



# The Activator

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A monthly newsletter from the United Methodist Church of Hudson

**Mission Statement of the Church:**

***As followers of Jesus Christ we want to lead our community to a growing faith.***

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“Getting to Know You. Getting to Know All about You. Getting to Like You. Getting to Hope You’ll Like Me.”

If you are a fan of musicals, as I am, you will recognize those words sung by the British teacher to her new students in “The King and I.” It’s actually based on the memoirs of Anna Leonowens, governess to the children of the King of Siam in the early 1860s as part of the King’s drive to modernize his country.

Like Anna, I’m feeling somewhat apprehensive about moving to a new community where I will be expected to learn lots of new names and match them to new faces and remember them as well as learn some new language, like I learned “Uffdah” from the folks in Lake Mills.

Like Anna, I’ll begin to teach (preach) what could be modern (at least different) ideas than what you might be accustomed, as Ole and Lena will have left the building!

And I’ll have new stories from my perspective of God’s Great Story as recorded in the Bible. I hope to hear yours, too.

Like all families, we may not always agree with one another, but like any family, we can still “get to know and like” each other, and certainly love one another with the love of Christ, Who is the reason for our meeting in the first place.

Jesus said in John chapter 13:34-35 “Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

I will always pray for you, and ask for your prayers for me.  
Pastor Audrey :)





## In July

### BIRTHDAYS

- 7 - Pastor Audrey
- 11 - Diane Schulz
- 18 - Austin Watts
- 21 - Pennie Lundberg
- 25 - Gary Doughty
- 25 - Marcy Kristensen
- 28 - Steve Louthan
- 28 - Madisen Grams



**Carol Ann Cowling**  
**Carolyn Mumm**  
**Ed Smith**  
**Scot Morris**  
**Melissa Boeschen**



**Mel Bartels**  
**Margaret Mumm**  
**Barb Doughty**  
**Richard & Dee Vandenberg**  
**Lila Epling**

Don't forget to check out the Church Library



### MEDIA OPERATORS FOR JULY



- July 7 – Dave Tolander
- July 14 – Nancy Patterson
- July 21 – Dave Tolander
- July 28 – Nancy Patterson

We could use a couple more people who are interested in helping out with the Sunday morning media presentation and video recording. If you are interested in media, please give Mary a call in the office at (319) 988-6040 to set up a time to stop in and see how easy it is! If you are interested in video, please talk to Dave Petry or Todd Patterson. Thanks!



## Food Bank Sunday July 7, 2019

*"If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness. -- Isaiah 58:10 (NRSV)*

We continue to request your support of the Northeast Iowa Food Bank by donating non-perishable food and non-food items and money through the church. The first Sunday of the month, July 7<sup>th</sup>, will be designated "Food Bank Sunday".

The Northeast Iowa Food Bank's 2019 Personal Care Drive runs from Monday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, through Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup>. Many of the same families that struggle with food insecurity also struggle to provide personal care items for their families. No access to those items lead to poor hygiene, health issues among both adults and children, and damage to a family's well-being. Items needed for the Personal Care Drive are soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products, and diapers.

There is a container in the entryway for your donations of food and non-food items. If you prefer to give a monetary donation, make your check payable to the church with a notation that it is for the Food Bank. Your donation will show on your statement of giving to the church.

For every \$10.00 the food bank receives, they can provide approximately 40 meals. Your donations do make a difference. Can you help this month?





Weekly  
Offering

For June 2019

**Offering:**

<b>June</b>	2	1,423.00
	9	1,516.00
	16	576.00
	23	325.00
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	\$	<b>3,840.00</b>

**Also received:**

Apportionment:	\$	75.00
Matthew 25 Grant		135.08
Food Bank		10.00
Rent		1,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,220.08</b>



Approved 2019 budget:	\$85,866.00
Approved budget through June:	\$42,933.00
Apportionments due for 2019:	\$11,912.00
Apportionment payment per month:	\$ 993.00

	<u>Monthly thru</u> <u>June 25th</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Giving towards budget:	\$ 3,840.00	\$26,901.50
Budget Expenses:	\$ 5,650.00	\$32,498.00
Giving Apportionments:	\$ 75.00	\$ 560.00
Apportionment Payments:	\$ 0	\$ 0



There will be coffee and rolls prior to church service on Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall to welcome and meet Pastor Audrey. Please plan to attend. It's her birthday, too!



**SUMMER SACK LUNCH MISSION**

Our Summer Sack Lunch Mission. Is off to a good start. We're enjoying getting to know the youngsters and adults that we serve. If you would like to be involved in this Mission, come to the church at 11:15 July 10, 17, 24, and 31. (We will not be serving July 3<sup>rd</sup>) At 11:15 we pack the sack lunches and leave for Country Terrace Mobile Home Park at 11:45. We serve lunches at 12:00 noon in their Community Room. Please consider taking part in the church outreach mission.

**HUDSON DAYS LUNCH**



Our Hudson Days lunch will be Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, immediately following the parade with serving ending at 1:00. The menu is pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs, potato salad, baked beans, chips, and cookies and bars. Once again, we'd appreciate your help during lunch and/or your monetary or food donations. Sign-up sheets for all things Hudson Days Lunch are on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. You may give monetary donations to Marcy, Annette, or Diane. Please have all food donations to the church by 8:30 Saturday, the 20<sup>th</sup>.



The men will meet for breakfast on Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 a.m.



Natalie Kate Ungs, daughter of Molly and Aaron Ungs, was baptized on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Jan and Dave Petry are her proud great-grandparents.





Most people in the world today can move from one place to another easily. We can hop in the car, catch a bus, ride a bike or fly in a plane!

*Fill in the missing parts of the words in this story. The missing parts are in the list below. Read the story.*

In Bi\_\_\_\_\_mes tra\_\_\_\_\_ was diff\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ow. A full day's \_\_\_\_\_ney was \_\_\_\_\_nty miles. The \_\_\_\_\_ual way to \_\_\_\_\_vel was by \_\_\_\_\_king. \_\_\_\_\_keys were some\_\_\_\_\_ used. Ox c\_\_\_\_\_ car\_\_\_\_\_ hea\_\_\_\_\_ads. Ca\_\_\_\_\_ were used for \_\_\_\_\_ade cara\_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_oss the \_\_\_\_\_ert. The mili\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_thy \_\_\_\_\_ple and ro\_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_sengers used ho\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_iots. Bo\_\_\_\_\_ were used once in a while.

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Answer: In Bible times travel was difficult and slow. A full day's journey was twenty miles. The usual way to travel was by walking. Donkeys were sometimes used. Ox carts carried heavy loads. Carts were used for trade caravans across the desert. The military, wealthy people and royal passengers used horses and chariots. Boats were used once in a while.

# Make Egyptian Paper Beads

The people of Egypt have been making beads for 5,000 years!

## You will need:

- Brightly colored magazine pages
- Yarn
- Metal washers, buttons or macaroni (optional)
- Paintbrush handle
- Glue
- Scissors

## How to make:

1. Cut magazine pages into 1" strips.
2. Spread glue on each strip. Lay the paintbrush handle at the end of the strip. Roll it up around the handle.
3. Pull the brush handle out. Let beads dry.
4. When dry, string beads on yarn. Add metal washers, buttons or macaroni if you'd like.

