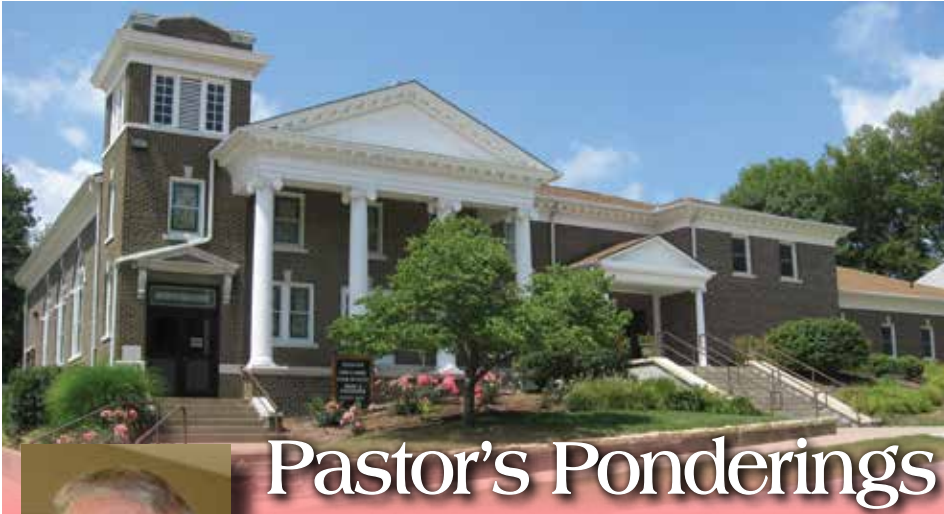


# The First Presbyterian Church in Wamego

# ILLUMINATOR

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## Pastor's Ponderings

by Bill Vincent  
Pastor, First Presbyterian Church



As I write this article, Deanna & I are packing in preparation for a two-day drive to the Carolinas. We will celebrate my mother's life with two services and also enjoy spending time with family and friends. I look forward to the time away to recharge my batteries.

Though some would not think of driving two days as rejuvenating, still I look forward to the time to step back from the daily grind to refresh and relax, to re-adjust and re-connect.

June, July, and August mark the traditional time of vacationing. I hope many of you will have an opportunity – in the time, manner, and place appropriate for you – to recharge your batteries and be rejuvenated during these coming months.

Let me remind you that worship is an important part of that, too. Yes, worship. It is a time to praise God and listen for God's word and be guided in God's way. Sounds like – and is! – a lot of work. Yet what we find is that, as we give of ourselves in worship to God, we are fed and nourished, recharged and rejuvenated for the very ministry to which God sends us as we exit worship to serve God in the world.

Believe it or not, worship is a sort of vacation. Not a way to wash our hands of the world and our lives, but to "vacate," for a moment, the rush and worry of life, to give of ourselves in praise to God, and to be filled and sustained by the very God to whom we give ourselves. To be recharged and rejuvenated.

So don't forget worship, this month or any month. It is a time to re-learn and be re-minded. It is a time to "re-give" and re-commit. And in it, a time to be re-charged and re-juvenated, through God's presence and God's blessing, all for the glory of God.

See you in worship!  
Peace in Christ,  
Bill Vincent

P.S. - If you find yourself elsewhere on a Sunday morning, go worship somewhere with brothers and sisters in Christ! You'll be glad you did! ■

