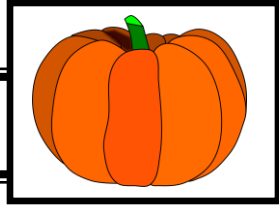


First Presbyterian Church of Glidden

October 2019



Pastor Mission Update

**Pulpit has been filled for the below dates:

Pulpit Supply

-October 6-Ken Meissner

-October 13-Ken Meissner

-October 20-Tom Daniels

-October 27-Tom Daniels

-November 3-Angelo

-November 10- Rev Ian McMullin, Grand Presbyter

-November 17- Sue Mulvihill

-November 24-Angelo

Ushers

Wayne/Shirley Seaman

Cose Family

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

** Pastor Lorinda is on call for emergencies

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Thank you for your recent donation of \$325.00 to the Carroll Community of Concern.
With donations like yours, we can continue to fight hunger in Carrol County. Thanks again.
Carroll Community of Concern

Where are they now?

Harry & Judy Reeve have lived in the Glidden community their entire lives. They raised two children, the late Tim Reeve and Traci Reeve Schaefer. Traci and her family are in the spotlight for this issue of the newsletter.

Traci was born at St. Anthony Hospital in Carroll and immediately became a farm girl. Growing up, Traci felt blessed because both sets of grandparents lived in the Glidden area where she spent much time playing and investigating life. In her preschool days she once had a conflict with her parents and decided to run away to her grandparent's home just one-half mile away. She packed her doll suitcase and left home. To avoid traffic, she walked in the ditch. Her mother probably watched her all the way and, in fact, probably called her grandmother to alert her of the impending visitor. The riff was quickly resolved and Traci grew up admiring her parents and grandparents.

As school days began for Traci, the pace in life began to move a little faster. Her elementary years were spent with church classmates such as Julie Burdine, Karmen Conner, Scott Bender and many other familiar GR friends. A memory of Traci's elementary years was attending fourth grade in Ralston. She claimed it to be unique because the class was removed from the base school in Glidden and the students experienced a unique environment for learning without the influence of older and younger classes.

The pace of life increased as Traci moved into her middle school and junior high years. She began to recognize her interest in science, math and art courses. Participation in a variety of activities became a part of her life. She played basketball, ran track and was a football cheerleader. She also played tenor saxophone in the band, sang in the choir and played the piano. In the summertime, Traci spent free time at the swimming pool and was a member of the swim team. She also remembers roller

skating at the park as the town would bring in a truck that played music and sold treats. For Traci, it wasn't all fun and games as she walked beans with family beginning at a young age. At age 14, she also started contracting corn to detassel.

In high school, Traci's interests in science and biology were further enhanced with instructors like Mr. Brandt and Mr. Rezabek. She recalls dissecting worms and frogs as a learning experience. Traci continued her many activities throughout her high school career and expanded



into performing in the swing choir, jazz band, drama club and participating on the golf team. She was also heavily involved with 4H, where Traci was County Council president and a finalist at the State Fair fashion review. Traci recalls the Junior-Senior Prom held in the school gym and graduation in 1979. Reflecting upon GR, she recognizes the blessings of attending a smaller school. The school offered her a breadth of opportunities to participate in

and learn from.

Graduation from high school came in 1979 and Traci was off to college in the fall at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. Traci lived in the tower dormitory while at Ames. She majored in Fashion Merchandising and Marketing. While at college, she was a Little Sister for a Fraternity and was involved with various student groups. Mid-year in 1980, Traci met a young man from Carroll, Iowa, who also lived in the Towers just two floors above Traci. Mike Schaefer was a biology major at ISU. While at ISU, Mike played rugby along with his intense learning. During the summer, Mike seemed to take a high level of interest in attending the Glidden swimming pool, where Traci was a lifeguard. This relationship prevailed throughout the college years and both graduated in 1983.

Mike & Traci were married on November 26, 1983, at the First Presbyterian Church in Glidden. The reception was held at Mister D's and during the reception an ice storm developed causing slick roads. The wedding party and some guests attempted to drive north to Harry &

Judy's home only to end up in the ditch. Harry spent much of the night in his tux pulling cars out of the ditch.

In 1983, Traci accepted a job with Principal Financial and has been employed over the course of her career. While at Principal, Traci has held many different jobs. She stated as an Underwriter in the Life Division. After a few short years, she moved to the management area, then was a leader in Client Services, Business Systems, Systems Support and Implementation Program Office. In 2018, Traci was promoted to Assistant Vice President in charge of Portfolio Management Office, Data & Analytics, and Learning & Development.

