

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday, August 3rd

Youth/Adults to ASTA Care for
Bible Study/Bingo at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 4th

UCC Clergy in Decatur at 10 a.m.

Sunday, August 7th

Communion Sunday

Hymn Sing Sunday - In honor of Organ's 100th birthday

August Birthday & Anniversary Fellowship

Heartland Service, 1:30 p.m.

Monday, August 8th

Church Council Meeting ~ 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 10th

Youth/Adults to Knights Templar Home for
Bible Study/Bingo at 6:30 p.m.

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

6th - Steve & Susan Satterlee Anniversary

8th - Bob Woodworth ???????

8th - Leeanna Swan

16th - Cassy Morris

23rd - Caitlin Struss

27th - Alyssa Swan

28th - Wayne Niewold

29th - Wayne & Janet Niewold Anniversary

Lord, We ask thanksgiving, comfort, healing
and faith for these friends and family members

Kyle & Karey for the loss of their baby, Liam
Catherine Hudson - Kelly Williams' Grandmother

Lee Lampe

Jeff Legener

Torrie Jones

Brent Lawrence

Glen Vermette

Homebound or in Nursing Homes

Donald Rhodes

Dorothy Rhodes - Knights Templar Home

Jani Fraim - Room 219, GC Hospital & Health Center

Wanda Larson - La Canada Care Facility, Tucson, AZ

Marcella Woodworth - Prairie Village, Rantoul

Eloise Shear at Gilman Nursing Home, Gilman

For the month of August, please bring
cereal, peanut butter & hamburger helper for the Food
Pantry. *As always, all non-perishable
food items are welcomed.*

Greeters Liturgists Ushers Elders

July ~ Dunahee, Johnson, Vermette

August ~ Megson, Smith, Cofel, A. Turner

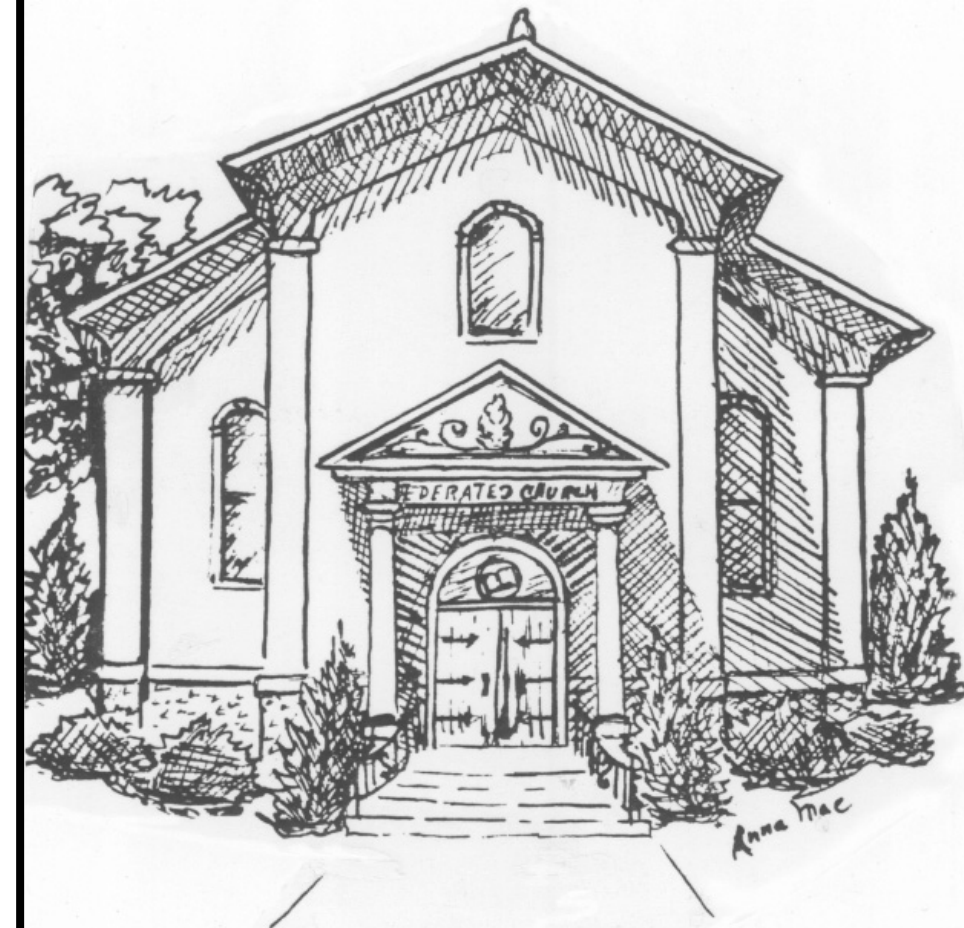
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Rev. Dr. Robert Ross, Pastor Emeritus

July 31st, 2011
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



The Federated Church of Paxton

9:00 a.m. Worship Service



Welcome to our guests!