## June \_\_\_\_

- 1 **AA** in lower level fellowship hall at 8 p.m.
- 2 **Inductive Bible study** in fellowship hall at 6 p.m.
- 6 **Women's Study group** in fellowship hall at 1:30 p.m.
- 7 **Moms of Oz** in fellowship hall at 9 a.m.  
**Session meeting** in conference room at 7 p.m.
- 8 **AA** in lower level fellowship hall at 8 p.m.
- 9 **Inductive Bible study** in fellowship hall at 6 p.m.
- 10 **Walk/Run for Wellness** at Wamego Recreation Center at 7:30 a.m.
- 11 **Birthday Bash & Pot Luck** following worship
- 14 **Deacons meeting** in fellowship hall at 6 p.m.
- 15 **AA** in lower level fellowship hall at 8 p.m.
- 16 **Inductive Bible study** in fellowship hall at 6 p.m.
- 20 **Women's Study group** in fellowship hall at 1:30 p.m.
- 22 **Lions Club meeting** in fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m.  
**AA** in lower level fellowship hall at 8 p.m.
- 23 **Inductive Bible study** in fellowship hall at 6 p.m.
- 29 **AA** in lower level fellowship hall at 8 p.m.
- 30 **Inductive Bible study** in fellowship hall at 6 p.m.

## July \_\_\_\_

- 4 **Independence Day** – Office Closed
- 5 **Session meeting** in conference room at 7 p.m.
- 6 **AA** in lower level fellowship hall at 8 p.m.
- 7 **Inductive Bible study** in fellowship hall at 6 p.m.
- 9 **2nd Sunday Sub & Pasta Bar** after worship
- 12 **Moms of OZ** in fellowship hall at 9 a.m.  
**Deacons meeting** in fellowship hall at 6 p.m.
- 13 **AA** in lower level fellowship hall at 8 p.m.
- 14 **Inductive Bible study** in fellowship hall at 6 p.m.
- 18 **Women's Study group** in fellowship hall at 1:30 p.m.
- 20 **AA** in lower level fellowship hall at 8 p.m.
- 21 **Inductive Bible study** in fellowship hall at 6 p.m.
- 24-28 **Summer Lunch Program** in fellowship hall at noon
- 27 **AA** in lower level fellowship hall at 8 p.m.
- 28 **Inductive Bible study** in fellowship hall at 6 p.m.



# OUR CHURCH

## *In the News*

### First Presbyterian Church

601 Elm Street  
Wamego, KS 66547  
785-456-2556

#### Elders

Glenn Brunkow     Craig Johnson  
Vernon Fails     Mary Beth Pfrang  
Sarah Hancock     Dick Shields  
Terri Hollenbeck     Brian Wohler  
Barry Jacques

#### Deacons

Kathy Bracken     Alex McKenzie  
Jennifer Brunkow     Pat Nelson  
Norm Delay     Brenda Patterson  
Bette Kastner     Lorinda Sultzer

#### Others

**Corporation President:** Darold Brunkow  
**Family Emergency Fund:** Callie Hildebrand, Darold Brunkow, and Pat Nelson  
**Treasurers:** Sherry Breymeyer and Julie Shields  
**Assistant Treasurers:** Stan and Susan Symons

#### Staff

**Pastor:** Bill Vincent  
**Church Phone:** 785-456-2556  
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**Clerk of Session:** Richard Shields  
**Organist:** Dale Breymeyer  
**Choir Director:** Sarah Hancock  
**Custodians:** Bob and Lorinda Sultzer  
**Child Care:** Sydney Ward

#### Website

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## School Supply Donations Still Accepted

Our 5th Sunday offering on April 30 was designated for school supplies for USD 320. It seemed a bit of an odd request for the 2017-2018 school year when the current term had not yet ended but the next 5th Sunday comes after school enrollment in early August. If you did not have an opportunity to donate to this Mission project at the 5th Sunday collection but would like to make a contribution, mark your donation "School Supplies" and leave it at the church office or put it in the Sunday collection. Please make your donation by July 16.

Your donations give us the option of ordering our assigned items in bulk and buying through our church tax-free account so we save money which in turn goes for supplies. The day of school enrollment the supplies for grades K-8 are available for families who need help filling the list provided by the school district. Tables with items for each grade level are set up in the fellowship hall at Trinity Baptist Church for parents and children to fill a paper grocery bag (donated by Gene's Grocery) with items on their grade lists. It is a well-organized Council of Churches mission that has been serving families in USD 320 who need a little extra help at school enrollment time for a good number of years. Thanks for all you do to make this a successful project. ■

## Mother's Day Message

May 14, Pastor Bill invited mothers and their children to join him for a Mother's Day children's sermon.

