

May and June 2019



St. Jacob and St. John Summerfield News and Notes

Dear Members and Friends of St. John and St. Jacob,

I believe our journey together during this transitional time as you find a full-time pastor is going quite well. I have grown fond of all the fine people at St. John and St. Jacob and commend you for being such healthy churches. Quite frankly, from time to time, churches can succumb to the negative, but not these two churches. No church is perfect, but I admire how smoothly the work of the church is done.

Just around the corner is the Strawberry Festival for St. Jacob and I look forward to being a part of the camaraderie and the hard work that will be their major fundraiser. I have heard people that are not members of the church, but part of the St. Jacob community, volunteer to help. That certainly shows how popular the event is and how the festival benefits the community.

I understand that there is a concern that our Sunday School numbers have dropped. While it is discouraging, we also value the children that we have. Sunday School will take a break during the summer, but since there is an ebb and flow in the life of a church, in the fall we may have more children. It is important that all of us invite children to Sunday School and that we encourage adults to attend church. In many ways, that is the best way to grow numbers.

Summer is just around the corner and that means that many people will be enjoying the outdoors and the activities that come along with summer. Just a friendly reminder, that if you are unable to be in church to please allow your offering to find its way here. The offering envelopes are made in such a way that if you put a stamp on them that you can drop them in the mail. We want to continue to be good stewards not only for the upkeep of our facility, but also for mission.

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As Christians we are called to encourage one another and as your transitional pastor, I would like us to pray for patience as the search committee looks for a pastor that is a good fit for your church communities. We want to open our hearts to the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we try to find a pastor that would enjoy serving both churches and we as a community of believers would enjoy having that individual serve us.

It is not an easy job to be on the search committee. There are profiles to read, phone calls to make, telephone interviews and eventually bring us the right individual ever mindful that God's time and our time are often different.

In the meantime, I am here to faithfully serve you.

In Christ,

Rev. Nancy Gamache

ST. JOHN'S SUMMERFIELD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Jerid and Ashley Ahrens on the birth of their second boy, Brice Roger on April 25th, at 7:52 a.m. Baby Ahrens weighed in at 4 Lbs, 4 Oz and is 16 1/2" long. Congratulations also to Grandpa Pat Thornton and older brother Bradley!

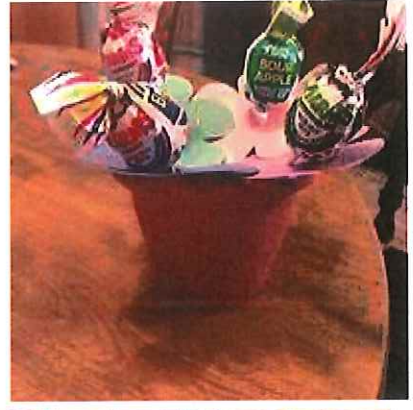
SCRIPTURE READERS NEEDED!

If you would be available to read the Scripture during worship please notify Paul Baer or Pastor Nancy Gamache. You will be supplied the text a week prior. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

The 2019 Strawberry Festival Quilt

The Strawberry Festival Committee would like to thank Judi Simmons for again making a beautiful quilt for the church to raffle off for this years' fundraiser. We really appreciate all the hours and expertise that Judi puts into each quilt. If you haven't bought your tickets yet, you'd better hurry!





Easter Sunday Food and Fun!

JOIN US FOR LUNCH!
HOTDOGS **PORK**
BURGERS
BRATS,
& STRAWBERRY DESSERTS!

SUN MAY 19, 2019

MUSIC
CRAFTERS
JUMP HOUSES
CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT

**TOWNSHIP PARK
239 W. MAIN ST
ST. JACOB, IL**

**berry bike ride
sign up early online
@ trailnet.org**

**ST. UCC
JACOB
STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL
10am-3pm**

2019 SUMMER ADVENTURES



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The Camp & School Center of
The Illinois South Conference
of the United Church of Christ

