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**The Grapevine  
August  
2022**

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## August 2022 Grapevine

*On the sixth day God completed all the work that he had done, and on the seventh day God rested from all the work that he had done. God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all the work of creation. Genesis 2:2-3*



The first time I saw cabin life was when I visited a UMC church close to Concordia College while I was attending as a sophomore. I came to church and saw very few people attending. I didn't know why and the pastor informed me that it's cabin season. Cabin season? Why would the church basically shut down during this

time? Granted, I still don't have a proper answer, but I'm starting to learn about the appeal of cabin life. I'm learning what it means to "go up North" as they like to say.

As we read in Genesis, I'm sure God is a fan of cabin life. After creating everything, God took a day to rest and relax. God had completed all of his tasks and needed to get away. God needed that time of sabbath. We too need time to retreat and relax. Being able to enjoy yourself outdoors and reconnect with nature is truly fulfilling! I've tried it before, and it can be a lot of fun! When we take time for sabbath, then we find time to be a bit more kind or gracious. With sabbath, we find that we have more energy to love God and love our neighbor.

For cabin owners, it isn't always a time of sabbath. Usually you have to make sure your dock is in working order, the beach area doesn't have any gross weeds, and there's usually maintenance that has to be done. It's part of the price that we have to pay to keep cabin life going. If we want to feel that peace then we have to roll our sleeves up and do a bit of hard work. That sometimes can spoil that sabbath.

If we're in need of sabbath, then we find ourselves being a bit more angry and impatient. We get frustrated or stressed and that spreads out into our relationships with others. It can be tough to love others when you don't have enough time to love yourself.

Cabin life isn't only about relaxing and retreating, but also about reconnecting. We reconnect with God and each other. Sometimes you are reminded of our connection when your neighbor is blasting music from their patio or riding their skidoo a bit too recklessly. Other times we're reminded by simply fishing from a boat how we're all connected. When one person is hurting, then it affects each and every one of us. When we're joyful, then we feel it and it spreads. Part of cabin life is to prepare ourselves to reconnect with others. Just as God retreated before reconnecting with Adam we also retreat so we can better connect with God and our neighbor.

Cabin season is something everyone should experience! That's why we're spending the month of August bringing the cabin way of life to church through our series "Cabin Life". Each Sunday we'll take time to relax. Each sermon will be focused on those cute sayings you'll find in a cabin, and we'll show how it matches up with scripture. If you're worshipping with us in person and unable to enjoy a cabin, then you're in luck and we'll bring the cabin to you! If you're worshipping at your cabin and watching us live on Facebook, then we'll make your cabin season feel even more at peace.

So please join us either in person or online on our Facebook page as we begin our newest sermon series: Cabin Life!

Blessings,

Pastor Mark Schlasner

## **Annandale UMC Giving and Attendance**

### Giving -July 2022      Attendance -July 2022

July 3, 2022	\$646.00	18 – in-person
	\$50.00 Apportionment Fund	
	\$1,250.00 Parsonage Project Fund	
July 10, 2022	\$2,147.00	31 – in-person
	\$3.00 4 <sup>th</sup> of July donations	
	\$261.00 Mission March - Parsonage Project Fund	
July 17, 2022	\$1,436.00	26 – in-person
		42 – online
	\$300.00 Parsonage Project Fund	
	\$3,000.00 Building/Maintenance Fund	
July 24, 2022	\$1,088.40	20 – in-person
		32 – online
	\$250.00 Parsonage Project Fund	

General funds needed each week:    \$2,523.38

July income as of 07/21/22: \$10,380.00

July expenses as of 07/21/22: \$13,695.69

2022 apportionments = \$12,673.00

Monthly apportionments = \$1,056.00

Apportionments paid in July = \$0.00

Apportionments paid YTD = \$3,175.00



August Worship Themes  
"Cabin Life"

**BEGINS WITH ME**

August 7, 2022 "Start Each Day With Gratitude"  
Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

August 14, 2022 "In A World Where You Can Be  
Anything: Be Kind"  
Scripture Reading: Philippians 2:1-4

August 21, 2022 "Be The Reason Someone Smiles  
Today"  
Scripture Reading: Psalm 98

August 28, 2022 "Enjoy the Journey"  
Scripture Reading: Proverbs 3:5-6



Join us for this year's National Night Out Party on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Come out and meet your neighbors! Root beer floats will be served.

The Annandale Police and Fire Department will be visiting our neighborhood sometime during the evening.



- Barb Owen who is being treated for breast cancer.



### Coffee Fellowship Serving Groups

August 7, 2022: Gerry & Ruth Bahe

August 14, 2022: Barb McNellis

August 21, 2022: Trisha Woods & Lars Jeppesen

August 28, 2022: need



### Usher Schedule

August 7, 2022: need

August 14, 2022: Gerry Bahe

August 21, 2022: need

August 28, 2022: need



Our August Mission March on Sunday, August 14, 2022 will go towards apportionments. Apportionments are the share each annual conference or local church pays to support international, national, and local missions.



## August Birthdays

Rowan Sommers

Garry Elfstrand

Erin Bach

Norm Planer

Vern Powers

Cheryl Maki

Tom Ponsford

Sharon Schumacher

Adeline Anderson

Jim Anderson

Grace Jeppesen

Joyce Heberling

Logan Woods

Audrey Jones



Stop by our Rummage Sale on Thursday and Friday, August 11 and 12 from 8:00am – 5:00pm.

We have a wide assortment of collectibles, home décor, vintage items, books, toys, household items, and more. Most items are a freewill offering. Donations to the sale are still being accepted. They can be dropped off at the church during office hours or on Sundays. If you are able to help work the sale, please contact Sally Smith, Audrey Jones, or the church office.

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