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THOM'S THOUGHTS

I am still sad today. My father-in-law Les Brooke died. He has been part of my life for twenty years, and the only father I have had for sixteen years since my dad died. Les' death brings great sadness to my beloved Denise, to our Wonderful grandson Julian, and to our entire family, both Albin and Brooke. That is of course normal. Most all of us carry the same kind of sad.

Even in the midst of this sadness there is comfort and hope. We belong to Jesus Christ! He is the One who feels our tears and knows our innermost sadnesses. He walks with us through valleys of the shadow of death. He stays with us as we cry and feel emptiness. He holds us as we grieve and mourn and wonder why. He is here!

We also KNOW that He also prepares a place for each of us. Les is in that very place that God prepared for him in God's wonderful heaven. Jesus

promised this to each of us. We feel comfort and hope and assurance knowing that Les and our other loved ones are right where they now should be with our Father God. Thank You, Lord Jesus for this enormous Grace!

My purpose today was not to bring us all down, although this is part of life. My point is to acknowledge that we all sometimes feel sad. But we KNOW as people who love Jesus Christ and are loved by him that there is comfort and strength and help even in the middle of our sadness. Thank You, Jesus, for Your exquisite love.

In Christ, Thom



WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN THE TEAM?

We need people to help us plan our ministries for 2019. The group that does this is called the **Ministry**

Planning Team. We will meet about once every six to eight weeks to plan and carry out the ministries of Harvey Park Christian Church. We would like to invite YOU to join our team! Talk with pastor Thom for more details.

WEEK OF COMPASSION OFFERING FEBRUARY 17 & 24

There is so much disaster and loss and hurt and need in our world. At any given time on any day you can just turn on the TV or go to the internet and hear about all the need in our world. It can become almost overwhelming if we allow it. We need to do something to help!



Through Disciples Week of Compassion we can do something! We can of course pray for the people who have been impacted by the bad stuff of our world. We can also give generous offerings to Week of Compassion. This ministry is already at work in the many areas where disasters and need have come about.

On February 17 & 24 we will collect offerings for Week of Compassion. Please be prayerful and generous as we join together to help.

THANK YOU ALL!

Denise and I want to thank you all for the wonderful Christmas gift of cash that you so lovingly and generously gave us this year.

It has helped a great deal as we have needed to go back & forth to Iowa. You are a blessing! Thom



Did you know ---



Our Xcel Energy bill was \$7,613.80 for 2018? That is a lot of money!

Through the hard work in modernizing our furnaces, boilers, air conditioners and lighting that is down from a 2007 high of \$12,698.45.

We were able to change our Xcel Billing Code of Demand to Commercial Billing where the charges are based on the Kilowatts, rather than the highest Demand we consume each month.

Demand billing is a rate based on the highest fifteen-minute usage anytime during the month. If this usage goes over 25 KW anytime, we will be

back to the much higher rate. In 2012, we were able to change our Billing Code from Secondary General to Commercial Billing because our lower Demand usage. We have not been over the high Demand since that time.

Our highest electrical usage is during the summer as we use the air-conditioners.

During 2018, September had a Demand rate of 22.

Through the congregation's diligence and hard work more of our church's money can be directed to other priorities and not to payments to Xcel Energy!



PRAYER REQUEST LIST

Catherine Matteo	Return to church
Lianne Evans	Return to church
Angie & children	Health concerns
Pray for forgiveness in the church	
Isaiah	Hit by car
Need direction for life and finances	
Bonnie Kissling	Cancer
Dena Catlett	Surgery recovery
Mark Geisert	Cancer
Amy Stanley	Health & finances
Jana & family	Death of parents
Paul & Beth Maurer	New home & healing
Carl Catlett	Leg pain
Ramona	Health & finances
Ryan Catlett	Health
Tina, Luke, Paul & partners	Come to Jesus
Carol & Don	Strength, healing & joy
Kent	Needs prayers
Joey Lombardi	On deployment

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS



- 1 – Steve Olson
- 8 – Ken Smith
- 9 – Faye Davin
- 25 – Dee Gingery
- 28 – Rita Elmore

A Summary of Outreach/Evangelism Opportunities and Results during 2018

Harvey Park Christian Church Disciple of Christ Mission Funds giving:

Week of Compassion Offering during the WOC campaign during February and for hurricane relief: 3705.48, slightly down from the previous year.

Easter Offering for the Disciples Mission Fund: \$120.00. On Sunday, March 11, we were fortunate to have Bruce Van Vorhees here to tell us about his roll in the Mission world in Southeast Asia. Pentecost offering for Disciples Church growth: \$837.00.

The **Reconciliation Fund** in September/October helps with the pro-reconciliation/anti-racism work of the Church: \$425.00

The **Christmas Offering** helps the work of our region with camps, conference, pastoral support and ministerial ordination: \$710.50, a slight increase from the previous year.

Harvey Park Christian Church Timothy and Pricilla Fund:

The \$6595.00 that was raised continues to help our interns, Matthew and Taylor Smith.

Harvey Park Christian Church support of Tennyson Center Dress a Child program:

Our joint Christmas greetings to one another netted Tennyson Center Dress a Child: \$818.00.

