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God has been calling me to serve the church and the world through ministry and mission as a pastor. On the 10<sup>th</sup> of June, I surrendered all to God. During the 183th Annual Conference of Northern Illinois, I got ordained as an Elder in the United Methodist Church. Bishops and Rev. Marilyn Nolan (Mentor) put their hands on me, blessed me, and confirmed my calling to be a pastor. Absolutely it was a milestone in my life. “I am your servant, O

God. Please, help me to walk on your calling to the ministry and mission with a humble and servant heart! O Lord, send your Holy Spirit upon me and guide me into all the truth every day in my life! I give you praise and thanks, gracious God! Amen!”

I would like to thank you all for your support and prayers on my ordination process! Special thanks to Rev. George David, Rev. Sherrie Lowly, Rev. Jonathan Crail, Rev. Marilyn Nolan, Leland church family, Ottawa Evangelical church family, Savanna First church family, Bang-Wool & Jiho, Jiwon, and Jisung, my parents, siblings and family-in-law! I can't thank you enough for all you have done for me and my ordination process. Thank you very much from the bottom of my heart! Please, continue to walk with me, praying for me and my faith journey!



America's rampant inflation is imposing severe pressures on families, forcing them to pay much more for food, gas, and rent. Global pandemic, climate change, Russia's invasion of Ukraine, and other various factors are causing this inflation surge all together each and every one of us, not only in the United States but also the world over, is having a hard time out of this economic crisis. In particular, I am really concerned about the low income families, racial minorities, and people who recently lost their jobs. We should take special cares of those who are in despair and frustration in this difficult time. As you know, we are sharing our building with school food pantry. They are open during the summer time. Please, donate food and basic necessities to the pantry so that we can continue to support our friends who are in definite need.



Summer Vacation Bible School is coming up close! It's scheduled for July 18 through 23 from 9am to Noon at our church. The theme this year is 'Food Truck Party.' This is a perfect opportunity to serve our children and draw them closer to Jesus. They are going to learn from us about the love of God. We welcome any kind of helps for Savanna Community VBS. For instance, youth helpers, volunteers, leaders, photographers, supply & snack donations, monetary donations, etc.. We are going to need all hands and paws on deck for our VBS. Let us serve our children together! Again, this is a very important ministry. May God continue to bless you and your family and watch over you in July!

Happy Summer!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Dave

<u>Date</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Worship inside</u>	<u>Worship outside</u>	<u>Total attend per week</u>
5/1/2022	\$3,995.50	61	6	67
5/8/2022	\$2,214.90	58	9	67
5/15/2022	\$1,627.00	51	3	54
5/22/2022	\$1,373.00	44	6	50
5/29/2022	\$2,463.50	0	56	56
Total income \$11,673.90		Average per week		59



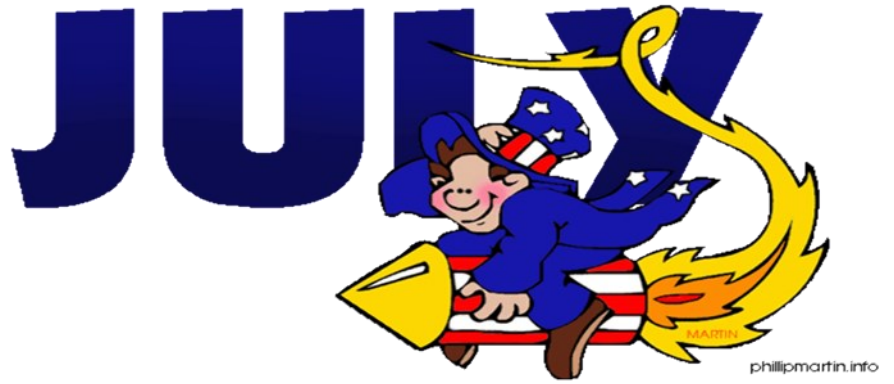
## *Attendance & Financials*



### Financial Report May 2022

Cash Available in General Account: <b>\$7,804.57</b>		
	May	Year to Date
Church Revenue	\$13,253.82	\$59,220.57
Church Expenses	\$14,859.45	\$62,793.36
Net Operating Balance	\$(1,605.63)	\$(3,572.79)
NIC Apportionments Paid	\$1,241.00	\$3,723.00
Please, contact Paula Mayer with any questions!		





## Birthdays & Anniversaries



- 1 – Luke Holcomb, Diana Steffes
- 5 – Jeff Doran, Sarah Neumiller-Jackson
- 6 – Molly Andersen, Judy Greenfield
- 7 – Noah Johnson
- 8 – Michael Jones
- 10 – Ancil Guilinger, Erik Torrison
- 12 – Hannah Guilinger, Eric Purchis
- 17 – Nathaniel Law
- 18 – Ronda Rathje
- 25 – Bruce Badtke
- 26 – Salinda Belander
- 31 – Deeann Kramer

*5—Rhonda & Jeff Law “1986”*

*12—Gary & Melinda Dykema “2014”*

# Soul Sisters

## Next outing: Sip "N Stroll Garden Walk

Date: Saturday, June 25th  
Time: 11 am Carpool leaves church.  
Place: Lanark

Piper Estates, Straddle Creek Gardens & Millie Sturtz home. At Piper Estates all proceeds will benefit our local CASA. There will be drawings for prizes and items to purchase. There is a small donation to enter the garden. You can see more information on Facebook at Sip "N Stroll Garden Walk. It is also Old Settler's Day in Lanark just down the street in the park with food carts and a craft show. Please RSVP to Vivian Eaton (815-244-9632) vkeatton@grics.net or Linda Jachino (815-541-4760) jachino@grics.net.

