

Steepleviews

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# Catch These Coming Events!

# Our Big Month is Here!

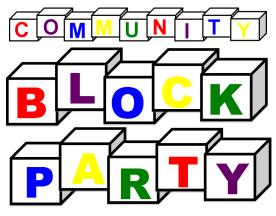


4th of July Parade We'll have a truck, so we need a few more people to ride in the back.

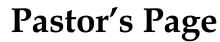
#### 4th of July Koegel Hot Dog Sale

Check the lists on the counter for work-sign-ups, soda pop or water donations. Don't forget to stop by and grab a quick lunch that day!

#### July 14: 4th Annual Block Party



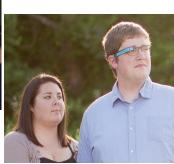
We'll have sandwiches, chips, popcorn, nonalcoholic beverages, and entertainment – all free! This year's music will be provided by the New Jazz Trio (Bill Kneisel's group). Feel free to bring a chair or blanket, your family, friends, neighbors and enjoy. The street will be closed between 5th and 4th Streets, so kids can ride bikes and scooters and be safe. It's going to be an awesome month!





Congratulations to newlywed brides and grooms Katie (Condon) and Mike Boyd (June 20), Liz (Ryckman) and Tony Ponce de Leon (June 26), and Stephanie (Jackson) and Jeffrey Wheeless (June 22). Stephanie is the granddaughter of Peggy and Ralph Jackson.







Congratulations to Ryan and Tara Ruddy on the renewal of their marriage vows (June 20).

Congratulations to Finley Ann Ruddy on her

baptism (June 21) at Crystal Lake. Finley is the daughter of Tara and Ryan Ruddy, granddaughter of Signe Ruddy and greatgranddaughter of Dick and Joanne Brown.



Thank you to Rob Burch for sharing his insights on the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday. It's so insightful to hear another person's thoughts.

Thank you to all who helped to cover bases while I was away at my mother's funeral: Nancy Reed for directing the choir, Al Bryant and Bill Hirschfeld for taking the Sunday service, and all the other pieces

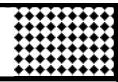
folks did. Thank you Andrea Frost, Carolyn Lalas and

Andy Mollema for driving to Minnesota to attend the service as representatives of this church family and community.



What a great gift of time and car!







#### July 2015 Anniversaries & Birthdays

- 01 John & Rosemary Abbett
- 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 Ruth Forrest
- 20 Jim & Mary Jane Murray
- 24 Tristan Chicky Carol Penfold-Patterson
- 26 Peyton Clevenger David J. Grant Polo Mendoza Trish McConnell
- 27 Kristine & Michael Bingham

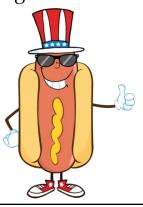
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- 28 Judy Welch Jean & Larry Neuhardt
- 29 Dick Brown
- 30 Fred Milliron
- 31 Rick Schmitt

## 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 – walking and/or riding in the back of a pick-up truck.



### **Noteworthy Corrections:**

Bennett Schmitt is going to Alma College, not Albion.

Pearce Pomerleau is going to Hillsdale College.

The First Congregational Heroes Campaign was a great success! Our congregation donated \$235.00 to the 2015 Red Cross Heroes Campaign. Thanks to you, our congregation continues to support the many efforts of this organization. The newly named, Northern Michigan Red Cross, has redistricted the state and we now encompass 36 counties including the UP. We now have a lot more territory to cover and your contributions are greatly appreciated. Thank you, Donna Phillips, Past Red Cross Board Member

Council Notes				
There were 14 Council members at the June 10, 2015 Council meeting.         Treasurer's Report:       John McElduff         Offerings for the month of May totaled \$9,215.00;       Line Item Expenses for the month of May totaled         \$7,459.47; and surplus for the month of May was       \$1,755.53.         Investment:       Denis Crosby         The total amount in our Investment Fund, as of	the Church and Parsonage. <u>Religious Education</u> : Candace Nostrandt 1) Sunday School Recognition and High School Senior Recognition was held June 7; and 2) Sunday School will resume in September. <u>By-Laws, Finance &amp; Stewardship, Historian,</u> <u>Nominating, Women's Fellowship and Worship</u> : no reports <u>Pastor's Report:</u>			
June 10, 2015 is: \$676,586.00. RW Baird reports that the YTD growth is \$14,709.00 but is slowing down. <u>Memorials:</u> John McElduff \$500.00 was given during the month of May.	Report was submitted to those present. <u>Unfinished Business:</u> none. <u>New Business:</u> There was a discussion regarding the Investment			
<u>Missions</u> : Leslie McElduff Mission income for the month of May totaled \$374.13. The Church was able to meet the financial obligation (\$800.00) to its various Mission supports 100%. <u>Outreach</u> : Judy Grant	Policy's requirement for use of approved annual withdrawals. No action was taken at this time but will be addressed at future meetings. Respectfully submitted, Ann Osborn, Church Council Clerk			
<ol> <li>July 4th Koegel Hot Dog Sale: more hot dogs will be purchased this year; the cost of each item will still be \$1; Mac Whisner will chair the event (there will be a meeting to finalize plans); 2) the church will participate in the 4th of July parade.</li> <li><u>Personnel:</u> Andy Mollema The discussion on possible raises for our Church employees has been postponed.</li> <li><u>Property:</u> Andrea Frost</li> <li>The Church and Parsonage water back flow prevention assembly was inspected by Lautner Irrigation of Traverse City. A copy of the test</li> </ol>	Over (+)/Under (-):The Bottom LineReceived Over/UnderJanuary\$ 5,279.00- \$3,469.35February\$ 13,512.00+ \$6,422.07March\$ 5,795.61- \$2,955.73April\$ 9,035.62+ \$1,687.42May\$ 9,215.00+ \$1,755.53Total\$24,586.61+ \$3,439.94			
report will be sent with the bill; 2) The State Boiler Certificate of Operation has been received and posted in the furnace room; 3) Sanctuary fans and light fixtures were cleaned and bulbs replaced by Steve Crouch; and 4) the Committee is waiting for estimates for remodeling the bathrooms, the Red Room, and the balcony, and the Committee is getting estimates for landscape work in front of	A       Notice: There are only a few more weeks to get your car washed by the professional Robinson grandchildren: Peyton, Kyah and Reagan!			

