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April 2018

Freeland United Methodist Church

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The best gift I have ever received was for my 5th birthday, just a few days short of 26 years ago, was this Barbie doll house handmade and painted by my Grandpa Roosa. Much of the furniture is handmade as well. This is something he took great pride in as he worked to etch out the plans for it in the dozens of trips he took to the toy store to compare the best with what he was envisioning (so I've been told). It is something that I have always treasured as well, and I've always said – there is a sermon or two in the house – just wait – I'm sure you will get a chance to have a closer look at it someday in the near future! Over the course of my move last summer and in the years that it sat in my parent's home, it got beaten up a bit by the vacuum cleaner, the plastic wrap and the railing on the staircase as the movers lugged it upstairs at the parsonage. It has lost its flowers that my grandpa had placed in the flower boxes and some of the flower boxes even fell off. Yesterday (Easter Monday) I spent some time with it, piecing some of the elements back together with wood glue – the flower boxes were reinstalled – some of the spindles still need to be replaced – but I think that is going to require a trip to Home Depot or Lowes to fix along with some white and pink paint to give it a fresh look.



The house began to experience resurrection on Easter Monday. As I worked on the restoration, I thought about the preparations for the weeks ahead and how new life is all around us – but we don't always see it because sometimes we are too close. Sometimes we need to take a step back and see the bigger picture, sometimes we need to see the whole house, not just our particular room. This house – was built with love – love like that of the love that God has for each and every one of us. Much of Lent and now into the Easter Season the Bible Study Group that has been meeting at the parsonage has been exploring restoration and grace. Restoration is an active process – one that requires us to do the work – God doesn't just fix things with the wave of his hand – we must be willing to put the work into restoring ourselves to our image – being created in the image of God – this is what restoration is all about! Much like my attempts to put things together back with the house the way my grandfather made it for me – we must strive to restore ourselves to the image of God that we were created in, it cannot be done alone – another hand – or hands need to be present in the

process, in the case of the house – the wood glue was needed – and now – a trip to a hardware store for the right pieces for the railing. Over time, we, like the house get beaten up by the plunges and moves we have made in our life – the choices we have made – the new pages we turn as we enter into a new period of our lives.

Church – this Resurrection Week we celebrate that we are able to receive new life in Christ. New life that is waiting for you and for me, new life that requires us to be actively engaged with the One who created us through the restoration process of practicing daily disciplines of silence, solitude, frugality, prayer, study, service, sacrifice, fellowship, confession, celebration, and worship. This list is not complete as there are a number of ways to spend time with God, creating space for the Holy Spirit to breathe into us new life so that we can be restored into the image of Christ. I challenge you in the month ahead to spend some time cultivating these disciplines – try something that you may not have before – be bold as you encounter our Risen Lord this Easter Season! May you be blessed in this season of celebrating the resurrection, restoration, and new life – and may new life continue at Freeland UMC!

Together in Christ,

Pastor Kayla

April 8-14th I will be out of the office – out of the state at the Mid-West Distribution Center with Della and members from Auburn and Gordonville UMC's as we serve by sorting and organizing and I'm sure a myriad of other things! While I'm away during this time, Pastor Michael Vollmer, Hemlock and Nelson UMC (989-642-5932), and Pastor Ernesto Mariona Homer and Gordonville UMC (248-760-9590) will be available for any urgent concerns.

April 23-30th I will be on vacation. While I'm away during this time, Pastor Michael Vollmer, Hemlock and Nelson UMC (989-642-5932), and Pastor Ernesto Mariona Homer and Gordonville UMC (248-760-9590) will be available for any urgent concerns.

When entering the hospital or when confined to home, please notify the church office.

