



Congratulations Indian Creek High School girls basketball .. Class 1A —3rd in State!!



After a historic 31-1 season, the team advanced to the final four and played a thrilling semi-final game against the defending 2015 champions. Throughout the weekend, the girls played with poise, passion, speed, and intensity. Hundreds of Indian Creek students, teachers, and community members traveled to cheer them on at the Redbird Arena in Normal, Illinois, while hundreds more watched the games on TV - cheering, and pacing. After winning the third place match on Saturday against Seton Academy from South Holland, the team was escorted to town by firefighters and police from both Waterman and Shabbona in a loud, happy, and well-deserved celebratory parade.

Our community is so very proud of these student-athletes, not only because of their success on the court, but also because of their composure and sportsmanship.

Waterman Presbyterian Church especially celebrates and Congratulates church members Madison Russell, Alexis Van Wyhe, and Marissa Van Wyhe, as well as Jack and Marilyn Ryen's granddaughter, Jacklyn Bouma, and Sue Rood's niece, Holly Rood.

From our Mission Committee:

March 30th will be our Joint Mission with WUMC to provide food for Hope Haven. We really need people to sign up and help with this very important mission of our church. We will need to supply 3 desserts and 3 salad type food items. We have been purchasing fried chicken, so anything you can think of that would taste good with fried chicken would be welcomed. A few examples are tarter tots, baked beans, pasta salad, tossed salad or potato salad. A sign-up sheet has been posted. Thank You!



March Birthdays:

1st.....Melba Speelman
 12th.....Shari Conley
 13th.....Florence Hipple
 14th.....Wilma Carroll
 19th.....Thurston Kallas
 26th...Susan Eichelberger
 31st...Madison Russell

Thank You!!!!!!

..... to all of you who helped out at the Nice Center in February.

... to our liturgist in the month of February: Susan Eichelberger

.....to the many hands that brought in goodies for our Annual Congregational Meeting: Mary Stryker, Florence Hipple, Sue Rood, and Susan Eichelberger.

...to our fellow worshippers, these people selected their favorite hymns for the "Songs for the Soul": Gonwo Dahnweih, Olivia Monteiro & David Stryker,

...to the Members of the nominating committee: Laurie Johnson, Christine Monteiro, Sue Rood, Melba Speelman, and David Stryker., chairperson.

.....to Dave Stryker for snow removal.

Responsibility.....Once upon a time there were four people named Everybody, Somebody, Nobody and Anybody. When there was an important job to be done, Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did. When Nobody did it, Everybody got angry because it was Somebody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Somebody realized that Nobody would do it. So it ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody that Nobody did what Anybody could have done in the first place.

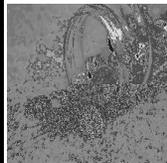
"Inspirational Quotes"

Reminder:

Sunday, March 13th, Daylight Saving Time begins at 2:00 am. **On Saturday,** before you retire for the evening, set your clocks ahead one hour.....



Please pray for: David Eichelberger, Family of Kendra Johnson Plesa (Tim Johnson's sister), Family of David & Jennifer Kallas (David's dad passed away), Chico Cruz (Jennifer Kallas' Dad) Michelle (*George*) Mathews (Shari Conley's neighbor), Norm Johnson, Jennifer Hipple (Florence Hipple's granddaughter) Barb Meredith, The Chaney Family, Alma Schweitzer and Our Church. **Our military personnel:** Staff Sgt. Vadon Loudermilk Jr., Major Garrett Slack & Major Bob Mitchell.



Change For the Better Mission for UMPEC

Our March Mission focus, continuing from February is

UMPEC. We will be collecting spare change to help make a difference for others. Clean out the bottom of your purse, reach down into your pocket, and check under your sofa cushions! There is a coin jar on the table in the Narthex. Let's see how many times we can fill the jar!!!!

Easter Lily Order Form

Lilies are \$8.00 for each potted plant.