For almost 30 years, Mike has been involved with sales for various agricultural companies. Currently he is the Sales Manager for Nutech Seeds, located in Champaign, Illinois. The company markets seed corn and seed beans. Mike is responsible for a very large area, stretching from Des Moines east to Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois and surrounding areas.

Mike & Traci have two children; Lindsey was born in 1991 while Ben joined in 1994. Both graduated from Waukee High School. Lindsey then graduated from Drake University with a Communications major and now is a Human Resource leader with Vertifore Software Company in Denver, Colorado. Ben graduated from Simpson College with a BS Degree and obtained a Master degree in music from Rice University of Houston, Texas. He is a professional opera singer, singing at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, Pa., and previously has sung at Glimmerglass Festival in upstate New York and West Palm Beach Opera in Florida. Later this year, he will travel to Paris where he will sing at the Versailles Opera. Mike & Traci often travel to attend his performances.

Mike & Traci love to spend time with family. They try to make it to the family cabin in Minnesota a couple times per year to enjoy family and water time. Plus they join family and other Glidden folks at ISU football home games. Traci landscapes and plays the piano...but nothing like Mom, according to Traci. Mike loves the outdoors and is involved with hunting and fishing, when time permits.

The couple follows sage advice and spends time living for today as we know not what tomorrow will bring.

The Schaefer's have been involved with the Heartland Presbyterian Church in Clive, Iowa, for the past

20 plus years. Traci has served on the session and they attend on a regular basis. They volunteer for church activities, United Way and other civic organizations.

The future involves a trip to Paris and most recently, daughter Lindsey was engaged and the family is planning a wedding-to-be in San Diego, California, in 2020.

It was a delight touching base with this couple who lived in our area during their early life. We pray for their continued good health and good leadership and wish them God's grace as they travel through life.

October Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 1st-Bridget Draves
- 1st-Brooke Draves
- 2nd-Mark Conner
- 2nd-Mary Haselton
- 6th-Oliver Conner
- 12th-Gordon Cose
- 14th-Ty Cose
- 20th-Loretta Hansen
- 21st-Ethan Mueggenberg
- 28th-Roy and Marge Middaugh Anniversary



From your Clerk of Session

Regular Session Meeting September 10, 2019. Moderator Rev Jennifer Olson

Our church received an invitation to attend a lecture by Dr. George Naeem entitled "Understanding Islam & Reaching Muslims with the Gospel" to be presented at the Peace Lutheran Church on October 26th.

August income exceeded expenses by more over \$1300.

The old non-working dehumidifier in the church basement has been replaced & a water leak required the drain trap replacement.

The new Sunday School is off to a great start with Marlys & Diane guiding 6 elementary students.

The pastoral/personnel/nominating committee is meeting soon to review potential members willing to serve a 3-year term on session.

Jennifer Fairchild-Flemmig, Clerk of Session

Seminar Opportunity

Understanding Islam and Reaching Muslims with the Gospel

Speaker Dr. George Naeem

October 26, 2019

Seminar 10:00 AM 03:00 PM with Lunch from 12:00-1:00

Location: Peace Lutheran Church 226 W 7th St, Glidden

Free Will Offering for the lecture and Lunch

Please RSVP by 10/20/2019

712.659.3875 or 712.999.7288 or sel92339@gmail.com

The purpose of this seminar is to:

*****Open the eyes about the facts of Islam and how Muslims reach out to Americans and convert them to Islam!***

*****Learn how we can talk to Muslims about Christ and bring them to His kingdom!***

Kudos Korner:

To Marlys for changing the vestments as our church season progresses. We are GREEN now for ordinary times & also a symbol of growth.

To Chaplain Angelo Luis for playing his French Horn in church Sunday & to Marlys for accompanying him.

To those who lead singing in church. We encourage others to join them in singing more aggressively!!

To Lindsey Cose for arranging and publishing this newsletter each month.

To a positive start to the Sunday School year with exuberant kids.

Announcements

*Sunday School is back!

All classes will meet at 9:30am

Adults will be at the United Methodist Church

Students / Children will be at the Presbyterian Church

*PW meets on Wednesday, October 9th, at 11:30am at Las Margaritas in Glidden

The Special Offering for September and October is the **After School Program**

GRASP, the Glidden-Ralston After School Program, meets at the Glidden United Methodist Church, throughout the school year, Mondays through Thursdays from 3:30pm to 5:15pm. The program serves children from age 5 to sixth grade. Students are driven to the church by bus, and local volunteers provide homework assistance, snacks, and fun activities. Best of all, it is free to attend. GRASP is a true blessing to our community, so we want to support them both financially and with willing volunteers.