outreach tour, singing for worship on Sunday morning, lots of snacks, special activities, fun with friends, and a festival t-shirt! All of that for only \$45! Registration is easy and you can sign up online at the church website. I would love to see many of our PCOC youth participate, and it's always fun to invite a friend to come with you. #



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Worship & Music Committee Moderator:
Jayne Frederickson



Thank you . . .

to all of our church choirs for another amazing year of music! Watch the Bulletin for announcements about summer choir this summer. This opportunity to sing is open to everyone!



- 1 Liam Weber
- 2 Piiri Morey, Naomi Rueb, Ellie Sherlock, Merrilee Faubel, Briley Mathia
- 3 Rachel Rathman, Alex Voss, Dawn Buchanan
- 4 Ella Moore, Bob Reisser
- 5 Maya Maxwell, Dick Dinsdale, Mika Trapp
- 6 Don Reed
- 7 Jean Carey
- 8 Kristen Hinz, Larry Rock, Brooks Trapp
- 9 Bryce Crawford, Claude Smith
- 10 Anne DeCosta
- 11 Leon Davis, Cosette Ebert, James Tot
- 12 Susan Geschwender, Scott Sumner, Crosby Koch
- 14 Carl Mammel, Matthew Price
- 15 Christina Kahler
- 16 Kim Reid, Bethany Haas, Renee Cornett
- 17 Dave Bougger, Bryan Hoybook, Casey Knight
- 18 Gary Neuhaus, Greg Brecci, Lani Polzin, John Millar, Cael Dempsey
- 19 Judy Keating, Fiona Smith, Libby Pflueger, Porter Thorson, Rex Thorson
- 20 Leslie Nicas, Maren Fuller
- 21 Jacob Buda, Kate Morris
- 22 Kevin Curtis, Isla Kalkwarf, Ava Kalkwarf

- 23 Keegan Anderson
- 24 Debbie Mazgaj, Sue Foehlinger
- 25 Blake Harrison
- 26 Dave Pederson, Ann Pearson, Ron Wax, Joe Eckman
- 27 June Fettig, Charlotte Lobaugh, Stephanie Weaver, Beverley Karrer
- 28 Julie Buehler, Christine Dempsey
- 29 Erin Bauer, Marty McGuire
- 30 Rylan Lehmann, Wayne Bauer, Shepard Versaw



Linda Niles May 12, 2022
Eleanor Gould May 14, 2022



Brayden Chip Downes and Olivia Eleanor Downes were baptized on April 24, 2022. The twins were born on September 22, 2021 to parents Jimmy and Jessica Downes.

Brady Nelson Luke was baptized on April 24, 2022. Brady was part of our 2022 Confirmation Class.

Lena Delphine Florent was baptized on May 22, 2022. Lena was born March 21, 2021 to parents Daniel and Molly Florent.



DEACONS UPDATE

On Sunday, May 1, graduating seniors and their families enjoyed a wonderful buffet breakfast hosted by the Deacons. The annual event is one of several the Deacons provide that focus on the youth and young adults of our church. The Deacons wish the seniors all the best as they move into the next phase of their life journey and want them to know that, just like at their baptism and confirmation, the congregation is cheering for them!

Congratulations to Our Graduating Seniors!

Meredith Bailey, Kylie Berry, Donovan Buda, Cael Dempsey, Ben Fritz, Madelyn Grady, Rylan Lehmann, Evalyn Mathia, Max Reike, Parker Spann, Logan Voss, Sophia Aughe, and Ethan Aughe.

Deacons

Moderator
Pam Swenson

Home Meals Coordinator
Kathy Moore

Secretary
Kim Banat

Prayer Shawls Information
Pam Swenson

Treasurer Danny Whitlow

PieceMakers
Karen Morey
Linda Miller

Funeral Meals
Pam Swenson



Music & Movement on Mondays & Thursdays — Ends June 16:

Even in the midst of an ongoing pandemic, Music and Movement has helped our members stay active, healthy, and happy! Please wear comfortable shoes with support for your moving about, and you will need your own water bottle, weights, and cords for your use only. The group will hold their last class on June 16 and gather for a luncheon on June 17. Vaccinations should be completed and you should also be boosted. Masks are optional. **Coordinator: Betty Baddley**



Tai Chi on Mondays & Thursdays All Summer: Tai Chi meets at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays in the Great Room. Masks are optional. Drop in if you'd like to attend a class. Contact Paula Allen with questions. **Coordinator: Paula Allen**



GALS on Saturday, June 4: GALS Chocolate and Fellowship on June 4. We're kicking off the return of GALS, a women's fellowship group. We will meet at 1:00 p.m. to carpool to Bakers Chocolates near Ashland for a shopping stop and then visit Glacial Till Tasting Room in historic downtown Ashland to enjoy some fellowship. The only cost is what you choose to spend at either establishment. This event will be a delightful afternoon to reconnect with friends. Coordinators: Brenda Grauman or Staci Voss.

