

# Steepleviews

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May 2018

## Anniversaries & Birthdays

- 01 Kerry Buzzell  
Jackson Deloria  
Tyler Grant  
Dylan Prance-Jewell
- 02 Michael Grant  
Julie Hirschfeld
- 03 Mary Bateman  
Mariah Manning  
Beth McNamara  
Candace Nostrandt
- 5 Betty Webb  
Janet Pomerleau
- 6 Mary Dykstra  
Leo Hughes  
Serenity Schulz
- 07 Liam Condon  
Bob King
- 08 Jacob Grant  
Gail Nugent
- 9 John Henry  
Alma House  
Chia Yang
- 10 Michael Mendoza
- 13 Marijke Church
- 19 Tommy Mendoza  
Dawn Schulz  
Jill Smeltzer  
Molly & Scott Harrison
- 20 Jared & Jordin Kelly
- 21 Becky & Matt Addis
- 22 Michael Elwell
- 24 Emilie Lepke  
Randy & Katherine Johnson
- 26 Rob Wolowiec
- 27 Donna Phillips  
Faith & Jack Dulaney
- 28 Mike Boyd  
Andy & Marti Mollema
- 29 Randy Johnson  
Julie Morris  
Sean Morris
- 30 Kathy Conrad

## Catch These Coming Events

- May 1 Dine out for BACN
- May 13 Mother's Day
- May 16 Bill's Bible Study
- May 20 Pentecost & Dedication  
Sunday
- May 27 Sunday School Sunday
- May 28 Memorial Day

## Pentecost & Dedication Sunday May 20, 2018

Following the worship service that honors Pentecost, we will dedicate the Historical Marker that was installed this past December. Dignitaries from The Michigan Historical Society and the Benzie Museum will help us commemorate the day. Before we get to breaking of the potluck, we will gather together for an all church family photo. The last time we took such a photo was in the early fall of 1999! Then one and all are invited to share the bounty of our gifts and fellowship. If you feel inclined to invite a neighbor or friends, feel free to do so. Hope to see you there.



# Pastor's Page

I just saw the craziest little video advertisement for prosthetic body parts. Seriously! From fingers to hands, toes to feet, noses to ears, each item is made with silicon and painted by hand. Some of them use surgical glue and others use suction to keep the item attached to the person. They look so real, you can't even begin to think that they are not the real deal, until someone starts to take the appendage off.

Such an advancement in humanity surely brings to point Psalm 139:14: "I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made."

That may sound like a confusing statement, but the meaning isn't only about our bodies, but about our brains – brains that can

envision and learn and create and change the world. And yet, God is the one behind all of that.

In this season of growth and new life, it is a daily joy to see what plants are blooming, which trees have budded. What a God that envisioned such a world that we, as caretakers of the earth, can become part of the creation in all of the gifts God has given us.

On top of that, God has given us hearts, to give our creations and appreciations meaning. We do, indeed, have a great treasure trove of gifts for which we can be thankful. Happy praising! In gratitude for all of you – Pastor Dinah



## Sunday School Sunday

We will celebrate our Sunday School students and teachers on May 20 during the Worship Service. How precious are the hearts that share in the love of God!

All are Welcome to attend the  
**Benzie County 2018  
Baccalaureate Service**  
Sunday, May 20 at 1:00 p.m.  
As in the past few years, it  
will be held at St. Andrew's  
Presbyterian Church on  
Lincoln Rd. in Beulah.







- Bill Frostic for assembling a new television stand. It looks great and will be well used.
- To Bill again for finding another storage unit for the nursery.
- And for fixing the drawer in Katherine's office.
- To all who provide treats and goodies for our Coffee Fellowship time. It's not about the food or the beverages, but about the space and time to check in with friends and get to know new folks better, so it's a really big deal!

**May is  
First Congregational Church's  
Sunday School Teacher  
Appreciation Month**

Thank you one and all  
for your devotion of heart and time  
in helping our young people  
grow in Christ.



