

FRESHWATERS UMC
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FROM THE PASTOR

Grace and peace be unto you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; may His peace and love surround you, your families and friends!
Amen

K Bob has closed, and Queen Elizabeth II has died – while these two events are unrelated in so many ways, they do share one thing – change happens. Change is an unavoidable part of our lives, change brings with it opportunities; it also brings with it uncertainty and anxiety. Everyone can relate to this – from the student return to school, to the couple who will be married, to the person receiving a job promotion; to the person who is leaving a job for whatever reason; to the person who is retiring; to the child watching their parent aging. We who live in Minnesota know about change with the weather – we see the beauty in the spring and fall; we might languish in the heat of summer and the bitter cold of winter (don't get me wrong -- Summer and Winter can be beautiful too). Change is happening to the church as well. The United Methodist Church is going through a period of stress as we have witnessed the birth of a new Methodist denomination: the Global Methodist Church. Churches are coping with what it means to be the church in a post-pandemic world. What does it mean to be the church when the secular culture seems to be moving with great speed in all kinds of directions? What does it mean to

Sermon Series

REFRESH

October 2
RESPONDING

October 9
EMPOWERED

October 16
STEWARDS

October 23
HOSPITALITY

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Join us In-Person or Online on Sundays at 9:30 AM!

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be the church when we hear of the next generation turning away from religion, Christianity, Jesus Christ as Lord, belief in God, or the church? Change is happening all around us! The question is what do we do in the midst of this rapid river of change?

I do not pretend to know the answer, but what comes to mind as I write this letter to all of you is knowing that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, tomorrow, and forever. In a very uncertain and unsettled world, knowing Jesus Christ has been my comfort and source of peace. Yes, I admit there are days when I am disturbed and discouraged, but then I remember Jesus faced the same while he was present on this earth. One moment Jesus had a tremendous following, and then he offered a hard teaching about how He is the bread of life to which many turned away. Looking at those that were left, only a handful, he said “do you wish to leave also?” To which Peter responded – “where shall we go, we have no one but you?” In this profound disappointing moment, the disciples hung on to Jesus Christ because they came to know him as the Word of God come among us. I know in my own life when faced with discouragement and disappointment Jesus has never let me down. He is always there to comfort and encourage; He has carried me through many a moment! Jesus is my all in all because of his tremendous love for me, and for you. In this crazy changing culture, remember that Jesus does not change, His love is always there for you! Amen and amen!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER	
Our Nation & Those Who Are Sick, Hurt, And Suffering	Those Who Are Mourning The Loss Of Loved Ones
Lylia H	Joyce M
Linda A	Yahnke Family
Endicott Family	Val V
	
Let’s bless our Seniors who are home bound or in a long term care facility. Why not pay them a visit, give them a call or send them a note to let them know you're thinking of them! Muriel Walker, Betty Oliver, Joyce Mulder	
We pray the changing of seasons brings joy and excitement about what is next to come!	

Freshwaters United Methodist Church
Board Meeting Minutes September 20, 2022

Present: Susan Kettelhodt, Linda Olson, Ryan Purdy, Darrin Wesloh, Andrew Harvala, Scott Liestman, Kevin Fox. Scott filling in as secretary as Phil not in attendance.

Minutes from Aug 2, 2022 board meeting were approved electronically

Scripture and Prayer – Given by Pastor Kevin

Financial Report- Susan Kettelhodt –

- Our checking account has dropped by \$6000 from last month causing some concern. Despite our shortfall, all bills are current. Our hope is that with the summer over, our giving will pick up this fall. Everyone pray for an answer to our giving shortfall.
- There was a bill for \$528.46 for oven repair that was paid from general budget. We will transfer funds from the trustee account to cover that expense.
- Our overall income remains down about \$17000 from last year.
- Scott reported that our investment accounts continue to go down with the markets. They will be fine in the long term.

From last meeting: Sue has received something by mail in regards to an “Employee Retention Credit”. She will look into it but is thinking it to not be worth it for us? This item was not discussed at this meeting.

Trustee Report- Andrew Harvala

- Our best option for fixing the 20 year old HVAC unit is to replace it with two units. One for the sanctuary and one for the fellowship hall. The estimated cost will be about \$60,000. Since we are nearly through the cooling season and we would not be able to get it done quickly, we will wait until March/April of 2023 to get this done. We have about half the money set aside for this project and are looking for ideas on how to fund the rest?
- Trustees decided to continue with our current insurer Brotherhood Mutual as they took good care of us on our existing claims. Rates have increased about 30% over last year, which seems consistent with all insurers.

