



*Baptism this Sunday*

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**Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>**

**10:15 a.m.**

**Worship Service & Baptism**

Nursery is available for infants, toddlers, and preschool-age children.

Sunday School for children ages 5 and older takes place at 11:15 a.m.

The service will also be available via YouTube for those desiring to participate from home.

Click Here: <http://youtube.com/channel/UCBYMT5pV5dLXGHjX5iaYXYQ/live>



## *In Prayer*

- Prayers for our dear friend, Molly Lee-Lafferty, who is working through a new health diagnosis.
- Sandy Rippie is now receiving comfort care at home. She would love to see some of her friends. Please feel free to text Chris: 612-670-1976 or Deborah: 612-669-1708 to arrange a time to visit.
- Ken Puglisi is home, hopefully for good, breathing much better but low iron.
- Vicky Block is getting her strength back. She has to have a redo on the interrupted hip operation.
- Beau & Kelly Onischuk ask prayers for their daughter, Sailor, who is battling a rare and serious illness.
- Michelle Liebl asks for prayers for her three nephews, Sam, Noah, and Maki as they battle health issues.
- Doug Allen, John Burgart, Mykayla Cunningham, Julie Ford, Louise Ford, Jordan Kerr, Cheryl Marsch, Nolan Sapp, Gail Stalpes, Amanda Trosen, and Traci White-Hobson.

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Join us during Sunday's worship service for the baptism of Josie Marie Aske, Laura Feierabend & Jon Scudder's granddaughter.

**Strengthen the Church** offering re-imagines and builds the future of the UCC. Shared at the conference and national levels, Strengthen the Church largely supports youth ministries and full-time leaders for new churches in parts of the country where the United Church of Christ does not have a strong presence. It also provides support for existing church's new initiatives. We will receive this offering on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>.

### May Birthdays

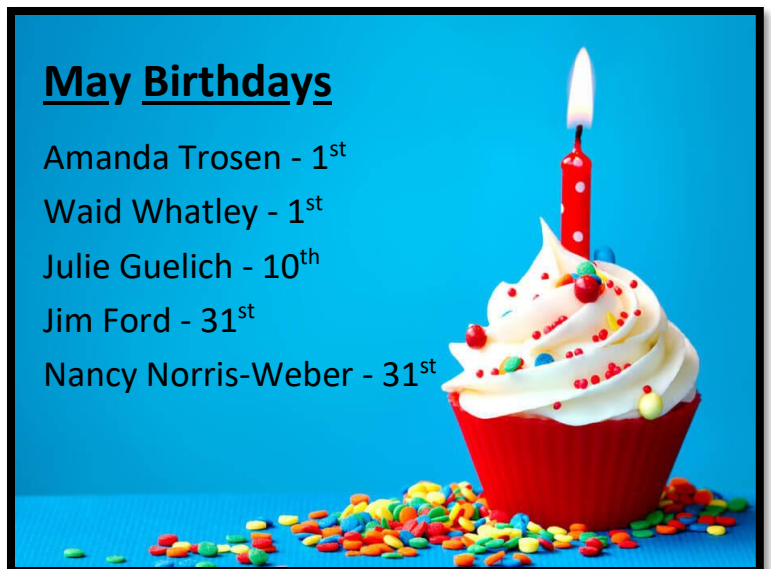
Amanda Trosen - 1<sup>st</sup>

Waid Whatley - 1<sup>st</sup>

Julie Guelich - 10<sup>th</sup>

Jim Ford - 31<sup>st</sup>

Nancy Norris-Weber - 31<sup>st</sup>



## Contact Information

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## Feed My Starving Children

Last Saturday, Chapel Hills along with other volunteer organizations packed 86 boxes of nutritious MannaPack® meals, which added up to 49,536 meals that will feed 135 kids for an entire year. ***Job well done Chapel Hills!!***

## Facilities Update

Along with the recent major updates to the Sanctuary, all remaining interior lights at the church have been converted to LED and/or repaired. A very big thank you to both Jon Scudder & Laura Feierabend for volunteering and taking this big project on! Exterior lighting is next on the agenda.

The front signage was recently cleaned along with some selected lawn repair/seeding from winter damage. This is a work in progress. An additional security camera was also installed in the lower exterior basement along with a lock on the closet door. We will be staining the playground equipment as soon as the weather gets nice.

Finally, if you are able, join us on Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30 am for some phase 1 spring clean-up. We will be working on the flower beds and raingarden. Get more information on this event from either Laura Feierabend or Stephanie Tesch.

Any questions, let me know... Tom Okonek, Facility Team Lead

## Looking Ahead

28	APR, SUN	● 9:15 – 10:15am	Adult Choir Rehearsal
		● 10:15 – 11:15am	Baptism of Josie Marie Aske
		● 10:15 – 11:15am	Worship Service
		● 11:15 – 11:45am	Sunday School (Ages 5 & Older)
29	APR, MON	● 3:30 – 9pm	Villard Studio Cello Lessons
30	APR, TUE	● 11am – 12:30pm	MnCAN Aphasia Group
		● 1 – 2:30pm	MnCAN Aphasia Group
		● 3 – 7:30pm	Villard Studio Cello Lessons
1	MAY, WED	● 3:30 – 6pm	Villard Studio Cello Lessons
5	MAY, SUN	● 9:15 – 10:15am	Adult Choir Rehearsal
		● 10:15 – 11:15am	Worship Service & Communion
		● 11:15 – 11:45am	Sunday School (Ages 5 & Older)
6	MAY, MON	● 3:30 – 9pm	Villard Studio Cello Lessons
7	MAY, TUE	● 3 – 7:30pm	Villard Studio Cello Lessons
		● 6:30 – 8pm	Church Council Meeting
8	MAY, WED	● 3:30 – 6pm	Villard Studio Cello Lessons
9	MAY, THU	● 1 – 2:30pm	Book Group



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### Offering/Donations

- **Online Giving** (convenient & secure) by clicking the following link...
- <https://app.easytithe.com/app/giving/chapelhillsuccedina> or by scanning the QR Code on the left
- **By Check** (indicate what your donation is for on the memo line) Send to: Chapel Hills, 6512 Vernon Ave S, Edina, MN 55436



## **“Abiding in Love”**

### **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

“We are aware that there has been increased violence against indigenous women and transgender persons. Our increased awareness of these issues that disproportionately affect women will impact our response as global advocates.” –Rev. Dr. Karen Georgia Thompson

On this Break the Silence Sunday, churches can raise their awareness of gender-based violence by participating in Thursdays in Black.

\*Thursdays in Black grew out of the World Council of Churches (WCC) Decade of Churches in Solidarity with Women (1988-1998), in which the stories of rape as a weapon of war, gender injustice, abuse, violence, and many tragedies that grow outward from such violence became all the more visible. But what also became visible was women’s resilience, agency, and personal efforts to resist such violations.

Join Wider Church Ministries, and our partners, in the campaign by doing the following:

#### **Pause**

Pause for a moment of silence on Thursdays at noon your local time to remember and honor those who have died at the hand of sexualized or gender-based violence.

#### **Pray**

Pray with us:

We stand with invisible victims of sexual and gender-based violence.

We see you. We hear you. You are not forgotten.

#### **Post**

Post your prayers, photos, or inspirations on social media using the hashtags #ThursdaysinBlack, #UnitedChurchOfChrist, and tag us.

If you or someone you know is in an abusive relationship, please seek help immediately. You can call the 24-hour National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE (7233).

\*<https://www.ucc.org/what-we-do/wider-church-ministries/thursdays-in-black-campaign/>