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**FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN –**

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*But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children. (Psalm 103:17 ESV)*

On April 23, 2016 a little girl was born to a young woman in Rockford, Illinois. Five days later, in an act of extreme selfless love and faith, she gave her child to my wife and me to raise as our own. I don't think many people understand just how indebted we are to her. She had to make a choice to carry a child to term, even though there were other options available to her. She had to make the painful decision to do what she felt was best for this child even though it would cost her deeply. She then had to look at the descriptions and pictures of dozens of families and make a nearly impossible choice of who to entrust her child to through adoption. For some deeply personal reason she felt led by God to ask Tiffany and me to be her daughter's parents.

I understand God's fatherly care and joy for his children in a far richer way after having experienced fatherhood myself, but the selfless love of a mother, I may never fully understand. It's mind-blowing thinking about how much I love my daughters and realizing that God's love for his children is infinitely deeper and purer. He delights in providing for his children's needs, forgiving them, teaching them, disciplining them for their good and raising them in grace and love. I understand his desire to see his children flourish in love and righteousness. My prayer is that my children will someday

know the love of their Father in heaven, but I also pray that they will be strong women who can love selflessly, like their birthmothers.

A father's desire and a day's needs can often conflict. When I want to finish a project or relax after a long day of work, they need food, or a diaper change, or constant attention because the world is full of dangers that they can't comprehend. Sacrificial love consists in laying aside one's desires to serve the benefit of another. Because children are dependent and needy, they give us countless opportunities to love sacrificially.

Jesus modeled this sacrificial love through his life and death for needy sinners who can give nothing in return. As I imitate Christ, I learn that the goal is not to sacrifice for my children out of mere duty, but out of love. If love is forgotten in the sacrifice, parents will become disgruntled and bitter and view their children as inconveniences. Sacrificial love, on the other hand, finds joy in the sacrifice and in the good that it brings to your child.

This is the love I pray my children learn. This is the love I pray I will be able to show them daily and the love I know their birthmothers showed in sacrificing for their children's needs.

Thank you all for your kind words of encouragement and support we have received with Abrianna's addition to our family. I want to thank you in advance for being my girls' teachers and living examples of selfless love.

Pastor Jason Hladik

## **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE**

May 01 – 81

May 08 – 91

May 15 – 76

May 22 –

## **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

The church office hours are from 8:00am-12:00pm, Monday through Friday. If you need to drop off, or pick up something we are always open during those times.

## **PASTOR ON VACATION**

Pastor Jason will be on vacation for three weeks from **June 27 through July 17**. During that time, Pastor Crystal will be available and will be able to contact Pastor Jason if there is an emergency.

## **PASTOR'S EMAIL HAS CHANGED**

Pastor Jason has changed his email address to [pastorhladik@icloud.com](mailto:pastorhladik@icloud.com). Please use this new email address from now on.

## **PASTOR JASON'S CELL PHONE**

Pastor Jason's cell phone (630-673-0492) goes straight to voice mail between the hours of 10:00pm and 7:00am. If you need to talk to him between these hours, please call twice and his phone will ring.

## **SHUT-IN VISITS FROM PASTOR**

If you know of a member of our church or a family member that could use a visit from Pastor Jason, please let him know.

## **PRAYER PARTNER EMAILS**

If you are not receiving the Joys and Concerns Prayer Partner Email and would like to - or if you have a concern during the week - you can call Louise or email her at [lbcats32@gmail.com](mailto:lbcats32@gmail.com). Joys and Concerns from the Sunday worship service are emailed each week to all who sign up for them.

## **CONDOLENCES**

Our condolences to the family of Lynn Buschick on the passing of her mother Irene Chirchirillo on April 30.

## **MEETINGS IN JUNE-JULY**

June 6 - 7pm, Worship

June 8 - 7pm, Trustees

June 12 - 10:45 Fellowship

June 19 - 10:45am, Education

June 20 - 7pm, Federated Board

July 13 - 7pm, Trustees

July 17 - 10:45am, Education

July 18 - 7pm, Federated Board

## **CHECK THE WEBSITE**

Remember that our church **Calendar**, as well as details about **Announcements** and current **Events**, are available on our website:

**[www.federatedchurchofwauconda.org](http://www.federatedchurchofwauconda.org)**

You'll also find blogs, pictures, videos, choir music and recent Worship Services.

## **PLANNING AN EVENT?**

First, check the church calendar to make sure your date is available. Then be sure to let Judy know about your so she can get it onto our website calendar. More and more people are going online to see what's happening!

## **THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone who helped make Night of Hope such a huge success, fulfilling the emotional needs of our community and raising money to help fund a cure for cancer. The music was great, food was great, and the raffle prizes were a huge hit also. I am very proud of our church and our ability to pull together and make things happen! It was an amazing evening! Federated Faith Walkers have raised over \$6,500 to date !!!!!

## **From your DIRECTOR of MUSIC**

First and foremost I wish to thank all of you for the SPECIAL honor bestowed to me this past Mothers Day. I feel that my music is a

gift from God because it comes so easy to me. You could almost say that it's one of my passions. Yes, I have more than one.

Second, I wish to thank all of the choir members for sticking with me through my up days and my down. Without their faithful dedication of time and talents, we would have no choir.

We are at the end of the season for the choir but are planning special music for the summer months. Some will be from our own choir members and some from outside invited guests. I hope that you enjoy this summer's schedule and you will see the choir back in full swing this Fall.