### Please Remember in Prayer

**Bill Bruinsma** Arthur Campbell Dana Clark Doris Clark June Coolman Colleen Cruff Geri Dotson Alison Duffy & Baby Ien Flatt Ray Franzen Bea Gray Peter Guthmann Helen Haag Tiffany Armstrong-Higgins Amber Holmgren Lucy House Sara Hunt Mary Huntley Melinda Klockzheim Carolyn Levis Darlene Lewis Diane Macv Esther Miller Tom Moore

Cheryl Noll Roy Nugent Katie Palermo Stan Pettingill Josh Schulz Kris Smeltzer Jewell Symington

Our Prayers are extended to the families of: Kathie Hughes Judy Jeremy Sue Liddell Bernard Mick Stan Pettingill Walter Vander Meulen Pat Young

#### Those serving in the Military:

Matt Conrad Mike Kinney Ryan Kingsinger Clark Robinson

#### July is FCCF Greeters' Appreciation Month!!

Thank you for being here early and for the first friendly face



that people see when they come into our church home! It's one of the most important "jobs" we have.

### The Household Hazardous Waste

#### **Countywide Collection**

will be on Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to noon at 404 Parkview Lane, Frankfort. **By appointments only.** Please call 231-882-0554 to schedule an appointment. Household hazardous waste, unwanted medicines, medical waste, pesticides & chemicals, household batteries, computer equipment,



televisions, florescent bulbs, oil base paints and styro foam packaging will be accepted from

Benzie County residents at no charge. Styrofoam

must be clean and bagged, boxed or bundled. **No latex or water based paints or appliances will be accepted.** 

Pastor Dinah will be on vacation starting July 16th and will be



returning on August 1st. We wish you safe travels, lots of sun, still waters, and tons of biting fish.

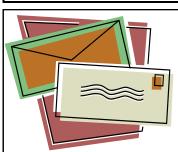
# A Multitude of Gratitude goes to

- Matt Addis for fixing a leaking faucet in the church pantry. Good teamwork!
- Andrea Frost, Mary Ann Harness, Marti Mollema and Ann Osborn for once again transforming the church dining room into a delightful space to come together. You are the tops!
- Robin MacKenzie for planting begonias in the front of the church. You are so gracious with your loves and passions!
- Candace Nostrandt for cleaning up the church pantry. Now we can walk in again!
- Becky Addis, Rob Burch, Lauren & Will Church, Jim & Robin MacKenzie and Candace Nostrandt for serving all of us as Sunday School teachers to our young ones. How many of us still have memories of those precious days so long ago? So thank you for the memories as well as the lessons.



To the gentlemen that sang for Father's Day. It was awesome! Thank you for the extra time!





#### We've received mail

Thank you FCCF Family, so much for the beautiful gift of flowers. We are all so grateful you care for Dinah in our absence. Your congregation is amazing! Take care all, The Family of Jan Westrup

Dear FCCF Members, thank you so much for your generous contribution to the Baby Pantry. It is good folks like you in our community that help me to continue this much needed ministry. God Bless, Marilou Schlotterbeck

## First Congregational Church of Frankfort July 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 8:45 a.m. BalA VisX 1 on 1 10:30 a.m. BalA VisX Group 4:00 p.m. Worship Comm. John & Rosemary Abbett	2 9:30 a.m. Yoga 5:15 p.m. Outreach Comm.	3 3:30 p.m. Mary Ann Laudner Celebration of Life Service 7:30 p.m. Columbo Vow Renewal (Pt. Betsie)	4 10:00 a.m. 4th of July Parade 10:00 – 1:00 p.m. Koegel Hot Dog Sale Pam & Steve Jackson
5 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 10:30 a.m. Worship	6 9:30 a.m. BalA VisX Group 10:30 a.m. BalA VisX Group Eliza Frary	7 4:00 p.m. Property Mtg. Becky Addis David Grant Lois Martindale Andrea Robinson	8 8:45 a.m. BalA VisX 1 on 1 10:30 a.m. BalA VisX Group 4:00 p.m. Council Meeting Chia & Sua Yang	9 9:30 a.m. Yoga 4:30 p.m. Ralph Jackson	10	11
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Date	Greeters/Ushers <u>Head Usher:</u> Julie Robinson	
5	Judy Grant, Julie Grant, Billie & Ron Wardwell	
12	The Robinson Family	
19	Jim & Robin MacKenzie, Ann & Paul Osborn	
26	The Robinson Family	
	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 first people in welcoming visitors and new church family members!)	