**ALL women** are very welcome to join us for a fun-filled afternoon! Soul Sisters is a Christian women's fellowship group. sponsored by our church. Sisters are not required to be members of our church or any church. We love explore our area, learn new things, grow in faith, and enjoy each other's company. *For more information, contact Linda Jachino (815-541-4760).*

## July Outing

**TUESDAY, JULY 12<sup>th</sup> (rain date is JULY 26<sup>th</sup>)**

Dubuque Arboretum & Gardens

**FREE!**--Tour the grounds in a golf cart or walk (donations are greatly appreciated) Lunch at the Olive Garden Restaurant

Carpool leaves church at **8:30 A.M.** (We need drivers!)

**\*\*\*ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!\*\*\***

RSVP Linda Jachino by **July 11th** (815-541-4760)



Visit to the Stone House/ Vivian demonstrated her tatting and crocheting skills. Cindy, Rhonda, Linda, and Molly with Vivian



The West Carroll School Food Pantry is now open to all families with children in Carroll County. This includes Eastland, Chadwick-Milledgeville, and the Right Steps Family Center. The hours are 3:30-5pm on the first and third Mondays of each month, unless it's a holiday. Thank you for your continued support of our food pantries, with your gifts and your prayers. Together we can end hunger! Items needed this month are fruit juice and pasta sauce.

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. 1 Peter 4:10

### **Blessing Basket**

The Carroll County Probation program made a large donation the the Blessing Basket in June. Thank you to Marcie Arno for gathering all the supplies and Kurt Arno for delivering them. Paper products, like paper towels, toilet paper, and facial tissues are always needed.



A decorative banner for 'SCHOOL SUPPLIES'. The words are written in large, bold, black, sans-serif capital letters. The banner has a yellow background with green horizontal lines. Various school supplies are scattered around the text: pencils (yellow and blue), rulers (orange and yellow), and two red apples with green leaves. The entire banner is set against a white background.

It's hard to believe but it's time to start collecting school supplies. Crayons, markers, notebooks, backpacks, glue sticks, pens, and pencils are always needed and should be on sale soon. Bring your donations to church on Sunday mornings and thank you for supporting our children at West Carroll.

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Dawn Barber, Tim Cavanagh, Stone Curboy, Denise Curtis, Billy David, Emilee Derrer, Bob Grissinger, LaVona Grissinger, Greg Eversoll, Chris Falk, Merry Florence, Matthew Foltz, Sandy Gabriel, Rhonda Harlock Smith, John Irons, Don Kramer, Dallas Kosier, Judy Law, Shari Morgan, Collen Olsen, Bonnie Parker, Dan Piercy, Bill Robinson, Jane Rubietta, Salvador Sanchez, Ron Smith, Grace Struve, Pastor Sylvester, Tod Tietjens, Joy Turner, Scarlett (daughter of Ashley Huebner), Young-Ho (Father of Bang-Wool), Eli (Grandson of Bob & LaVona Grissinger), Gi-Tae Yim (Father of Pastor Dave), Jackie Walker, Family of Lee Hansen, Ruth (Mother of LeaAnn Michel), Family of Robert Hill, Josephine Gherardini.

Our shut-ins: Glen Brunner, Dorothy Taylor, Bill Weidman, Steve Yenny.

Our country & government. Military Personnel & their families. The safety of Ukrainians and the end of the war, farmers in the fields & families of the victims of the recent shootings.







Pastor Dave on Vacation June 27th—July 5th

Sunday, July 3—9:30 am outside service—Communion—Pastor Bonnie Davies

Monday, July 4—Office closed

Tuesday, July 5—UMW Picnic 6 pm Old Mill Park

Thursday, July 7—9 am Bible Study

Sunday, July 10—9:30 am outside service—Brennon Cavanagh liturgist

Tuesday, July 12—8:30 am Soul Sister Dubuque Arboretum

Wednesday, July 13—Senior Service 1:30—3:30 pm

Thursday, July 14—9 am Bible Study

Sunday, July 17—8 am Trustees meeting

9:30 am Outside Service

Ad Council following service

Monday, July 18—Friday, July 22 Vacation Bible School 9 am—12 pm

Monday, July 18—West Carroll Food Pantry 3:30 pm—5 pm

Thursday, July 21—9 am Bible Study

3 pm Health & Worship

Sunday, July 24—9:30 am Outside Service

Kids Kards following service

Thursday, July 28—9:30 am Bible Study

Sunday, July 31—9:30 am Outside service

# Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School – July 18 through July 22.

Theme is Food Truck Party.



Online registration link has been created.

It is on our Facebook page or as follows:

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