



July and August 2019

## St. Jacob and St. John Summerfield News and Notes

Dear Church Family and Friends of St. John and St. Jacob,

Time marches on! It is amazing how quickly the year is flying by. Some would say we survived the Strawberry Festival, but really although it was my first year to experience being a part of this amazing fundraiser, I would say May 19th was more than just survival mode..

Each time there is an event at St. Jacob UCC I marvel at how well the church gathers to work together. I participated in stemming and cutting berries while others washed as many as 400 bins. Ice cream was delivered and grills were organized for cooking the brats and other proteins we would have that day. It amazed and warmed my heart at how well everyone worked together for the common goal. What a blessing it would be if the universal church worked in that manner throughout the world!

My job, as pastor, was to pray that we would have good weather. I think I got about a B+ on my assignment as it only rained for a few short minutes. Otherwise, the sun was out and many people enjoyed the wonderful food and entertainment. We plan on this event for the many years to come for it truly is a St. Jacob UCC tradition. We raised \$12,000 this year!

St. John's had a very joyous event on Father's Day, June 16th. Ashley Ahrens was baptized along with her two sons, Bradley, age 10 and Brice 6 weeks. Proud husband and dad was Jarid Ahrens. It was such a blessing to have three new baptized children of God!

And while it is impossible to name everything that took place since our last newsletter, in this one cover letter, I would say that even though time marches on, the church marches on with it. Let me assure you that there will always be an ebb and flow in the life of the church and what we are able to do. But there is one thing for sure, God is always with us. God guides us and loves us and is proud that we are the church in our little corner of the world. We are indeed blessed!

In Christ,

Reverend Nancy Gamache

**THANK YOU** to every person that expressed their sincere condolences to me over the loss of my mother, Kathryn Grotefendt. She passed from this life to life everlasting on May 26. She was a lifetime member of the Evangelical United Church of Christ in Highland. Although the Highland church was unable to have her funeral luncheon because of a rummage sale, our family was so blessed to have the St. Jacob UCC step in and host the funeral luncheon in Heritage Hall. Our family will forever be grateful for your kindness. *Rev. Nancy Gamache*

### **ST. JOHN'S SUMMERFIELD ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Congratulations to the Ahrens family on the event of Ashley, Bradley and Brice's baptisms on Sunday, June 16th, at 12 Noon.

### **ST. JACOB ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Congratulations to Kristen Courtney and Joseph Kinsey on the baptism of Eli Scott Kinsey on Sunday, May 5th at 4 p.m.

Congratulations to Mary Novich and Zachary Lowe on the occasion of their wedding at St. Jacob U.C.C. on Saturday, May 18th at 3 p.m.

Condolences to the friends and family of Bradford "Brad" Beeler whose celebration of life was held on March 11, 2019 at Heritage Hall.

Condolences to the family of Lorraine W. Highlander whose funeral was at St. Jacob U.C.C. on Tuesday, May 21st.

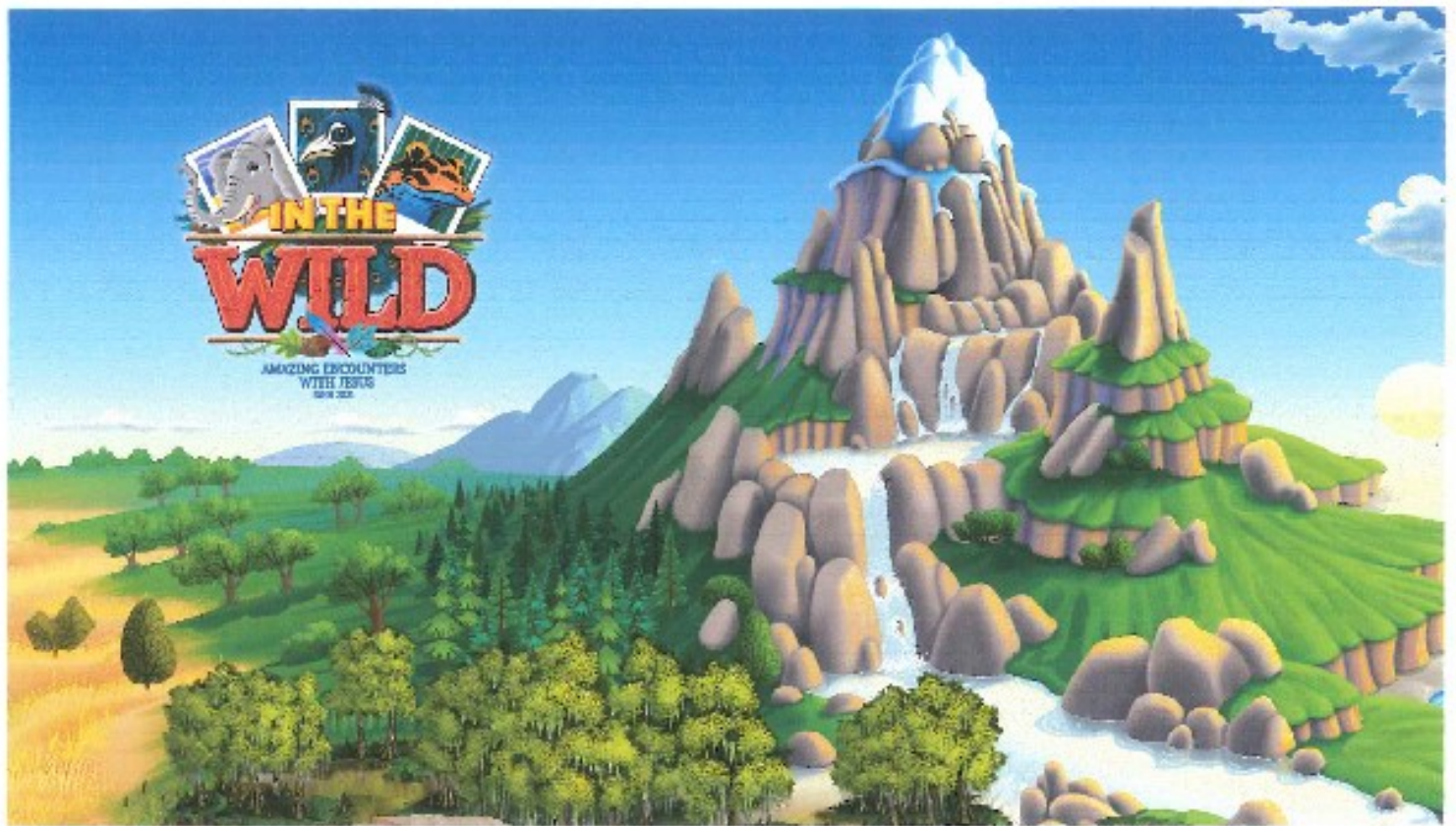
Condolences to the family of Olive Nungesser whose funeral was at St. Jacob U.C.C. on Friday, June 28th.

