CARRILEA'S CORNER

This Sunday, we're doing something a little different. Instead of gathering in our sanctuary, we'll gather in the wild—as Grace heads to the Wild Goose Festival in Union Grove. Wild Goose is a festival that brings together artists, activists, spiritual seekers, musicians, and justice-loving people of faith from across the country. It's a space where questions are welcomed, boundaries are stretched, and the Spirit is free to move.

You do not have to be good.

You do not have to walk on your knees

for a hundred miles through the desert repenting.

You only have to let the soft animal of your body love what it loves.

Tell me about despair, yours, and I will tell you mine.

Meanwhile the world goes on.

Meanwhile the sun and the clear pebbles of the rain are moving across the landscapes,

over the prairies and the deep trees,

the mountains and the rivers.

Meanwhile the wild geese, high in the clean blue air, are heading home again.

Whoever you are, no matter how lonely,

the world offers itself to your imagination,

calls to you like the wild geese, harsh and exciting over and over announcing your place

in the family of things.



-MARY OLIVER

September **Birthdays**

4 - Katelyn Hayes 4 - May and Davis Kenney 4 - Leigh Brown 5 - Josh Hayes 10 - Billy Adams 13 - John Gerard Chesnut

16 - Jen DeLong 18 - Sydney Koppelmeyer 23 - Ian McMillan

26 - Andora Nicholson

Anniversaries

4 - Jen and Gina DeLong 19 - Forrest and Layne Adams 20 - David and Janice Comer 20 - Neal and Louise Grose 21 - Stephen and Emma Chesnut 24 - Terry and Diane Hamby 30 - Josh and Katelyn Hayes

WG-On Sunday, August 31, we will meet at Vanhoy Campground for worship at the Wild Goose Festival. Details in the emails. WG

THE DAVIS LECTURES, IN COOPERATION WITH THE WILD GOOSE FESTIVAL, IS DELIGHTED TO ANNOUNCED THAT THE REVEREND DR. STARLETTE THOMAS WILL BE A GUEST LECTURER ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27 AT 7 P.M. HERE AT GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH. HER TOPIC IS "WALK TOGETHER, CHIL-DREN": SPIRITUAL FORMATION FOR AN **UNDIVIDED KIN-DOM.**

We are doing beer and hymns again At Red Buffalo on September 11. 7PM

ICM NEEDS CANNED CORN AND **GREEN BEANS**

** THE MOWING LIST IS POSTED AT THE BACK OF THE SANCTUARY. PLEASE SEE NEAL GROSE OR HOLLACE SCANLON IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT VOLUNTEERING TO MOW.

BUDGET

Needed year to date: \$67,728.00

Received year to date: \$63,754.84

UNDER budget: 3,973.16

Weekly needs: \$1,992.00

This Week's Offering: \$2,609.81



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