Mary Miller is now in charge of Elim Oasis.

SPRC Report- Darren Wesloh

- SPRC will be reviewing feed back review forms on Pastor Kevin with District Sup Fred Vanderwerf
- It was approved to pay Jenna for 3 more hours per week to allow for Sunday School prep.

Sawyer Carey is resigning end of the year. Worship team is working on this transition

NEXT MEETING TO BE ON Oct 11 at 7pm.

Motion to adjourn by Sue

Minutes submitted by Scott Liestman

Please note: Committee Minutes are drafted and approved by the committees and the church office does not make changes beyond formatting.

BIRTHDAYS

October 01	Connie T	October 13	Jon C	October 20	Wyatt M
October 03	Gloria S	October 14	Walter M	October 21	Kathy W
October 05	Ron F	October 16	Gary H	October 22	Ainsley M
October 05	Diana W	October 16	Mary V	October 25	Frank S
October 07	Brad H	October 17	John O	October 26	Secylia C
October 07	Molly O	October 17	Phyllis W	October 26	J.R. M
October 08	Tim K	October 17	Robin YC	October 28	Jean M
October 10	Sarah F	October 18	Isabella S	October 28	Colton S
October 11	Brad W			October 28	Alec V
October 12	Katie D			October 30	Duane J



ANNIVERSARIES

October 04	Mitch & Tina B	October 24	Rodger & Bonnie G
October 07	Tim & Tina V	October 25	Ken & Susan K
October 19	Doug & Kandy H	October 25	John & Shirley W
October 24	Alex & Ryan F	October 28	Myla & Don T



Welcome to Mark Brander who joined Freshwaters Church as a professing member on September 25th, 2022. If you are interested in joining Freshwaters Church, please let Pastor Kevin know.

All Saints Sunday is coming on November 6th. If you have a loved one who passed away between November 2021 and now, please send their name and photo to the office **BY OCT 23RD** so we can prepare to honor them during worship on November 6th. You can drop off their info and picture in the office or e-mail it to admin@freshwatersumc.com. Thank you!



School is in session which means our outreach program Bags Of Blessing is back! Please see the donation sheets outside fellowship hall for the food items we are looking for to pack inside the bags. Your help and support of this program is helping to bless children in our Princeton and Zimmerman school districts. Thank you!!

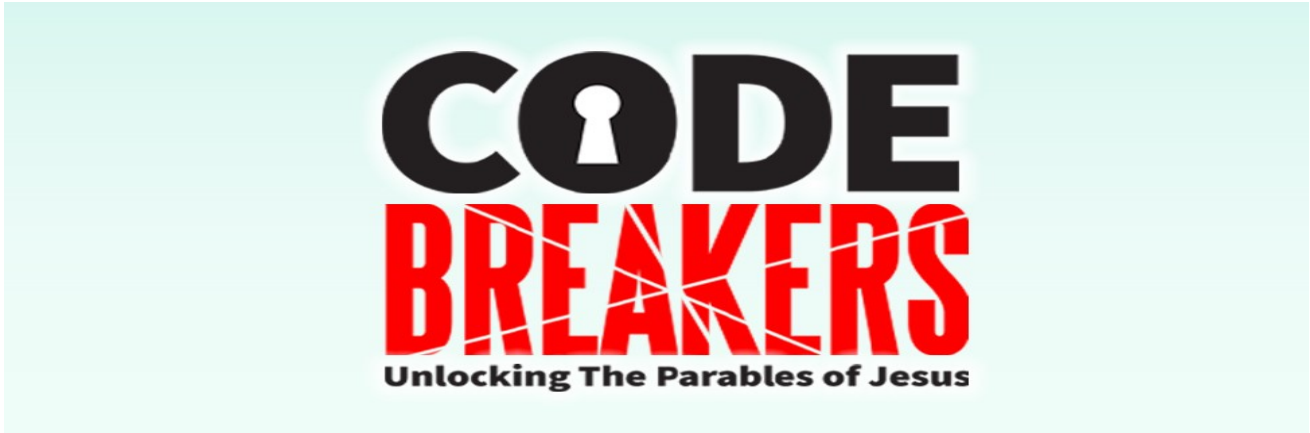
We are looking for bold, courageous, praying, and faithful leaders to serve on our Single Board, Trustees, and Staff Parish Relations teams. We are looking for people whose heart breaks for the dry souls in our community and can envision new ways to connect with them. If you are interested, or feel the call of God, please communicate with Pastor Kevin!



