

# Pastor Anne's Message, July 2022

What a joy to “Celebrate God’s Greatness” through our Vacation Bible School, June 22-24, 2022! The theme ~ “Monumental: Celebrating God’s Greatness” included beautiful outdoor landscapes and scenery of the Southwest on the Song DVD, songs about God’s love for us, and a variety of activities that kept eager learners engaged!

The exciting and captivating curriculum was so successful in all aspects of the program. The children gathered in the sanctuary for half an hour to sing songs, learn actions to the songs, learn scripture, learn about our Mission Offering for the week, and hear inspirational messages from animal characters of the Southwest.



There were five additional stations of activity: Classroom Time for the daily lesson with each teacher; Movement and Music (tumbling/dance) with Rachael Jennings in our gym; Science Sessions with Suzanne Bellotti; “Kids Vid” Mini Chats about God; and Snack Time!

Thank you to all the parents and families who shared their amazing kids with us during the VBS.

Thank you to all our Volunteers: Sue Bellotti, Director; Teachers: Debbie Hamm, Cindy Price, Charli Gaddy, Berenice Yanez, Ailis Yanez, Peggy Kohl, Rachael Jennings, and Anne Djokic; Miscellaneous Helpers: Lew Evans, Cheryl Bryant, Sylvia Spangler, Julia Cox, Cyndi Leinberger, and Tilda Evans; and Youth Helpers: Julia Murphy and Lanae White.

May your summer continue to be blessed and filled with family time and fun. Remember: God loves you no matter what! God is with you everywhere! God is in charge!

Blessings and peace,

Pastor Anne Djokic

# Trustees' Report

The Trustees have been working toward closing out the remodel contract for the work that began in January of 2021.

The replacement of an incorrect vent in the roof which caused damage to the ceiling in the overflow room has taken place. We expect to see work on the ceiling repair and repainting to begin after the 4th of July. This summer should see new paint in the hallway and overflow room.

Trustees are hoping to be able to release the final payment to Ford Construction in the amount of \$5371.32 after receiving reimbursement for the repairs to the vent and overflow room ceiling. This should bring this project to a close.

The lawns are being well cared for by Robert Salamanca. The shrubs received a trim giving the “White Church on the Corner” that well cared for look. Our thanks to Sveto Djokic for trimming and clearing around the shrubs. Thanks to Tom and Julia Cox for helping to gather up and haul the debris away.



Inside the church we are greeted each Sunday morning with dusted surfaces, vacuumed floors, and all the facilities sparkling and ready for the day. Thank you, Tilda, for taking care of the inside of the building.

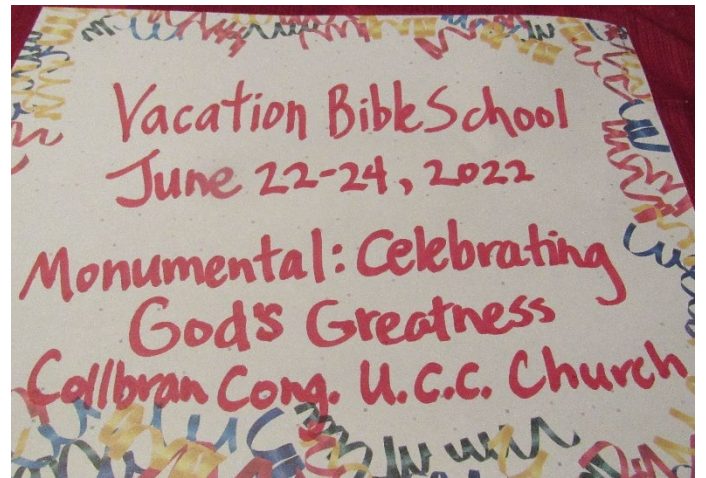
We appreciate all of you and the efforts that go into keeping this building looking good.



## Stewards' Report

The last two months have been active ones for the Stewards. On Mother's Day, they gave gifts of chocolates and inspirational magnets to the mothers. On Father's Day, the Stewards presented the fathers with Enstrom's toffee. They assisted with Vacation Bible School. All of this on top of their regular duties during each service.

# Scenes from VBS 2022



# Women's Fellowship Report

The Women's Fellowship does not meet during the summer months, but that does not mean we are not busy. A luncheon for the family and friends of Nancy Karlson was prepared and served on June 11, 2022, in the dining room. We want to thank the Horizon Club members who provided salads and desserts to go with the sandwich trays prepared by Women's Fellowship. The family was very happy being able to share Nancy's life and legacy in the building and church she loved. Nancy touched so many of us, and we love sharing memories and moments about her with each other.

There will be a luncheon at 2:00 pm following a 1:00 pm service in the sanctuary for Marilyn Eidson on July 16, 2022. Marilyn lived in Collbran for many years with her husband, Jim. She had been living with her daughter, Judy, and son-in-law in California until her death.

Women's Fellowship will be having the dining room, hallway, and kitchen painted this summer. There will be some work done to freshen up the faces and doors of the cabinets in the west end of the dining room and in the kitchen. After having the east hallway redone and the nice new bathrooms, it was decided we didn't want to stop there. Ann Anderson was the last person to take on painting the dining room. It is time to freshen it up.



Women's Fellowship provided and served snacks for Vacation Bible School. Snacks have certainly changed from the cookies and punch I remember as a child to fresh fruit and vegetables, cheese, and salami bites. The children look forward to snacks and were generous with their compliments.

## Treasurer's Report

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>PROFIT OR LOSS</u>
APRIL 2022	\$4746.47	\$4150.09	+ \$596.38
MAY 2022	\$4083.63	\$3383.40	+ \$700.23

# Faces of VBS



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