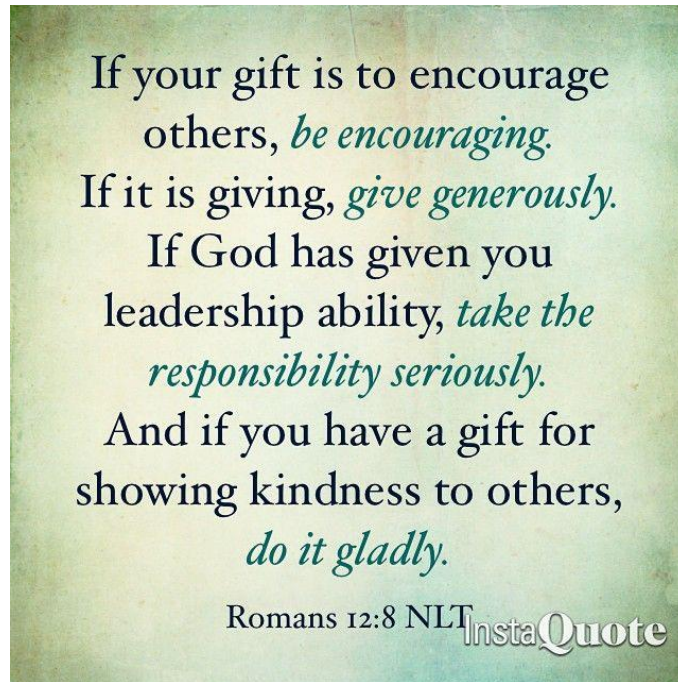


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August represents my 1 year anniversary of being your pastor here in Boulder Junction! WOW! SO much has happened in our church and in our town! It has truly been a joyful journey. My wife and kids have been so grateful and charmed to live in our beautiful town.

In any anniversary, there is time to reflect on the past year and the milestones we experienced together. While there are always things to work on and work through, I have seen us come through a winter together (physically and spiritually) to a delicate springtime. We have had some staff retire and new team members join us. We have had new music enter our services that draws in young and old alike. New studies have risen to give our church family the opportunity to grow. We are still walking a visionary journey that will bring us to more opportunities and victories in the future.

It is because of you. You have been committed to our journey. You have given of your time. You have used your gifts. You have prayed diligently. You have joined in our discussions both in study time and on Sunday mornings. Together, we continue to walk forward, gratefully, and humbly, with the expectation that God is leading and working in us.

Zephaniah 3:17

For the Lord your God is living among you.
He is a mighty savior. He will take delight in
you with gladness. With his love, he will calm
all your fears. He will rejoice over you with
joyful songs.

With much joy and love,
Pastor Nathan

Lectionary Readings for August 2023

August 6th

- Psalms 17:1-7
- First Reading: Genesis 32:22-31
- Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5
- Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

August 12th (Saturday)

- Psalms 105:1-6, 16-22. 45b
- First Reading: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
- Second Reading: Romans 10:5-15
- Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

August 20

- Psalms 133
- First Reading: Genesis 45:1-15
- Second Reading: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
- Gospel: Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28

August 27th

- Psalms: 124
- First Reading: Exodus 1:8-2:10
- Second Reading: Romans 12:1-8
- Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20



**Worship
Service,
Saturday**

August 12th, 5:00PM

**Participate in our
Evening worship
service prior to a
busy Musky Day
Sunday.**

No service Sunday Aug. 13.



**Join us, Sunday August 20th , 11AM in the
Fellowship Hall to learn of the exciting
things happening and
a glimpse into
the future of**



**Community Church
of Boulder Junction**



Birthdays and Anniversaries August 2023

8/1 Jody Wilsie
 8/3 **Dick & Moe Nelson**
 8/7 Adara Keisler
Jim & Nancy Naylor
 8/8 Bruce Greenhill
 John Logan
 8/11 Duane Marquardt
 8/15 **Duane & Joyce Marquardt**
 Lloyd Giles
 8/19 **Dave & Prudy Sullivan**
 8/21 Donna Richardson
 8/26 Champ Ruffner
 8/28 Dennis Westphal
 8/31 Sadie Keisler



