



The Grapevine

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower."

John 15:1

Calendar for June 15 — July 14

Thursday, June 15

9:00 a.m. Rev. Anne Fisher Returns
12:00 p.m. **GRAPEVINE**— Prints once a month in
June and July

Sunday, June 18 Father's Day

9:30 a.m. **Senior Recognition Day**
9:30 a.m. **Worship**—Anne Fisher
10:45 a.m. Prayer Chain Group

Tuesday, June 20

11:30 p.m. Staff Meeting—Lunch
6:00 p.m. Worship Ministry
6:30 p.m. Zumba Class
7:00 p.m. Pastor Nominating Committee

Wednesday, June 21

9:30 a.m. GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) Group
6:00 p.m. Session/Deacons Meeting
6:30 p.m. Youth Group
7:00 p.m. Building and Grounds Committee

Saturday, June 24

8:00 a.m. **Church Rummage Sale**

Sunday, June 25

9:30 a.m. **Matt's Spoden's Last Sunday**
9:30 a.m. **Worship**

Tuesday, June 27

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Zumba Class
7:00 p.m. Pastor Nominating Committee

Wednesday, June 28

9:30 a.m. GIFT (Growing In Faith Together) Group
1:00 p.m. Book Club

Sunday, July 2

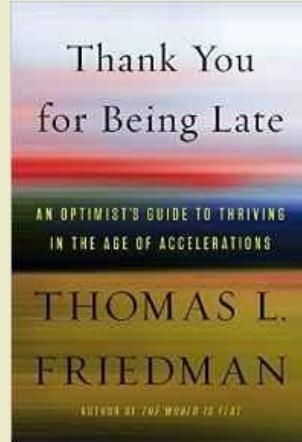
9:30 a.m. **Worship — Communion**

Tuesday, July 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY

9:00 a.m. **Church Office Closed**

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From: Rev. Anne Fisher, Transitional Pastor



Thank You for Being Late

AN OPTIMIST'S GUIDE TO THRIVING
IN THE AGE OF ACCELERATIONS

THOMAS L.
FRIEDMAN

Thomas Friedman, in his book *Thank you for Being Late*, writes about the speed of change in our world over the last decade. That change is accelerating at an ever-increasing rate. He cites Moore's Law which states that our technology continues to pack more information in less space at less cost and at a quicker rate. We are bombarded with more information in a shorter amount of time so much that it makes our head spin! Friedman goes on to say that as a result, we have become more isolated as culture. The title of his book refers to a time when he is in a restaurant waiting for his companion who is delayed. The companion breezes in apologizing for his tardiness while Friedman sees that period of waiting as a welcome respite. While waiting, Friedman had time for some quiet reflection; a welcome oasis in the clutter of the day. Our lives are full and it doesn't seem to be slowing down anytime soon. How can we, as a gathering community of faith be a place of reflection and respite? Let us try to use our time this summer as we worship together to slow down. Join us for reflection and a respite from the increasing pace of the world.

Blessings,
Anne

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Saturday, July 8

9:30 a.m. Baker's Group

Mission Trip Begins

Sunday, July 9

9:30 a.m. **Worship**

11:00 a.m. Gal's Gathering

Monday, July 10

12:00 p.m. **GRAPEVINE DEADLINE**

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Tuesday, July 11

11:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m. Zumba Class

7:00 p.m. Pastor Nominating Committee



Hymn Festival on July 23rd, our Church Service will include several Gospel songs and hymns from the 19th and 20th Century. Hymns from "Rock of Ages" to "When the Roll is Called up Yonder". Join us, as we take a glimpse of their origins and sing some songs of old!



Plan to attend the All Church Retreat at Clearwater Forest October 13-15 As our Calendars fill up, set aside this weekend for building up yourself in renewal, reflection and being in God's beautiful nature.



Grapevine in the Summer will be published June 15, July 15, August 15 and 31 .