Grandmothers DeAnn and Brenda, and their granddaughters, Hope and Willa, shared a special moment together.



## Sundaes with the Pastor

Bill and Deanna Vincent invite you to an Open House at their house on Sunday, June 25, 2017.

Drop by anytime between 2 and 5 pm to make (and eat!) an ice cream sundae, see their new home, and enjoy visiting and fellowshiping together.

We hope to see you then! ■

Bill & Deanna Vincent  
600 Walnut St., Wamego KS • 785-456-2376

# The Installation of our Pastor **BILL VINCENT**



What a special day and meaningful worship on April 30th with my Installation Service.

Thank you to all who were there!

Thank you to all who made it possible!

Thank you to all who celebrated the day (whether present or not)!

Thank you for saying 'Yes!' to the beginning of this new chapter in ministry together!

In Christ,  
Pastor Bill

# Take Note

## Weekly prayer list

Weekly prayer list is located on the table beneath welcome board in the Narthex. ■

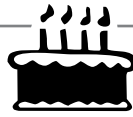
## From the Deacons

The Deacons focus is Pray & Serve. We are here for you. Let us know if you are in or going into the hospital. We want to know how we can serve you by visiting, providing meals upon returning home and other needs you may have. If you are unable to call, you may ask a family member to call the church office at 456-2556.

Bette Kastner (785-456-9161) and Alex McKenzie (785-844-2710) will be the contact Deacons for this part of our ministry.

If you have other needs or questions, please call the office. ■

# Birthdays & Anniversaries



## June

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 Bette Kastner           | 15 Dan Moser               |
| B.J. & Dalene Eiche       | Dan Wiegers                |
| 2 Dale & Sherry Breymeyer | 16 Shirley Walker          |
| 5 Charlie White           | 17 Carol Fink              |
| 11 Skylar Ritter          | Jim & Callie Hildebrand    |
| 13 Jim Hildebrand         | 19 Evan Hancock            |
| 14 Evelyn Webb            | 22 Kelly Savaloja          |
| 15 Norm Delay             | 26 Josie Fails             |
| Noah Nelson               | B.J. Kerr                  |
| 16 Brecken Hollenbeck     | 29 Bill & Terri Hollenbeck |
| 17 Susan Symons           | Dan & Cristi Wiegers       |
| Sonny & Lynne Morton      | 30 Jill Hupe               |
| 20 Lorinda Sultzer        | 31 Jessica Kueker          |
| Madison Wiegers           |                            |
| Mike & Sandra Scheffel    |                            |
| Charlie & Jan White       |                            |

## August

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|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| 21 Bill Vincent       | 2 Sarah Heineken            |
| Ryan & Jessica Kueker | 3 Warren & Shirley Carnahan |
| 22 Dick Shields       | 4 Darold Brunkow            |
| 23 Regan Kueker       | Lisa Moser                  |
| 24 Pam Delay          | Hope Vanover                |
| 30 Cayley Block       | 5 Phil & Marilyn Mahan      |
| Bobby Sultzer         | 8 Don Bretz                 |
|                       | 9 Evelyn Biswell            |
|                       | 11 Norman & Jeanette Hupe   |
|                       | 17 Levi Nelson              |
|                       | 21 Bill & Deanna Vincent    |
|                       | 22 Kate Hollenbeck          |
|                       | 23 Dale Breymeyer           |
|                       | 26 Dalene Eiche             |
|                       | 28 MaryBeth Pfrang          |
|                       | 30 Keith Hancock            |
|                       | 31 Nate & Ashley Hollenbeck |

## July

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|---------------------|
| 2 Sara Uhrich       |
| 6 Paul Eiche        |
| David Hancock       |
| 11 David Watts      |
| 13 Melissa Anderson |
| Sarah Hancock       |
| 14 Marjorie Dillon  |

Sunday, May 7, we had

# SIETE DE

Mexican food, fun and really go



a great

# MAYO

ood fellowship!