Name: _____

of Lilies _____ @ \$8.00 each total _____

In Memory/Honor of: _____

*****Easter lily order deadline is Sunday, March 20th.

Please join us on March 24th at 7:00 pm at the Waterman Presbyterian Church for a Joint Maundy Thursday Worship Service with Communion . The United Methodist Church will be joining us.



Scholarship

Robert Maple Scholarship
The Maple Scholarship is available to a high school senior who is a member of

Waterman Presbyterian Church. The late Bob Maple was a teacher and textbook author who grew up as a member of our church. The scholarship is a one time gift and is funded and managed by Bob's brother, Tom. For an application, please contact Laurie Johnson at pljj1985@aol.com or 815-264-7706



On Sunday, February 21st at our Annual Congregational Meeting we elected as our Elder: Sue Rood; we elected as a Deacon, David Stryker.

On Sunday, February 28th the Installation Services for the following were held: Sue Rood(Elder) and David Stryker (Deacon) , as well as the Installation of Shari Conley (treasurer) Jay & Christine Monteiro (assistant treasurers).

On this day we recognized church Officers, Deacons and Elders for completion of their terms of office: Dave Stryker (Session), Laurie Johnson (Session), Melba Speelman (Session) and Sue Rood (Deacon).

We thank these individuals who have dedicated their services to our church and to those who continue with their dedication to our church.

We are indeed Blessed!!

Per Capita for 2016: \$ 35.66 (GA-\$7.12; Synod-\$3.81; Blackhawk Presbytery- \$24.73)



Please join us in wishing Florence Hipple A Happy Birthday! After the Worship Service on Sunday, March 13th, we will be celebrating with cake and coffee in honor of her birthday. .

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February was a busy month of Love and Friendship. What a perfect time for children to continue learning about Jesus! The children sent "Love Letters" to their families and gave "Heart Hug" messages to each other along with a real hug. This offered the children the opportunity to show kindness to each other and print each others names. Heart Hugs will continue this month.

In Dramatic Play we had 2 activities that enhanced cooperative play: igloo building blocks and paper snowballs and the "Open Hands Travel Agency". Our travel agency will continue this month. Children choose from OH travel brochures:

beach, city, forest, mountain, or

waterfall. They pack suitcases, cell phones, and cameras, purchase tickets, and ride a train (2 cardboard boxes) to their destination. It's fun to hear the engineer call "all aboard" before the train leaves the station! Along with cooperative play, this activity enhances math and literacy skills as travel cost and tickets vary by location.

Spring is just around the corner and yes we are looking forward to the first day of Spring. March will be busy with the MWF children continuing their feelings books and TTH children their ABC books. Our MWF children are attending "The Big Balloon Show" performance at the Sandwich Opera House.

OH spring fundraiser, Butterbraid Coffee Cakes has begun. All orders are due on March 4th. The delivery will be March 17th. The profits will go towards the purchase of classroom science equipment.

THANK YOU FOR: Mike Arends for meeting with the State Fire Marshal on OH behalf.

Using Schnucks E script cards with purchases. OH earned \$49.00 in Jan.
Selling and/or buying Butterbraid Coffe Cakes.

Thank you to WPC parishioners for their generous "Thank offering".

HELP NEEDED: We would love to have adults come into our classroom and read to the children for 1/2 hour a day. Class hours are M-F 8:30-11:00am. If you would like to be a reader, call UMC 815-264-3991. Leave a message: name, phone number or E mail address, and the class you'd like to visit. A teacher will contact you.

DATES TO REMEMBER: March 17th – **OH Committee Mtg**, 6:00pm, UMC, **All invited!**
March 21st-25th --Spring Break Classes resume 3/28/16



Thank you for your support. The families that come to the NICE Center are very appreciative of all that you do. We are now collecting for the month of March and we would like to collect canned chicken. The items can be put into the collection box in the Narthex. Watch the newsletter and bulletins for what we will be collecting each month.