Pastor Kevin is teaching World History/Western Civ at the University of Northwestern. His schedule will be as follows – Tuesday and Thursday mornings Pastor Kevin will be at the university for office hours and then class which is at 10.30-12.10pm. If you need pastor Kevin, please text, e-mail, or call and leave a message. He will get back to you as soon as possible.



Calling all 6th Graders - 12th Graders!! Youth Group is held **Sunday nights from 6-7pm** at Pastor Kevin's house. You are encouraged to come to church on Sunday mornings and follow along with the sermon using a pre-printed sheet of questions that will be provided before service. Bring this sheet with you to youth group for discussion! During youth group, we will have Bible study, watch videos, play games, eat treats, and have fun. Please let Pastor Kevin know if you plan on attending and/or if you would like to help. This year we would like to plan out a lock in, a mission trip, and other fun activities!



CALLING GOD'S DETECTIVES - You're invited to help "Crack The Kingdom Code" as we dive into the Parables of Jesus. Please join us for church and Sunday School (held during worship service) **at 9:30 am**. Sunday School is provided for kids who are 3 years old - 5th Grade. This month we will continue examining clues, breaking the code, and gaining an understanding of our role in the Kingdom of God. So far we have learned The Parable Of The Lost Sheep, The Lost Son, and The Persistent Widow. There is lots more fun to come, and more codes to break... hope to see you there!

Freshwaters October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 9-4 Sidewalk Sale
2 - 9:30 AM Worship & Sun. School - 10:30 AM Coffee Hour - 6:00 PM Youth Group	3 - 6 PM Worship Committee Mtg - 7 PM BSA	4 9 AM Quilters	5 - 6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study - Jenna Will Be Out Of The Office	6	7	8
9 - 9:30 AM Worship & Sun. School - 10:30 AM Coffee Hour - 6:00 PM Youth Group	10 -6 PM 4-H -7 PM BSA	11 - 9 AM Quilters - 6 PM Trustees Mtg - 7 PM Single Board Mtg	12 6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study	13	14	15
16 - 9:30 AM Worship & Sun. School - 10:30 AM Coffee Hour - 6:00 PM Youth Group	17 7 PM BSA	18 9 AM Quilters	19 6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study	20 Newsletter deadline	21	22
23 - 9:30 AM Worship & Sun. School - 10:30 AM Coffee Hour - 6:00 PM Youth Group	24 - 7 PM BSA - Roast Beef Dinner Prep	25 - 9 AM Quilters - Roast Beef Dinner Prep	26 - 5 PM Roast Beef Dinner - 6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study	27 Newsletter assembly	28	29
30 - 9:30 AM Worship & Sun. School - 10:30 AM Coffee Hour - 6:00 PM Youth Group	31 7 PM BSA	Regular Sunday Worship In-Person and Streaming Live at 9:30AM with Concurrent Sunday School				



Annual Roast Beef Dinner is coming on October 26th!! There will be a reverse offering list available on October 1st, so please keep your eyes open for that. If you are able to donate any of the items needed on the reverse offering list, please do so to help keep the cost down for this event. There will also be a volunteer sign up sheet available on October 1st to help with the dinner. It takes many hands to do this event and we thank you in advance for your help!!

Tickets Go On Sale October 1st With Seating Times At :

5:00 pm and 6:00 pm

\$12 - ages 12 and up

\$8 - ages 6-11

FREE - ages 5 and under

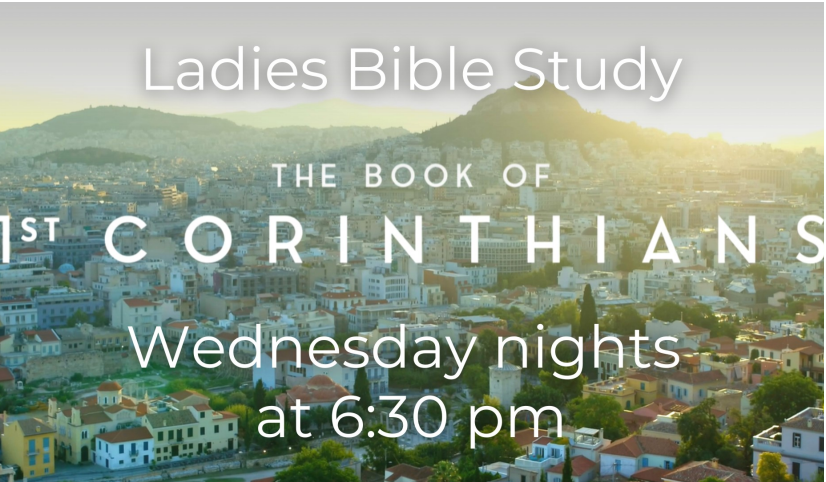
Tickets will be sold Wednesday - Friday at the church office, Sundays after worship, and from UMW Members. Buy your tickets early to assure seating!