49ers on Tuesday, June 7: Our 49ers speaker for Tuesday, June 7, 2022, is Gina Tomes, Program Director and co-founder of Bethlehem House Omaha. An Omaha native and educated at UNL and Creighton, Ms. Tomes is responsible for programming and oversight of the house. The lunch location is Gorat's, 4917 Center Street, at 11:30 a.m., and we will order from a special menu. Everyone is welcome to join us – whether you are 49, younger, or older! For reservations or questions, please contact the coordinators. You may also sign up at the Information Center in the Narthex. **Coordinators: Judy Sundberg & Mary Ott**



Active Minds on Tuesdays (June 7, 14, 21, 28): Somerset was invented by Arthur Hodges of Carroll, Iowa in 1903. It is still very popular in communities with Danish heritage. The name of the game comes from the fact that in the bidding zeal to win--it sometimes outweighs judgement and "some are set." The more you play, the better you will like it. You will be sharpening the powers of memory, observation, and deduction. The copyright was purchased from Parker Brother games by a Minden, Nebraska, merchant. The special deck of cards is available nationally only through the hardware store in Minden, Nebraska! Come to Active Minds in June and learn how to play on Tuesdays on the lower level from 2-4 p.m.

Coordinator: Earlene Uhrig

Friday Night Gourmets on June 10: Jim and Betsy Conway & Mike Howland and Linda Matson invite you all to come close out our Spring with great food and great company at Omaha's Lo Sole Mio! Mark your calendars for 6:15, Friday, June 10, 2022. This is a great opportunity to dine one last time at an iconic and beloved family-run Italian restaurant (Villa Banquet Rooms, across the street from the main restaurant at 3020 S 32nd Ave). The cost per individual for the buffet meal is \$25. Taxes and tip and your choice of coffee or tea are included in the buffet price. An individual tab cash bar will be available. We must pay for food with a single payment, so please make checks out to "PCOC" with "FNG Outing" in the memo line. Further information on our buffet meal, collections envelope, and sign-up sheet are available at the Information Desk. The last day to sign-up will be Sunday, June 5. Questions? Contact Betsy or Mike. **Coordinators: Curt Field & Launie Lambert**



Book Group on Wednesday, June 15:

Join the PCOC Book Group in Room 13 from 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. We will be discussing *The Girl with the Louding Voice* by Abi Davé. All readers are welcome! **Coordinator: June Fettig**

Find a complete list of our fellowship groups on the church website.

Congregational Life Committee Moderator:
Kristin Jacobi



Learning and growing in areas of social justice . . .

Summer Events and Invitations

Anna Sumner, Kathy Moore and Staci Voss are going on the Civil Rights Southern States Tour, July 21-28. We look forward to learning from them upon their return.

You are invited to Sunday worship with “Churches of Color!”

- **June 26:** Church of the Resurrection, 3014 Belvedere Blvd, for 10:30 service and picnic lunch. Meet in our PCOC north parking lot at 9:45 a.m. to car pool. Casual dress. More details when you RSVP to Patty Ritchie.
- **July TBD:** New Life Presbyterian Church, 4060 Pratt St, for 10:30.
- **August 7:** Salem Baptist, 3131 Lake Street, 10 a.m. to noon. Masks required. Meet in our PCOC north parking lot at 9:15am to car pool. Dress up a bit. More details when you RSVP to Patty Ritchie.

We’re also planning a tour of the Malcom X Museum, a Black History tour, and dinners at black-owned restaurants. Watch for invitations!

Agape Book Reviews

By Ann Pearson

As many of you know, we have an exciting new resource in our church library. It is known as the Social Justice section. We are hoping our congregation will utilize it as a way of learning about people of color (POC) especially what it's like to live in a predominantly white culture. There is so much to learn. And, as it turns out, much of the learning involves exploring what it means to be a white person. Yes, we white folks, in spite of our best intentions, have a lot to learn about what our whiteness means for ourselves AND for our brothers, sisters, and church family who are POC.

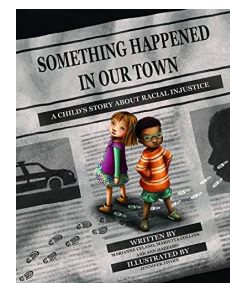
A great way to start learning is to explore the books in the Social Justice section of the library. There are books for all ages and all interests, whether it be history, biography, sociology or psychology. And though a majority of books focus on the lives of black people, there are a number of books about Hispanics and Native Americans.

Two of the children's books that caught my eye were *Something Happened in our Town: A Child's*

Story About Racial Injustice by Marianne Celano, Marietta Collins, and Ann Hazzard; and *Not My Idea: A Book about Whiteness* written and illustrated by Anastasia Higginbotham. I expected a quick read-through about how good parents are teaching their children that people of all colors are "good" people and deserve the respect and kindness that we give all our white friends. Well, that's not exactly how it went. I ended up re-reading these two books over repeatedly to fully comprehend their messages.

