

First Presbyterian News August 2021

401 Lincolnway East, Mishawaka, In. 46544

About two years ago (2019), I remember when Mary Lou and her husband David Abbott visited our church to share about their mission. Mary Lou is the representative for "Little Children of the World/ Philippines" (LCW/LCP). LCW/LCP is non-profit Christian organization that helps children in the Philippines through sponsorship. We have the Presbyterian Women group who have been sponsoring a child for some time now. After the service, some of our church members decided to sponsor a child through LCW/LCP, Jae and I being one family.

On June 8th, Jae and I received an email message from Mary Lou. The email was informing us that the child we have been sponsoring, Claudrille Vincent, since 2019 voluntarily dropped from the program because his family financial situation has improved. So, LCW/LCP asked us for permission to transfer our sponsorship to a new child in need, Francis Clyde Adong. We agreed.

What I love and appreciate about this organization is that they try to help a child to become a self-reliant and responsible person. So, in order to receive the benefits that LCW/LCP programs provide, the sponsored child must maintain good grades in school. This reminds me an old proverb: "If you give a man a fish, you feed him for a day. If you teach a man to fish, you feed him for a lifetime."

Getting good grades do not necessary mean or measure for child's success in life, but do motivate a child to learn more and study harder in school. A good education is essential and important for anyone who desires to learn and grow. Every child, regardless of background, deserves an opportunity for a quality education. Education through LCW/LCP sponsorship opens doors of opportunity for children in Philippines.

There are some who disagree about sponsoring a children in a third world country. "A waste of money" on an organization because the actual cost for running the program is more than what the donors contribute. Some may question why we should support the people when the government of third world countries are creating the problem to begin with.

However, we must remember the words of Jesus, "[And] whoever gives even a cup of cold water one of these little ones in the name of a disciple – truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward." - Matthew 10:42-

Who are the little ones that Jesus is referring in this verse? While not excluding children, this verse also refers to all Jesus' followers, who are like little children, vulnerable and unable to repay kindnesses shown them by others. Giving "a cup of cold water" seems to be nothing, but according to Jesus even the smallest gift, given with right motive, does not go unnoticed.

Sponsoring a child is step of faith. It is a personal way to show and share God's love to a child in need. Through child sponsorship, you allow God to work through you in the life of a child.

"Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers." -Romans 12:13-

Blessings, Pastor Daniel

Saturday August 7 Church Putt-Putt Golf Outing

Come out to play a quick 18 holes at Putt-Putt. 4pm is when the group will meet on the patio and it is free for the church family.

When all the fun in the sun is done. A picture will be taken and then off to church for a light supper at 5:30 pm. (those who don't golf but want to join the dinner are very welcome) Stories about hole in ones, hitting the wrong ball and other golf miss-fore-tunes will be shared.

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Church Secretary, Nancy, is at Riveridge Rehab, Niles, MI. She is doing daily rehab, having taken a few steps now. She welcomes calls, cards, visits and your continued prayers.

Thanks to the members of the church who helped make my 90th birthday a memorable one. Your presence made it a truly joyous occasion!

Pat Harker

In June a baby shower was held for Daniel and Jae by the ladies of the church. Much laughter, jokes and even a surprise or two filled the afternoon. The expectant parents were overwhelmed with the kindness of the ladies and the many gifts. Pink was the theme, (we do know it's a girl), along with diapers, wet wipes and more diapers!

Mid September is the expected arrival of baby Cho.



A Memorial Celebration for Elizabeth (Betty) Favorite will be held at the church on Saturday, August 21, at 2:00. Visitation will begin in Memorial Lounge at 1:00 with prelude and hymn-singing beginning at 1:45. The service will be followed by finger food buffet and time to share memories with one another.

CHURCH PICNIC AUGUST 22, 2021 Service 10:00

The annual 1st Presbyterian Church picnic will be held at Teresa's house in her spacious garage (711 W. 16st St, Mishawaka). We will Worship at 10:00 a.m. followed by lunch. Deacons will provide main dish and drinks. Bring a dish to share (a side or dessert).

Teresa's house is located on south side of Rose Park in Mishawaka.