Aug 6th Mary Anderson & Joyce Marquardt
 *Aug 12th Lee Ann Ondracek & Deb Halverson
 Aug 20th Betty Clough & Diana Dunker
 Aug 27th Bud & Sue Kliensmith
 *(Saturday)

If anyone would like to join the team for ushering and greeting our congregation on Sundays, let me know. Thank you to all who help in any area.
 Joyce Marquardt (715/385-2720)



Aug. 6th Steve Sherriff
 *Aug. 12th Luella Doss
 Aug. 20th Tari McGriff
 Aug. 27th Mary Congdon
 *(Saturday)

August Special Gifts

Aug. 6th Pastor Nathan
 *Aug 12th Sara Poisson
 Aug 20th Susie Paulson
 Aug 27th Steve Sherriff
 *(Saturday)

If you wish to offer "special gifts," please contact Gracie (Chirp) Vickerstaff at 715-356-3315 or call the church office to schedule a date.

Are you ready to Talk Turkey???

It's time to begin planning for this
years

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER. (11/15/23)

But who will lead us?

If you are interested in participating in this beloved community event, please contact the church office so that your information can be shared and the planning can begin.



PRAYER CHAIN

Praying for one another is an integral ministry of our Christian journey. If you are in need of prayer or would like to be a part of our prayer chain, please contact Shelby Tallroth at 715-605-2665 or shelby.tallroth@gmail.com. She can add you and your requests to our Prayer Chain.

From the Church Office . . .

COMMUNION

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be observed at the worship service August 6, 2023.

COUNCIL MEETING

Church Council meets Tuesday, August 8th, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Prior to the Council meeting, Elders Department meets at 4:00 p.m. Watch the Sunday bulletin or check the BIG wall calendar for announcements of when other departments or committees meet.

WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to place an announcement in the weekly bulletin, please submit it to the church office by Wednesday afternoon.

FILL IN THE CALANDAR

Laurie requests that Departments, Committees, and others put meeting notices on the large format calendar across from the office. This information is used to inform every one of the happenings in the church through bulletin announcements.

SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE

The week of Musky Day our Worship Service will be held on Saturday August 12th at 5:00 pm instead of Sunday August 13th. We look forward to seeing you then.

TOWN HALL MEETING

Sunday August 20th at 11:00am in the Fellowship Hall following worship service. Join together to learn of the new and exciting things happening in your church.

FOOD PANTRY

The community Food Pantry is requesting the following donations for August: hairbrushes, feminine hygiene products, deodorant, laundry soap, hand cream, Kleenex, toothpaste, and dish soap. Items can be dropped off at the church or directly at the pantry on Thursdays when open.

TREASURER'S REPORT

	Income	Expense	Net Income
June	\$ 17,238.74	\$ 28,807.08	\$ -11,568.34
Fiscal YTD	\$207,816.05	\$217,488.69	\$ -9,672.64
Annual Budget	\$222,750.00	\$228,135.00	\$ -5,388.00

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering Envelopes, which are provided by the church for your weekly or monthly offering will be (re)ordered in August. If you wish to change the number of envelopes (Weekly-52, Monthly-12) you receive or you wish to begin receiving envelopes, please contact Laurie at the church office. Just a reminder, offerings envelopes are not required. Any gifts received that include your contact information will be credited to you and included in your Annual Giving Report at the end of the year. This includes those given through our Online Giving and Text to give options.

This QR code is created to assist our electronic option to giving.



YOUR Feedback is Requested

The Pastoral Relations Committee (PRC) would appreciate your feedback. The purpose of this feedback is to assist the pastor by growing, improving, and continually developing his ministry for our congregation.

Feedback forms are in the Fellowship Hall and ask that you please complete and submit ASAP.

Please place your forms in the box named

"Congregational Feedback".

Questions should be answered in the spirit of Christian love.

CHURCH COUNCIL REPORTS

July 11, 2023

The Council meeting was called to order at 5:31pm.

Devotions were presented by the Department of Missions.

Minutes for the June 13, 2023, meeting was approved as corrected.

Treasurers Report was presented and approved.

