

# Steepleviews

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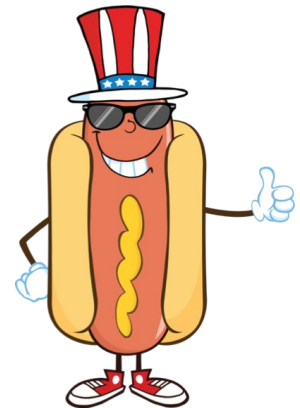
## Catch These Coming Events!

### Our Big Month is Here!



#### 4th of July Parade

We'll have a float, so we need people to ride on the float and people to help create it.



#### 4th of July Koegel Hot Dog Sale

Check the big bulletin board for the needed soda pop or water donations. Don't forget to stop by and grab a quick lunch that day!

#### July 22: 3rd Annual Block Party



We'll have free sandwiches, free chips and popcorn, free non-alcoholic beverages, and free entertainment. Feel free to bring a chair or blanket, your family, friends and neighbors and enjoy. The street will be closed off between 5th and 4th Streets, so kids can ride bikes and scooters and be safe. The rain date will be the next day. **Come as you are able and bring the clan. It's going to be an awesome month!**

# Pastor's Page

Regardless of how old you are, this prayer is appropriate!

Lord, you know I am getting older. Keep me from becoming talkative and possessed with the idea that I must express myself on every subject. Release me from craving to straighten out everyone's affairs.

Keep me from the recital of endless detail. Give me strength to get to the point.

Seal my lips when I am inclined to tell of my aches and pains. They are increasing with the passing years, and the love to speak of them grows sweeter as time goes by.

Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be wrong.

Make me thoughtful, but not nosey. Helpful, but not bossy.

With the vast store of wisdom and experiences, it does seem a pity not to use it at all.

But you know, Lord, that I want a few friends in the end.  
Amen



## Flowers on the Altar: How's That Work?



There are three options:

1. They can be ordered and delivered from Victoria's for \$50.
2. Marti Mollema is willing to glean, purchase and deliver a bouquet for a donation to the church of \$25-\$50.
3. You can bring in your own gleaned or purchased bouquets.

The final count was \$415.00  
for our

## Red Cross Hero Campaign!!

The final count for  
**Habitat Buy a Square** was \$405.00!!



## Benzie County Community Chorus presents 2014 CABARET ON STAGE

on July 13th and 14th at  
Manistee's Ramsdell Theater &  
July 18th at the Opera House in  
Traverse City. Shows at 8:00 p.m.

For Reservations call 231-352-5290





## July 2014 Anniversaries & Birthdays

- 01 Lary Sommers
- 04 Pam & Steve Jackson
- 06 Eliza Frary
- 07 Becky Addis
- David Grant
- Lois Martindale
- Andrea Robinson
- 08 Chia & Sua Yang
- 09 Ralph Jackson
- 12 John & Leslie McElduff
- 13 Mason Rath
- 17 Laurel Rath
- 20 Jim & Mary Jane Murray
- 24 Tristan Chicky
- Carol Penfold-Patterson
- 26 Peyton Clevenger
- David J. Grant
- Daniel Haigh
- Polo Mendoza
- 27 Kristine & Michael Bingham
- 28 Judy Welch
- Jean & Larry Neuhardt
- 29 Dick Brown
- 30 Fred Milliron
- 31 Rick Schmitt

### Reminder!

## A Celebration of Life for Raye Rosen

Sunday, July 13 @ 2:00 p.m. at  
the Benzonia Chapel of  
Jowett Funeral Homes. Following the  
interment at Benzonia Township Cemetery,  
a luncheon will be held at  
Trinity Lutheran Church.

All are  
welcome to attend.





# ALONE?

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## OVERWHELMED BY PARENTING?

