



HighLites  
July 2, 2017

**Calendar for the Week**

- Today - Morning Worship with Rev. Dave Armstrong, 9:30 a.m.
- Mortgage Retirement Offering
- Communion
- Tuesday - Happy Independence Day!
- Office Closed
- Wednesday - Prayer Group, 9:30 a.m.
- Thursday - VBS Prep Day, 4-7 p.m.
- Next Sunday - Morning Worship with Rev. Suzanne Hart, 9:30 a.m.
- Coming Up - Search Team Meeting, 7/11
- Mission of the Month Offering: Gospel Mission, 7/16

**Prayers & Praises**

**Continued prayers for:** Gary Schripsema, Gabriel Rybarski, Arlene Doot, Don De-Wolf, Del & Irene Fraaza, Fred Gould, Linda DeGraaff, June Schaap, Ron Stolk, Julie Bos, Terry Block, Jim Loedeman, Helen Roglic, Sarah Bradford, Chuck Harmon, Becky Nap, Dave Collison, Gideon Schripsema.

**Please remember those who are shut-ins or those in assisted care with a card or note of encouragement and your prayers:** Helen DeWinter, Ruthie Pearl Burch.

**Journey Student Ministries Upcoming Events**



- Sunday, July 9th: Cookout at the parsonage
- Wednesday, July 19: Movie Night!
- Saturday, July 29: Volunteer Opportunity

**Mark your calendar today!**

More details about these and other summer opportunities will be shared soon.

The next Young at Heart activity will be a picnic at Oshtemo Park (behind the fire station on W. Main). Tues. July 18th, Meet at 11:30. Bring a dish to pass, meat and lemonade will be provided. Sign up sheet is on the narthex table. Call Loedemans if you have questions.

**Volunteers**

Greeters

N: Steve & Brenda Hellenga  
S: Joe & Helen Roglic

Greeters Next Week

N: Matt & McKenzie Bronsink  
S: Jay & Jerry Waalkes

Ushers

Al Apotheker, Mike Koets,  
Ken Larsen,  
Don VanDonselaar

Elder Greeters

Kathy Rozek, Angie Vreeman,  
Paul Witteveen,  
Shauna Collison

Nursery

Elaine Breur  
Katlyn Breur

Nursery Next Week

Heather & Lily Offringa  
Bethany Brown

Giving Report for: 6/

**General/Mission Fund**

**Received**

\$ 2,880.00

**Budgeted**

\$ 5,507.57

**Mortgage Retirement**

**Received for the Week**

\$ 70.00

**Needed for Next Payment**

(July 15)

\$ 2,834.00

**Monthly Payment**

\$ 5,468.85



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## Announcements

VBS Prep-Days will be every Thursday in July from 4-7 p.m. If you like to paint, are handy, are creative, and are experienced in building ancient Roman colosseums, we need your help!

We are looking for as many willing and able men and women to flex their muscles and help raise/move an outdoor playset at the parsonage. The playset is being relocated from across town. The time and date are TBD. If you would be willing to help, please sign up on the back table.

There are new updates from two of our missionaries posted on our mission board. Take a few minutes to read a little about Josh Vis in Israel and Palestine and Rev. Bette Dickinson with InterVarsity on WMU's campus.

**Donations Needed!** July is Cookie Drive month for Fellowship Time cookies. ALSO: We are looking for donations of pop for the Journey Youth! Youth Group is right around the corner, and they would love to have some pop around for their events. If you'd like to donate, please purchase a 12-pack of any flavor pop and drop it off in the kitchen marked with "Journey." Thank you!

**Bethany Christian Services:** The annual Ice Cream Social is coming up on August 15 from 4:00-7:00. This year they are partnering with 12th Street Baptist Church, so the Social is a collaborative event with our two organizations; the Social will be held at the church: 3911 South 12th Street, Kalamazoo, MI. If you're interested in volunteering, they could use: 1) event volunteers to help with games, ice cream, etc.; 2) donations of school supplies.

During this time of transition at Hope, please remember to contact your caring elder if you need to communicate any shepherding needs.

### Last Name      Elder Team

A - F	Paul Witteveen & Angie Vreeman
G - M	Kathy Rozek & Rick Wielopolski
N - S	Steve Thomas & Shauna Collison
T - Z	Ed Moore & Steve Hellenga

**VBS Needs YOU!** Please prayerfully consider helping during VBS this year: July 31-August 3, 6-8 p.m. (Monday - Thursday) We are still looking for:

- 2 Group Leaders and
- 2 Group Helpers

Regardless of if you're helping at VBS or not, you are welcome to come to our closing session on Thursday. We have a special surprise for all who attend!

## Prayers for our Search Team

- 1) Please pray the Search Team will keep their role in the proper perspective and trust God to lead well in His timing.
- 2) The Search team needs your continued prayers to discern the difference between their own ideas and God's when it comes to choosing a new co-pastor.
- 3) Pray they will be able to discern God's will and "see" the heart of the candidates.
- 4) Pray the right person will see our congregation for who we really are and be drawn to lead us.