BONUS Meet the new organist at the picnic! Desheng Huang, a student from Notre Dame will be joining us.



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TODDLER ROOM SCHEDULE 2021

AUGUST LYNETT SEPTEMBER BRITTANY OCTOBER **TERESA** NOVEMBER MARY ANN DECEMBER JUDY G./ CAROLE



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Pastor hours: Tuesday thru Thursday 9 to noon

Office Secretary hours: Nancy is out of the office for now.

Financial Secretary hours: Monday 9 to noon Custodian hours: Monday thru Friday 6 am to 11am Contact us at (574) 259-7874 or fpcmishawaka@gmail.com OUR MAIL ADDRESS: First Presbyterian Church-Mishawaka P.O. Box 744 Mishawaka, Indiana 46546

MAC Mishawaka Alliance of Care

Food is always needed. Lunch/Snack items kid approved are very welcomed. P-butter and Jelly are staples for both the young and old.

Things at the Pantry are beginning to return to normal (if there is such a thing!)

In May, 109 families and 334 individuals received help from the Pantry.

A United Way grant in the amount of \$1,500 and cash donations of \$1,775 were received. Stainless steel tables were purchased from the combined money which allows food in the Pantry to no longer be stored on the floor and also clients are now able to use grocery carts for shopping.

We continue to be thankful for all those who play a role in keeping the Pantry running and able to help those in need.

Thank you, Janet Freeman

For those of you who have watched our worship service over the internet in the last sixteen months, there've been some improvements! Since the beginnings of the pandemic shutdowns, Pastor Daniel, Jae, Dave S, and Carole have been actively working and reworking the streaming worship service. This Spring, Presbytery made a grant available to encourage improved streaming. The problem that we quickly discovered was that although we had many members with some knowledge of what would be needed, we were a jigsaw puzzle of partial knowledge. Eventually, Pastor Daniel's leadership brought together a combination of creativity and experience to get the project moving. Teresa helped to obtain a \$3000 grant for equipment. Chuck extended cable through the attic from the office to the balcony. Pastor Daniel made a preliminary list of equipment. That list helped others to see what exactly the goal was to be, and then Dan R, John, and Dave were able to refine the list. With the indispensable experience of Julie and Mia, the equipment has now been installed, and the streaming experience is now greatly improved! While a live worship experience is still the best, we encourage you to sample the streamed product as well.

(It's available at other times as well as Sunday morning.)

Worship 10 am

AUGUST

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Communion Greeter, Bill Bellairs Usher Ethan DeMaegd W. Leader: Chuck Wukovits	2	3	4	5	6	7 upper room work day 10 to 12 Golf & Putt-Putt outing 3pm/4pm
8 Greeter, Bill Bellairs Ushers, Greg P. and Carole P. W. Leader: John Rice Deacons 11:15am	9	10	11 S. Bend & Mishawaka Schools 1st day	12	13	14 QoV 9:30 to 2
15 Greeter, Bill Bellairs Ushers, Michael G W. Leader, Mary Watt	16	17	18 PHM 1st day	19	20	21 upper room work day 10 to 12 Betty Favorite Visitation 1 pm, Memorial service 2pm
22 CHURCH PICNIC Ushers, Neil S. and Dan B. W. Leader, Alan Camren Session 11:15am	23	24	25 PW work day 4-6 pm	26	27	28
Greeter, Bill Bellairs Ushers, Judy S. and Bill B. W. Leader, Dyan Phillips Desheng Huang, organist	30	31				

First day for our new organist, Desheng Huang, will be August 29th. Please plan join us this Sunday service.

Here are the September duties for both the Worship Leader and Usher(s)

9/5 Judy Sulak (communion) Ethan DeMaegd

9/12 Chris Wukovits Greg Phillips, Carol Polk

9/19 Chuck Wukovits Michael Green

9/26 Dyan Phillips Neil Seufert, Dan Brunner

Please let me and the church office know if you need to switch with someone. Thank you to everyone who helps set up and clean up for communion. I should be setting up a date for a Worship and Music meeting soon.

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always, Judy

Please send information for the September news letter to the church office by August 17th. Thank you.

