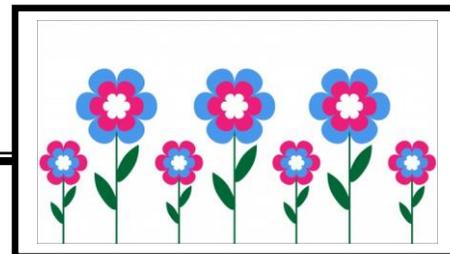


First Presbyterian Church of Glidden

June 2019



Pastor Mission Update

****PNC has looked through almost 80 PIFs and has had 6 interviews so far**

****Jennifer Olson from United Presbyterian Church in Denison is our Moderator**

**** Pastor Lorinda is on call for emergencies**

June Ushers:

Mark and Deb Adams

Communion Officiants:

Rev Barbara Todd

Prepared by: Jane Toyne

****June Pulpit Supply****

2nd: Rev Barbara

9th: Sheryl Puderbaugh

16th: Angelo Luis

23rd: Sheryl Puderbaugh

30th: Angelo Luis

KUDO'S KORNER

To Cooper Mueggenberg and Whitney Reever for completing thirteen years of formal education with more to come.

To Anna Fleecs and the Wayne State College girl's Rugby team for winning the 2019 NATIONAL Small College Rugby Organization Championship. The championships were held on April 27-28 at Founders Field in Cheswick, PA.

KUDO'S TO ALL

Where are they now?

The focus on this month's article is on Ray and Lola Peters of Ankeny, Iowa who were Glidden residents of the past. Parents of Lola Peters were Lauren and Vesta Kidney while Ray's parents were John and Edna Peters.

Lola entered Glidden-Ralston school as a kindergarten student while Ray attended school at a one room school called Sheridan #7 located north east of Lidderdale. Ray attended country school from kindergarten through fourth grade and transferred to GR as a fifth-grade student. While in country school, Ray remembers only 14 students of k-8 grade were in the entire school.

While in junior high and high school at GR, Ray and Lola loved the school environment and were very active in extracurricular activities. Lola played in the marching and concert bands, sang in the choir, participated in speech, was a cheerleader and a member of the Future Homemakers of America (FHA).

Lola points out there were no girl athletic programs in GR during her tenure. Ray, on the other hand, participated in football, basketball, track, baseball, drama and was a member of the future Farmers of America (FFA). Just a few of the teachers mentioned from that time period were Sally Roberts, Don Burgess, Bob Miller and Mabel Oxenford. While in school, Lola enjoyed reading, writing and literature. Ray's interest were more in line with math, science, reading and some literature. Ray also worked part time at the Glidden Graphic, owned by Bill Ferguson.

Graduation arrived in 1960 for Ray and Lola graduated in 1961. Ray enrolled at Iowa State Teachers College, now UNI, for one year. While at college, Ray played football for coach Stan Sheriff. Lola enrolled at Iowa State University for one year. The two did not return to college at that time because they had other plans.

Both families attended country churches that were very small so on June 19th, 1962 Ray and Lola were married at the First Presbyterian Church in Glidden with guest pastor Dale Schweckel leading the service. The Peters joined the Presbyterian Church at a later date and were very active in the church. After a short honeymoon, the

family lived in Nevada, Iowa where Ray was employed at the Nevada Evening Journal newspaper. In 1964, the Peters family moved back to Glidden and Ray accepted a position with the Carroll Daily Times Herald and later worked for two years at West Central Cooperative, known at that time as Farmers Cooperative Association of Ralston. During this time the couple welcomed two children, Jeffrey Ray and Penni Rose, so Lola became a full-time mother and housekeeper for a few years. In 1967, the Peters family moved to Ankeny, Iowa, where Lola returned to working outside the home as she worked for Bruce Motor Freight, Gateway Transportation and spent many years as office manager for Dr. Larry Gray. During this time period, Lola attended DMACC to further her education. Following this phase of her college career, she returned to ISU and received her degree in Psychology and later earned a Master's Degree in Counseling.



Ray worked for Triple F Feeds for nearly 10 years. He then transferred his talents to Port Huron Machinery Company, which was a short line farm equipment company who sold

to implement dealers in Iowa and worked for Port Huron for 8 years. For the next 20 years, Ray was employed by Ryko Manufacturing who manufactures equipment for car washes. The company is located in Grimes, Iowa. In 2003, Ray retired from Ryko.

