



The Builder



2022

The newsletter serving the families & friends of:

**First Presbyterian Church
1005 1st Corso - Nebraska City NE 68410**

Worship on Sunday mornings - 10:30

The Sacrament of Holy Communion - the 1st Sunday of each month

Sunday July 3 – Picnic & games on the church lawn after the worship service!

Community Church Service – details on page 8

**Sunday Worship services are posted on our Facebook page:
First Presbyterian Church – Nebraska City Facebook**

Keep in touch.....

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Getting in Contact for Help

There was a man who thought highly of himself and felt confident that he could do anything he set his mind to. One weekend, he rented a large sailboat. He didn't have much experience in sailing, but he had stayed up late one night reading a book about it. As he sailed far from land, a sudden storm appeared. He quickly found himself in trouble and turned to the radio for help.

After punching in number after number and shouting into the microphone, he finally got in touch with the Coast Guard. Their first question was, "What is your position?" The man replied, "I am the Vice President of sales and recruitment." Not exactly what the Coast Guard had in mind – but, it's not unlike the sort of answer we give to God, when we utter our cries for help.

God desires only our humble response: that we are someone in need of his help. When God asks for our "location," we need only respond that we're in a place of trouble and anxiety, a place where only God can find us.

Whether we are thinking about our own personal position of need, or the collective position of our congregation and the needs we share, we must realize that God can take us through our place of trouble or anxiety.

We need to stop and think about how we express our cares and concerns. Do we do that in a way that asks God to intervene, or do we utter our dissatisfaction with the present and seek an immediate and painless remedy. If things are to improve in life it usually is the result of God working with us in the process. And we need to be sure that we are committed to that kind of a relationship with our Lord.

The good thing is that you don't have to punch in any numbers. All you have to do is stop and begin praying/talking to God about it. I encourage you to use this wonderful resource when you find yourself in trouble.

Blessings, Pastor Tom



Celebrating in

- July 3 Happy Birthday, Richard Hadden
 Happy Anniversary, Bryan & Kaelie Frields
 7 Happy Birthday, Udine Wilton
 8 Happy Birthday, Tom Weddle, Bill Roker & Brian James
 9 Happy Birthday, Virginia Reed
 Happy Anniversary, John & Jayne James
 15 Happy Anniversary, Marv & Jane Zimmerman
 17 Happy Birthday, Mary Finkner
 19 Happy Birthday, Paighton Marion
 28 Happy Birthday, Tara Maddox
 29 Happy Birthday, Isaac Crumley

Many happy returns to the day of thy birth, may sunshine and gladness be given, and may our dear Father prepare us on earth for the beautiful birthday in heaven!

If you have additions or corrections to the Birthday and Anniversaries calendar, please don't hesitate to let Jane know! Please call the office or email your information to secretary@firstpresnc.org



Did God give you or someone you know, a special musical talent? Would you consider sharing it with your church family? If so, please contact Abby Reese at 402-525-2584. It would be wonderful to have special music for our worship services this summer!



Calendar Of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Community Worship/Breakfast Steinhart Park- 9 am FPC Worship and Communion 10:30 Followed by Picnic & games! 4 th Sunday after Pentecost	4 Food Pantry at UMC 3-5pm	5	6 Lunch Bunch 11:30 El Portal Quilters 1pm	7	8	9
10 Worship 10:30 5 th Sunday after Pentecost	11	12	13 Lunch Bunch 11:30am Spring Garden Quilters 1pm	14	15 Food Bank of Lincoln 12-1pm	16 Zimmerman 50th Anniversary Celebration 2-4pm
17 Worship 10:30 Christmas in July at 1st Christian Church 11am – 1pm 6 th Sunday after Pentecost	18 Food Pantry at UMC 3-5pm	19	20 Lunch Bunch 11:30am Downtowner Quilters 1pm	21 Salad Luncheon at United Methodist Church 11:30-1:30	22	23
24 Worship 10:30 7 th Sunday after Pentecost	25	26	27 Lunch Bunch 11:30am Little Ted's Quilters 1pm	28	29	30
31 Worship 10:30 Hunger Offering 8 th Sunday after Pentecost						