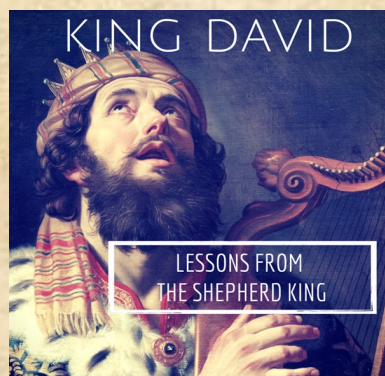
- Matt Reed, Assistant Coach of the Buckley Boys Basketball team. You all made another good run, and it was fun to support you – if even from afar.
- Bennett Schmitt on a successful run at National Model United Nations conference as a representative from Alma College. Bennett won the Outstanding Delegation award for Antigua & Barbuda! And he won an Outstanding Position Paper award. Way to go Bennett!
- Maile Church signed her letter of intent to play Division III Women's Basketball at Kalamazoo College.
- Ella Whiting in placing third for her dance performance during the 16th Annual Rotary Revue

**Bill's Bible Study**

**"The Life & Times of David"**

**Come join us on Wednesday,  
May 16, 2018 for dinner at  
5:30 p.m. with a presentation  
by Bill Hirschfeld following**

**at  
6:00 p.m.  
on the  
life  
and  
times of  
David.**



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There were 11 Council Members at the  
April 11, 2018 Council Meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Andy Mollema

1. Offerings for March	\$5,217.00
2. Expenses for March	\$8,743.39
3. Carry over for February	\$ 766.90

**Committee Reports**

**Memorials:** Judy Welch - there were two memorial donations given in March totaling \$75.00, and there were several donations given in April totaling \$175.00.

**Finance:** see Treasurer's Report

**Investment:** Andy Mollema - \$5,000.00 was transferred into the account from the Baird Funds.

**Constitution & By-Laws:** no report

**Missions:** Andy Mollema - The account remains fully funded. Pastor Dinah presented a possible mission for our church by joining with the Methodist Church and the Episcopal Church at a date to be determined to put together food bags for local school children (sandwich, granola bar, fruit, water as an example). More information on this collaboration will be forthcoming.

**Personnel:** Myra Elias - A meeting of the Personnel Committee is planned to discuss a job review for Pastor Dinah.

**Property:** Mary Reed - 1) A thank you to Bill Frostic who put together the new TV cart, repaired a loose bannister near the church's side entrance, and found a new storage container for the Nursery as well as repairing the old one; and 2) There are new projects being considered for the near future.

**Nominating:** no report

**Religious Education:** Bill Hirschfeld - Bill's Bible Study on the Life and Times of David will be held on May 16, with dinner preceding at 5:30 pm.

**Outreach:** Myra Elias - 1) Four new members were welcomed into our church on April 8; 2) Upcoming events include: a Church Safety Seminar at the Benzonia Congregational Church at 6 p.m. on April 12; the Gathering/Taco Party at the Parsonage at 6 p.m. on April 20; and the Dedication of our church's Historical Marker followed by a Potluck on May 20; 3) Bring a Friend to Church Sunday in discussion; 4) The 4th of July Parade and Hot Dog Sale will be in the planning stage soon; 5) As of today, there are three Celebrations of Life to be held in June and July; 6) There will be no Block Party this summer; and 7) Discussion on how the Committee and the Church can help with the Congregational Care Outreach program as presented by Kelly Ottinger.

**Women's Fellowship:** no report

**Worship:** Ann Osborn - 1) Upcoming "events" include: the 5th Sunday Hymn Day during service on April 29; the Historical Marker Dedication on May 20 following the service; and a wedding on May 25; 2) Sanctuary banners and paraments need to be changed for Pentecost by May 20; 3) Organist Rosemary will be asking high school students if they would like to provide special music during our services; and 3) Al Bryant notified the Committee that a representative from the Benzie Historical Society will say a few words at our Historical Marker Dedication.

**Historian:** Al Bryant - A second computer is now available in Al's office for more efficiency in his endeavors.

**Pastor's Report:** report submitted

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** None

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Osborn, Church Council Clerk



## *Welcome New Members*

### *Betsy & Dave Goodman*



Welcome Betsy & Dave.