At-the-door ticket sales are limited to available seating. Take-outs will be available anytime 4:30-6:30 pm, and delivery is available! Delivery is limited to Princeton only. Please make delivery reservations in advance no later than Sunday October 23rd.

Ladies Bible Study at Linda Olson's home continuing on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. Join Linda as you walk through the teachings of 1 Corinthians by Jennie Allen. All material for this Bible study is provided free on Right Now Media. If you can't come every week, just come when you can! In this study you will discuss that "Christianity calls us to sacrifice instead of living for one-self. We have to choose one or the other—we can't do both. The Christians in Corinth tried to live the Christian life in a worldly way. Paul wrote the letter of 1 Corinthians to a divided and self-centered people to remind them to follow Jesus and only Jesus. In this 12-part series, author and speaker Jennie Allen walks into the messy lives of the Corinthians and takes us through Paul's words to the conflicted church. We'll see how the truth of the gospel and the Spirit of God can empower us to choose to follow Jesus every day of our lives".

- Contact Linda if you plan to participate or if you have any questions -

Phone: 612-963-8429 Address: 28084 Yak Street, Zimmerman.



As Pastor Kevin would tell you, the more history you know, the more interesting history becomes. That is true about most everything. The more geology you know, the more interesting a walk in the mountains (or a pile of stones) becomes. The more botany you know, the more you enjoy a walk along a country road. It's also true of the Bible. The more you know about it, the more fascinating it becomes. Join Dick Gist on Sundays

after worship as he leads Adult Sunday School class through *Mark In Depth*. You will learn about Mark (and Matthew, Luke, and the early Christian community that was fraught with divisions and debate).



Freshwaters' Fall Sidewalk Sale

112 7th Ave N Princeton

Saturday, October 1st 9-4

Vendors Artisans Crafters Food

Freshwaters' Quilts, Crafts, Jenny's Cookies,
Mostly Woodworking, Woolie's Custom Art,
Carlson Lake Farm Goat Soaps, Myla's Diamond Art,
5 Little Sign Design Co, Zeroish, Norwex, MaryKay,
Paparazzi, Usborne Books & More, ColorStreet,
Thirty-One, Creatively Thriving, AND MORE!!

Cinnamon Rolls, Pie, Sweet Breads, Lefse,
Coffee, Hot Chocolate, AND MORE!



Thank you to our volunteers!! You are acting as the hands and feet of Jesus Christ, volunteering and helping your church!! Together we make our worship services a special place to be, and we couldn't do it without you!!

Coffee Hour Hosts

October 2 - Youth Group & Jenson's
October 9 - Gene & Kathy S
October 16 - **NEEDED**
October 23 - **NEEDED**
October 30 - **NEEDED**
Coffee Hour Hosts Needed! Treats & coffee are provided by church, we simply need volunteers to help set-up, serve, and clean up! There is a sign up sheet outside fellowship hall if you are able to volunteer. If you have questions, please contact the church office at 763-631-1185.

Sound Board

October 2 - Scott L
October 9 - Jim H
October 16 - Scott L
October 23 - Isaac J
October 30 - Slayter C
If you are interested in helping with the sound board on Sunday mornings, please contact Pastor Kevin at 651-414-1132.

Ushers

October 2 - Barry H
October 9 - Kathy H & Pat T
October 16 - Scott & Carla L
October 23 - Roger & Nancy L
October 30 - Rich & Char S
Sign up sheet outside the fellowship hall.
If you have any questions, feel free to call the office at 763-631-1185.

Sunday School Teachers

October 2 - Angela H & Alex F
October 9 - Jenna J & Jolie C
October 16 - Ryan P & Cayla L
October 23 - Angela H & Amanda P
October 30 - Karen M & Audrey P
If you are interested in helping with Sunday School, please contact our Children's Ministry Director Jenna Jenson at 763-439-2816

