

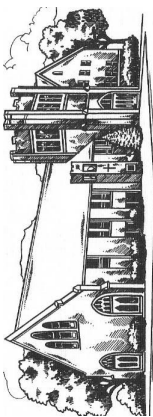
# Third Pres Times

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## In the Good Old Summertime!



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# July Birthdays

7/1 Savannah Kujat	7/18 Skip Mosny
Joyce O'Connell	7/19 Macy Olson
Amy Sovina	7/21 Cindy Miner
7/3 Autumn Roell	Barbara Heinzeroth
7/5 Don Vandercreek	Michael Hammer
Nancy Babcock	Scott Bentley
7/6 Ruth Skorburg	7/22 Emma Archer
7/9 James Crosby	7/24 Noah Taylor
7/11 Joe Ponder, Jr.	7/25 Dylan Lingelbach
Jennifer Facer	7/27 Carrie Crosby
7/12 Jennifer Wilson	Emily Hollenbeck
7/13 Sue Huston	7/29 Chris Minnier
7/14 Treise Crosby	7/30 Robert Monroe
7/15 Leigh Hammer	Aurora Insko
Beth Amy Watton	7/31 Wes Carlson
7/17 Marcia Adams	Shirley Green
Spencer Leber	Kristin Tedrick



## Celebrating 40+ Years of Marriage

July 7	Don & Jacqueline Vandercreek
July 31	Charles & Mary Raum, Guy & Carol Ritzman, Tom and Elaine Jacoby

## Change of address, emails, and phone numbers of Members and Friends

Jeannette Stromquist-Sheehan's new email is  
jnut67@gmail.com



**2022 Vacation Bible School**  
**Coordinator: Debbie Geisler**  
**815-969-8455**

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## STUDIOS

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**7th-12th Grade Youth**

**July 5th-8th 6-8:30PM**

**Signup online at**  
**[www.HalstedRoadBaptist.org](http://www.HalstedRoadBaptist.org)**




**Wednesday Evening Softball**  
**Perfect for all ages**  
**6:30-8:00 pm Bring a chair**  
**St. Bernadette**



## Mission Trip Report Back Sun. August 14th

In worship on Sunday, August 14th the Night Crusaders and leaders will bring a report in word and pictures

from their mission trip to Mound Ridge Camp in Cook Station, Missouri from July 24th-30th.

## **“Bible Stories We Thought We Knew”**

### **Worship during July**

#### **July 3rd Independence Sunday & Fireworks Floats**

*Story: Saul: the first King of Israel.*

*Hint: This may not turn out the way you hope...*

*Read: 1 Samuel 8 and 9*

#### **July 10th Keep Cool on Freezie Sunday**

*Story: Ehud, the Left-Handed Judge*

*Hint: Sometimes it pays to be different...*

*Read: Judges 3:12-4:1*

#### **Freezies at Fellowship Time**

#### **July 17th Ice Cream Sundae Sunday**

*Story: Baalam and the Talking Donkey*

*Hint: God goes far to make a point...*

*Read: Numbers 22-25*

#### **July 24th Lemony Lemonade Sunday**

*Story: Deborah the Prophetess Strikes for God*

*Hint: You can peg her as loyal to the Lord...*

*Read: Judges 4-5*

#### **July 31st Watermelon after Worship Sunday**

*Story: Without her there would be no Moses!*

*Hint: Miriam became a prophetess and a deliverer*

*Read: Exodus 2:1-11, 15:1 and 21*

# **Newsy News**

- A big welcome to Mike Rimkus, our new maintenance man. Please say hello when you see him!
- Cindy and Fred Miner's grandson, Nathan, will be graduating from Western Illinois University with a degree in Recreation, Parks, Tourism, and Administration.
- Diane Archer and Cindy Miner are taking Diane's grandchildren, Emma and Ethan, to GrandCamp for the weekend.
- Our Community Garden is doing well, and all seven beds are planted. Potatoes, tomatoes, swiss chard, beans, sugar snap peas are among the vegetables. The sunflowers planted themselves and the squirrels will love the seeds late this summer!
- Hooray, Hooray for Elaine! The bell concert held at United Methodist Church went VERY well!
- Summer means Graduation Parties! Parties were held for:

Leigh and Glenda Hammer's granddaughter Audrey  
Vernon Taylor

Nicole Facer

Coming in next month's Newsy News read all about  
Pastor Steve's trip to Scotland!

**Send “Newsy News” to Kay at RLYBRD1@gmail.com**



### Meet Mike Rimkus,

he is our new Custodian. He was born in Rockford, went East High School. Mike also attended a session for home inspection, which also helped him with property maintenance and painting businesses. Mike's hobbies are swimming, ice skating, gardening and riding his motorcycle. He is an avid Ice Hog fan and has season

tickets. Mike has three children, two grandchildren and two step-grandchildren. When you see him, please give him a friendly **Third Press welcome!**

### Radio 99.3 FM in July

During July we will offer the following one-hour programs by Don Ferguson on "Music from Hollywood and Broadway," airing on Mondays and Fridays from 10-11 AM; and on Wednesdays and Sundays airing from 4 to 5 PM.

Do Re Mi

I do I do!

Once Upon a Mattress

Fiorello!

Key West Dreamers, an original program by Don Ferguson

Each of these feature original music from a musical, along with Don telling the story in between playing the songs of the musical. The programs will play in rotation.

You can also hear, as always, a new program weekly by a local professional musician Mike Williamson. The new episode debuts each Monday, and airs once daily. Our program schedule can be found at [www.wtpblp.com](http://www.wtpblp.com).

Thanks for listening!

Murray Hanson  
Station Manager

## Thinking Theologically...

**There are three ways** that we might experience the presence of God and the grace of God, especially in the summer-time. Theologians call these ways **general, direct, and Divine revelation**.

**General revelation** is accessible to all people through their senses: sight, touch, smell, and experience. General revelation entails our experience of the world and our conviction (or not) that it comes to us as the product of a Creator of surpassing power and influence.

**Direct revelation** involves coming to the knowledge of God through means beyond normal reason: miracles, visions, dreams, intuitions.

**Divine revelation** consists of the witness of Scripture, the Old and New Testaments of the Bible.

How might you find moments through these summer weeks to allow God to be revealed more fully in your life?

Pastor Steve



There was a drive through birthday party on June 23rd for Edie's 101st Birthday.

**Happy birthday  
Edie!**