



CBC Courier

Pastor's Pen

A Time For Celebration

Celebration is a kind of food we all need in our lives, and each individual brings a special recipe or offering, so that together we will make a great feast. Celebration is a human need that we must not, and cannot, deny. It is richer and fuller when many work and then celebrate together.

~Corita Kent and Jan Steward

Dear CBC Family,

When we begin to feel the warm weather of summer, our minds and bodies communicate to us, "Great, summer time has arrived and we can slow down and relax." Not for CBC though. June begins with many parishioners racing around like a colony of ants getting ready for our June Festival. As the biggest fund raiser for CBC, it's amazing to witness so many come together to help one another, work with each other, to lighten the load and share the 'laughs'. It's not just a way to support the budget, it is a time of joining together for a common cause. This is not surprising for this church community. It is truly a blessing as it is not so common among all churches. ***A Time For Celebration!***

We have recently heard from our Trustees that we had a successful pledging campaign and the first time in many years that CBC has not begun the fiscal year in a deficit. ***A Time For Celebration!***

Our 150th Anniversary Committee is working diligently to organize our history, facilitate events and help make 2017 a special year. ***A Time For Celebration!***

Twice in June we will hold two celebrations during and following our worship. The first, June 11th is Children's Sunday. Our Christian Education and teachers have made this an exciting year for the youth and as I write this note I chuckle (and yawn) with last night's Youth movie/pizza party at the church. 10 youth and 4 adults had a fun-filled evening. ***A Time For Celebration!***

Our second cause for celebration will be on June 25th for Choir appreciation Sunday. It is bittersweet for our congregation as the choir adds a such a

tremendous gift each week however deserving a much needed and deserved respite. An accolade of acknowledgement for all they do and how blessed we are to have such wonderful, talented people. ***A Time For Celebration!***

There is much I am thankful for here at CBC that would take too many pages to list yet an important one we may not consider happens weekly! That is having this wonderful church, the gathering of likeminded Christians full of hospitality and love reaching out to members and guests. This is truly a weekly celebration to worship and honor our Lord for all our blessings. ***A Time For Celebration!***

To the honor and blessing of our Lord,
Pastor Kurt

CBC Thank You's

Sunday School Teachers

To our Sunday School Teachers for 2016-2017 Our church has been greatly blessed through the efforts of awesome volunteers who stepped up to teach Sunday School this past year! Only through their diligence in preparing lessons, crafts and activities have our children enjoyed a consistent and nourishing Bible education each Sunday. We cannot thank you enough! Please convey your appreciation to the following:

Marilyn Dennis, Arlene LaBua, Karen Lemke, Nancy Lush, Kathy Merrill, Todd Merrill, Patti Pereira, Cara Popovich, Elizabeth Richter, Marilyn Rodriguez, Rosemarie Smith, Franny Vesely (and her mother), Kathleen Williams and Korey Russell (Teacher Helper).

Coffee Hour

Thank you to our church board members and volunteers who have made coffee & snacks for our Sunday morning coffee hour a success!

Communion Sunday Collection

For our communion collection, Sunday, June 4th we will be collecting food items for our local area food bank. We are looking for things like peanut butter, canned goods, Pasta & pasta sauce and any non-perishable box items, such as cereal and crackers.

Ladies' Breakfast

Ladies Breakfast will be held Thursday June 8th at 9 a.m. at Slice of Heaven. All CBC ladies welcome!

Children's Sunday

Please mark your calendars for June 11th as this is Children's Sunday. We are in the process of putting together the worship service with the hopes our youth will take the lead roles as we praise God for the gift of our children, the teachers and our Christian Education Committee.

June Festival

Saturday, June 17 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

CBC's largest fundraising event of the year is just around the corner. Here are some ways you can help.

- * Volunteer for the festival by signing up on the poster in the church parlor. Recruit others to work with you.
- * Post June Festival posters in the community.
- * Sell your raffle tickets. Please return any unsold tickets prior to the day of the June Festival.
- * **Spread the word about our drop-off days—June 3rd and June 10th from 9:00 a.m.-noon.**
- * Donate items for the sale: gently used household and garden items — toys and games — jewelry and vintage items — marine and boating items — artwork and decorative items — sporting and fishing items — small wood and wicker furniture — small rugs and appliances.
(We are *unable* to accept televisions, computers, upholstered furniture, large appliances, entertainment centers, books, movies, and music CDs.)
- * Bake and freeze your favorite goodies for the bake sale.
- * Pot thinned plants from your garden and please label what kind of plants they are? And save them for the garden center. Thank You!
- * Ask stores, salons, restaurants, and other businesses you frequent for items or gift certificates for the silent auction. Also consider donating never-opened/never-returned gift items you may have.
- * Wear your yellow June Festival t-shirt on the day of the fair.

If you need help transporting items to the church, please call David Dolce at 374-2858.

If you have questions, please speak with a member of our June Festival Committee: Denise Gamon, Marilyn Dennis, and Donald Haskell.

June Festival Raffle Salespeople Needed!

Thank you to Wayne Robinson and Michelle Gibbs for volunteering to sell June Festival Raffle Tickets during the Memorial Day Parade! Now we are looking for dynamic duos to sell raffle tickets at McQuade's and the Jamestown Hardware store over the next few weekends leading up to the Festival. There are no set hours, so anytime that works in your schedule is great! A folding table, chairs, signs, tickets and cash box are available. Let's make this the best raffle year yet! Please contact Kathy Merrill 560-0898

Choir Appreciation Sunday

We will celebrate the contributions our choir makes to CBC on Sunday, June 25. The celebration will take place during both the worship service and coffee hour. Join us to show your appreciation for our choir members before they begin their summer break.

CBC Walking Party

Please join us music in Clarke Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00a.m. to 8:45a.m. We do a warm-up, walk a couple miles, do a cool down, then a few floor exercises. Please join us! Questions? Contact MariBeth Traer.

Living and Dying with Confidence

The class will be held on the 1st and 3rd Mondays at CBC from 1-2:30 pm. Join us as we gather to share our responses to daily reflections that will support us in living our lives with wisdom, integrity and compassionate hearts. Our reference will be " *Living and Dying with Confidence; a day by day guide* "by Anyen Rinpoche and Allison Choying Zangmo. For more information, there are flyers in the church parlor and for questions please contact Janet Larson.

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