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Dear Fellow Companions of the Way,

"A church is a place where we try to think, speak, and act in God's way, not in the way of a fear-filled world. A church is a home for love, a home for brothers and sisters to dwell in unity, to rest and be healed, to let go their defenses and be free – free from worries, free from tensions, free to laugh, free to cry." – William Sloane Coffin

This Sunday, June 14, 10:30 AM Worship will be at Alexander Park, followed by a fellowship meal in Fellowship Hall (details on page two).

At a special meeting of the session on May 29, position descriptions were approved for two part-time education staff. The first is Director of Children and Youth Ministries and the second is Director of Adult Education and Mission Outreach. The search committee is composed of Kim Hermann (chair), Traci Boeve, Stephanie Brader, Kenton Grams, Susan Oliver (personnel), and Charlie Webster (ex-officio). Your suggestions for candidates are welcomed.

At the same meeting, the session approved a committee to study music staffing needs. The committee includes Mary Olsen (chair), Erik Nielsen, Katie Kingsley, Becky Meyer, a personnel member to be named, and Charlie Webster (ex-officio).

Meanwhile, the Church Nominating Committee is at work in preparing names for the Pastor Nominating Committee. (Please see page two.) I hope we may see a congregational meeting to elect the PNC, as early as Sunday, July 12. On Sunday, June 21, the session has called a congregational meeting as the Church Nominating Committee will nominate Jan Ham to fill an unexpired term on the Board of Deacons.

Please join me in profound thanks to Jane Bauer, for her countless hours and dedication to our congregation as Church Treasurer.

Soli Deo Gloria! **Charlie**Charles Marshall Webster

Continued prayers for our *Go and Serve* team in Pine Ridge, SD: Lauren Canady, Dylan Croon, Jordan Graviette, Courtney Junker, Morgan Karloff, Thomas Kerr, Katie Kingsley, Lydia Meyer, Maggie Nielsen, Emma Redinger, Erikka Rhodes, and Duang Tang. Our adult advisors are Rev. Berke Landrum, trip leader, Kevin Junker, Constance Malloy, Becky Meyer and Tammie Nowka.



"Worship in the Park"

Service on Sunday, June 14th, will be held regular time 10:30 a.m. in Alexander Park. The Celebrate Band will lead music. There will be no Sunday school and all children are invited to join in the informal worship.

Following worship, all members and friends of the congregation are invited to join together for a meal in Fellowship Hall. Committee will be providing baked beans and beverages; attending members are asked to bring a salad, side or dessert. We look forward to seeing you there.



PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE (PNC)

The session has suggested there be eight members of the Pastor Nominating Committee and the Presbytery Committee on Ministry advises that no present or past staff members serve on the PNC. Teamwork is essential for the PNC. Moreover, the committee is charged not only to nominate the best candidate for the next pastor at First Presbyterian Church but the person God is calling, and that includes much reading, praying, and discerning together.

Do you enjoy singing? Please join us on the first and third Sundays of June, July, and August. Rehearsal begins at 9:30 in the choir room, worship at 10:30 in the church sanctuary. Michael Hull will be leading the choir.



Relay For Life update....

The many names of cancer affected friends and family members were on our luminaries at the Relay for Life celebration on Saturday, June 6th. First Presbyterian Church's team collected many donations from our congregation, all going to cancer research. Our loved ones are our focus as we prayerfully continue the fight against

cancer. We can still receive donations to this year's Relay for Life event. Checks should be made out to the American Cancer Society and may be left in the church office. Total donations this year from First Presbyterian Church team, \$1841, well exceeded last year's donations of \$1635. Thank you, from the team members!! Dedicated luminaries:

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In Memory of:		In Honor of:
Jeanette Adrian	Earl Knigge	Becky
Judy Anderson	Franklin Knowlton	Ann Chambers
Tam Babcock	John J. Lainson	David Cook
Patricia Banks	Edward H Lochwood	Jim Cooke
Jeannine Bauer	Doris and Marvin Lovegren	Mary Jeanne Cooke
Florene Behl	Mary Marsh	Jeanene Dodge
Rosie Beyke	Don Maul	Gail Dreher
Ardyce Bohlke	Bob Mays	Mike Evans
Alice Braum	Toni Mays	Polly Feis
John Breeden	Msgr. McCabe	Larry Graham
Ruthe Breeden	Lola McKenzie	Becky Hamik
Ben Bullington	Ruth McKelvie	Jerri Haussler
Millard Cates	Nancy Melvin	Charles Hermes
David Cunningham	Jann Meyer	Ann Hilton
Virginia K. Davis	Lenora Meyer	Darleen Howard
Jack Dodge	Pat Mitchell	Jeff Howard
Bob Dugeon	Pauline Moomey	Byron Jensen
Rev. Edwin Eiben	Andrew Murry	Tim Johnson
Ruth Eiben	Don Nielsen	Vernon Kooy
Raymond Etmund	Jens Nielsen	Elaine Lamski
Chip Essex	Sally Pinney	Darrell Lloyd
Ralph Frasier	Sue Pinney	Will Locke
Shirley Frasier	Ruby Reis	Dwight Marsh
Gladys	Marilyn Sachtleben	Fred Mattes
Philip Gilmore	Dan Schnackenberg	Roxie McKinster
Molly Gleason	Hazel Schukei	Mary Plock
Nancy Goodrich	Robyn Smart	Barbara Siemonett
Paul Goodrich	Julie Soderquist	Carole Storer
Dorothy Graham	Alma Specht	Roger Sunderman
Mike Graham	Ralph Specht	Bernie Tushaus
Father Gyhra	Harry Gene Stewart	Mary Vaughan
Jerry Hoff	Dorothy Streff	Rogene Wenburg
Carol Hurst	Winnie Vaughn	Sandy Wenburg
Bun Johnson	Janelle Wicker	
Donna Johnson	Edith Wilcox	
Megan Kelly	Evelyn Wilcox Dee Yost	

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