



# The Mayflower "LOG"

Mayflower Congregational United Church of Christ  
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*We are a people of faith on a journey with Christ.*

*Sunday – In person and Virtual worship at 11:00 am  
Transformation Station – Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
May 18, 2024 – (9:00 – 10:00) Mayflower Food Giveaway*



**Check out the welcome table in the back of the sanctuary.  
There are Bible bookmarks in a cup. Help yourself.**

## WHO ARE WE?

Mayflower opens its heart, faith, and building to a wide variety of community ministries. These include AA and NA support groups, City Elite and Sweethearts Dance teams, emergency shelter for neighboring Liberty School, Calico Kids Preschool, Girls Scouts, and shared space with another church. Mayflower is an Open and Affirming church that welcomes LGBTQIA+ to be a part of the church family. Mayflower's motto is: "We are a people of faith on a journey with Christ." We invite you to join the journey. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Mayflower has a dedicated belief that we need to connect with the community in helpful ways. The mission and outreach board supports a Mayflower Food Share one Saturday a month as well as appointments, free coat rack, Little Free Library and reading bench. The Sunday School organizes a variety of service projects. A multi-generation group supports the Siouxland Back Pack program by filling bags of weekend food for Sioux City school students

### *Do we see Mayflower in this quote?*

"Sunday morning is not my most important day. I don't want to pastor a church that only has church on Sunday and Bible study on Wednesday. I do Sunday morning to gather the troops for Monday."

Quote from Pastor Darius Pridgen 2-13-2023, Buffalo, New York. True Bethel Baptist Church. His church reaches out all week to the community doing God's work for those in need.

## REFLECTIONS FOR May 2024

Psalm 139:13

*You created my inmost being and stitched me together in my mother's womb.*

From John O'Donohue's blessing titled - For Solitude

May you have respect for your individuality and difference.

May you realize that the shape of your soul is unique, that you have a special destiny here, that behind the facade of your life there is something beautiful and eternal happening.

May you learn to see yourself with the same delight pride, and expectation with which God sees you in every moment.

**BIRTHDAYS -May 2024**



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2	Daniel Borrero	26	Mike Frerichs
7	Steve Cunningham	27	Tom Hultquist
10	Emily Molden	30	Jarrett Denker
	Bennett Roe	31	Becca Stingley
16	Elissa Meyer		

**PRAYER REMEMBRANCES May 2024**



**Our Prayers are offered for each one remembered in celebration, and in sorrow.**



Prayers are always needed and welcome by all members and families of Mayflower.

To keep current, we will list any prayer requests that come in during the week, either by phone or email, and announce them during the Sunday worship service. We **ALWAYS** want to make sure your prayer requests are shared and addressed. We will ask that you keep previous prayer requests close to your heart from week to week, and we will list the most current ones.

\*We continue to remember our less mobile members and friends: Shirley, Dorothy M., Buddy, Barb, Kathy, Jeanette, and Joyce

*(Please send your prayer requests to: [Mayflowerucc@gmail.com](mailto:Mayflowerucc@gmail.com))*



*Mayflower has lost another faithful member, friend and a sister in faith, with the passing of Kathy Greene. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.*



## **Kathleen Jones Greene**

**May 31, 1928 — April 12, 2024**

### **Sioux City**

Kathleen Jones Greene of Sioux City, Iowa passed away peacefully on Friday, April 12, 2024. A Celebration of Kathleen's life will be held at Mayflower Congregational Church, 1407 West 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Sioux City, Iowa on Friday, May 3, 2024 at 11:00 A.M.

Kathleen Jones Greene was born May 31, 1928 in Burke, SD to Art and Freda Jones. At four years of age, she moved to Dupree, SD, where she completed her education graduating from high school in 1946. She attended Yankton College in Yankton, SD. Upon completing a two-year certificate, she came to Sioux City to teach. While completing her teaching obligations, she finished her college degree at Morningside College, earning a Bachelor's Degree in 1955. She went on to teach for thirty years before retiring in 1991.

She married Clarence Scott Greene in 1951. Their marriage lasted for sixty-three years until Clarence's death. To that union there were born four children Brad, an infant son, Julie and Alan. During their marriage, she loved travel, games, puzzles, reading, needlepoint, spending time with her kids and grandkids, and playing golf.

Kathleen was active in church activities: teaching Sunday school, teaching Bible School, and substituting as organist.