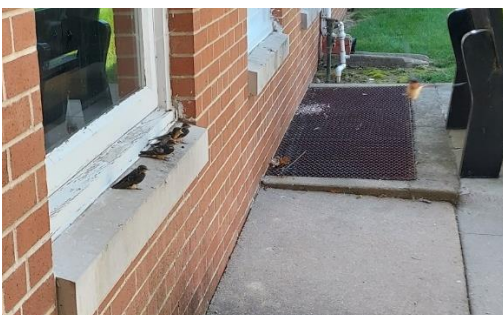
Father's Day Celebration at First Presbyterian Church





We celebrated our dads last month during our coffee fellowship time. Lots of memories, lots of hats and ties.... And great pictures! Nels and Udine Wilton served refreshments while everyone shared the fellowship and memories.

If you have an idea for a 'theme' for a future coffee fellowship, please bring it to our attention.....they bring our church family together!



They sat there for a photo op – then mama dive bombed me! Lol!



Proud Grandmother moment:

Rosemary DeKock's son and daughter-in-law have welcomed a new addition to the family!

Benjamin Noah arrived on Tuesday, June 21. He weighed 7lb 5oz and was 20 inches tall. This little guy has a big sister Hailey and happy parents to both are Joe and Chelsea DeKock.

God *ble*ss
America

In just a few days Americans will celebrate Independence Day. Picnics, fireworks, ball games and vacations will mark the occasion.

A Community Worship service will be held at Steinhart Park (by the tennis courts) at 9am on Sunday, July 3. Following the service, the Pancake Man will serve breakfast. Everyone is invited!

Then join us at First Presbyterian Church for our regular Worship and Holy Communion Service at 10:30, followed by a 4th of July picnic and lawn games.

Have a Happy and Safe 4th of July!



If you have a favorite Bible passage, a special announcement and/or picture to share, please send them to Jane in the office: secretary@firstpresnc.org

From Paul's letter to the Corinthians: Brothers, I could not address you as spiritual but as worldly – mere infants in Christ. I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. Indeed, you are still not ready. You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere men? For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not mere men? What, after all, is Apollo? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom you came to believe – as the Lord has assigned to each his task. I planted the seed, Apollos waters, but God made it grow. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The man who plants and the man who waters have one purpose, and each will be rewarded according to his own labor. For we are God's fellow worker; you are God's field, God's building. *1 Corinthians 3:1-9 NIV*



Attention Parents and Kids of First Presbyterian Church! Session has approved organizing a Youth Group for our kids. This will be a fun way for all of us to get together to learn about stories in the Bible and do fun activities together. Abby Reese will be leading this group and would welcome volunteer help for these meetings. More information will be mailed out to the families, as well as in the bulletins. Abby plans to have one maybe two get togethers over the summer, then meet one to two times per month once school starts. If you have any questions about this new group, please contact Abby at 402-525-2584 or via email at abbyreese158@gmail.com.



Please continue prayers for the following church family and friends:

Larry & Marilyn Brammier, Marv Zimmerman, Jan Bolejack, Teresa Fields, Kathy Nelson, Eileen Thayer, Edith Simmerman, Howard & Dee Antes, Tom & Janet Hemphill, Loran & Mary Donna Patton, friend and former member Rosanna McSwane, RuthAnn Weddle's friend Laurette, Laura Osborne's friend, Suzanne, JoAnn Marten's sister Diann Starr, Tony Reese's friend Allan Boyer, Jan Marion's friends, Sue O'Brien, Tom Gress and Karen Driever, and Karen's mother, Bev Olson



Serving this month:

Organist: Abby Reese

Scripture: Randy or JoAnn Martens

Greeters: Jeff & Carol Maddox

Acolytes: Youth

Camera: Marv Zimmerman

Power Point: Julie Hopp

Facebook/Photographer: Teresa Fields

Prepare Communion: Abby Reese

Nursery: Carla Zaroban, Kris Dierking & Susie Frerichs