

Pastor Keri
Rainsberger
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July Servants

Greeters

- 2 – Mick & Kris Flynn
- 9 - Mick & Kris Flynn
- 16 –Sally Buchenau &
Colleen Rakowska
- 23 – Sally Buchenau &
Colleen Rakowska
- 30– Larry & Judy Buchenau

Liturgist

- 2 – Pat Edler
- 9 – Scott Stich
- 16 – Elaine Williams
- 23 – Roberta Rogers
- 30 - Jackie Edler

Video Tech

- 2 – Lisa Dascher
- 9 – Elaine Williams
- 16 – Cathy Rich
- 23 – Cathy Rich
- 30 – Cathy Rich

Dial-a-Devotion

- 2 – Jackie Edler
- 9 – Norma Klipping
- 16 – Eleanor Holmes
- 23 – Pat Phillips
- 30 - Kristie Flynn

Fellowship

- 2 – Eleanor Holmes
- 9 – Pat Phillips, TBD
- 16 – Sharon Hamill,
Eleanor Holmes
- 23 – Lois Shelton, TBD
- 30 - Eleanor Holmes

Lena United Methodist Church

July 2017 Newsletter



Pray for Healing: Sage Smentowski (Pauline Lutz's great-granddaughter), Sherry Stichter (Joan Stake's daughter), Pat Edler, Marilyn Holmes, Pauline Lutz, Kathie Schulz, Sharon Schwartz, Elaine Williams, Ruth Wingert, Judy Baer, Garry Parker, Marci Borchardt, Nevin Kryder, Arlene Kryder, Dick Wuebben, Ron Buchenau, Rhonda Hooker, Larry and Christine Woolcock

In treatment:

Vern Pax, Melody Maly, Gerry Koertner, Pat Campbell, David Scheider

Lena Living Center Residents:

Carol Fluegel, Orval & Dorothy Schoonhoven, Pauline Lutz, Marjorie Klever

In Hospice Care:

Phyllis Hulbert, Norma Streeb

Thank you:

LUMC – Thank you very much for the gift of the Bible! I am glad to be finished with college classes!

Thanks again, Jason Kempel

LUMC – Thank you for the gift of the Bible for my graduation from Platteville. Thanks again, Justin Kempel

Dear Lena UMC, Thank you very much for your generous gift of \$750. The scholarship will allow me to continue my studies at Highland Community College. Sincerely, Evan Voreis

Dear Lena UMC, Thank you so much for the generous scholarship you awarded me of \$750. It will certainly go a long way in helping me continue my higher education and achieve my life goals. Thanks, Mark Voreis



to Lena UMC, Pastor Keri!!



July Anniversaries

- 7/6 Bruce & Lois Shelton
- 7/9 Scott & Lisa Stich
- 7/10 Ray & Leticia Boland
- 7/15 Ken & Maryanne Gritzmaker
- 7/18 Robert & Sherry Sandell
- 7/28 Steven & Glenda Rothschadl



July Birthdays

- 7/1 Suzanne Daws, David Schulz
- 7/5 Tom Edler, Erin Korte
- 7/6 Wayne Werkheiser
- 7/7 Amy Buchenau, Carol Fluegel, Darryl Wybourn
- 7/8 Abigale Hollister, Max Knoup
- 7/10 McKenzie Temperly
- 7/11 Charlie Short
- 7/13 Cindy Kerchner
- 7/14 Leticia Boland, Tanya Knoup
- 7/15 Gene Brister, Alison Kepner
- 7/17 Virgil Brinkmeier
- 7/18 Shaun Dascher
- 7/20 Marilyn Holmes, Marcia Lobdell
- 7/22 Alton Owens, Marlys Scorsolini
- 7/24 Carol Buss, Rhonda Hooker, LaVonne Jones
- 7/27 Betty Barker, Gary Black, Kayleigh Gerber, Xavier Sheppard
- 7/28 Lavone Gabel, Bethany Howe, Elaine Williams
- 7/29 Gary Rich
- 7/30 David Lobdell

Greetings Lena UMC!