Harvey Park Christian Church Grace Cupboard giving:

Throughout the year, we have had several food drives specifically to restock Grace Cupboard. It is a great resource for people who come to the church needing help. The most recent return of Reverse Advent bags helped immensely. When you are at church, look at Grace Cupboard to see how your food donations filled the shelves!

Harvey Park Christian Church Community Ministry giving:

Community Ministry is supported by the area churches. They have a food bank as well as other resources and services needed by area residents. Our sock and underwear tree in the entrance way provided 392 necessities for children. In addition, we provided 533 pounds of non-perishable food, as well as 110 boxes/cans of cake mixes and frosting for holiday boxes as well as 535 items of school supplies to help needy children. We also donated 99 cans of soup for the Super Bowl soup collection. Several members attended the Caring by Candlelight at Community Ministry.

Harvey Park Christian Church Halloween/Trunk and Treat Afternoon:

We hosted over 100 neighborhood children and their families, admiring costumes and giving away candy. We had games for children of all ages. The event was held downstairs with games for children of all ages. Ten cars were decorated by congregants. The leftover candy was sent to troops overseas. Members of the congregation need to be more involved in the planning and the execution of this event in the future.

Thank you for your participation!!

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ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

With the Super Bowl coming, here are some church definitions for football terms.

DRAFT CHOICE: The decision to sit close to an air conditioning vent.

END ZONE: The pews.

INTERFERENCE: Talking during the organ prelude.

ILLEGAL MOTION: Leaving before the benediction.

TWO-MINUTE WARNING: The pastor's wife looking at her watch in full view of the pastor.

BLOCKING: Talking endlessly to the pastor at the church door and keeping everyone else from exiting.

EXTRA POINT: What you receive when you tell the preacher his sermon was too short.

OUR CHURCH CORNER

Outreach Ministries Last Month:

Christmas Offering	\$710.50
Week of Compassion	\$260.00
Tennyson Center	\$818.00
Denver Rescue Mission	\$30.00
Dumb Friends League	\$60.00
Disciples Mission Fund	\$120.00

HPCC STAFF

Pastor	Thom Albin
Ministry Interns	Matthew & Taylor Smith
Activities Coordinator	Carol Bilello
Administrative Secretary	Betty VanArsdol
Keyboardist	Jan Moore
Choir Director	Sally Bishop
Custodian	Jeff Case
Wedding Director	Carol Bilello
Hark Editor	Betty VanArsdol



FEBRUARY SERVING SCHEDULE

February 3, 2019

Elder: Stan Lewis
Lectern:
Deacons: Dave Perryman, Kara Van Horn,
Taran Gingery, Alvin Hawkins
Preparer: Michelle Ramos
Hospitality: Brad & Carol Steele
Greeter: Clair Mamigonian
Scripture Reader: Mary Ullmer
Nursery: Mary Ullmer
AV Techs: Margaret Shane & Debbie Reher

February 17, 2019

Elder: Matthew Smith
Lectern:
Deacons: Carol Bilello, Albert Arias,
Michele Arias, Taylor Smith
Preparer: Michelle Ramos
Hospitality: Beth Maes & Soup & Chili Cookoff
Greeter: Beth Maes
Scripture Reader: Margaret Shane
Nursery: Debbie Reher
AV Techs: Taran Gingery & Kara Van Horn

February 10, 2019

Elder: Brad Steele
Lectern:
Deacons: Joe McDaniels, Tia McDaniels,
Jennifer Laso, Edward Laso
Preparer: Michelle Ramos
Hospitality: Debbie Reher
Greeters: Steve & Laura Olson
Scripture Reader: Debbie Reher
Nursery:
AV Techs: Carol & Brad Steele

February 24, 2019

Elder: Debbie Reher
Lectern:
Deacons: Clair Mamigonian, Ken Smith,
Mark Steiner, Grayson Hartley
Preparer: Michelle Ramos
Hospitality:
Greeter: Ray Stockham
Scripture Reader:
Nursery: Faye Davin & Betty London
AV Techs: Michele & Albert Arias

February 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Rays of Hope 7	2
3 S.S. – 9 Worship – 10 Rays of Hope – 3	4	5 Outreach Team 1:30 Hilltoppers Dance Lessons 7	6 Bible Study 10	7 Butterfly Book Club 7	8 Rays of Hope 7	9 Workday 9
10 S.S. – 9 Worship – 10 Admin. Team Rays of Hope – 3	11	12 Hilltoppers Dance Lessons 7	13 Bible Study 10	14	15 Rays of Hope 7	16
17 WOC Offering Soup & Chili Cookoff S.S. – 9 Worship – 10 Rays of Hope – 3	18	19 Hilltoppers Dance Lessons 7	20 Bible Study 10 HARK DEADLINE	21	22 Rays of Hope 7 SNOW DAZE II	23 Hilltoppers Square Dance 7 SNOW DAZE II
24 WOC Offering S.S. – 9 Worship – 10 Rays of Hope – 3	25	26 Hilltoppers Dance Lessons 7	27 Bible Study 10	28		