## News from the Pews

### A look at what our members have been doing outside of church.

**Sydney Ward**, the church's child care provider, is rehearsing to perform in the Columbian's production of *Gypsy*. The production will open June 9 and continue through the last weekend in June.

Danielle M. Howard, daughter of **Tracy** and **Bev Howard** graduated from Fort Hays State University May 12, 2017 with a Bachelor of General Studies and Minors in Criminology and Psychology. She will continue on for a year or so at FHSU to obtain her Bachelor degree in Education. She is currently a paraprofessional in special education at Thomas More - Marion High School in Hays, Kansas.

**Tracy** and **Bev Howard**, their son Chris, and granddaughter Aryel Fry traveled to Oak Harbor, WA on May 25th to see Aubrey Howard. Aubrey is Chris's daughter and Tracy and Bev's granddaughter. This will be a first time flying for Aryel and the first time she has seen her cousin in person.

**Keith Hancock** and **Claire Wohler** both received 1 ratings on their solos at the Middle School Music Festival on May 6. Keith plays saxophone; Claire plays flute.

**Evan Hancock** finished 7th in extemporaneous speaking at 4A State Championship Forensics at Washburn Rural High School on May 6. He broke semifinals in both informative and extemp.

**Sam Fails** will be attending Ft. Hays State University this fall and plans on majoring in Computer Science. Over the summer he'll be attending Lion Club Band Camp and Heartland Camp. Sam served as Science Club President this year. He started working at Toto's Taco's this spring and plans to continue until he heads to college.

**Josie Fails** double qualified for both State and National Forensics. She will be traveling to Louisville Kentucky over Memorial weekend for Nationals. She was re-elected as FBLA President and will be the STUCO Rep for Forensics next year. Josie participated with the NHS Honor Flight in April and traveled to Washington D.C. She served as the student guardian for Ray Brase. Over the summer Josie will attend Camp Hope and participate in Link Crew training in addition to working at the Emerald Door.

**Laura Fails** is wrapping up her year as President of the School Nutrition Association of Kansas. She also served on a national SNA task force. **Vernon Fails** latest work assignment has him traveling to Kansas City a couple of times a week. Laura and Vernon will celebrate their 20th wedding anniversary in May!

**Tatum Brunkow** and **Ryan Moser** were elected to the 2017-2018 Rock Creek High School Student Council officer team. Tatum is serving as president and Ryan is treasurer.

**Justin Moser** made the Kansas State University College Business Administration's Dean's List for his outstanding academic achievements during the Spring 2017 semester. In addition he was selected for several leadership positions for the 2017-2018 academic year to include: College of Business Administration Student Ambassador, Alpha Kappa Psi Vice President of Administration and Moore Hall Council Secretary. ■

# Lunch after worship

Mark your calendar for the next few Deacon's 2nd Sunday Lunches after worship...

**In June**, our Birthday Bash is back! June 11, we will have twelve tables decorated in themes for each month of the year. The table decorators will also need to provide the dessert for their tables. You sit at the table of the month of your birthday. The meal itself will be a potluck lunch provided by you.

**In July**, we will have a Sub and Salad Bar after worship July 9, with sub sandwiches and chips, potato salad, macaroni salad, pasta salad, jello salad, fruit pizza or fruit salad for dessert.

**In August**, we'll have a Back-to-School Picnic in Fellowship Hall after worship August 13, with hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, potato salad, baked beans, and ice cream for dessert.