It's far more complex than "just being nice." In *Not My Idea* a young white child asks her mother about a variety of very confusing messages that adults tend to give about racism and how it should be handled. The child continues to question the fact that what her mother tells her and comforts her with, is not what she (the child) is feeling and experiencing, especially what she sees on the news and hears at school. It is very insightful and complex, but very current in its answers. And it is as important for the adult reader as it is for the child who reads it.

In *Something Happened in Our Town* a black family and a white family have separate discussions about what it's like to be a black person encountering the police. There is no judgement made about police officers in general. It is just an insightful view of the daily reality for black people who must worry about every police officer they encounter, even when they are involved in perfectly legal, harmless activities, like walking down the street, or driving, or shopping. Again, these are painful and fatiguing realities that white people rarely have to think about.



I encourage you to check out these books whether you have children or not. They present the complexities and realities for all of us. young and old, no matter what the color of our skin. And they remind us that white people carry a special obligation to learn and care.

As you get acquainted with this new section of the library, I am very interested in hearing from you. If you have feedback (positive or negative), or books you would like to see in the library, please feel free to contact me about it. The library is limited in space, but we would be glad to give consideration to your request.



Building Strength, Stability, & Independence

On Saturday, May 7, 2022 8 members of our congregation teamed with Habitat for Humanity to put up the exterior and internal walls for a home that will become a blessing for a family in need. The home located at 2865 Manderson St. in Omaha will be dedicated in the 4th quarter of 2022. While a specific family has yet to be determined, candidates are busy putting equity hours in to fulfill the requirements for ownership. The Mission Committee will share the name of the owner and pictures from the dedication later this year. We hope more of you can join is at our next build in May 2023!



(L-R) Rob Bailey, Jean & Clarence Waters, Paul & Diane Holubeck, and Annie Wattles

Gift Cards for Voices for Children

PCOC's mission partner, Voices for Children in Nebraska, is excited to host a 35th Birthday Celebration on Friday, November 4, 2022. The event will be held in the ballroom at the Livestock Exchange Building and will include a silent auction, hors d'oeuvres, drinks and carnival games.

We are in need of food and beverage gift cards as well as other types of gift cards to use as prizes for the games and for inclusion with some silent auction items. If you have unused gift cards in your wallet, purse, or desk drawer, please consider donating them to the Voices for Children Gala committee. We are happy to accept your gift card donations between now and Friday, Sept 23, 2022. For further information, please contact Amy Boesen. On behalf of Nebraska's children, thank you for helping make our state a great place to be a kid.



Mission Committee Moderator:
Karen Morey

Help Serve Hope to the Homeless

Siena Francis serves over 1100 meals a day, with 300-400 meals alone served at both lunch and dinner. That adds up to 400,000 meals a year! Our congregation has committed to serving the dinner meals on the second Sunday of the month. We need at least 6 volunteers to accomplish this task. Our next date is June 12 from 4:15-6:15 p.m. Lately we have struggled to cover our shift. Watch for the sign-up in the Friday email, or visit the church website anytime to sign up.



Did you hear Carolyn Will and Bill Ritchie talk about their great experience at Siena Francis during worship on May 22? If you have questions about what it's like to volunteer, ask Carolyn, Bill, or PCOC champion for this mission Sandi Stuckey.

Pantry Sunday is June 19

Demand remains high at the Heartland Hope Mission (HHM) pantry! With food price increases due to inflation and the higher cost for gas, it is costing HHM more to pick up groceries, deliver pantry supplies to the homebound, and provide mobile pantries. Bring your food and hygiene items to church to support their pantry! The most needed items are listed on our website. You can also make monetary donations to the pantry through the church by writing HHM on the memo line of your check.



"Coming Home" June 23-26

Young adults (ages 20-40) are invited to join in the fun, fellowship, and a bit of hard work during our 2nd annual mission weekend. We will stay at Calvin Crest, and the mission work will include a project at Calvin Crest, making hygiene bags for Heartland Hope Mission, and helping on a Habitat for Humanity build. Sign up today online!

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**Next Cross Currents Deadline is:
Third Friday of the month
June 17, 2022**



Our podcast (The Cross) is taking a break for the summer! The existing episodes stretch back to September and will remain available on the service pages of our website and on Spotify.

Cross Currents

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Do you know someone who is interested in joining the church?

The next New Member Class will be held Sunday, July 10 at 11:10 a.m. (after the 10 a.m. service) in Room 15. The class is approximately one hour in length and a light lunch will be served. We invite those who want to become members and also those who want to learn more about Church of the Cross and see if PCOC is a good fit for them. Please sign up to attend at the Information Desk or on the church Website at churchofthecrossomaha.org.

If you have questions about membership, please contact the church office at (403)333-7466 and speak with one of the pastors.



Membership Committee Moderator: Pam Otto

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For Cross Currents and Bulletin announcements, church website updates, Zoom meeting invites, or other communications needs, please contact Gayle.
