

PRESBYTERY CONNECTION

A Bi-Weekly Newsletter of the Presbyteries of North Central Iowa and Prospect Hill
July 25, 2019

The Presbytery Connection is a bi-weekly joint newsletter for the Presbyteries of North Central Iowa and Prospect Hill. If you would like to contribute to the Presbytery Connection, please contact Jeannie Stolee in the Presbytery office at 319-233-1747 or northiowapresby@gmail.com

If you know of someone who would enjoy receiving this communication, please email or call Jeannie.

Please consider making copies of this newsletter for your Session and running several copies to make available to your congregation.

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To see North Central Iowa's calendar of events, please click [here](#).

To see Prospect Hill's calendar of events, please click [here](#).



The Presbytery Office will be closed on Friday, July 26, 2019

The Presbytery of North Central Iowa will hold a Called Presbytery Meeting commencing at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, August 12, 2019, at First Presbyterian Church in Ackley. Please click [here](#) for the Call to the meeting and Agenda.



"Serving Jesus Christ by equipping congregations for ministry and mission."

The Presbytery of Prospect Hill held its Stated Presbytery Meeting at United Presbyterian Church in Denison on July 13. See pictures from the meeting [here](#).



In order to facilitate easy communication from both presbyteries, General Presbyter Ian McMullen has established separate email addresses for the business of each presbytery, as follows:

North Central Iowa communication may be directed to Rev. McMullen at:

presbyter@presbynciowa.org or 515-450-7534

Prospect Hill communication may be directed to Rev. McMullen at:

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To see North Central Iowa's Prayers for the Churches, please click [here](#).

To see Prospect Hill's Prayers for the Churches, please click [here](#).

To see Additional Prayer Requests, please click [here](#).

Please click [here](#) to see the churches in transition in both presbyteries.



North Central Iowa's retired clergy and spouses and surviving spouses of deceased clergy are invited to lunch at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 1, at Caraway Café in Cedar Falls. Please see the invitation and additional information [here](#).





A service of Honorable Retirement was held for Rev. Ken Meissner at the Presbytery of Prospect Hill's Presbytery meeting on July 13. Congratulations!



On Tuesday, July 23, Steve and Beth Ehlers became grandparents to their first grandchild, Sawyer Eugene Swenson! Sawyer is the son of proud parents Brady and Stephanie (Ehlers) Swenson. Stephanie and Sawyer are doing well and, as you can see, Beth is settling right into Grandma mode!

Videos of Rev. David Feltman's retirement worship service and the reception have been made available by First Presbyterian Church in Fort Dodge. The worship service may be viewed [here](#) and the reception service may be viewed [here](#). Thank you very much to First Presbyterian Church, Fort Dodge, for hosting the event and for making these videos available!



Presbyterian Mission
**Young Adult
Volunteers**

David Sydnor of First Presbyterian Church in Schaller has accepted the call from the Presbyterian Mission Agency to serve as a Young Adult Volunteer. Please [click](#) here to read more about the Young Adult Volunteer Program and about David.



In his article [Poor Richard's Almanac](#), Rev. Richard Francis, Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Prospect Hill, addresses Congregational Nominating Committees.



In this issue's [Moderator Musings](#), CRE Bill Crawford, Moderator of the Presbytery of Prospect Hill, asks if your church is a museum or a place of life?



Save the Date for the Iowa Presbyterians Gathering on November 1 and 2, 2019! Please click [here](#) for save the date information. More information will be

coming soon!



Iowa Religious Media Services will be closing its doors and clients and denominations will have an opportunity to purchase resources at approximately 50% of the cost of the resource. Please click [here](#) for more information.



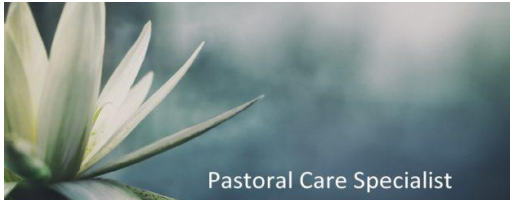
The Board of Pensions is hosting a retirement planning seminar at University of Dubuque Theological Seminary on Wednesday and Thursday, October 2-3, 2019. Please see more information [here](#).



Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
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You are invited to Westminster Presbyterian Church in Waterloo on Wednesday, August 7, to hear what God is doing in Zambia. There

will be a potluck meal at 6:00 p.m. and the conversation will begin at 6:30 p.m. Please click [here](#) for more information.



Des Moines Pastoral Counseling Center is holding a two-year Pastoral Care Specialist Program course designed for clergy, parish nurses, Stephen ministers, chaplains and others involved in pastoral care ministries. To learn more and register, please click [here](#).



Rev. Dr. Tom Long returns to Lakeshore Center at Okoboji on October 4, 2019! Please click [here](#) for more information.

Click [here](#) to be directed to Lakeshore Center's website and see all the things going on at that beautiful location!

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