Pastor's Report reminded everyone of the Annual meeting on July 23rd and there will be another Town Hall meeting in August.

Department Reports: Christian Education: Pastor Nathan discussed the three upcoming studies. Stewardship of Finances presented the 2023/2024 draft budget that will be presented at the

Annual meeting. Property Department motioned to accept a bid from Northland Seal and Coat to sealcoat and stripe the parking lot. Motion approved. Worship and Music reported only 44 households were interested in a photo directory which does not meet the minimum needed. Personnel presented a change to the Treasurer job description to be Finance Manager. Motion Approved.

The next Council meeting is August 8, 2023, at 5:30 pm.

Editor's Note: Church Council minutes are available on the bulletin board outside the office. Copies are available. Contact the office manager to pick one up or have mailed to you.

The Annual Meeting of the Community Church was held July 23rd at 10:45 a.m. Thank You to all who participated in this especially important church function.

Your participation resulted in:

- sharing of information about the past year in our church,
- election of new department members for the Church Council,
- approval of the 2023-2024 church budget,
- approval of the proposed amendments to the Bylaws.

The discussion, questions and conversations surrounding the above, added richness and context to each component. The consensus of those in attendance, "the future of Community Church of Boulder Junction looks bright". Congratulations to the new council members and thank you for the gifts you will share.

A more complete summary and a full list of the Department members will be available soon. For a copy of the Annual Report, you can go to our website <https://www.commchbj.org/> or pick one up at the church.



Christian Education Opportunities.

Lectionary Study – Wednesday 10AM.
In the church conference room.
Led by Pastor Nathan

Book Club. “The Screwtape Letters” by C.S. Lewis. Meets Weds. August 23rd, 5-6:30 for book discussion.
Plan to read the book prior to meeting.
A potluck meal will be shared.
Contact Govier’s to get the book and more details. 608-381-0944
Led by Sue & Dick Govier.

The “Bible Project” Video.
Sundays at 9:10am.
In the Church Conference Room.
Led by Steve Sherriff

The Chosen series.
Continues Tuesdays , 6:30-8PM
At the Boulder Junction Community Center, Nordloff Room.
Come, join, and invite a friend.
Led by Pastor Nathan & Dennis Duke.

It is not too soon to think of how you can be a blessing to Children around the World.
Watch for more information.



Northwoods Psalm

The Lord is my Companion. I shall not want.
He walks with me wherever I go.
I find special peace in His beautiful places.
The flowers and the forests quiet me.
He soothes my spirit with the whisper of the wind
And the songs of the birds.
He paints the skies with glorious colors
Reflected in the still waters of the lakes.
He fills the night with a million stars and
The moon lights up the landscape.
He restores my soul.

Thought I walk through dangerous valleys,
I will not fear, for you are with me.
Your strength and love comfort me,
You heal my hurts and guilts.
You provide abundantly all that I really need.
You have provided for me a feast of LOVE.
And surround me with caring family and friends.
Your blessings have been given me everyday of my life
And I know that **YOU WILL KEEP ME IN THE PLACE
OF YOUR LOVE FOREVER,**

Adapted from the 23 Psalm
By Shirley Dolittle
Submitted by Josie Allen

Thank You to all who participated in our Strawberry Shortcake Sundae fundraiser at the Boulder Junction Community Center July 18th.



The team of volunteers did a wonderful job serving delicious desserts to 168 delighted customers, many of whom return to this event year after year.
And thanks to several donations in addition to the general sales, nearly \$1000 will go to support youth activities and scholarships for our church family.
We hope you had an opportunity to stop by to enjoy this special treat and we look forward to seeing you next year.

August 2023

Community Church of Boulder Junction



A Summer Blessing

For more light in the day, we thank you; For gentle mornings, we thank you
 For nighttime conversations, we thank you. For friends and family, we thank you.
 For gardens and all manner of creatures, we thank you.
 Help us. Creator and lover of our souls. Help us love this earth.
 Help us dwell wholeheartedly in our lives this day.
 Help us pray as we walk, work, play, rest and create. **AMEN**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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 (Or before) so there is time to place everything and distribute prior to the end of each month.
 Thank You Wendi Neupert