In His love, Geri Meyer

### **SUMMER MUSIC SCHEDULE**

During the summer months, our choir does not perform. However we have a wonderful lineup of special music:



- June 5: Tatiana Migliccio
- June 12: Sarah & Jonathan Carr,  
Camryn and Nathan Meyer
- June 19: Pastor Jason
- June 26: Mari Ann Beatty
- July 3: Melissa Pearson
- July 10: Fabian Ularu & Geri Meyer
- July 17: Fabian Ularu & Beth Cameron
- July 24: Men's Quartet
- July 31: Mary Ann Beatty
- Aug 7: VBS Kids Program
- Aug 14: Pastor Jason and Dori Cacioppo
- Aug 21: Candee Nustra and Nick Batson
- Aug 28: Larry Kujovich

### **CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES**

- Hero Lucius - Kindergarten
- Madison Lucius - Preschool
- Erin Benson - Matthews Middle School
- Camryn Meyer - 8th grade
- Will Carr - high school
- Melissa Wilson - Michigan Technology University



### **RELAY FOR LIFE - June 11**

This year's Relay for Life event supporting the American Cancer Society will take place at Paulus Park in Lake Zurich on Saturday, **June 11<sup>th</sup>** from 5 to 11pm. The team will arrive around 4pm. Anyone wanting to stop by and check it out will be welcome.

The Federated Faith Walkers Team Captain, Lou Ann

### **FATHER'S DAY - June 19**

Join us for an **Ice Cream Social** after church on Father's Day.

### **CARE CENTRE SING-ALONG:**

#### **June 22 and July 27**

A Wauconda Care Centre Sing-along is held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at 3:00pm. Meet at the Care Center, just off Rt. 176, at 2:45pm if you'd like to help pass



out songbooks and greet the residents before the fun begins. Join us as we bring the worship of God in song to the people at the Wauconda Care Centre.

### **SHARING THE LOVE INC**

Love INC is building beds again. That's right; you could be a carpenter just like the most famous carpenter of all.



From May through September from 9am till Noon at Life Bridge Community Church, 200 W. Liberty in Wauconda. Contact Dan Baron for details.

## **VBS: July 31 - August 4**

Vacation Bible School will kick off on Sunday, July 31. There will be sessions each evening from August 1 through August 4. We will conclude with a presentation during the Sunday Worship Service on August 7.



Our theme this year "They were brave to save" will focus on five people from the Bible, two women and three men. Watch for further details.

## **SUPER SENIORS - June and July**

Watch the Bulletins or check the website for details about activities during the summer months.

## **ATTENTION LADIES**

Save the date - **Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup>**.

Our annual FOCW luncheon will be at Beelow's in Lake Zurich on this day. We will be in the inside Dining Room. Watch the Bulletin and Website for more details.

There are no scheduled FOCW meetings in June or July. Our next regular meeting will be Monday, August 22. The Fellowship of Christian Women (FOCW) usually meets the last Monday of each month at 7:00pm from August through May. All women of the church are invited.

## **SUMMER PICNIC - August 21**

Food, fellowship, fun! Save the date for our



Annual Church Picnic, Sunday, August 21, after church. Meat and buns will be provided by Fellowship and

drinks will also be provided. There will be a sign up sheet for items you plan to bring. There will be games for kids of all ages, and

a raffle of different items for both adults and kids.

## **COFFEE WITH PASTOR**

Start your week off right with a time of fellowship with friends from the church. We meet every week on Monday at 8:00am at the Wauconda Café on Rt. 176. Join us for coffee, breakfast or just a good conversation.

## **RUMMAGE SALE, RUMMAGE SALE**

The Annex is now open on Sundays for your donations. We will be accepting donations through Sept.11th. If you need to drop off



stuff any other day than Sunday you can contact Nancy, Charlie or Tabitha Lucius and we can meet you to unlock the door. **NO LARGE FURNITURE PLEASE!** Thank you in advance.

Nancy [847-848-5023](tel:847-848-5023), [847-865-3300](tel:847-865-3300)

Tabitha [224-864-3531](tel:224-864-3531)

Sale dates are: Sept. 29, Sept. 30 and Oct. 1

## **FUNDRAISING TEAM**

Volunteers are needed for our new Fundraising Team. Our plan is to keep our church activities



and special projects self sufficient through fun fundraising in the community. We are looking for people to help serve, but also for ideas. Contact Toni Null for details.

## **FOOD PANTRY DONATION BASKET**

Please note that the Food Pantry Donation Basket has been moved from the front entry door to the coat rack in the narthex.



## Worship Schedule

Sundays - 9:30am

Sunday School (Sept.-May) - 9:45am

Fellowship - 10:30am

## CHURCH STAFF

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☺ Become a greeter at Federated and make a difference! Anyone interested in sharing a smile, a hug, a handshake or just making someone feel welcome, contact Mary Taylor at 847-526-7151.

☺ Please remember to notify the church office if you have a change of address, phone number or a new email address.

☺ Recordings of our Sunday worship services are available on our website. Go to our website to view the latest worship service:

[www.federatedchurchofwauconda.org](http://www.federatedchurchofwauconda.org)

☺ Our Beacon newsletter is also on the website. If you no longer wish to receive a copy by mail, please drop us a note or call the church office at 847-526-8471 and we will remove your name from our mailing list.

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