



# PRESBYTIDINGS



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## What's New at the Church?

- Holy Communion Served - May 1
- Friendship Home and Individual Home Communion - May 2
- PW Spring Salad Buffet - May 5 at 6:30 PM
- Choir and CE Recognition Sunday - May 22
- Session Meets - May 25 at 7:30 PM

## Roger's Reflections

"May" – it's a month of the year and an indication of permission to do what you want or need to do.

This "May" we celebrate Shelby Chizek's graduation from Audubon High School among the Class of 2016 and wish her well wherever she "May" go in her life. The same wishes go out to all graduates!

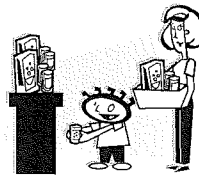
This "May" we also bless Mary Neary on her journey to be closer to her children and family. "May" she enjoy her new page in life in the

month ahead and all the months before her!

This "May" we celebrate "all of our Mothers" on their special day on Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be a celebration for Shelby at Ebenezer before service, a musical selection from our Sunday School students, and worship, too!

"May" we all rejoice this month!  
Pastor Roger

## Our Missions



Food pantry donations in May go to Family Development Center. As we are fed, let us remember those in need of the basic necessities.

Also, please remember our Dimes for Deacons the last Sunday of every month!

**WANTED:** More worship volunteers – No experience necessary! Apply in office.

**Session Date Change:** Due to High School Baccalaureate, Session will move the May meeting date to May 25 at 7:30 PM.

## Choir and CE Leaders' Appreciation Sunday

On May 22 our wonderful Choir and CE will be recognized for their faithfulness and devotion. A special coffee will follow worship services. These folks put in countless hours rehearsing, performing, preparing lessons, etc., to stimulate and enhance our worship services and Christian education. We want you to know we all very much enjoy your messages!



Choir and Church School will not be meeting after May 22 until fall. Enjoy your summer!

## Home Communion



We will serve Holy Communion in the homes of anyone who wishes. In May communion will be served at the Friendship Home at 10:45 AM on Monday, May 2, with individual home communions starting at 1:00 PM on Monday afternoon.

If you wish to partake in the Lord's Supper or know of someone who needs to receive communion in their home, please call the church and leave a message with the office.

## Remember Our Library

Have you checked out the church's library located on the north side of the Fellowship Room?



It's easy and fast to check out books – no set time limit or fines! Then be sure to tell your friends about the ones you enjoyed the most.

If you have books to share with our library, you may leave them in the office at any time.

## Summer Music

Beginning May 29 we will need volunteers for special music. Grandmas and Grandpas -- if you have family visiting for a few days, it would be great to hear/see some of their talents.



Sign-up sheets will be in Fellowship Room.

## Session Notes

The Session met for their regular meeting on April 20, 2016. Highlights included:

- Voted to support Relay for Life
- Discussed need to stain doors
- Discussed need to paint manse porch and railings
- Teresa McLaughlin will sign new investments.

The next meeting will be held on May 25, 2016, 7:30 PM, Fellowship Room.

## By the Numbers

### Treasurer's Report



### March

Receipts:	\$	4,278.04
Expenses:	\$	6,189.98

Per Capita for 2016 has been set at \$40.00 per member.

2016 breakdown is as follows:

Presbytery \$27.63; Synod \$5.25; General Assembly \$7.12

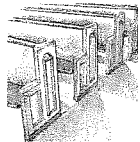
**Death:** Ruth E. Hansen passed away on Friday, April 1, 2016. A service of witness to resurrection was held at Kessler Funeral Home, Exira, on Saturday, April 9, 2016, with Rev. Roger C. Claxton officiating. Interment was in the Exira Cemetery, Exira, Iowa.

## In Our Prayers

Let us remember daily those who need our prayers most. Among our people, prayers are extended to:



Lila Jean Jensen	J. D. Mendenhall
Norma Petersen	Peggy Mendenhall
Donna Kessler	Virgil Klever
Delores Klever	Marie Jensen
Mary Neary	



View from the Pews

### CHURCH ATTENDANCE

April 3	24
10	29
17	25
24	21

### PW Women

On May 5, the PW will have their Spring Salad Buffet at 6:30 PM here at the church. The supper will be catered at a cost of \$11 per attendee.



Both circles are in charge of the program so it should be double good!

We know this will be an event to remember.

*Kitchen Planning Committee for Events*

**Beverly Gaskill**

### Deacon of the Month

Mavis Lebeck

### May Birthdays

5	Camilla Lawshe
	John Tiner
9	Gayle Klever
11	Minnie Fancher
12	Mark Kessler
13	Dorothy Groteluschen
14	Jack Weighton
20	Robbie Nelson
	Peggy Grabill
21	Julie Olson
22	Bev King
25	Tom Rasmussen
	Henrietta Wheeler



### May Anniversaries



3	Earl and Carolyn Blohm (52)
9	Howard & Camilla Lawshe (52)
31	Doug & Julie Olson (35)

### Who's serving our church in May?

<b>1</b>	Liturgist	TBA
	Greeters/ Ushers	Earl Blohm, Ed Andersen, Jordan Jensen
	Videographer	Mary Klever
	Coffee Hosts	TBA
<b>8</b>	Liturgist	TBA
	Greeters/Ushers	Earl Blohm, Ed Andersen, Jordan Jensen
	Videographer	Larry Klever
	Coffee Hosts	TBA
<b>15</b>	Liturgist	TBA
	Greeters/Ushers	Ivan Andersen, David Jensen, Larry Klever
	Videographer	Ed Andersen
	Coffee Hosts	TBA
<b>22</b>	Liturgist	TBA
	Greeters/Ushers	Ivan Andersen, David Jensen, Larry Klever
	Videographer	Jordan Jensen
	Coffee Hosts	TBA
<b>29</b>	Liturgist	TBA
	Greeters/Ushers	Nancy Owen, Sue Barnes, Jolene DuVall
	Videographer	Vickie Andersen
	Coffee Hosts	TBA

Please make note of when you serve. If you cannot serve, please find someone to serve in your place. Thanks!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 AM Fellowship Coffee 10:30 AM Church School	<b>2</b> 10:45 AM Communion at Friendship Home 1:00 PM Communion in Individual Homes	<b>3</b>  4:00 Adult Bible Study	<b>4</b>  6:30 Choir Practice 7:30 Building & Grounds Committee	<b>5</b> 6:30 PM PW Spring Salad Buffet	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Fellowship Coffee 10:30 AM Church School	<b>9</b>  7 PM Boy Scouts	<b>10</b>  4:00 Adult Bible Study	<b>11</b>  6:30 Choir Practice	<b>12</b>  WIC Clinic 2:00 PM Priscilla Circle meets – Nancy Owen, hostess	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
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<b>22</b> 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Fellowship Coffee 10:30 AM Church School  CE and Choir Recognition	<b>23</b>  7 PM Boy Scouts	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  7:30 Session	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Fellowship Coffee  Dimes for Deacons	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	 <b>May</b> <b>First Presbyterian Church</b> <b>Audubon, Iowa</b> <b>(712) 563-3475</b> 			