## **WEEKDAY WORDS**

Thursday, June 9, 2022



Welcome to our newest members, received by their Confirmation last Sunday! (*L-R*): Lori Schmidt, Pastor Vicki, Matthew Stapleton, Delanie McConnell, Daniel Ford, Jack Brown, Amelia Brown, Jack Bertram

## FAREWELL HOMER NURSERY SCHOOL

Today, June 9, the Homer Nursery School holds their closing for the year and for the entire ministry. The school had over 50 years of shaping the lives of young people within our community. We thank God for all the teachers who have participated over the years. Today, we particularly thank Laura Ford (aide), Sarah Bowen (teacher) and Lisa Clark (teacher/Director) for their years of service. We will celebrate the entire program at Holiday in Homer. Watch for announcements about HNS class pictures and accompanying displays that will be set up.

# THIS SUNDAY

Faith Formation Sunday

At 9:30, the 4-6 grade class will meet with Alex and Pastor Vicki to discuss the future. This is the only class meeting on Sunday.

We believe that faith formation is a life-long journey. This Sunday, join us at 10:30 as we celebrate the journey of the year past. Director of Children's Ministry, Alex Faulkenbury will lead us in remembering the highlights of the year. Some young musicians will offer special music and then we will thank the array of volunteers who taught students ranging from pre-K to septuagenarians. Ellie Corbin and David Ford will receive a Bible as they advance from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> grade. In June, Lori Schmidt and Eugene Wright are Deacon and Trustee of the month. Find the link for our worship at: www.homercc.com.

Tuesday Our Deacons will meet at 6:30 PM.

#### **COMING UP**

How will <u>you</u> celebrate Juneteenth? On Monday, June 20 you can join a community celebration co-hosted by the Phillips Free Library and our congregation. Storyteller Vanessa Johnson will be in town to share three presentations:

11 AM at the Library – "Telling Juneteenth" for children K-5<sup>th</sup> grades. Hear the voices of freedom – those freed from slavery and those who helped free them.

4 PM at the Library – "Telling Freedom" for teens/adults How do we preserve and share our personal and family stories of freedom?

6:30 PM at HCC – "Give Us our Free" for the whole family.

We will help tell the story of

William "Jerry" Henry (a fugitive slave jailed in Syracuse)

and the people who freed him.

## **SPECIAL THANKS**

Once again, we have been blessed by many gifts of time and talent as we celebrated the confirmands. Special thanks to:

Julie Freeman, Lori Schmidt and Pastor Vicki for planning the banquet. Karen Seibert for nine flower arrangements for the tables.

Anne Wingard for office support and ordering/delivering flowers.

Belinda Burtson, Joanne Cincotta, Carol Costell Corbin, Julie Freeman for appetizers. Bob's BBQ for the delicious dinner and Todd Freeman for delivering the food. Joanne Cincotta, Linda Homer, Andrea Herzog for additional help in set-up.

Kathy McKenna for making the Church's gift (prayer bowls) for each Confirmand. Jim McKenna, Jack Bertram & David Rutherford for running the dishwasher at clean-up.

Kate Toole for arranging the Pentecost/Confirmation worship visuals.

Russ & Terry Pedersen for ordering and delivering the cake.

Linda Homer and the Trustees for coordinating Sunday's special coffee hour.

Buzz Harrington & Kurt Schmidt for assisting with the entire Confirmation program.

Journey Partners: Carrie, Cindy, Jim, Jim, Julie, Peter, Stef

Have you noticed all the work being accomplished in the Memorial Garden? Bushes have been replaced by an array of colorful flowers. Be sure to thank Bry Meyka for the good work she is doing to brighten up our Garden area. It's worth coming to "sit a spell"!

# IN THE RUSSELL FELLOWSHIP ROOM

On the **Resource Table**:

- Pick up the flyer for CHURCH CAMP. Plan to join us for an array of activities for all ages. Church Camp isn't just for kids anymore!
- Holiday in Homer sign up to work on a team. All hands on deck!
- Holiday in Homer sign up to donate items for our raffle effort.

**Recycle/Reuse/Giveaway Table** – If you want it – take it! You have 2 weeks before items are donated elsewhere. If you are donating, be sure to leave clean, workable items.