If you would like to be involved with planning or assisting with these lunches, or would like more information, please see Lorinda Sultzer or call the church office, 456-2556. ■

## Ongoing Activities

### Adult Christian Education Class

9 a.m. each Sunday in the Conference Room, nursery available.

### Youth Christian Education Class

9 a.m. each Sunday in the Youth Room.

### Younger Children Lessons

Younger children lessons will be taking a break over the summer months.

### Worship

10:15 a.m. each Sunday.

### Women's Study Group

1:30 p.m. the first and third Tuesday in Fellowship Hall.

### Sewing / Crafts Group

Will be taking a break over the summer months.

### 2nd Sunday Lunch

Lunch after worship the second Sunday of the month in Fellowship Hall.

### AA Meets

8 p.m. each Thursday in lower level Fellowship Hall.

### Inductive Bible Study

6 p.m. each Friday in Fellowship Hall.

# Congratulations GRADUATES

Sunday, May 14, our church recognized these wonderful graduating seniors during worship, followed by a reception in Fellowship Hall. Each graduate was presented with a personalized Bible. ■



*Sam*  
F A I L S



*Cale*  
H U P É



*Noah*  
N E L S O N



*Spencer*  
S T E W A R T



*Caleb*  
U B E L L



*Devon*  
U H R I C H



*Reece*  
W A R R E N



*Sam*  
W O H L E R



Many stayed to celebrate our grads great accomplishments after worship in fellowship hall.

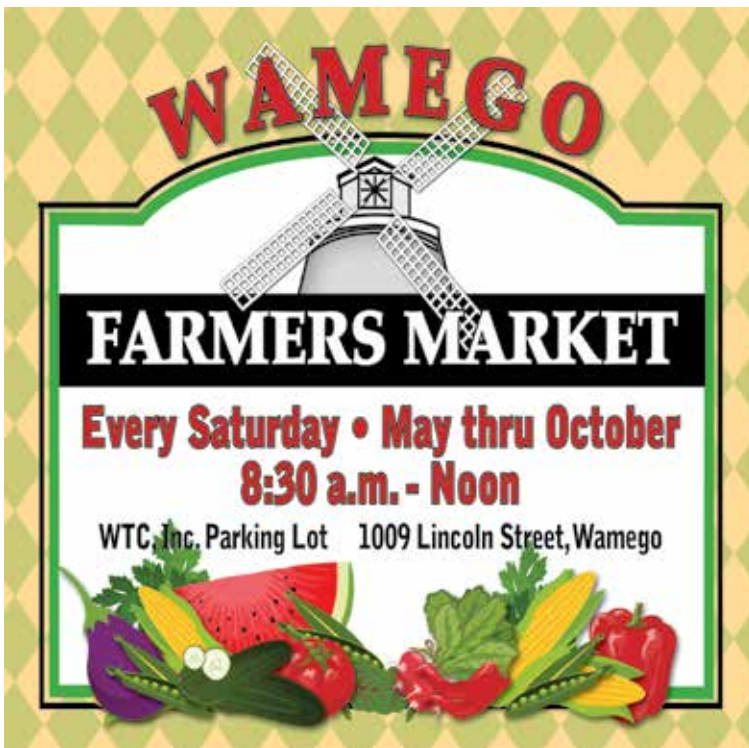
Eight graders being promoted to high school were also recognized.

Thank you to Sheryl Wohler and Sarah Hancock for working with the youth this year. ■



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## ANNUAL BIRTHDAY BASH

*Sunday, June 11 after worship*

**Mark your calendars!** Our wonderful Birthday Bash Potluck Lunch is coming back! Join us June 11 after worship. We are looking to have twelve tables decorated in themes for each month of the year. The table decorators will also need to provide the dessert for their tables. The meal itself will be a potluck lunch provided by you.

If you are interested in decorating a table, there is a sign up available in the Narthex. If you have questions, please talk to DeAnn Bussart-Savaloja. ■

Want to know more about activities at the First Presbyterian Church?

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