

**GRANITE FALLS  
UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST  
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Granite Falls MN 56241  
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THE ENCOUNTER  
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# SEPTEMBER

	September 2, 2018	September 9, 2018	September 16, 2018	September 23, 2018	September 30, 2018
<b>Usher</b>	DuWayne Koenen	DuWayne Koenen	DuWayne Koenen	DuWayne Koenen	DuWayne Koenen
<b>Usher</b>	LaVonne Koenen	Lavonne Koenen	LaVonne Koenen	LaVonne Koenen	LaVonne Koenen
<b>Fellowship</b>	Mr & Mrs. Koenen	Diane Bakker	Tammy Anderson	Keith & Deb Koerlin	Joel Benningas
<b>Liturgist</b>	Steve Zumhofe	Terry VanDerPol	Helen Stukel	Sharon Anderson	Sue Selden
<b>Clean Up</b>	Mr & Mrs. Mooney	Paul Ledford	Ray Olsons	Pearl Lenzen	Gail Rohlik
<b>Clean Down</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Please have church cleaned by the listed date

## DRIVERS NEEDED: September

Our **UCC D@YD**  
**Director: Helen Stukel, Treasurer:**  
**Sharon Anderson Coordinator:**  
**Pearl Lenzen**

## THANK YOU to the Following!

Cindy Fjermestad  
Wayne Kling  
Elliott Kling  
John Butterbrodt  
Helen Stukel  
Gail Inks  
Sharon Anderson  
Amanda Hall  
Pearl Lenzen

## **NEW MISSION**

The Memorials Bequests and Special Gifts committee will provide a new opportunity to help persons in need with the “Trailer of Mercy”. During the months of September and October there will be a box in the back of the church for coats, blankets, professional clothing and any winter articles which will be delivered to homeless shelters in the metro area. If you have any new or lightly used items to share such as a coat or a suit that you no longer require, need or want, just bring to church and place in the box and we will see to it that it is delivered to the Knights of Columbus for distribution. Items such as your old suit are needed for people to wear for job interviews or work. Hygiene products or new under garments are also in high demand. Please consider this just one more way to make the world a better place for all people.

## **THE HEIFER PROJECT**

The Heifer Project works in 25 countries and has for over 70 years. Their approach involves enhancing the capacity of vulnerable small-scale farmers, especially women, to secure their livelihoods.

Our collection of noisy offering on the third Sunday of each month goes toward buying animals to support this endeavor. In December of each year we ask the children in the congregation to pick out which animals they would like to "buy" that year. In 2017 this was 1 llama/Alpaca, 1 pig, 1 flock of Chicks and 1 Duck/Geese.

We encourage you to save your change (but we will gladly accept bills) for this monthly mission.

Granite Falls United Church of Christ (Congregational)

Council Minutes

June 13, 2018

Meeting called to order 7:00

Devotions by John

Present: John Butterbrodt, Sharon Anderson, Steve Zumhofe, Janie Ator, Bea Read, Peggy Kvam, Spencer Kvam, Terry VanDerPol

Minutes: Sharon/Peggy/U approve as amended

Send Karen the Minutes

Agenda: Add to new Business: Weekday worship in lieu of Sunday Decide whether to meet in July

Sharon/Spencer/U

Committee Reports

Christian Ed. Did the recognition and gave the quilt to Becky.

Worship, Sanctuary and Membership: has not met

Building and Maintenance; Sonar to get rid of mice—six of them. Seem to be working. Keith fixed the air conditioner in the Pastor's office. Allen wants wheels on the bottom of his lectern. Plugged in air fresheners.

Stewardship; Will meet on Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup>.

Memorials and Bequests: Has not met.

Pastor Parish Committee: Has not met

Wider church happenings

Spencer/Steve/U

Financial Report: Written report

Are we going to pay the other ½ of Dan's insurance for April or not?

"We are satisfied that we have met our agreement."

Stan will be doing the mowing.

Spencer/Sharon/U

Moderator's report/Written report

Old Business:

Dan's pay settled; Bell tower leak/Bell volume—Put in a heavier spring and now the volume is better

Yard Cleanup—Shrubs are OK. The garden is a mess. John is going to see what he can do. Along the fence—dead lilacs in rock. Thistles come up. Request to Memorial and Bequests for landscaping?

New Business

Mike and Shelly Gaffaney withdrawal ;Funding Request: Jeff Iverson—\$20 registration fee for a music reading—Spencer moves/Janie/U

Pulpit Supply; Current schedule—Karen Schmidt can fill in. Advertise half time position. John brought sample ads. Short and general. We need some kind of a statement of what we are looking for. John and Peggy will write it up and circulate it.

Church on Wednesday night during the summer? During the month of August?

Church Use Requests—none.

Should we meet in July? Will decide via –mail if there appears to be a need.

Devotions for August: Sue; Adjourn with the Lord' Prayer at 8:59

## **SEPTEMBER CALENDAR**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sept 2</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>Pastor Larry Olson</b>		
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Sept 3</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>PAC Rehearsal</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sept 9</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>Allen Gislason</b>		
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Sept 10</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>PAC Rehearsal</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Sept 12</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Church Council</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sept 16</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>Pastor Larry Olson</b>		
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Sept 17</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>PAC Rehearson</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sept 23</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>Allen Gislason</b>		
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Sept 24</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>PAC Rehearsal</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Sept 26</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Circle of Stones</b>
	<b>Home of Peggy Kvam</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sept 30</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>Pastor Larry Olson</b>		

## **FINANCIAL SCHOLARSHIP NOTICE**

Requests for financial scholarships for the academic year must be received by October 15, 2018. Scholarships are available for camp registration, education, leadership and special training needs. The Memorial, Bequests and Special Gifts committee will meet on October 30 to consider and allot funds. All church members and friends are encouraged to apply. Applications are available in the church office. Please put them in Hazel Carter's mailbox.

## **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Sept 3	Kyle Mooney
Sept 6	Pearl Lenzen Margaret Zumhofe Jared Zumhofe Karen Halling
Sept 8	Brad Hall
Sept 11	John Dack
Sept 12	Sue Rollins
Sept 17	Emily Rollins Steve Zumhofe
Sept 21	Coleen Odegard
Sept 23	Shelby Nielsen
Sept 25	Terry VanDerPol
Sept 26	Paul Ledford

## **SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

Sept 6	Darrell & Hazel Carter
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***ARE YOU READY FOR FALL?***



# CIRCLE OF STONES



**WHEN:** Wednesday September 26th 7:00 pm

**WHERE:** Peggy Kvam's home

**WHO:** Women of the church and friends

**WHAT:** Bring a Bible, any translation.

Studying Ecclesiastes 3-4

**PONDER:** God's time /Human time and  
Meaningful work VS difficult work

## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

September 2 Song of Solomon 2:8-13, Psalm 45:1-2,  
6-9, James 1:17-27, Mark 7:1-8, 14-15,  
21-23

September 9 Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23, Psalm 125,  
James 2:1-10, 11-13, 14-17, Mark 7:24-  
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September 16 Proverbs 1:20-33, Psalm 116:1-9,  
James 3:1-12, Mark 8:27-38

September 23 Proverbs 31:10-31, Psalm 1,  
James 3:13-4:3, Mark 9:30-37

September 30 Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 Psalm 124,  
James 5:13-20, Mark 9:38-50

Whenever you can't reach anyone in the  
church office please call Sharon or Dick  
Anderson at  
320-564-0964 or 320-212-2005.  
They will know who is on call to handle  
emergency situations.