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**Check the church directory for
contact info on all missionaries
and their sending agencies.**



It's Good to Be Home!



What joy has filled our hearts as we have been able to gather again for on-site worship! Thank you for your patience and grace as we navigate these times together.

Please continue to check the bulletin and website for updated information as we move forward. It's a team effort! How good it is to be able to trust our faithful, sovereign God!

VBS Explores the Timeless Truths of Jesus

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 27-31, from 9am-12 noon. Kids who have completed grades 5K-6 are invited to join us for **TIME LAB** as we travel through time and discover Jesus from eternity past to eternity future.

Each day will be filled with fun including:

- ▶ Bible stories
- ▶ Music
- ▶ Crafts
- ▶ Snacks
- ▶ Game time



Online registration via the church website is available on the Children's Ministries page or under Upcoming Events.

Interested in volunteering at VBS? Contact Children's Ministries director Gwen MacDonald (gwen.m@e-free-family.com).

Congratulations, Graduates!



Join us Sunday, July 19 as we honor our 2020 high school graduates! Our students will be presented during the 9:30am service, and a special sermon will be given by Robert Lee, our Student Ministries Pastor.

BLU Voting Results

Of the 88 ballots (29.6% of membership compared to 20% required) that were cast during the 2-week voting period, 84 (95.4%) were in favor of the FY2021 budget, 2 voted no with 2 abstentions. Larry W. was reelected Treasurer by 98.8% of the votes.

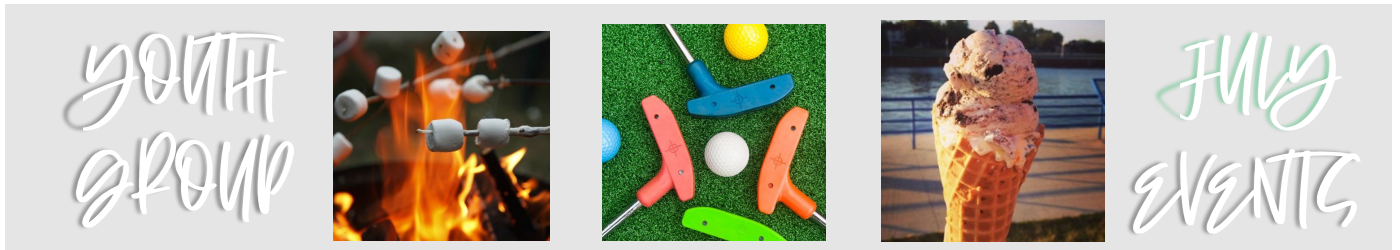


To those who voted, thank you for the special effort you made to come to the office and vote during the Safer at Home mandate.

Upcoming Youth Group Events

All students who have just completed grades 6-12 — plan to join in the fun at the following Youth Group events:

- ▶ Wednesday, July 8: Bonfire at North Point
- ▶ Wednesday, July 15: Virtual CHALLENGE Youth Conference
- ▶ Wednesday, July 22: Mini Golf & Ice Cream



Happy Birthday/Anniversary in July

Names omitted.

This and That

Over the **Independence Day holiday, the church office will be open as follows:** Friday, July 3: 9am-12pm & Monday, July 6: 1pm-5pm.

Remember to check out **Dr. Kaiser's video series on our Youtube page.** It's a great way to stay equipped as we anticipate the return of our Sunday morning *Equip* gatherings!

May Financial Update

Giving in May was slightly below plan (by \$3,300) but much better than May last year. May expenses were well below plan (by \$15,900), so the month ended with a surplus.

Year-to-date giving (July through May) is still greater than last year but about \$18,000 under what was budgeted. Thankfully, year-to-date expenses were also well under plan, as well as less than last year during the same period, so we have a YTD surplus of \$83,000.

Thank you for your faithfulness to the Lord, which blesses both this church's ministries and those of our missionaries around the world.



CHALLENGE 2020 YOUTH CONFERENCE

CHALLENGE 

Virtual Youth Conference 2020

RESTLESS

LONGING — AND — BELONGING

July 15, 2020 • 7-10pm • MPR

Speakers • Seventh Hour Worship • And more!

Students who have just completed grades 6-12 are invited to Virtual Challenge 2020! Join us for an interactive evening with speakers Vašek Andrš, Stephen Love, Kempton Turner, and Justin Wevers. We'll also worship with Seventh Hour and have a few surprises for you along the way.

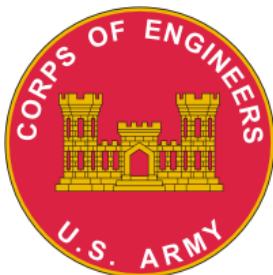
Even though we can't travel to Kansas City, the theme of Challenge 2020 remains the same—Restless: Longing and Belonging. Only in Christ do our hearts find rest, and only as a part of His Church will we find out what it means to belong.

There is no charge to attend! Invite a friend and call the church office (452.6520) to register.

Forever Faithful Events

Due to the person-to-person contact nature of a picnic potluck, Forever Faithful has decided to cancel the July picnic.

We look forward to seeing everyone for the upcoming potluck on September 17 when we'll hear from a guest speaker from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers of Detroit who will discuss the Lake Michigan shoreline erosion.



Master Plan: Phase 2

Our Master Plan is a vision for our building and ministries for the future, transforming our space to aid in our ability to minister to Sheboygan County and the world. We are excited to be moving on to Phase 2 of our Master Plan which includes:

- ▶ Opening our welcome space to increase fellowship and connection
- ▶ Increased security for our Children's Ministry

Check out the Master Plan page on our church website for more details and consider how the Lord is leading you to give during this exciting phase!



Help us raise **\$3,093,000** to complete this phase!



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