At the end of this month, **Matt Spoden** will be leaving us, after two years of being our Seminary Intern. Matt came to us to lead the Sunday School and Youth. During Matt's time, there has been quite a bit of transition. (Matt is the senior most staff except for our contract cleaning service.) He has provided consistency and good humor through all the changes. Although unable to go on the Mission Trip, he has recruited, planned, and coordinated for the 16 students and leaders going to South Dakota in July. Matt will begin his full-time Internship in Brainerd, Minnesota in August. His last Sunday with us will be **June 25**. There will be a reception following the service: to thank Matt for his ministry with us. Please send or bring cards and notes of thanks and best wishes for Matt.

Interfaith Opportunity: Taking Heart Community Dinner June 17



Join local community members at a "Taking Heart" community dinner at the Northwest Islamic Community Center (NWICC) in Plymouth. This free dinner is sponsored by the Minnesota Council of Churches and takes place June 17 at 9 p.m. These

evening meals are called Iftars, and they occur during Ramadan when Muslims break their fast. Taking Heart was started in 2005 to bring Muslims and folks of other faiths together to get to know each other over a meal and conversation.

For more information or to register, visit iopc.org/events and click the link for the June 17 Iftar dinner. (*Tip – once you get to the registration site, scroll down to the bottom of the page.*) Thank you for being a part of this exciting collaboration with our Muslim neighbors!



Something new! We are working on the anniversary wall in the Narthex. To put a new face on the wall we need your faces! We would like a picture of every member. The pictures do not need to be formal portraits, action and event shots are welcome. Please send your pictures to office@plymouthpc.org or drop them off in the office during June and July. Thank you.



PPC's 1st Ever Potlatch - Sunday, July 16 after Worship

Do you know what a Potlatch is? A "Potlatch" is a North American Indian ceremonial feast where, in addition to dining, dancing and singing, participants distribute their possessions to others and share their wealth with their community. We will be having our first ever PPC Potlatch on Sunday, July 16, right after worship. Join us to celebrate the return of the PPC youth from their Rosebud Reservation mission trip in South Dakota.

We will provide Grilled Maize (in the husk), Buffalo Type Burger and Prairie Chicken. Please bring a salad, vegetable, rolls, or dessert to share.

I'm not sure how much dancing and singing will be happening, but you will have an opportunity to share donations, which will be sent to the Rosebud Reservation, and to greet and celebrate our youth's great work in South Dakota.

If you have any questions, please contact fellowship@plymouthpc.org or talk to Rick Ackerman.

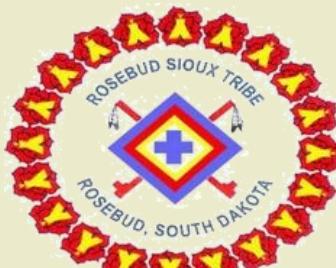


Summer Church Office Hours:
June 5th — September 1st.
9:00a.m.-1:00p.m. (M-F)

Youth Group Update -

Matt Spoden

Children and Youth Ministry Intern



The youth have one more youth group meeting on June 21st. It has been a great year of fellowship, service, and wrestling with our faith during our youth group time. Thanks, to all who have supported the youth this year! The youth and chaperones will be leaving on their mission trip to Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota on July 8th. If you would like a postcard during the trip, please fill out the form on Sunday morning, June 18th. A free will donation is also being collected at that time.

Thanks,

Matt



This Sunday during worship, we will be recognizing our graduating seniors. Please join us as we Celebrate their graduation and wish them well on their future!

Congratulations and many blessings to:

Hunter Blankenship, Grace Feterl, Hannah Hagen, Grace Huenemann, Kaycee Peek, and Joey Romine!

Plymouth Presbyterian Rummage Sale



The Church Rummage Sale is set for **Saturday, June 24, 8 a.m.– 4 p.m.** No admission fee. **Items are being collected in the Middle School Room.** Please drop your items off during office hours or after the worship service. Sale proceeds will go toward Presbyterian Missions. Contact Karen Ess with questions/information on large item donations. karwess@gmail.com or (763) 300-6565.