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**The Grapevine  
August - 2019**

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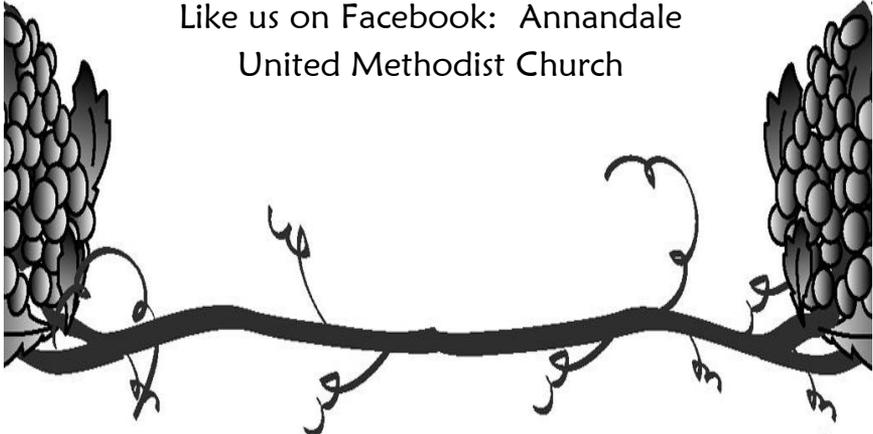
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## August 2019 Grapevine

A few years back, I was active with some of the Native American ministries in the Mandan, ND area. During that time, I learned a phrase in, if memory serves me correctly, the Lakota language. It was “Mitakuye Oyasin.” Translated roughly into English, it means “we are all related.” That awareness has become important to me over the years.

Even though the Native concept of our relatedness is difficult to comprehend, I see many parallels to that thought in our Christian tradition as well. Jesus’ last prayer for us in John 17 was *“<sup>23</sup> I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.”* The apostle Paul writes often about what we have in common as God’s creations. *“all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God”* in Romans 3:23. And in Romans 7:15, these words stand as a reminder that we are not so different, *“I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.”*

Over the years our Christian family has developed different traditions in our response to the human condition and God’s answer for it, what we call Grace. This summer, we will continue learning more about the traditions that have developed over time, as people just like us have done their best to invite Christ into their lives. We will be exploring the strengths and the differences in some of the major Christian traditions that have developed since the time of Christ’s resurrection.

Adam Hamilton writes, “Each denomination has a unique, valuable perspective to offer on the Christian Faith.” We will

learn from the Orthodox, Catholic, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Anglican, Baptist, Pentecostal and Methodist traditions. My hope is that you will discover that while the differences in each of these traditions is important, what they all have in common is their dependence on the grace of God, as given to us through the cross and the resurrection of Christ Jesus.

Join us as we come to understand our own faith, as we learn more about the faith of that great cloud of witnesses that have come before us. May the light of the resurrection shine in you and through you, now and always.

May God's Kingdom come, on earth as it is in heaven!

*Pastor Paul*

Pastor Paul D. Baker

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**Staff Parish Members:**

A Staff Parish Meeting will be held on  
Wednesday, August 14, 2019 at 7:30pm.

This will be after the corn feed and we will try to move this along after we eat. We need to review and update the basic policy statement on sexual misconduct and harassment. We need this for the Conference as well as the Insurance Company. Please mark your calendars and we would appreciate your presence.

- Joyce Heberling

## Annandale UMC Giving and Attendance

Giving –July 2019      Attendance –July 2019

July 7, 2019	\$1,607.25	39
July 14, 2019	\$1,521.57 \$143.00 Mission March – Love INC	33
July 20, 2019	\$1,582.00	23
July 28, 2019	\$1,186.55	30

General funds needed each week:    \$2,523.38

July income as of 07/25/19: \$5,311.82

July expenses as of 07/25/19: \$7,323.78

2019 apportionments = \$16,526.00

Monthly apportionments = \$1,377.16

Apportionments paid in July = \$25.00    YTD = \$2,225.14



August Mission March on Sunday, August 11, 2019 will go towards the pledge to the Minnesota Annual Conference Reach/Renew/Rejoice campaign. Our pledge is for a total of \$2500, \$500 each year for the next five years. We are on our last year of that pledge!



## Late Summer Worship Themes

### Christianity's Family Tree

Sunday, August 4, 2019

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“Lutheranism: Word and Faith”

Scripture Readings: Romans. 3:21-24 1 Peter 2:4-5

Sunday, August 11, 2019

9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“Presbyterianism: Sovereignty of God”

Scripture Readings: Job 19:25-27a Psalm 139:16b-18

Sunday, August 18, 2019

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“Anglicanism: Common Prayer”

Scripture Readings: Psalm 119:164 Luke 5:15-16

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Sunday, August 25, 2019

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“Pentecostalism: The Power of the Spirit”

Scripture Readings: Joel 2:28 Acts 1:8 Acts 2:1-4

Sunday, September 1, 2019

12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

“Methodism: People of the Extreme Center”

Scripture Readings: 2 Kings 10:15 Matthew 22:34-38



## August Birthdays



Rowan Sommers  
Garry Elfstrand  
Erin Bach  
Norm Planer  
Vern Powers  
Cheryl Maki  
Tom Ponsford  
Sharon Schumacher  
Adeline Anderson  
Jim Anderson  
Joyce Heberling  
Logan Woods  
Audrey Jones



## We are praying for:

Bev Noble  
Muriel Rudolph  
Rose O'Fallon who is on hospice care  
The family and friends of Willard Weller  
Jamie, Beth Young's daughter-in-law  
Dale Grant, Linda Williams' uncle  
Paula Petty  
Sonja Roller  
Kathy Allen



## Notes of Thanks

- Thank you to everyone who helped out at our 4<sup>th</sup> of July brat and hotdog stand. We all got quite wet from the rain. We only had two hours to sell due to the rain and after expenses brought in \$458.00. Also thank you to Norm Planer, Sonja Roller, and Barb Owen for their work on our front yard garden. Sonja split and sold the hostas that were dug up and the proceeds from that sale purchased the buns and chips for our stand.
- “Dear Methodist members, Thank you for the lovely card. I just could not see myself announcing our decision to leave you. I’m such a cry baby! The church family has meant a lot and it’s hard to say good bye! We are attending the Lutheran Church – actually married there 52 years ago! Our daughter’s family (with the 5 children) also go there. Thank you again. Love, Brad & Beth” (Young)



We express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Wellard Weller

Willard passed away at Haven Homes of Maple Plain on July 26, 2019 at the age of 94. A memorial service will be held at our church on Saturday, August 3, 2019 at 1:00 with Pastor Paul officiating. Visitation will begin at 11:00 a.m. Willard was a long-time member of the Annandale United Methodist Church. He joined the United States Army on November 10, 1945 serving as a Military Policeman. He was honorably discharged on January 10, 1947. Willard enjoyed the outdoors, had a good sense of humor, and loved his family.

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