Summer is a time of growth and stretching. This summer is a time of transition for me as I enter into a new ministry as your pastor. I am greatly looking forward to growing and stretching toward God with you. Over the past few months, I have been trying to learn as much as I can about the community of Lena, Stephenson County, and the ministry that you as Lena UMC have been doing in this community. You all are amazing! I love your energy and enthusiasm. You are involved in exciting ministry work, and I am eagerly anticipating joining in your efforts.

One great thing about having a new pastor from out of town is that I have not heard all of your best jokes and old stories – it will all be fresh material to me! You can also share your tips on all the best places to do everything. Please help me get to know you and Lena by sharing in many good conversations.

In my first few weeks, our worship together on Sunday morning will be shaped around a few of the scripture passages that have shaped my own faith journey. I hope that this will help you get to know me, and also spark conversation about what has shaped your own faith journey. May God stretch and grow our ministry together!

In love and anticipation,
Pastor Keri

UMW News June 3, 2017

10 attended the meeting.

Pat Edler reported that the Mother-Daughter-Sister-Friend luncheon went over budget by \$37.14. We decided it was well worth it. Everyone had a good time and really enjoyed the day. Can't thank them enough for putting it all together.

We approved the purchase of a couple of bottles of Home Defense to be sprayed around the church foundation and inside fellowship hall and the kitchen. Need to ask one of the guys to do that for us.

Pat Edler suggested we go to Galena to take the trolley ride and have lunch over there for our Women's Outing in July. We all agreed that sounded like fun.

We picked Friday July 28th as the day for our outing. If you plan to go, we need to know in advance. They require reservations for groups. The trolley ride is \$16.00. We haven't decided where lunch will be yet. To make your reservation call: Pat Edler 291-9878, Judy Buchenau 369-4625 or Maryanne 369-4827.

Our next meeting is Saturday July 1, 9:30.

We will be making plans for our UMW Sunday which we will be having on August 6th this year.

God bless everyone,
Maryanne Gritzmaker

LENA METHODIST TRUSTEES MAY 17TH, 2017

Meeting called to order 6:30 P.M.

Present: Tam Kryder, Richard Holmes, Pat Edler, Brian LaBaron, Brad Moore, Mike Oliva

Absent: Jeff Stamm, Steve Roenneburg, Darin Wybourn.

Old minutes read and approved by Richard Holmes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Water leak in front of church fixed. Edler Plumbing and Doc's Excavating did the work.

Furnace float keeps getting stuck. Water overflows and runs into burners and floods furnace.

Brad Moore, Mike Oliva and Doug Robieson will look at again.

Street Department is still in the process of moving parking sign in front of church.

Third floor windows -- Darin is still in the process of fixing them.

Piano tuning is going to budgeted item. Organ and piano have both been serviced. We need to replace light on organ. Richard and Mike are looking at solution.

Organ humidifier is broken and can't be fixed. We will table for September. Richard will look for new humidifier special for organs.

Side walk dips after we fixed water leak in front of church. John McGee will come back in one year and fix it for free. Thanks John.

NEW BUSINESS

Nicor . FUTURE ENERGY SERVICE. We will change to this and save money.

Need to check on janitor duties. Janitor is under Pastor Parish Department. Scott Stich group is working on plan.

Cleaning garage is still in plan. Need ground to dry out to get to burn pile.

New Vehicle fund: Amount \$12846.00. No need for new transportation yet.

Pat motioned to sell old bus and to assess need for new transportation. Mike Olivia seconded the motion.

Tam will ask AD Board to use vehicle fund for leasing if we need transportation.

Internet at church will be changed from Frontier to Aero. Frontier service is too slow for office use.

Parsonage Repair List:

Vinyl siding needs to be cleaned

Deck needs resealing

Dirt settles in low part of driveway.

Master tub is slow

Tree is diseased and need to be taken down.

Upper deck screens torn

Basement ceiling tiles need to be put back up.