### **PRAYER LIST**

Each day I sit down with the prayer list and pray for the people of our churches. You could take this same list and put it by your bedside or reading table next to your Bible. Let us pray for those in need as well as our neighbors across the world on a daily basis.

St. John's:	Don Koenig Paul Missey	Ella Boggy	Tom McCaw	Tracy Lynch
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St. Jacob:	Dot Blumer Marcella Best	Sue Farley Ryan Hirsch	Ken Bolton	Tonya Loehring
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**THIS SUMMER KIDS WILL FOCUS IN ON SOME AMAZING, REAL-LIFE ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS AND DISCOVER THE MOST AMAZING TRUTH OF ALL—JESUS CHRIST IS THE MESSIAH, THE SON OF GOD, AND BY BELIEVING WE CAN HAVE LIFE IN HIS NAME.**

Vacation Bible School begins:

**Friday, August 9th**

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**From 9 a.m. till 3 p.m.**

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(date and time)

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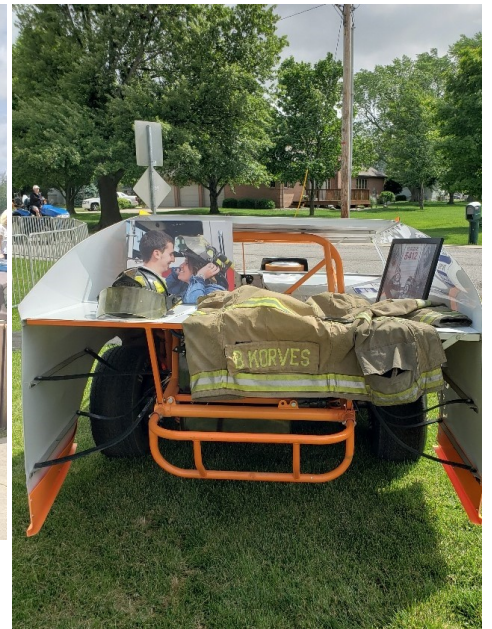
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# July 2019

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	<p><b>1</b> <i>Office Hours</i> 9-1</p> <p>Yoga 7-8</p>	<p><b>2</b>  Yoga 7-8</p>	<p><b>3</b>  </p>	<p><b>4</b> <b>FOURTH OF JULY!</b></p>	<p><b>5</b>  </p>	<p><b>6</b>  </p>
<p><b>7</b>  </p>	<p><b>8</b>  Yoga 7-8</p>	<p><b>9</b> <i>Office Hrs</i> 9-1  Yoga 7-8</p>	<p><b>10</b>  </p>	<p><b>11</b> <i>Office Hours</i> 9-1</p>	<p><b>12</b>  </p>	<p><b>13</b>  </p>
<p><b>14</b>  </p>	<p><b>15</b>  Yoga 7-8</p>	<p><b>16</b> <i>Office Hrs</i>  <i>St. John's Council Mtg</i> 7:30 Yoga 7-8</p>	<p><b>17</b> <i>St. Jacob Hosting Business Before Breakfast Chamber Event</i> 8:30-10 a.m. St. Jacob Council Meeting 7:00</p>	<p><b>18</b> <i>Office Hrs</i></p>	<p><b>19</b> St. Jacob Homecoming - Youth in Parade 6:30 line up</p>	<p><b>20</b> St. Jacob Homecoming - Youth in Parade 6 line up</p>
<p><b>21</b> <i>St. Jacob 2nd Qtly Mtg after worship</i>  <i>St. John Semi-Annual Mtg</i></p>	<p><b>22</b>  Yoga 7-8</p>	<p><b>23</b> <i>Office Hrs</i>  Yoga 7-8</p>	<p><b>24</b> <i>Lunch @ Mike's</i></p>	<p><b>25</b> <i>Office Hrs</i></p>	<p><b>26</b>  </p>	<p><b>27</b> <i>Heritage Hall Reserved</i></p>
<p><b>28</b>  </p>	<p><b>29</b>  Yoga 7-8</p>	<p><b>30</b> <i>Office Hrs</i>  Yoga 7-8</p>	<p><b>31</b>  </p>			

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> Office Hours 9—1	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <i>Yoga 7-8</i>	<sup>6</sup> <b>6</b> Office Hours 9—1 <i>Yoga 7-8</i>	<b>7</b> ELF Mtg 10 a.m.	<b>8</b> Office Hrs	<b>9</b> Into the Wild Vacation Bible School 9a.m.—3p.m.	<b>10</b>
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