

The Steeple Newsletter – July & August, 2025



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

In-person and online

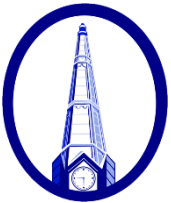
9:30 AM

ALL ARE WELCOME

The Williston Federated Church offers hybrid worship—both in person and online—each Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. You can view our weekly Sunday bulletin and other church activities/communications on our webpage at:

<http://www.steeple.org/>

We continue to live stream our service on Facebook at: [Facebook.com/WillistonFederatedChurch](https://www.facebook.com/WillistonFederatedChurch)



Williston Federated Church



United Church of Christ and United Methodist Church
Federated in 1899



Open and Affirming, Reconciling Pledge

We, the Williston Federated Church, declare ourselves to be an Open and Affirming, Reconciling congregation. With God's grace, we seek to be a congregation that includes all persons, embracing differences of sexual orientation, gender, marital status, age, mental and physical ability as well as racial, ethnic, or social-economic background. We welcome all to share in the life and leadership, ministry and fellowship, worship sacraments, responsibilities, and blessings of participation in our congregation. (Adopted by the Williston Federated Church congregation in 2006.)



July 1st – Nancy Stone
 July 2nd – Dylan LeBlanc
 July 5th – Ashley Dubois & Rose Hanson
 July 7th – Pastor Paul
 July 8th – Lauren Vaughan
 July 11th - Lester Durett & Jane Stickney
 July 12th – Heather Lewis & Dan Pillsbury
 July 13th – Dean Lewis
 July 14th – Karen Allen
 July 16th - Sarah Flynn
 July 18th – Rebecca Dubois
 July 21st – Ted Marcy
 July 24th - Sandy Twombly
 July 26th – Jude Hersey & Diane Davis
 July 27th – Jackie Lingelbach
 July 28th – Janet Anderson & Mary Lue Rodes
 July 31st – Kim Hornung-Marcy



July 6th - Leon & Petronella Grobler
 July 14th - Scott & Sue Leister
 July 26th - Brian & Amy Vaughan



August 2nd - Jessica Rivera
 August 4th - Marty Connelly
 August 5th – Betsy Shuey
 August 6th - Lizzy Pope
 August 9th - Hillery Brunet
 August 13th - Susan Lamb
 August 15th – Hillary Andrews
 August 23rd - Leon Grobler
 August 30th - Debbie Kilpatrick
 August 31st - Davis Allen & Charlie Magill



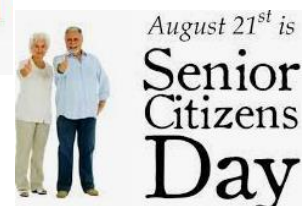
August 5th - Dean & Heather Lewis
 August 15th - Paul & Susie Dickin
 August 23rd - Adam Hall & Simone O'Flaherty
 August 27th - Carlos & Jan Mejia
 August 30th - Gil & Mary Lue Rodes

We rejoice with and give thanks for these members of our church family who are celebrating birthdays in July and August. We would love to celebrate your birthday/anniversary in the monthly newsletter.

If you would like to be included, please send names & dates to Carol Bouchard, Membership Committee Chair, at carolbouchard@gmail.com



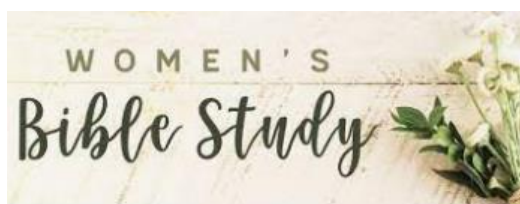
What's happening



Monday Morning Centering Prayer Group

The Centering Prayer Group meets on Mondays with a start time of 10:45am. The Centering Prayer group gathers via Zoom ONLY for silent prayer and Bible discussion. This is a zoom only meeting. It will open at 10:45; 11-11:20 Silent Prayer; 11:20-12:00 discussion of the Bible Passage of the day along with lunch;

12-1pm continuation of lunch and visiting. For Zoom code or questions, call/text Donna Fellingner at 802-355-1700 or email at donnafeelingervt@gmail.com



Women's Bible Study

Dr. Sally Stockwell Metro facilitates a group that has been meeting regularly since early 2022. This women's Bible study meets both in person in the Sitting Room (near Church office) and on ZOOM on Mondays from 1:30-2:30pm. If you

are interested, please contact Sally at ssmetro9@gmail.com

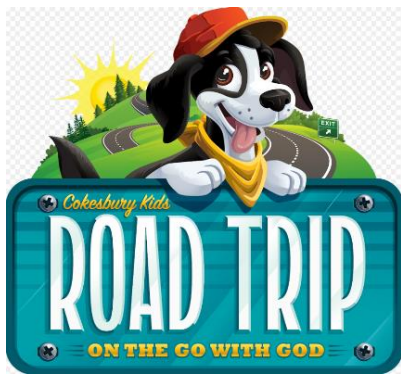


Church Book Club

Our Church Book Club is continuing its monthly meetings throughout the summer. Here are our book choices for the coming months:

July 16: 'The Briar Club' by Kate Quinn. We will meet at Jane Stickney's house at 32 Hickory Hill Rd. And on August 20: "James" by Everett Ruess.

