

Antelope Tracks



In Our Prayers

- The Family of Lois Marie Gibson and Phil Whiteman as they grieve the loss of their loved ones.
- Those affected by Covid or natural disasters
- Those in our church family dealing with health issues: including the Dorans, the Berndts, the Swensons, the Royers and others.
- Those in need in our city and neighborhoods
- Our church, district and denomination
- National and Int'l Issues and that Peace and Nonviolence will Prevail

What's Ahead ... Transformation and Adaptation by Pastor Sue

THREE CHOICES WHEN A BIG WAVE APPROACHES

I heard a great analogy from Steve Pike, author of *Next Wave: Discovering the 21st Century Church*.

When a wave is coming at us, we have three choices: **stand still** and get pummeled, **dive into it** (or go under) and come up to peace – but you missed the wave!, or you can **ride the wave**. When you ride a wave you capture the momentum, ending up in a new place invigorated and ready to begin anew. Steve says this is especially important to urban churches right now. We may not be able to take a city for Jesus, but we can take a corner, a neighborhood or a few hundred or thousand. We can make it hard for them to not hear the gospel, not to see the love of Jesus

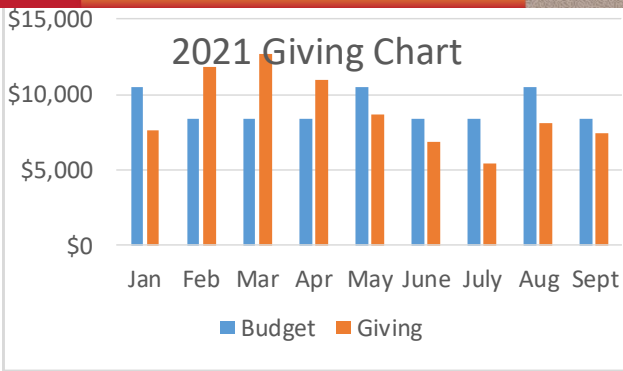
in action. Riding this wave in today's culture requires us to be Jesus in the neighborhood. In order to do this, we have to create spaces for interaction and be intentional in creating relationships, showing this as a new way forward (even though it is ancient). Staying in contact with neighbors and each other will require a shift in how we think and act. COVID gave us a unique opportunity to hit a reset button in our thinking. Per Steve Pike, culture is born in cities and trickles out to everywhere else over time. The greatest needs, opportunities and solutions allow for principles to emerge that will work everywhere. Our denomination and district are in such a period of rebirth and so must we be. Spirit, Guide Us!

NEW ADHOC COMMITTEES

THE OUTREACH TEAM IS CREATING AN ADHOC SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE PARKING LOT AND PLAYGROUND PLANNING. THIS TEAM WILL MEET A FEW TIMES AND CREATE A PLAN TO PRESENT AT THE FALL FORUM. PLEASE SEE ANDREA IF INTERESTED IN JOINING.

THE FACILITIES TEAM IS CREATING AN ADHOC SUBCOMMITTEE FOR LANDSCAPING. THEY WILL ALSO MAKE A PLAN TO PRESENT TO THE BODY AT A LATER TIME. PLEASE SEE SMITTY IF INTERESTED IN JOINING.





2021 Total	\$82,116
Budget	
Giving	\$79,635

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 10/5 Praise Band Practice 7PM
- 10/6 Coffee Fellowship 10AM
- 10/8 Celebration of Life for Lois Marie Gibson 10AM
- 10/12 Leadership Team Mtg 7PM
- 10/13 Sewing Group 9AM
- 10/21 Journey Group Mtg – Values in Mark 2PM

OTHER EVENTS IN OUR BUILDING:

- EVERY THURSDAY – SING OUT!
(Class led by Hayley and Speak Out Lincoln for Parkinsons patients)
- 10/30 – 12-4PM Marble Music Recital in Sanctuary

OTHER NEWS:

FYI - PASTOR SUE WILL BE IN OMAHA WITH SMITTY 10/14 AND 10/15 DOING BDM WORK.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Bill Edgar
- 5 Shirley Blocher
- 10 Josh Ward
- 23 Kay Sell
- 27 Stephanie Smith
- 29 Kathy Berndt



Please consider donating funds or items for our Blessings Box. We have some great connections, yet there is still great need. Thank you

Faith to Forest – Climate and Faith

<https://www.firstplymouth.org/cat>
 First Plymouth Church in Lincoln is hosting two zoom webinars Thurs. from 7-8PM featuring Dr. Katherine Hayhoe 10/28 and Dr. Don Wilhite 11/4 – visit above link for details

To learn more about Faith to Forest visit this link <https://www.firstplymouth.org/catforest>

WE WILL PARTICIPATE IN THIS NEXT YEAR! What is It?

An initiative by and for faith communities focused on God’s love for trees, the gifts they give God’s people, and the responsibilities we have to care for trees, particularly in a changing climate. Faith to Forest will include worship, education, stewardship and advocacy at the faith community and general

Have you heard? Pastor Sue is now the Peace and Justice Coordinator for the Western Plains District and is on the Board For Nebraska Interfaith Power and Light! Please pray for me!

EXCITING NEWS!

SHELLY WILL BE COMING BACK TO WORK AS OUR SECRETARY/OFFICE MANAGER BEGINNING OCT. 19TH!

SHE WILL BE IN THE OFFICE ON TUE. AND THURS. FROM 11-2PM

WELCOME BACK TO WORK AND SO GLAD YOU ARE NOW A MEMBER!

A BIG THANKS TO ALL WHO ARE SERVING IN THE CHURCH! YOU ARE MUCH APPRECIATED!