ASSISTED LIVING:

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Mrs. Wilma Spyker
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Mrs. Jill Ortega
9670 Midland Road
Freeland, MI 48623

Ben & Barb Crocker
5935 Shattuck Apt 35
Saginaw, MI 48603

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6102 Jefferson #1404
Midland, MI 48640

IN THE MILITARY:

- AMN Anthony A. Miller
- Commander Christopher Osborn, U.S.Navy
- Alex Osborn, U.S. Navy

COLLEGE STUDENTS – Please contact church office with updates

Ally Duley – CMU	Sarah Kusowski – Ferris State University
Lauren Guentert – CMU	Katie McIntyre – Michigan State
Scott Haines – Delta	Jessica Pfund – Ferris State University
Sam Uptmor - Delta	Matthew Rohn – Greater MI Construction Academy
Steve McGuire - Delta	Kelsey Ruggles – Delta
Mitchell Musial – Ferris State University	Tatyana Spaulding - Delta

Happy Birthday

Mary Roosa	4-1
Mitch Musial	4-1
Kathy Miller	4-1
Bill Maltby	4-3
Mollie Daly	4-4
Briella Rosebush	4-4
Hadassah Hafoka	4-4
Al Gonzalez	4-7
Nathan Guentert	4-7
Katie McIntyre	4-7
Krystena Pfund	4-8
Mackenzie Davies	4-11
Pastor Kayla Roosa	4-11
Sandy VanHaaren	4-15
James Spaulding	4-17
Ben Webb	4-19
Elizabeth Hedlund	4-22
Mikayla Murray	4-24
Dale Wichert	4-25
Brady Hedlund	4-28
Sally Vollmer	4-28
Gary Fallstick	4-29
Janet Black	4-30



Jim and Janet Black	4-20
Bill and Xenny Johnson	4-20
Hal and Vicki Smith	4-25



Dear Church Family:

We are deeply grateful for your many prayers and well wishes. Each of you has blessed us. Bill is doing amazingly well! Prayer is so powerful! Thank you!!
Bill & Xenny Johnson

To Church Members:

Thank you so very much for the lovely Easter lily and card. I think of you often and wish I could get to church on Sundays. God love you and so do I. Evelyn Fraser



Dear Freeland UMC:

We would like to thank you for your sponsorship of the Freeland Robotics Club. Your contribution will go to all four of our Robotics teams. It will help each team to buy new parts, equipment and tools to help us build our robots. With your contributions many of our teams have already advanced to state and super Regional competitions. Without the help of our sponsors, we could not have made it as far as we have. Thank you again for the support of our teams and we hope to see you as our sponsors in future years.

The Freeland Robotics Club.



Special Olympics Garage Sale
April 26-27 8:00-4:00, April 28 8:00-3:00



Freeland United Methodist Church
205 E. Washington Street
Freeland MI 48623
(One block east of Midland Rd. on the left)

Supporting:
Area 22 Special Olympics

Donations Welcomed and Needed

Drop off and set-up April 25 5:00-8:00 P.M.



For more information please contact
Sandy VanHaaren (989 754-1025)

Volunteers Needed Each Day

MANDOO – (Egg Rolls)



Our "EGG ROLLS" are ground beef, ground pork, cabbage, carrots & onions. They sell for \$12 a dozen & we make between 170 – 180 dozen each month.

Egg Roll Dates: May 11th

YOUTH UPDATE: The Youth Group continues to meet from 5:30-7:30 Sunday Evenings, this month being led by DeeAnn. If you have specific questions about activities for the month, please see them! Don't forget that your mission trip deposits of \$100 is due to the church. Please make checks out to Freeland UMC and note "Mission Trip Deposit" on the memo line.

SAVE THE DATE!

Freeland United Methodist Church
 Vacation Bible School
 June 19-21, 2018
 5:30 - 8:00
 Dinner Provided
 Ages 4 - 6th Grade

River guides needed - no experience necessary!

See Jill Spaulding or Pastor Kayla if you are willing to help out with VBS in ANY way!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00am Continental Breakfast 10:00am Worship	2 6:30 Bible Study at Parsonage	3	4 4-5:30pm Alzheimer's Support Group	5 7:00pm Trustee Mtg	6	7
8 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 5:30pm Youth Group	9 7:15/8:00pm AA Mtg	10	11	12 6:30pm Card Making	13	14
15 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 5:30pm Youth Group	16 6:30 Bible Study at Parsonage 7:15/8:00pm AA Mtg	17 6:00pm Worship 7:00pm Church Council	18	19	20	21
22 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 5:30pm Youth Group	23 7:15/8:00pm AA Mtg	24 Newsletter Deadline	25 5:00-8:00pm Rummage Sale Drop Off	26 Walleye Festival 8:00 - 4:00 Rummage Sale	27 Walleye Festival 8:00 - 4:00 Rummage Sale	28 Walleye Festival 8:00 - 3:00 Rummage Sale
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