Once graduated from ISU, Lola put her education to use immediately as she worked with elderly flood victims suffering from the flood that hit Des Moines in 1993. Following a one-year stint, she went to work with Mid Iowa Family Therapy working in home counseling with clients designated by the Department of Human Services. She worked in this area for the next 3 ½ years. She later worked for Employee and Family Resources and an organization called Urban Dreams where she supervised a grant funded program that provided after school programming for two middle schools. Lola will wind up her career on August 15, 2019 after spending the last ten years employed by Child Guidance Center, working with students at Madison and Hubbell elementary schools in Des Moines.

When asked about good advice they had received throughout life, they both had excellent advice. A former supervisor of Ray's advised, "If you have to justify

something, your friends don't need it and your enemies won't believe it". Lola commented on advice she gives, "When things go wrong, skip blame and go directly to problem solving".

The Peters family has been and are very active in the Ankeny Presbyterian Church. In their earlier years they were active in Presbyterian Mariners and attended and directed many Family Vacation Weeks in several states, sponsored by National Mariners. Ray was vice moderator of the Des Moines Presbytery for one year and then became Moderator for one year. The year he was moderator, he helped install nine pastors in the Presbytery. Lola is currently moderator of the Presbytery Congregational Reconciliation Task Force. Ray is also a member of the men's group. Lola is a member of the Beta Sigma Phi, a women's group which is not affiliated with the church.

When the children were young, they spent time with their family at their lake home at Lake Ponderosa near Montezuma, Iowa. Now, every other summer they take the extended family to Lake of the Ozarks for a summer vacation together. In retirement, the Peters keep very busy. They are active with their children and grandchildren. Daughter, Penni Rose, and her husband, Matt, have two children, Lauren and Ben. Son, Jeffrey Peters, and his wife, Wanda, have four children and two "sons-in-law". Children are Molly (Kyle) Hamilton, Maggie (Lane) Heinlein, Luke and Logan Peters. Penni and Matt live in Carmel, Indiana, while Jeff and Wanda reside at Jewell, Iowa. Lola likes to bake bread, cookies and other baked goods. Both of them like to play golf while Ray also spends time hunting and fishing. Like many people in retirement, Ray wanted to stay active so he delivers trucks throughout the US part time for GATR, a Volvo truck dealership.

It was a pleasure to revisit past acquaintance and learn of their active lives and the great accomplishments they have achieved. We wish Ray and Lola many good years in retirement and may God Bless these two disciples and their family.

**FYI....June, July, and
August worship services
will be at 9:30 AM**

June Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 3rd-Diane Thelin
- 3rd-Brad & Heather Mueggenberg
Anniversary
- 8th-Kevin and Sara Fleecs Anniversary
- 11th-Keith & Suzy Danner Anniversary
- 15th-Matt & Rhonda Conner
Anniversary
- 19th-Rick & Tami Burdine Anniversary
- 20th-Russ Draves
- 24th-Duane and Joyce Conner
Anniversary



Thank You

*We would like to thank the
Sunday school students for
recognizing the teachers
during this past year. We thank
you for singing, your kind
words and the cards you
prepared for us.*

*Marlys Conner,
Diane Thelin & Wayne Seaman*

Session Summary

Regular Session Meeting May 22, 2019. Moderator Rev Jennifer Olson

Session approved a donation of \$200 to Lakeshore Center Lodge for construction debt repayment.

Again in April, income exceeded expenses!! And the year-to-date summary shows growth in church investments is in excess of \$28,000.

Sunday School ended on May 12. Second graders were presented Bibles, students sang their favorites, & teachers were honored. Additionally, mothers were presented with flowers for Mother's Day.

Interest in attending camp at Okoboji will be explored.

Sunday service start time for the months of June, July & August will be 9:30am.

Presbytery representative Rev Kevin Freese & members of the Pastor Nominating Committee met with session to express concerns, ask questions & share the progress of the search for a new minister.

Jennifer Fairchild-Flemmig, Clerk of Session

Announcements

*Summer Church Time Change

Worship begins at 9:30am during the months of June, July, and August

*PW meets at Baratta's in Carroll at 11:30 on Wednesday, June 12th.

* Synod School 2019 is July 21-26 at BV University, Storm Lake

“Cultivating Civil Community” is the lesson and if anyone wants more info to contact me.