

# HUFF'S CHURCH CHATTER



**July 2023**

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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

**To reach out to the world around us and share the everlasting love of Jesus Christ!**

**Making Disciples: Inside and Out.  
UCC slogan: God is still speaking.  
ELCA slogan: God's work, our hands.**

## **SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE**

**1st and 3rd Sundays - 10:30 a.m. Service in Sanctuary**  
July 2 and 16 and August 6 and 20

**2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays - 10:30 a.m. Service In Park\***  
July 9, 23, and 30 and August 13 and 27

*\*Inclement weather - park service moves to church building.*

In the Park, you may use bandshell benches or bring your own lawn chairs to set up under the bandshell or on the lawn. You may also listen to the service on your car radio in the park.

## **JULY 22ND CHURCH PICNIC**

Huffs Church is having a **picnic on July 22, 2023, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** The Majestics will provide the entertainment from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. We are looking for many volunteers to assist with food preparation beforehand and serving food & drink during the event. Two shifts: 3:30-6:00 p.m. and 6:00-8:30 p.m. There is a helper sign-up sheet in church or contact: Tess Woloszanski or Lisa Kauffman.

Prep work will begin in the Chapel on:

Wednesday, July 19 - 9:00 a.m. Making Pie Crust Crumbs

11:00 a.m. Cut Turkey for Barbecue

Thursday July 20 - 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. - Making Pie Shells

Friday, July 21 - 7:00 to Noon - Bake Pies and Prepare Food.

Friday, July 21 - 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. - Bag Pies - Wash Dishes

Saturday July 22 - 7:00 a.m. to Noon - Prepare Food.

Baked goods for the cake walk and bake sale are needed and can be brought to the chapel or park on the morning of July 22 or at the beginning of the picnic.

**Please let us know as soon as possible if you are available to help.** Thank you for volunteering your time!

## **FOOD TRUCK AT HUFF'S**

Friend, Inc. will bring a truck on Thursday, July 6, 2023, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. to Huff's Church parking lot for food distribution. If you can volunteer (age 12 and older) any month to carry items from the Food Truck to vehicles, contact Tom Mitchell.

## **VILLAGE VOLLEYBALL**

Come out for fun games of Volleyball or Gaga Ball from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of July and August: July 5 and July 19 and August 2 and August 16.

Everyone is welcome - this means all ages and abilities!

A sign-up sheet for volunteers to host the games is on the lower level bulletin board or call Tess.

As a host, you will need to open the bathrooms, get out the balls, and set-up a water cooler. And then, of course, welcome the players!

## **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

We are honoring our members who celebrate their 80th birthday or older and also honoring those members who celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary or more. Please let us know if we missed anyone.

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Patricia Crossley	-	7/5	Earl Derr	-	7/6
Gloria Adams	-	7/6	Rita Gracely	-	7/6
Paul Adam	-	7/14	Marie Bower	-	7/29
Shirley Mengel	-	7/31			

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

Earl & Lorraine Greiss - 7/15

## **HUFFS CHURCH AUXILIARY MEETING**

The next meeting of the Huff's Church Auxiliary is scheduled for Monday, July 12, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the downstairs of the Chapel. Everyone is invited to attend these meetings to help plan ways to support our church.

## **VACATION BIBLE SHOOL (VBS)**

VBS will begin July 31 and end on August 4 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Planned program activities will end at 8:00 p.m. so families with younger children may leave. From 8:00-8:30 p.m. there will be a time for snacks and monitored free play in the park. Our 2023 VBS is coordinated by Melissa Benfield along with a great supporting group of staff and helpers. If you would like to help in any way or have questions, contact Melissa by email: [mbenfield429@gmail.com](mailto:mbenfield429@gmail.com). We are in need of volunteers!

## **SPECIAL OFFERING OPPORTUNITY FOR JULY**

During the year, we offer eight special denominationally related offering opportunities--four through ELCA related agencies, and four to support UCC national programs. In July, we ask you to consider making your extra gift to our own congregation to enable us to continue to do God's work in our community.

# Financial Report

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Variance
Giving	79,768	68,092	11,676
All other income	14,514	9,146	5,369
Total income	94,283	77,238	17,045
Expenses	140,867	151,831	(10,964)
Operating income (loss)	(46,584)	(74,593)	28,009
Capital expenditures	-	(33,333)	33,333
Transfers from Investments	62,500	96,227	(33,727)
Net income (loss)	15,916	(11,700)	27,616

	5/31/23	4/30/23	12/31/22
<b>Balance Sheet</b>			
Designated funds	68,145	68,184	73,887
General funds	3,881	12,381	5,011
Sunday School CDs	4,389	4,389	4,385
Total assets (a)	76,415	84,954	83,283

(a) excludes investments managed by Youngs