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### Help is only a Phone Call Away

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## 1-800-942-HELP

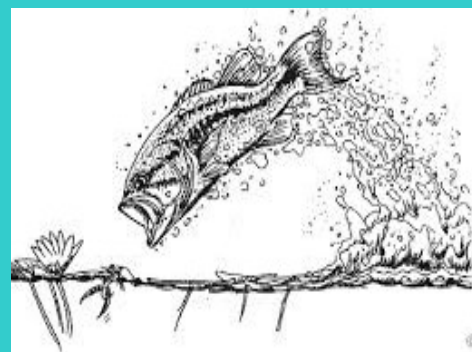
PARENT HELPLINE

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24 HOURS A DAY • 7 DAYS A WEEK  
ALL CALLS CONFIDENTIAL  
NO CHARGE FOR CALLING FROM ANYWHERE IN MICHIGAN

Pastor Dinah will be on  
vacation starting July 23rd and  
returning on August 9th.

We wish you lots of sun,  
still  
waters,  
and  
tons of  
biting  
fish.





# Council Notes

## There were 11 Council members at the June 11, 2014 Council meeting.

### Treasurer's Report: Jim MacKenzie

Income is up a bit and expenses are down a bit, but there is still a gap between the two. Missions were closer to the amounts we try to send. Overall, we are at 45.1% of the budget, keeping the budget close to where it should be.

### Outreach: Judy Grant

1) Reported a successful "Gathering"; 2) the July 4th Koegel Hot Dog Sale is coming up; 3) John Walthorn will head the 4th of July Hot Dog Sale; 4) We will participate in the 4th of July parade and we are working on a theme for the that day; 5) The date for the Community Block Party will be July 22nd; 6) The date for the Flotilla Party will be August 13th; and 7) Jim Buzzell asked about adding Beach Bums games to our social schedule.

### Women's Fellowship: Mary Reed

\$200.00 was donated to the 4th of July Hot Dog Sale.

### Worship: Ann Osborn

1) Baccalaureate for both Benzie Central and Frankfort-Elberta schools was held at St. Andrews with the students doing most of the planning and presentation; 2) Pentecost was celebrated; 3) a Celebration of Life service was held on June 17th for Ted Smeltzer and one for Raye Rosen will be held on July 13th; 4) The annual Church Picnic will be held on June 29; 5) Our Pastor's vacation is scheduled from July 24-August 8.

By-Laws, Finance & Stewardship, Historian, Investment, Missions, Nominating, Personnel, Property and Religious Education:  
no reports

### Pastor's Report:

Report was submitted to those present.

### Unfinished Business:

Jane Brawner's bequest of \$58,177.92 was discussed. The Worship Committee discussed

possible expenditures, using a portion for improved microphones, speakers, lighting in the sanctuary and new choir robes. Missions could be increased to \$200 per month and the Pastor's Discretionary Fund could be increased to \$200 per month for 4 years, reaching a maximum of \$2,400 per year. Property Committee discussed a remodeling of the ladies' restroom.

Jane Brawner's bequest investment decision, moved by Denis Crosby and seconded Judy Welch seconded to use \$10,000 for Missions projects, \$10,000 for Worship projects, and \$38,000 to be added to the R.W. Baird Investment Fund as proposed by the Investment Committee, increasing our balance to approximately \$680,000. The remaining balance of \$177.72 would remain in the CIF Fund.

### New Business:

none.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Welch for Ann Osborn,  
Church Council Clerk



The Maples is having a revival of  
The Blueberry Festival on August 2nd  
from 10:00 until 2:00  
at Market Place Park in Frankfort.  
This will be the big kick off for the  
bigger and better Blueberry Festival  
for next year when it will be back on  
The Maples' property.  
We need lots of volunteers so if  
you can help in any way, please contact  
Sharon Gilbert at 352-9674.  
Join us for a planning meeting on  
Thursday, June 19 at 10:00 a.m.

