

**GRANITE FALLS  
UNITED CHURCH  
OF CHRIST  
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Granite Falls MN 56241  
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THE ENCOUNTER  
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**OFFICE HOURS: 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday**

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# AUGUST

Responsibility					
	August 4	August 11	August 18	August 25	
<b>Usher</b>	Sharon Anderson	Sharon Anderson	Sharon Anderson	Sharon Anderson	
<b>Usher</b>	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	
<b>Fellowship</b>	Bev Nordang	Stan/Nellie Kompelien	John/Karen Halling	Cindy/Cheri Fjermestad	
<b>Fellowship</b>	None	None	None	None	
<b>Liturgist</b>	Steve Zumhofe	Helen Stukel	Sharon Anderson	Sue Selden	
<b>Clean Up</b>	Steve/Vicke Zumhofe	Jerry/Sheila Koepke	Cindy/Cheri Fjermestad	Gail Rohlik	
<b>Clean Down</b>	Gail Rohlik	Gail Rohlik	Gail Rohlik	Gail Rohlik	Gail Rohlik

Please have the church cleaned by the listed date.

## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Aug 4 Hosea 11:1-11, Psalm 107:1-9, 43,  
 Colossians 3:1-11, Luke 12:13-21  
 Aug 11 Isaiah 1:1, 10-20, Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23,  
 Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Luke 12:32-40  
 Aug 18 Isaiah 5:1-7, Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19,  
 Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Luke 12:49-56  
 Aug 25 Jeremiah 1:4-12, Psalm 71:1-6,  
 Hebrews 12:18-29, Luke 13:10-17

# CIRCLE OF STONES



**WHEN:** Wednesday Aug 28, 7:00 pm

**WHERE:** Home Of Sharon Anderson  
155 Jordan Drive

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

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

## FINANCIAL SCHOLARSHIP NOTICE

All requests for financial aid scholarships for the up coming academic year must be received by October 15, 2019. Scholarships are available for camp registration, education, leadership and special training needs. The Memorial, Bequests and Special Gifts committee will meet about that date to consider and allot funds. All church members and friends are encouraged to apply.

## 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.

## August Birthdays

August 4	Vicke Zumhofe
August 10	Jennifer Krinke
August 16	Deb Koerlin
August 21	Nicholas Anderson
August 23	Adam Koepke
August 25	Jeff VanOverBeke
August 27	Rich Rollins
	Keith Koerlin
August 29	HelenStukel
August 30	Jon Anderson



## August Anniversaries

August 12	Steve & Vicke Zumhofe
August 20	Jerry & Bab Gustafson
August 22	Jon & Tammy Anderson





### **August Calendar**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 4</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
		<b>Pastor Randy Moe</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 11</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
		<b>Pastor Randy Moe</b>	
<b>Wed</b>	<b>August 14</b>	<b>Council</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 18</b>	<b>Worship</b>	
		<b>Pastor Randy Moe</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>August 28</b>	<b>Circle of Stones</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>
		<b>Home of Sharon Anderson</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>August 25</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>9:00am</b>
		<b>Pastor Randy Moe</b>	

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.



# From the Pastor

I thank my God every time I remember you, <sup>4</sup> constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:3-6*

It is a joy and an honor to take up the role of Pastor of Granite Falls United Church of Christ. I have had the privilege of being connected with this congregation for many years because of Karen's "recurring role" as your church secretary, and have grown to cherish friendships with many of you. I look forward to deepening those relationships and forming many more.

As Paul wrote to the Philippians, I thank God every time I remember you. We have begun a relationship of sharing in the gospel. My goal is to approach my ministry among you as a partnership in which we help one another to grow in our faith, and in which we share the gospel—the Good News of God's love revealed in Jesus Christ—with those around us. In a society that is full of conflict and confusion, we have something extraordinary to share: in Jesus Christ, God came to us and remains with us. We are not alone—God walks with us, and we walk together.

## Randy's First Sunday

