



Purpose Statement

Living Christ centered lives so we may love all, serve our community, and share the Word.

News for Sunday, May 129 Pentecost Sunday – You are invited to red!

Join us for Worship at 9:00 a.m.

Click [HERE](#) for the 9:00 a.m. Worship bulletin

Click [HERE](#) to watch the Livestream

We Remember in Prayer; those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: Eric Brown, Patty Arians, JoAnn Garcia, Dorothy Carr, Barb Lenn, Lori Dewey, Shirley Graftaas, Betty Steinke, Michael Harting, Bob Cornelsen, Larry Wahler, JoDell Cruz, Harold & Sandy Julifs, Lila Edeus, and Berta Beyer.

Placing our confidence in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection of our loved ones, we extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Louis Vickery. Louis passed away on Monday, May 14. Louis is Melissa Arians' grandfather.

May God's presence bring you comfort and peace.

CLEO (Church Ladies Eating Out)

CLEO will meet at 6:00 p.m. at Culver's in Rock Falls on Monday, May 20. If you need a ride or have any questions, please contact Judy Bartel at 815-751-6768. All are welcome!

Wednesday Night Bible Study

There will be Bible Study at 5:30 p.m.

Let's Feed Our Children

Thank you for all the donations of pasta products. Items can still be brought in and placed in the basket at the back of the sanctuary. If you like to help in the packing of the lunches, you can sign up by following this link: <https://signup.com/go/ZmOzFhB>

Geraniums

We have purchased geraniums again this year for Pentecost Sunday. They will then be planted outside to beautify our church. If you would like donate towards the purchase, please use a pew envelope and mark it "Geraniums". The cost of each plant is: \$7.00.

Personal Care Kits

For the month of May we will be collecting **Personal Care Kits**. We will ship these along with our school kits and quilts. There will be a list to take with when you are out shopping that has 5 items that are needed. Once purchased you may place them a plastic shopping bag and drop off by the personal kit display in the back of the church.

CELEBRATING GRADUATES: High school seniors, promoting 8th grade students and post-high school '24 grads. Graduate Sunday is set for June 2. Please let the church office know if you/your student is graduating, being promoted, receiving a certificate, or approaching a new life milestone. We look forward to celebrating and honoring you! The church office will be contacting all grads with more details.

Mark your Calendar!

CommUNITY VBS will be held this year at 1st Presbyterian Church, June 23-25, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. with a free dinner at 5:30 p.m. Save the dates and plan to attend or volunteer for this amazing opportunity. Watch the announcements and the June newsletter for the registration QR code. We are looking of donations for empty and clean 2-liter bottles.

ST. PAUL STUDENT MUSICIANS:

This summer, the UNITE churches are again hosting student musicians from the Sterling/Rock Falls area. This includes any student completing 7th grade – a just graduated college student. We ask that students share a piece with St. Paul and then arrange to play that piece at other UNITE congregations, where you will be paid \$25/service as a guest musician. This is a chance to keep your music skills tip top over the summer, share an IMEA or audition piece you may be working on, or another special piece. Please contact Dawn Zeigler 815.275.3775 or dawn@stpaulsterling.com for all of the details! We can't wait to hear you!

Children's Offering

The children's offering for the month of May will support the United Way's Let's Feed Our Children. The free summer lunch program kicks off the first week of June. Thank you for sharing in the ministry of giving and helping to feed our local children.

THIS WEEK

Monday, May 20

Woodlawn Arts recital practice – 5:00 p.m.
CLEO will meet at Culver's in Rock Falls – 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 21

Woodlawn Arts piano recitals – 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 22

Wednesday Night Bible Study – 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 23

June Newsletter article deadline

Next Sunday, May 26

Worship/Communion service at 9:00 a.m.
Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m.

Next week – May 26

Opener/Head Usher/Closer – David Carrillo

Acolytes – *Volunteer needed*

Greeters – JoAnn & Ruben Garcia

Ushers – Dan Dir, Donna Kendall

Reader – JoAnn Garcia

Sound – Greg Zeigler

Coffee Fellowship – *Volunteer Needed*