## Please Remember in Prayer

Ed Baldwin  
Maureen Belden  
Joanne Brown  
Peggy Burns  
Robin Brunette  
Marjorie Call  
Doris Clark  
Rob Conrad  
Mike Codden  
Maureen Costello  
Gerry Dodson  
Monte Finkhaus  
Dejha Frieholtz  
Jack Frost  
Lucy Getty  
Abby Gilbert  
Jim Gillison  
Tyler Grant  
Peter Guthmein  
Shirley Hamm  
Dan Herringa  
Carolyn Hershey  
Melinda Klockziehm  
Jill Levis  
Ray Miehlke  
Larry Miller  
Don Nugent

Donna Phillips  
Signe Ruddy  
Lee Sedfelt  
Tim Strand  
Gene Ulen  
Elaine Vanderberg  
AJ Zirkel

### Our Prayers are extended to the families of:

Eleanor Chesseman  
Greg Cornish  
Nancy Cote  
Joyce Davis  
Ed Duncan  
Jeff Gilroy  
Eric Hansen  
Charlotte Nametz

### Those serving in the Military:

Cody Bates  
Matt Conrad  
Ryan Kingsinger  
Mike Porter  
Ryan Ruddy  
Brittney Wood

## July is FCCF Greeters' Appreciation Month!!

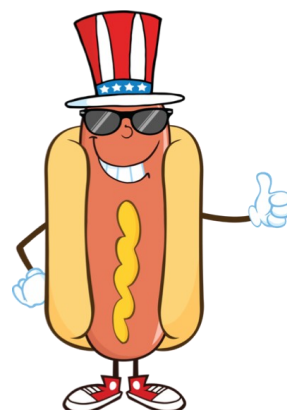
Thank you for being here early and  
the first friendly face that people see  
when they come into our church  
home! It's one of the  
most important "jobs"  
we have.



## Donations and Helpers needed!

If you would like to donate either pop  
or water to the church for the Koegel  
Hot Dog Sale, it would be helpful if you  
could check the list in the Church  
Dining Room.

In addition to that we are looking for  
volunteers to be in  
the parade – in a pick  
-up truck. It's a  
carpenter theme for  
us this year so  
looking for "loaned"  
items including hard  
hats and tool belts!



Your gift is needed  
to "*spark*" this  
year's BACN  
Summer Match  
campaign.

The John L. Mulvaney Foundation, the  
Father Lovett Foundation and another  
caring family will match all donations  
to BACN before August 31, dollar for  
dollar, up to \$45,000. Success will  
mean hundreds of children will be  
provided healthy nutritious foods,  
families will have warmth next winter,  
and every Neighbor will have access to  
basic education, a GED, and job skills  
opportunities.

## A Multitude of Gratitude goes to

- Thank you to the Grajcars for hosting "The Gathering". What a great time!
- Thank you all who helped with Tending the Flock at Mary Reed's Painting Party. It was a perfect day for the "family" to gather and help her house stand a little longer. Thanks to all those who brought food, too. It was a great lunch day!
- Thank you to Jim MacKenzie for creating a Treasurers' Manual. It's long overdue and a great tool for the future.
- Thanks to Maggie Baker, Marti Mollema and Ann Osborn for redecorating the church dining room for the summer months. Such fun for the eyes!
- A big thank you to Robin MacKenzie for weeding and mulching!
- The Summer Kids who sang for worship on the 22nd! All ten of you were wonderful!
- Devan Lalas for his singing also on the 22nd. What a wonderful talent spirit!

Just a friendly reminder to please bring and use your own coffee






cups and mugs. It helps the earth and our financial "bottom line."