She was a member of Sun Valley Golf Clubs on Monday and Thursday. She was also a member of Couples Club at Hidden Acres with her husband. She belonged to FA TTT. She was a longtime member of the Siouxland Y and the Four Seasons Club, while actively pursuing a program of exercise.

Kathleen is preceded in death by her husband Clarence, her daughter Julie, an infant son, her brothers Leland and Larry and her parents.

She is survived by sons, Bradley of Sioux City and Alan (Catherine) of Freeport, IL; three grandchildren, Caitlin (Cody) Burns, Conor (Torey) Greene, and Ashling Greene; and great-grandchild, Caylee.



## **Board of Trustees**

**Oh, No.....**

The commercial refrigerator in the kitchen in the lower level has burned out. The refrigerator was more than 20 years old. The problem was identified by Vicki Warner who checks the temperature of the refrigerators on a weekly basis. (That is a requirement of the Department of Health because we store foods to given out during our food give-away.) The repairman was called and stated that the refrigerator motor was very hot and could have easily started a fire. THANK YOU, Vicki for reporting this problem immediately. The Trustees are exploring options for the removal of the old unit and replacing it with a new (or used or refurbished) one.

### **Nice Weather - Time for Outside Projects**

The Trustees discussed and approved the painting of the windows on the south side of the building. The gardens will be cleaned and the yard raked in the near future, weather permitting. Lawn mowing service was approved at the last meeting. The same person who did the snow removal will be mowing the yard on a weekly basis.

**Remember - the Mayflower Church building will be 100 years old in June.  
A celebration is being planned for June 23.**



## **Christian Education**

### ***Transformation Station AKA Sunday School/Youth***

#### **Good News**

Carter Hammer, West High Sophomore, was the lead in the musical Newsies. He shared his talents in singing, dancing, and acting. The students brought the house down with cheers and clapping. Proud of you Carter. We look forward to seeing you in your junior and senior years.

Kylie Elgert is graduating from West High this year. She has participated in many, many leadership activities at school and is graduating with honors.. One of the activities was her talent in volleyball. Her academic and athletic talents are taking her to University of Dubuque in eastern Iowa. Good luck on your next journey!

#### **Youth Sunday**

Mark your calendars for May 19 for Youth Sunday Worship Service. The children and youth will participate in the service. This is always an uplifting day.

### ***Adult Bible Study***

The Group is now exploring Resurrection. You're welcome to come and enjoy the life-long learning and fun! We meet every other Sunday. If you're interested in joining a 2 P. M. Zoom session, or would like to ask a question, please contact Bob Fritzmeier (712) 899-6418, leave a voicemail if need be; or [bobfritzmeier@yahoo.com](mailto:bobfritzmeier@yahoo.com), subject line "Adult Bible Group."



## **Transition Team**

The team and friends have several activities to participate in. The Pride Parade May 30, Pride Festival Community Resource Fair June 1, Unity in the Community event in a westside park (date to be announced), and the Westside Coalition park event (date/place to be announced).



### **General Synod United Church of Christ 2025**

Put your thinking cap on. Look to the future. The UCC General Synod will be in Kansas City in **2025**. That is an easy drive from Sioux City. Let's plan and consider going to General Synod in 2025. Never too early to think about it.....



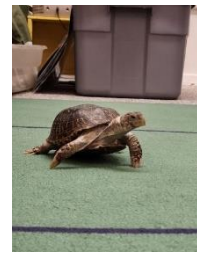
## **Calico Kids Preschool**

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The preschool is taking registrations for next fall. Please share this with neighbors and friends and family. Children 3yr-5yrs can attend. The preschool telephone number is 255-7441 and the director is Amber Porter.



We had a visit from Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center and they brought some reptile friends for us to see and touch!



## **Board of Mission and Outreach**

We feed an average of 432 people each month at our Mayflower Food Giveaways. Last month we fed nearly 500, so we know people need our support more than ever. We had a recent setback when one of our 2 refrigerators quit working. It was over 25 years old! Vicki faithfully checks the temperatures in our refrigerators and freezers each week, and discovered the problem. We are working with our friends at Ace Refrigeration, and hope to purchase 2 refrigerators for our basement kitchen very soon. Stay tuned for more information.

We have stopped putting out coats on the coat tree, but will resume again in October. We are still working with contractors on the repair of the back door.

Also, we are asking all members and friends of Mayflower to double check the back door when leaving if they have used that door, It has left unlocked on several occasions.. We're asking all people who use the building to just double check and lock the door,.