Week	Main Camp	Rustic Village
June 9-14	Just You & Me* Camp Guest* (1-3) Serier (3-5)	Horin' Around (5-7) Trotkin' It (5-8)
June 16-21	Middle School Week Soul #1 (5-6) Trail Mix (5-8)	High School Week Wrangler (8-12) & Flore (8-12)
June 23-28	Just You & Me* Boy Meets Camp* (1-3) Serier (3-5) — LEAD (10-12) —	Gals Who Camp (5-8)
July 7-12	Serier (3-5) Nature's Lab (5-7) Sclass! (5-7)	Outback (5-9) Saddle 'Em Up (7-9)
July 14-19	Camp Crew* (1-3) Discovery* (1-3) Imagina That! (4-7) Movin' & Groovin' (4-7)	Horin' Around (5-7) Trotkin' It (5-8) Saddle 'Em Up (7-9)
July 21-24	Girl Power* (1-3) Pony Express* (4-6) Family Camp* (Adults & Children)	

[Grades Completed] *Part/Week Sessions

Scholarships Available

Many LCC congregations pay a portion of the camp fee for their members. Check with your church! Awarards are also available through DuBois Center.

Invite a Friend & Receive a BONUS!

Invite a friend new to DuBois Center and save \$15-\$30 on your camp fee when they attend.

DuBois Center is gearing up for 2019 Summer Adventures. If you are interested in attending a camp please know that your churches are offering scholarship assistance. Please let the church office know if your child has been registered for a camp experience so that the scholarship funds can be issued to help pay for your adventure! If you haven't picked up a brochure and complete schedule, they are available on the resource table in Heritage Hall. DuBois website: DuBoisCenter.org.

Would you like the churches weekly announcements sent to your email? This may be a way to keep you "in the know" when you're not able to worship with us in person. If you are interested please email the church office: stjucc@hometel.com.

Your church needs to update our contact information. In this age of cell phones and email communications, many people have discontinued their "land lines". Our most efficient way to communicate with members is changing. If you are willing to share your cell phone number with the church please feel free to call [618-644-2142](tel:618-644-2142) and leave us a message, or you can email the info to the church's email: stjucc@hometel.com.

**The 35th Annual St. Jacob United Church of Christ
Strawberry Festival is Sunday, May 19, 2019**

Strawberry Festival Worker Sign Up

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

May 18 (lunch will be served for all workers at noon)

Saturday: Berry Cleaning: 8am _____ Park Set Up: 8 am _____

Berry washing (strong arms/back) 7:30am _____

May 19 Sunday: Set-Up at park 7-10 am _____

Clean up at park 3-5pm _____

Server Shift 1 (9am – 1pm): _____

Server Shift 2 (1pm – 3pm): _____

Circle preference of duty or write in any preferences: cake cutter, soda area, food server,
berry dipper, ice cream dipper

Cashier: Shift 1 (9:30am-1pm) _____

Shift 2 (12pm-3pm) _____

Soda Stand : Shift 1 (9:30am-1pm) _____

Soda Stand: Shift 2 (12pm-3pm) _____

Parking: 6:30 am _____

Donations:

Pie Crusts (9" deep dish): # _____

Angel Food: # _____ (can be in a 9x13 pan or loaf pan)

Cash for supplies: _____

Drop this form off in offering plate,

email to church: stjucc@hometel.com or

Mail to church: Strawberry Festival Committee, 207 West Main Street, St. Jacob, IL 62281

Questions Call: Patti Woods 618-830-7473

or Dawn Zobrist 618-792-4316

May

2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			ELF MEETING 10 a.m.			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Strawberry Fest Meeting 6:45 p.m.					
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
MOTHER'S DAY! Y & B Breakfast 8:30 a.m. 10:15 Worship			St. Jacob Council 7 p.m.			STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL PREP 8 a.m. Lunch Provided
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL 10 a.m. till 3 p.m. St. Jacob Township Park		St. John's Council Mtg 7:30 p.m.				
26	27	28	29	30	31	
	Memorial Day					

June 2019

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

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2	3	4	5 <i>ELF Meeting 10 a.m.</i>	6	7	8
9 <i>Pentecost Sunday—Wear Red</i>	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 <i>St. John Council Meet- ing 7:30 p.m.</i>	19 <i>St. Jacob Council Meet- ing 7:00 p.m.</i>	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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