## Congratulations!

- To Jeff & Michelle Frostic on the birth of their grandson, Odin Petowski this month. Yes, that makes Bill & Molly great-grandparents again, too.
- To PaYia Yang and Miguel Cortes on the birth of Cristian Ku Yang Mendoza, June 16. He came in at a whopping 6 lbs, welcome to the family, Cristian!
- To great-grandpa Jim Buzzell, on the birth of Henry Lambert Buzzell on June 18. He came into the world at 9lbs 6oz.. Congrats, too, to his parents Peter & Sarah Buzzell.
- To Amy and Michael Albert on the birth of their son, Henry Kirkwood Albert on June 20. He is a great-nephew to Hugh & Pat Hessler.
- Lois Anderson on the birth of her newest great-grandson, Eli Ogden Shumaker, born June 22nd
- To Nathan MacKenzie on his graduation from Michigan Youth Challenge Academy in Battle Creek!
- To Jacob Grant on his graduation from high school!
- To Hilda & Tim Quist on their daughter's award of the 2014 Distinguished Teaching Award at Westminster Choir College, Rider University in New Jersey. Behind Dr. Amanda Quist are two awesome parents that fostered her passion. Way to go, Quist family!
- To Devan Lalas on his graduation from Western Carolina University!

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July 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 9:00 a.m. Foot Care Clinic  12:00 p.m. Bell Baptism (home)	2	3  9:30 a.m. Yoga  7:30 p.m. Choir	4 <div style="border: 3px double black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <b>10:00 a.m.</b>  <b>4th of July</b>  <b>Parade</b>  <b>10:00 – 1:00 p.m.</b>  <b>Koegel</b>  <b>Hot Dog Sale</b>   </div> Pam & Steve Jackson	5
		Lary Sommers				
6 10:30 a.m. Worship  Eliza Frary	7  Becky Addis David Grant Lois Martindale Andrea Robinson	8  4:00 p.m. Property Mtg.  Chia & Sua Yang	9  7:00 p.m. Council Meeting  Ralph Jackson	10  9:30 a.m. Yoga	11  5:00 p.m. Schindler-Brown Rehearsal: beach	12  5:00 p.m. Schindler-Brown Wedding  John & Leslie McElduff
13 10:30 a.m. Worship <div style="border: 3px double black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">             2:00 p.m.              Raye Rosen              Celebration              of Life           </div> Mason Rath	14 <div style="border: 3px double black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">             8:00 p.m. Benzie              Community              Chorus Cabaret              on Stage at the              Ramsdell Theater              Manistee              Sun July 13              Mon. July 14           </div>	15	16	17  9:30 a.m. Yoga <div style="border: 3px double black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">             Very Cherry              Smorgasbord              Dinner              5-7 p.m.              FUMC           </div> Laurel Rath	18 <div style="border: 3px double black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">             8:00 p.m.              Benzie              Community              Chorus Cabaret              on Stage at the              Traverse Opera              House           </div>	19
20 10:30 a.m. Worship  Jim & Mary Jane Murray	21  Rev. Bill Hirschfeld, preaching	22 <div style="border: 3px double black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">             5:00-7:00 p.m.              3rd Annual              Block Party           </div>	23 <div style="border: 3px double black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <i>Tentative              Block Party              Rain Date</i> </div>	24  9:30 a.m. Yoga Tristan Chicky Carol Penfold- Patterson	25  4:00 p.m. Bower-Madarasz Rehearsal	26  4:00 p.m. Bower-Madarasz Wedding Peyton Clevenger David J. Grant Daniel Haigh Polo Mendoza
				Pastor Dinah on Vacation		
27 10:30 a.m. Worship, Amelia Whisner Baptism  Kristine & Michael Bingham	28 <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> Judy Welch Jean & Larry Neuhardt	29  Dick Brown	30  Fred Milliron	31  Rick Schmitt	Aug. 1 5:00 p.m. Marshall- Eichens Wedding	
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Date	Greeters/Ushers <i>Head Usher:</i> <i>Julie Robinson</i>	
6	Maggie Baker, Nora Bungard and Michael & Sharon Grajcar	Greeter and Ushers: Please arrive at church by <u>10:00 a.m.</u> ready to greet and welcome all who come to worship. (Greeters and Ushers are the front line people in welcoming visitors and new church family members!)
13	Mary Ann Harness, Bill Hirschfeld, Alma House and Mary Reed	
20	Sonya Duffy, Larry Neuhardt, Candace & Dan Nostrandt	
27	Ann & Paul Osborn, Marti Mollema and Myra Elias	