The Goodmans have been coming to Crystal Lake since their honeymoon in 1963, having met at the candy store where they worked as young adults. They are natives of Findlay, OH, were active at St. Andrews United Methodist and have two children and eight grandchildren. Betsy is a retired public-school history teacher (Civil War to present) and knitter, while Dave is a retired dentist, being a U of M graduate.

### *Betty & Les Webb*

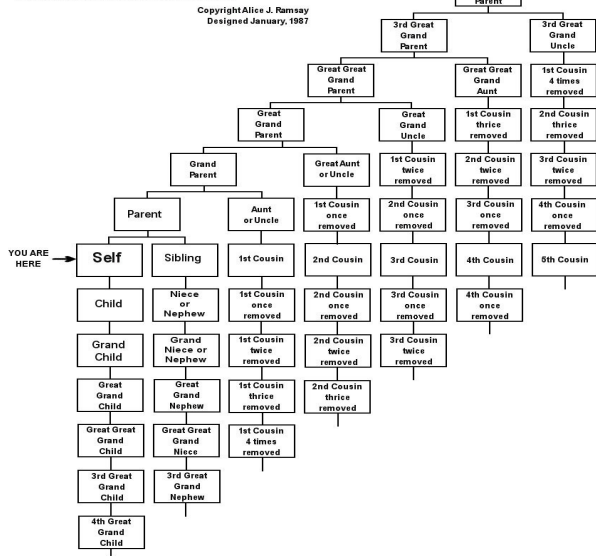
Welcome, Betty & Les

Les grew up southeast of Cleveland, in Solon, OH. Betty was reared on the border of OH, PA and WV in East Liverpool. They met at Ohio State where Betty earned a BS in Education with a major in science and Les earned a BA and MD. Betty taught for a short time and then worked in medical research while Les finished medical school. They married in 1963. They eventually moved to Saginaw where Les was in family medicine practice for forty years while Betty was a stay-at-home mom serving in various volunteer capacities for 35 years. They have two daughters and a son, five granddaughters and one grandson. In 2010 they bought a condo at Crystal Ridge where they enjoy spending time year-round. The Webbs were previously members of First Congregational in Saginaw and Benzonia.



The relationship in each box is what that person's relationship would be to you, where you are "Self". As you can see, you, your siblings, your 1st cousins, 2nd cousins, etc., are all in the same generation. Thus, "once removed" means "one generation removed."

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## Our Deepest Condolences to the Families of

Bonnie Barnes  
George Basta  
Colin Brougham  
Marilyn Gonyon  
Joyce Hanmer Betz  
Sue Kekel  
Bill Laupee  
Carolyn Levis  
Gene Lovegrove  
Mary Edna Rothrock  
Edna Weaver



## Dine Out For Benzie Area Christian Neighbors

At The Mayfair Tavern in Elberta &  
Jim's Joint in Honor on  
Tuesday, May 1st and  
10% of your dinner bill  
will be donated to  
BACN.



# Please Remember in Prayer

Liz Acklin  
Fr. Jude Ball  
Julie Barrera  
John Bateman  
Alex Bonderenko  
Rob Burch  
Teri Carlson  
Susie Carter  
Ruddy Chapman  
Will Church  
Peggy Crosby  
Harry Gardner  
Mya Georgiades  
Helen Haag  
Marsha Hagen  
Robby Harbin  
Pat Hessler  
Bill James  
Randy Johnson  
Larry Lung  
Doug Luther  
George McHugh  
Kim McKenzie  
Pete Moss, Sr.  
Bruce Ogilvie  
Sidney Olsen  
Sally Ottinger  
Marilyn Payne

Hava Phillips  
Kate Polermo  
Serenity Schulz  
Al Spencely  
Annie Tift  
Kay Van Order  
Gladys Wilson  
Nancy Wing  
Jordy Yarwood

### Military:

Matthew Conrad  
Cheyenne Dubois  
Mike Kinney  
Mike Porter  
Clark Robinson  
Ryan Ruddy

### Senior Living: The Maples

Jan Condon

### Orchard House

Gordon Banks  
Pat Hessler  
Susie Vigland




### The Homesteader Moore Peregrine

Yoga with Jane Schulz  
will start up  
once more on May 7,  
2018 in the  
Church Parlor.  
Yoga times will be  
the same as last year  
on Mondays from  
9:30-11:00 a.m.