Please take a minute to sign our guest book located at the back of the sanctuary.

Unison Song *"This is the Day"* Insert in pew

Sharing of Joys, News, Concerns

Opening Prayer *(in unison)* *Matthew 14*

God of our hopes and dreams,
we are empty and long to be filled;
we are hungry and long to be fed;
we are lost and long to be found.
Gather us into your love,
and pick up the pieces of our lives,
just as Jesus gathered up the fragments
that remained after feeding the crowds.
Call us anew to eat our fill
and find our true nourishment in Jesus,
the bread of life and hope of the ages. Amen.

Prelude *"?"* ?

***BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

***Opening Hymn** *"O Day of Radiant Gladness"* PH #470

***Call to Worship** *(responsively)* *Genesis 32, Psalm 17, Romans 9*

One: Awake and be satisfied! God is with us this day.

All: We cry to God, calling for guidance and blessing.

One: Awake and be satisfied! God is with us now.

All: We come to Christ, seeking refuge and love.

One: Awake and be satisfied! Christ is at our side.

All: We yearn for the Spirit, searching for truth and strength.

One: Awake and be satisfied! The Spirit dwells within.

All: We awaken to a day of blessing! Thanks be to God!

Youth Moment

**All who are able, PLEASE STAND*

Prayer of Confession *(in unison)* *Genesis 32, Psalm 17*

O Morning Star,
as day is breaking,
may the fears of the night fade away.
Grant us the courage to look upon your face
and the wisdom to acknowledge the many ways
we need your grace.
Test us, and try our hearts.
Cleanse away our sin and despair.
Cast away any thoughts of wickedness,
and hold us fast to your ways
of righteousness and love.
Incline your ear and hear us
as we call to you, O God.
Be our refuge and our strength,
that we may be a people of hope,
born anew in your merciful grace. Amen.

***Words of Assurance** *Psalm 17, Matthew 14*

Awake to the good news of God's love:
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven
and fed by God's gracious hand.

Lectionary Scripture

Genesis 32:22-31

Psalm 17:1-7, 15

Romans 9:1-5

Matthew 14:13-21

***Hymn** *"We Walk By Faith, and Not By Sight"* PH #399

Message

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Response "Hear our prayer, O Lord; Hear our prayer, O Lord;
Hear our prayer, O Lord, And grant us Thy peace. Amen."

Investment of Time, Talents & Treasures

Offertory Hymn *"?"* ?

***Hymn** *"We Give Thee but Thine Own" (one verse)* PH #428

Prayer of Dedication *(in unison)* *Matthew 14*

Compassionate God,
bless these gifts with your grace.
May they become loaves of bread
for those who are hungry
and guiding lights
for those who are lost.
May they become signs of hope
for those in despair
and symbols of love
for all to know.

In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

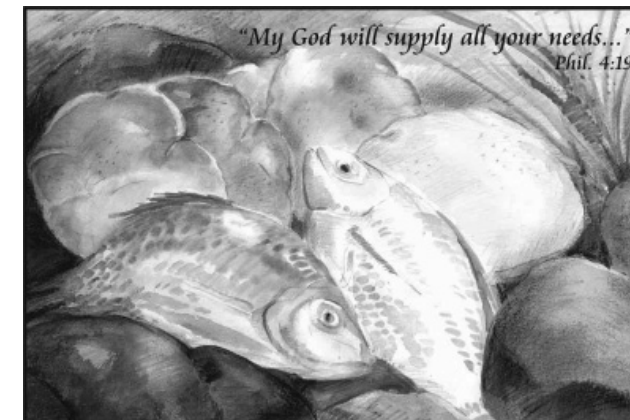
***Closing Hymn** *"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"* PH #281

***TAKING OUT THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

***Benediction** *Genesis 32, Matthew 14*

Behold, we have seen the face of God!
We have heard the good news of Christ!
Go forth with the power of the Holy Spirit!
We go forth to bless the world!

***Postlude** *"?"* ?



Organist - Priscilla Andreae