Safety sticks for both patio doors

Blinds replaced

Crack in master bedroom ceiling

Back plates on electric plates in kitchen need longer screws

Master bathroom linoleum needs caulking

Crack in living room wall

Sump pump doesn't work

Drain problem in back yard

Garage door key pad not working.

Lawn moving for new pastor

Mike Oliva and Richard Holmes will work on list.

Church Dehumidifiers are being set up today. There will be two running.

There is \$3,400.00 dollars in Parish Nurse Fund. We will purchase two Automatic Defibrillators to run down fund and have precautions set up for church. Kathy LaBaron will check into product conditions so we can purchase the correct equipment.

Richard replaced light bulbs and notes that some of the fixtures are real old and need replacing soon.

Next meeting July 18th. 6:30

Mike Motioned to adjourn: Richard Seconded it. Secretary: Patricia Edler

Scholarship Committee News:

Our Scholarship Committee awarded 3 scholarships this year for \$750 each.

Each of the recipients told us something about themselves:

Mark Voreis - “ I am entering my junior year at Knox College and am working further toward my goal of attending law school after my undergraduate studies. The scholarship I received last year from Lena UMC greatly helped me through last year.”

Rachel Edler – “I have many goals in regard to my future academic and professional life. The first one is to graduate with my Associate’s degree at HCC next spring. I am currently in my second year at Highland and plan to study hard and learn as much as I can so I can carry that knowledge throughout the rest of my life. After graduation, I plan to transfer to Minnesota State Mankato in the Fall to study Pre-Dentistry. My goal is to major in biology, taking all the courses that are essential for pre-professional studies so I can prepare myself for the education ahead. As I am in the process of attaining my Bachelor’s degree, I am going to take my DAT so I am able to start applying for dental school. Once accepted to dental school, I will study often and use my time wisely so I can become the best dentist possible in order to better provide for my future patients. After graduating from dental school, I plan to acquire a job so I can begin my career as a dentist. With the skills I already have and the skills I will gain throughout my future education, I plan to aid people with their oral needs and to make my patients as happy as possible about their oral health. Throughout my career, I hope to continue to grow as a person and as a dentist through my profession and accomplishments and to use my previous education to become a successful doctor of dental surgery.”

Evan Voreis – “I enjoy playing guitar and playing on the computer. My goal is to graduate with an Associate’s degree from HCC.”

Please pray for the continued success of these young people.

Your scholarship committee --
Ron Buchenau, Vera Kempel, Connie Stamm,
Lynne Howe, Elaine Williams

Treasure Seekers Wanted!!

COME JOIN US AS WE GO ON AN ADVENTURE OF EXPLORING GOD'S PROMISE AS A TREASURE SEEKER!



WHO: CHILDREN FROM AGES 3 YRS AND UP

WHAT: VBS 2017

WHERE: UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, BELOVED CHURCH
and GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

WHEN: MONDAY JULY 17 – THURSDAY 20, 2017

TIME: 5:30 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. (Supper included)

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT CHURCH

The Beloved Church: 216 W. Mason Street (815-990-0367)

Lena United Methodist Church: 118 W. Mason Street (815-369-5291)

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church: 118 E. Mason Street (815-369-5552)





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION FORM

July 17- 20, 2017

5:30pm to 8pm including supper and snack

Held mainly at

Lena United Methodist Church: 118 W. Mason Street (815-369-5291)

Co-operation with

The Beloved Church: 216 W. Mason Street (815-990-0367)

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You may register more than one child on this sheet.

CHILD'S NAME _____ AGE _____ GRADE _____ M/ F

(in September 2017)

CHILD'S NAME _____ AGE _____ GRADE _____ M/ F

(in September 2017)

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____

Complete Address

Phone # _____ Cell # _____

Email: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME _____

Phone# _____

Any Medical Information we should have including any food and drink allergies.

Church Affiliation _____

I would be willing to help with VBS

Guide _____ Crafts _____ Recreation _____ Music _____

*You are invited to attend the VBS Worship Service at Lena UMC at 7:15pm on Thursday, July 20th, and then go to Splash Land for a pool party from 8-9pm.