I hope that you can all attend our summer meetings. Lois Mason loismason418@gmail.com



Faith, Fellowship and Fun!

This summer, we invite you to join us on a Road Trip! Children ages 3-12 are invited to travel on an exciting journey with us! Through stories, games, crafts and science experiments, Travelers will discover new places, new friends, and see God's goodness and presence everywhere. Mark your calendars! Friday, July 18th through Sunday, July 20th

Friday kickoff starting with FREE dinner 5:30pm – 7:30pm

Saturday 9:00am – 4:00pm snacks and lunch will be provided

Sunday 9:30am worship service followed by a cookout celebration

To register for Faith Fellowship Fun, please

visit www.steeple.org or <https://forms.gle/wG9hBxhXySA6qhgw6>

FFF Volunteers!

Our group of Roadies is coming together, but we still need some more travelers to join us!

We are looking for adult and youth Navigators to join our team for Faith Fellowship Fun! Want to help lead some games or crafts? Ever wanted to try your hand at puppetry? Please check out the sign up on the bulletin board downstairs. Many hands make for smooth sailing on our Road Trip!



Smile for the Camera

The Membership Committee is putting together an updated pictorial directory, and we need your help. Please email a family photo to [Carol Bouchard](mailto:Carol.Bouchard@willistonfed.org) by July 15th.

- If you prefer, Heather Lewis will be on hand June 15th & 22nd before & after church to take your family photo. She will have her Easter photo booth set up (minus the Easter eggs).
- For any who are happy with the photo from the 2023 directory, let [Carol](mailto:Carol.Bouchard@willistonfed.org) know and we will use that one.
- If you prefer not to be included, please let [Carol](mailto:Carol.Bouchard@willistonfed.org) know.



Copies of the new directory will be available in September.



Request for Summer Music

Do you have a musical talent you would like to share with us this summer? Williston Federated Church has Sundays in July and August where we would love to have you perform during the anthem time while the choir is on vacation. It could be playing an instrument, singing a solo or as a group, or even a dance and song routine. No

auditions are required. We are also looking for those who could play piano, organ or keyboard during summer Sundays.



Join in the Fun on July 4th and Walk in the Parade

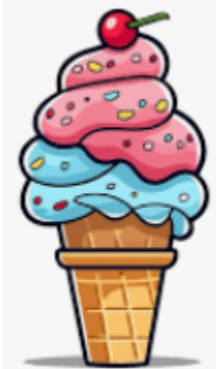
Walking as a group in the July 4th parade has been a Williston Federated Church tradition for many years. Park your car at the church and walk to the Johnson Farm, 8627 Williston Rd. by 9:30 am. Seed packets with FFF information will be provided to pass out along the parade route. The parade is about 1.1 mile through the village, ending on Old Stage Rd. Contact [Cathi Brody](#), our group organizer, to let her know you plan to walk or if you have any questions.



Ice Cream Social July 3rd on the Town Green

WFC is once again hosting Williston's Independence Day Ice Cream Social, to be held July 3rd beginning at 6:30 PM on the town green. The event runs concurrently with the band concert, as well as the Friends of the Library Book Sale. It has been a popular Williston tradition for many years.

Volunteers are needed to prepare a hot chocolate topping, set up, serve ice cream & toppings, accept donations, and clean up. Proceeds will benefit CVU 's ROC (Rooted Organizing Community also formerly known as Refugee Outreach Club). A sign up will appear in a future bulletin. Thank you!



Ice Cream on the Town Green this Summer

Join us July 16th & 30th and Aug. 13th from 6:30-8:00 pm at the Town Band Concert. We will be on hand to greet concert goers and hand out ice cream. In case of rain, the concert will be in the WCS auditorium, and we will be outside under the portico. It's a great community outreach. Sign up on the bulletin board at church. Contact [Carol Bouchard](#) for more information. Sponsored by the Vitality Team.



Pastor – Reverend Paul Eyer
Emeritus Associate Pastor – Charlie Magill
Lay Leader – Ashley Dubois
Church Office Administrator – Pamela Osborne
Music Director – Adam Hall
Organist – Carolyn Pillsbury
Choir Accompanist – Suiong Wong
Nursery Caregiver – Michelle Davis