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## May 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Kerry Buzzell Jackson Deloria Tyler Grant Dylan Prance-Jewell	1 11:30 a.m. MOBBI Class <div>             Dine out for              BACN:              The Mayfair              &amp; Jim's Joint           </div>	2 9:45 a.m. M.O.B.B.I. Class 4:00 p.m. Worship 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal Michael Grant Julie Hirschfeld	3 9:30 a.m. Yoga Group 4:00 p.m. Outreach Meeting	4 10:00 a.m. M.O.B.B.I. Class <div>             Mary Bateman              Mariah              Manning              Candace              Nostrandt              Beth              McNamara           </div>	5  Janet Pomerleau Betty Webb
6 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 10:30 a.m. Worship, Sunday School Mary Dykstra Leo Hughes Serenity Schulz	7 9:30 a.m. Yoga 5:30 p.m. MOBBI Class Liam Condon Bob King	8 11:30 a.m. MOBBI Class 4:00 p.m. Property Meeting Jacob Grant Gail Nugent	9 9:45 a.m. M.O.B.B.I. Class 11:30 a.m. Ministerial Assoc. Mtg. 4:00 p.m. Council Meeting 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	10 9:30 a.m. Yoga Group 1:30 p.m. Dining Room Reserved Michael Mendoza <div>             John Henry              Alma House              Chia Yang           </div>	11 10:00 a.m. M.O.B.B.I. Class 11:00 a.m. Dining Room Reserved	12 
<div>  </div> 13 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship & Sunday School Marijke Church	14 9:30 a.m. Yoga 5:30 p.m. MOBBI Class	15 11:30 a.m. MOBBI Class	16 9:45 a.m. M.O.B.B.I. Class 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m. Bill's Bible Study	17 9:30 a.m. Yoga Group <div>             7:30 p.m.              No Choir           </div>	18 10:00 a.m. M.O.B.B.I. Class	19 Tommy Mendoza Dawn Schulz Jill Smeltzer Molly & Scott Harrison
20 10:30 a.m. Worship & Sunday School Pentecost & Dedication Sunday Jared & Jordin Kelly	21 9:30 a.m. Yoga 5:30 p.m. MOBBI Class Becky & Matt Addis	22 11:30 a.m. MOBBI Class Michael Elwell	23 9:30 a.m. Human Services Coll. 9:45 a.m.. M.O.B.B.I. Class 7:30 p.m. No Choir	24 9:30 a.m. Yoga Group Emilie Lepke Randy & Katherine Johnson	25 10:00 a.m. M.O.B.B.I. Class 4:00 p.m. Bell-Draeger Wedding, FCCF	26 Rob Wolowiec
27 9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal 10:30 a.m. Worship & Sunday School Donna Phillips Faith & Jack Dulaney	28 <b>Memorial</b> Mike Boyd Andy & Marti Mollema	29 11:30 a.m. MOBBI Class Randy Johnson Julie Morris Sean Morris	30 9:45 a.m. M.O.B.B.I. Class 4:00 p.m. Missions Mtg. 7:30 p.m. No Choir Kathy Conrad	31 9:30 a.m. Yoga Group <div>  </div>	<b>MENTAL HEALTH            AWARENESS MONTH</b>	



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Date	Greeters/Ushers <u>Head Usher:</u> Larry Neuhardt	Coffee Fellowship
6	Betty & Fred Milliron David & Linda Schweyer	Dawn Schulz
13	John & Kathy Walthorn Andrea Frost, LuAnne Elwell	
20	Cooper Rath, Serenity Schulz Judy Grant, Alma House	Webbs
27	Ron Wardwell, Billie Beyette Jill Smeltzer, Bill Hirschfeld	