By my signature I give permission to allow pictures and/or videos of my child/children to appear on the church website/ or church Facebook page:

Yes _____ No _____

By my signature I give permission for the VBS staff to administer basic first aid to my child/children in the event of an injury. I understand that the VBS staff will contact emergency services in the event of a significant injury and all expenses such emergency services will be paid by me. : Yes _____ No _____

Parent/Guardian signature _____



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEER FORM

Adventures of the Treasure Seekers

July 17- 20, 2017

Lena United Methodist Church, 5:30pm-8:00pm

NAME _____ Jr. Hi _____ High School _____ Adult _____

ADDRESS _____ City _____

Zip _____

Phone #(s) _____

Email: _____

If youth: Parent/Guardian name(s) and Phone Number(s)

NAME(s) _____

Phone#(s) _____

Church Affiliation _____

Any Medical Information we should have including any food and drink allergies.

I agree to help with VBS on the following nights:

Monday _____ Tuesday _____ Wednesday _____ Thursday _____

I would prefer to help in the following area(s):

Storytelling _____ Crafts _____ Recreation/Games _____ Music _____

Meals/Snacks _____ Skit for Opening/Closing _____ Group Guide _____

Registration _____ Set up/Tear down _____

I agree to keep my phone put away during VBS and, I agree to participate fully in the singing and other activities with the children.

Signed _____

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THANK YOU for sharing your gifts with God's Ministry!

July 2017 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 8 am Men's Breakfast 9:30 am UMW Meeting
2 9 AM Worship Welcome Reception for Pastor Keri following Worship 10:30 am Adult Sunday School	3	4 1 pm Quilters 4th of July – Office Closed	5	6	7 11am – 1 pm Men's Group Cook-out at AJ's Lena Maid Meats	8
9 9 AM Worship 10:30 am Adult Sunday School	10	11 1 pm Quilters 6:00 pm Finance Meeting 6:30- Ad Council Meeting	12 10 am Bible Study @ Chapin's	13 6:30 pm Knitters and Knotters 7:00 pm VBS Mandatory Planning meeting for Pastors & all volunteers @ LUMC	14 Newsletter Deadline	15 6:45 am Men's Bible Study @ Flynn's 11am – 1 pm Youth Group Cook-out at AJ's Lena Maid Meats
16 9 AM Worship 10:30 am Adult Sunday School	17 5:30-8 pm VBS w/ Good Shepherd & Beloved Church	18 1 pm Quilters 5:30-8 pm VBS w/ Good Shepherd & Beloved Church	19 1:30 pm Hannah's Helpers 5:30-8 pm VBS w/ Good Shepherd & Beloved Church	20 5:30-8 pm VBS w/ Good Shepherd & Beloved Church	21	22
23 9 AM Worship 10:30 am Adult Sunday School	24 7 pm Stagecoach Quilters	25 9:45 am Hymn Sing 1 pm Elizabeth Circle 1 pm Quilters 6:30 pm – Trustees Meeting	26	27 6 pm – Food n Fun Potluck 6:30 pm Knitters and Knotters	28 UMW Outing to Galena	29
30 9 AM Worship 10:30 am Adult Sunday School 1-3 pm- Ken & Maryanne Gritzmaker 50th Anniversary Luncheon	31					

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1st - 8 am – Men’s Breakfast; 9:30 am - UMW Mtg.
4th - Happy 4th of July!!! (office closed)
7th - 11am – 1 pm -Men’s Group Cookout – AJ’s Lena Maid Meats
11th - 6:00 pm- Finance Meeting; Ad Council Meeting
13th - 7:00 pm – Mandatory VBS Meeting for Pastors
& Volunteers
13th & 27th - 6:30 pm - Knitters & Knotters
14th - Newsletter Deadline
15th - 11am-1pm – Youth Group Cookout @ AJs
17th-20th 5:30-8 pm – VBS “Adventures of the Treasure Seekers”
25th - Trustee’s Meeting
27th - 6 pm - Food n Fun Potluck
28th – UMW Outing Galena trolley & lunch

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