We are continuing to serve our neighbors each month with the food giveaway and we appreciate all the volunteers who come to help. You can see our latest numbers on the next page.

Sat., May 18, 2024                      (9:00 am -10:00 am)      Mayflower Food Giveaway

<b>Mayflower Food Giveaway</b>					
<b>April 20, 2024</b>					
	<b>Vehicles/ transportation</b>	<b>Adults In families</b>	<b>Children In families</b>	<b>Families</b>	<b>Total people reached</b>
<b>Drive-ups</b>	<b>*73</b>	<b>*228</b>	<b>*208</b>	<b>*115</b>	<b>*436</b>
<b>Walk-ups</b>	<b>*2</b>	<b>*4</b>	<b>*6</b>	<b>*3</b>	<b>*10</b>
<b>Deliveries</b>	<b>*11</b>	<b>*41</b>	<b>*6</b>	<b>*23</b>	<b>*47</b>
<b>Totals #s</b>	<b>*86</b>	<b>*273</b>	<b>*220</b>	<b>*141</b>	<b>*493</b>
<b>Foods</b>	<b>bread and other baked goods, pork loins, shredded beef, hams, shrimp, canned pears, canned green beans, canned corn, canned peas, potato flakes, egg noodles, spaghetti sauce, canned garbanzo beans, walnuts, lentils, red apples, cuties, margarine, sour cream, coffee, and eggs</b>				
<b>Other notes</b>	<b>The day was cold and windy! Rod, from Zestos, brought eggs and bread the day of the Giveaway.</b>				

Volunteers: 18

<b>Members</b>	<b>Friends of Mayflower</b>
Julie	Amber Anderson
Linda	Hanna Anderson
Brad	Deb Johnson
Bob	Lucinda
Mary	Kathy
Karen	Gary
Sheena	Ella
Vicki	
Anaiah	
Anna	
Robert	

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***Activities around Mayflower***

**Important New Information**

**One Hundred Year Old Building**

Did you know that in 2024 the Mayflower Congregational United Church of Christ building will be 100 years old? Our beautiful building was built in 1923-24 when the quickly expanding membership outgrew the second Mayflower building at 14th and Myrtle Street. The new building cost about \$85,000. The first service was held on June 22 of 1924. The congregation assembled at the old church and the procession walked to the new church at 18th and Rebecca Street. The picture of that first day is hanging in the West Parlor.

We have started to put together some ideas on how we can celebrate this significant milestone in the best way! We are always open for suggestions. You may contact Mary Groen, or Linda Cron with some ideas, and you are also welcome to come and help us go through a LOT of historical documents and other treasures we've been discovering.

**A celebration is being planned for June 23.**

Stay tuned for further details!



## CALENDAR LOG ENTRY –May 2024

<b>Sun. Apr. 28</b>	<b>Sunday School 9:45</b>
<b>Fri. May 3</b>	<b>In-Person AND Virtual Worship on Facebook @ 11:00 am</b>
<b>Sun. May 5</b>	<b>Funeral for Kathy Greene 11:00 am</b>
	<b>Sunday School 9:45</b>
<b>Sun. May 12</b>	<b>In-Person AND Virtual Worship on Facebook @ 11:00 am</b>
	<b>Sunday School 9:45</b>
<b>Wed. May 15</b>	<b>In-Person AND Virtual Worship on Facebook @ 11:00 am</b>
	<b>Trustees Mtg. @ 6:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Sat. May 18</b>	<b>Mission/Outreach by Zoom @ 7:00 pm</b>
<b>Sun. May 19</b>	<b>Mayflower Food Giveaway 9:00 – 10:00 am</b>
	<b>Sunday School 9:45</b>
<b>Sun. May 26</b>	<b>In-Person AND Virtual Worship on Facebook @ 11:00 am</b>
	<b>Sunday School 9:45</b>
<b>Mon. May 27</b>	<b>In-Person AND Virtual Worship on Facebook @ 11:00 am</b>
	<b>Memorial Day</b>

### ADULT BIBLE STUDY

We are now meeting every other week. If you're interested in joining the learning and fun on the 2:00 pm zoom sessions, please contact Bob Fritzmeier, (712) 899-6418, leave a voicemail; or contact [bobfritzmeier@yahoo.com](mailto:bobfritzmeier@yahoo.com). answer by email. It's always good to learn something new.

